



BEDFORD POLICE

2013

ANNUAL REPORT



Message from Police Chief Roger Gibson



On behalf of all the dedicated men and women of the Bedford Police Department, I am pleased to present our 2013 Annual Report. The Annual Report provides an overview of our criminal and traffic stats and a brief summary of all the Divisions that report under the Police Department.

Our goal as an organization is to provide exceptional police services, thereby enhancing the safety and security of our residents and visitors. Along with the hard work of the members of the Department, the success of our organization is highly dependent upon the partnership and support we have with the community.

Some of our 2013 highlights include the following:

Mobile Observation Tower – In October 2013, the Department purchased a mobile observation tower utilizing asset forfeiture/seizure funds. Once delivered, the tower was equipped with multiple camera recording devices that were funded through the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. The tower is strategically deployed based on crime data and is manned entirely by volunteers.

Repeat Victimization Unit (RVU) – Although officially launched in late 2012, this was the first full year of operation for the Unit. The Unit, (which is designed primarily to assist citizens who are repeatedly victimized either through domestic violence or those who suffer from untreated or undiagnosed mental ailments), has made a lot of progress over the course of only one year. Due to their efforts, the Unit has recently received local, state and national media attention.

Code Compliance Division – In June 2013, the Police Department assumed management of the Code Compliance Division. The Code Compliance Division is responsible for routine patrols and responding to calls for service relating to codes that affect the quality of life and aesthetics within the City. The Division, which consists of four civilian Code Compliance Officers and one Code Compliance Technician, is supervised by a Police Corporal.

Although faced with a lot of new challenges/changes, 2013 proved to be another successful year. The Bedford Police Department invites you to join us in keeping our city a safe community by participating in programs, such as the Citizens Police Academy, Volunteers in Policing Services (VIPS), or a neighborhood crime watch. We look forward to partnering with you to continue to make Bedford an attractive and viable family and business community.

Mission Statement

The Bedford Police Department and its members believe in the dignity and worth of all people. We are committed to:

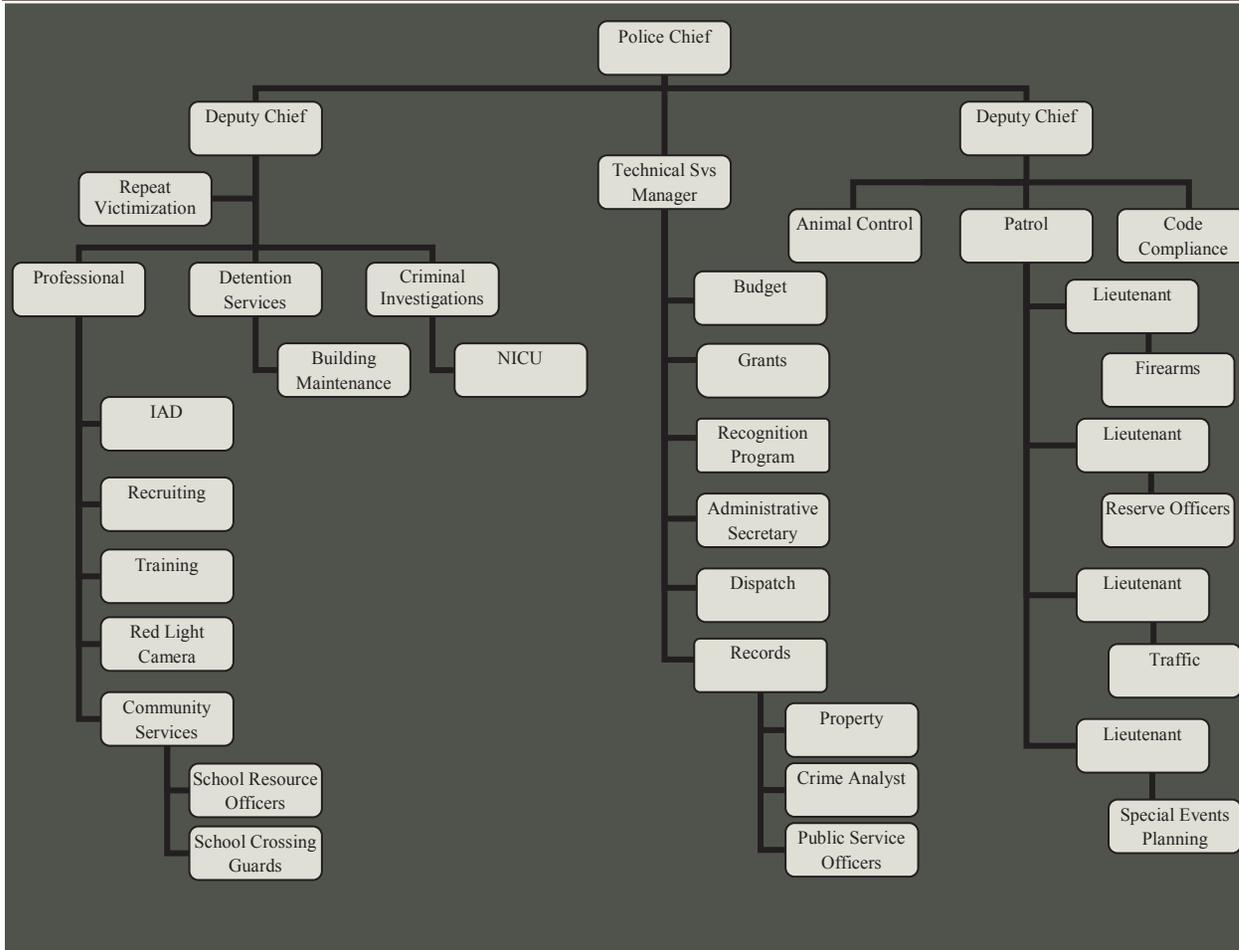
- Providing high quality community-orienting policing services with sensitivity;
- Protecting constitutional rights;
- Problem solving;
- Teamwork;
- Openness;
- Planning for the future; and
- Providing leadership to the police profession.

The commitment of the Bedford Police Department is to provide high quality law enforcement services to the citizens of this community. In addition, the Police Department is committed to the philosophy and organizational strategy of community-policing. Community-policing promotes a partnership between citizens and the police department and is based on the premise that the police and community must work together to improve the quality of life within the community. In the pursuit of these commitments, our mission statement is adhered to in the fulfillment of all departmental activities.

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Organizational Structure



Department Budget

GENERAL FUND	FY 2012/2013	FY 2013/2014	% Chg
Personnel Services	\$9,577,628	\$9,741,892	+2%
Supplies	354,330	372,955	+5%
Maintenance	91,955	96,845	+5%
Contractual Services	201,545	318,810	+58%
Utilities	147,750	147,750	0%
Debt & Transfers	3,235	3,235	0%
Capital Outlay	140,000	140,000	0%
TOTALS	\$10,516,443	\$10,821,487	+3%



Notable Information

The above budget information does not include the following funds:
 *Drug Enforcement Fund, which totals \$15,000
 *Traffic Safety Fund, which totals \$183,929

Personnel represent 90% of the Police Department's total budget.

Crime Statistics

ABOUT STATISTICS

In this area, law enforcement agencies report their crime statistics under one of two reporting systems, either UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) or NIBRS (National Information Based Reporting System). There are distinct differences between the two reporting systems. The FBI describes the difference as follows:

“In the (UCR) Summary reporting system, the “Hierarchy Rule” governs multiple offenses reporting. If more than one crime was committed by the same person or group of persons and the time and space intervals separating the crimes were insignificant, then the crime highest in the hierarchy is the only offense reported. Agencies do not use the Hierarchy Rule in the NIBRS. If more than one crime was committed by the same person or group of persons and the time and space intervals were insignificant, all of the crimes are reported as offenses within the same incident. For example, if a criminal burglarizes a residence and assaults the inhabitant, only the assault is reported as it takes precedent over the burglary (in UCR reporting) on the Hierarchy Rule. NIBRS reports all offenses involved in a particular incident (i.e. one burglary and one assault).”

These reporting differences can lead to significant discrepancies when accurately attempting to compare crime statistics where some report under UCR and some report under NIBRS.

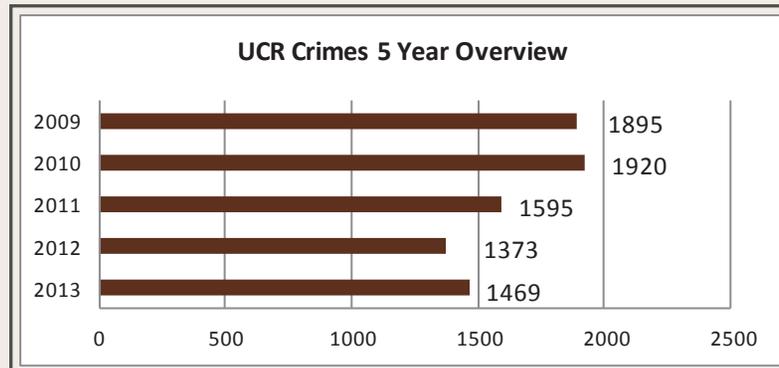
In order to make an "apples to apples" comparison with other agencies, the Bedford Police Department is now providing annual violent crime and property crime data in both NIBRS and UCR formats on our website at www.bedfordpolice.com.

Department Statistics - Three Year Comparison

	2013	2012	2011
Budget (millions)	\$10.8	\$10.5	\$10.2
Police Staff:			
Commissioned/Peace Officer (Does Not Include 3 Frozen Positions)	81	80	80
Non-Commissioned/Civilian	56	52	52
UCR Crime Rate Per Resident	3.0%	2.8%	3.3%
Calls for Service	23,329	25,360	25,415
Priority 1 Calls	2,969	3,753	3,719
Priority 1 Response Time	5:40	5:01	4:19
Traffic & Non-Moving Citations	16,393	13,683	15,945
Vehicle Accidents	1,582	1,624	1,366
Adult Arrests	2,578	2,802	3,487

UCR vs NIBRS Part I Crime

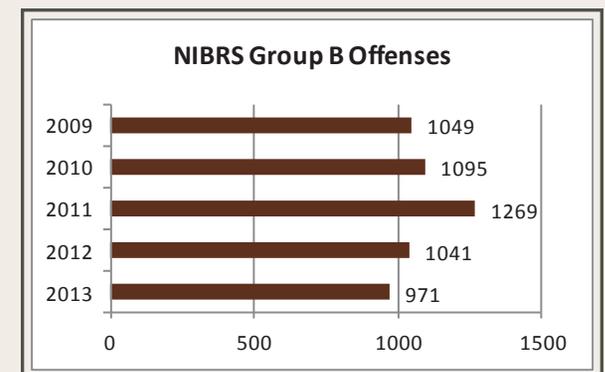
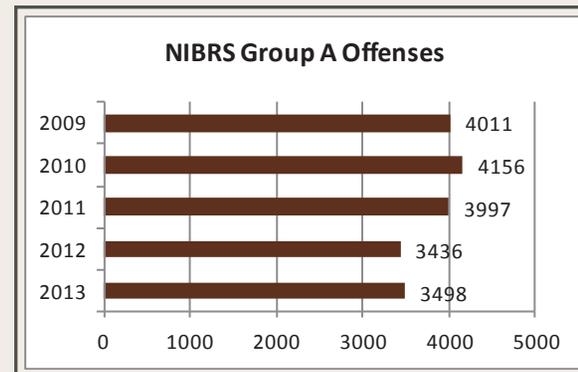
	UCR			NIBRS		
	2013	2012	2011	2013	2012	2011
Violent Crime:						
Murder	1	1	0	2	1	0
Rape	17	24	23	24	29	42
Robbery	29	28	20	37	29	22
Aggravated Assault	134	88	97	166	110	141
Property Crime:						
Arson	0	0	0	2	2	6
Burglary	244	265	372	250	274	378
Theft	991	903	1,002	1,075	1,023	1,095
Auto Theft	53	64	81	69	82	100
TOTALS	1,469	1,373	1,595	1,625	1,550	1,784



NIBRS Crime Statistics

Group A	2013 Offenses
Arson	2
Assault, Aggravated	166
Assault, Simple	371
Assault; Intimidation	53
Bribery	0
Burglary (Breaking & Entering)	250
Counterfeiting & Forgery	70
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	316
Drug & Narcotic Violations	504
Drug Equipment Violations	196
Embezzlement	1
Fraud; False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	28
Fraud; Credit Card/ATM Fraud	69
Fraud; Wire Fraud	0
Fraud; Impersonation	209
Gambling; Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0
Homicide; Murder & Non-negligent Manslaughter	2
Kidnapping/Abduction	5
Larceny/Theft; Pocket-Picking	1
Larceny/Theft; Purse Snatching	1
Larceny/Theft; Shoplifting	180
Larceny/Theft; From Building	75
Larceny/Theft; From Coin-Operated Machine	7
Larceny/Theft; From Motor Vehicle	352
Larceny/Theft; Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	76
Larceny/Theft; All Other Larceny	383
Motor Vehicle Theft	69
Pornography/Obscene Material	5
Prostitution	1
Robbery	37
Sex Offense; Forcible Rape	15
Sex Offense; Forcible Sodomy	3
Sex Offense; Sexual Assault with an Object	1
Sex Offense; Forcible Fondling	5
Sex Offense; Incest	0
Sex Offense; Statutory Rape	0
Stolen Property Offenses	19
Weapon Law Violations	26

Group B	2013 Offenses
Bad Checks	1
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violation	12
Disorderly Conduct	126
Driving Under the Influence	226
Drunkenness	278
Family Offenses; Non-Violent	17
Liquor Law Violation	35
Peeping Tom	0
Runaway	87
Trespass of Real Property	40
All Other Offenses	150



Patrol Division

The Patrol Division encompasses the largest number of personnel in the Police Department. The Patrol Division's primary responsibilities are responding to calls for service and providing preventative neighborhood patrols. In addition, the Patrol Division utilizes volunteers who serve as Police Reserve Officers and can assist the Patrol Division in their daily operations.



	2012	2013	% Chg 12-13
Calls for Service	25,360	23,329	-8%
Officer Initiated Calls	35,227	32,088	-9%
Case Reports Generated	5,962	5,793	-3%
Traffic Citations	3,723	4,718	27%
Adult Arrests	2,801	2,578	-8%

Traffic Division

The Traffic Division is responsible for responding to accidents and providing education on occupant safety. In addition, this Division is charged with the responsibility of gaining compliance with state traffic laws and city ordinances through selective traffic enforcement programs. The Traffic Division is comprised of five motorcycle officers and two traffic car officers.



	2012	2013	% Chg
Accident Reports	1,624	1,582	-3%
Hit and Run Accidents	136	144	6%
Traffic Citations	9,960	8,858	-11%



Dispatch Division

Averaged 165 Calls Per Day in 2013*

The Dispatch Division assists the public with emergency and non-emergency requests for assistance and the prompt and accurate dispatching of police, fire and emergency medical personnel.

When a call from the public is received, the Dispatch Division determines the nature and location of the emergency, determines the priority of the call, and dispatches the appropriate emergency units as necessary.



The Dispatch Division is the base of operation for all

radio traffic and the collection and dissemination of information relating to public safety incidents and the responding personnel.

*Includes Police, Fire & EMS Calls for Service



Phone Numbers

Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency: 817.952.2127

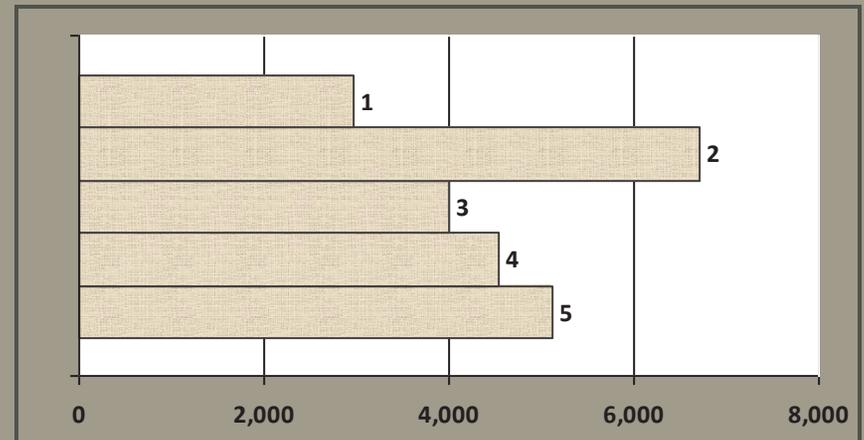
Main: 817.952.2440

Jail: 817.952.2430



Calls for Service by Priority

Priority 1 — Priority 5



Detention Services



The Detention Services Division is responsible for the care of all incarcerated prisoners. The Division also provides housing for Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainees. In addition to the Detention Facility, this Division oversees the daily maintenance of the entire Law Enforcement Center.

Detention Officers are responsible for completing an administrative process once an inmate is released into their custody. This includes collecting information, conducting property inventory, taking photographs, and fingerprinting inmates upon arrival.

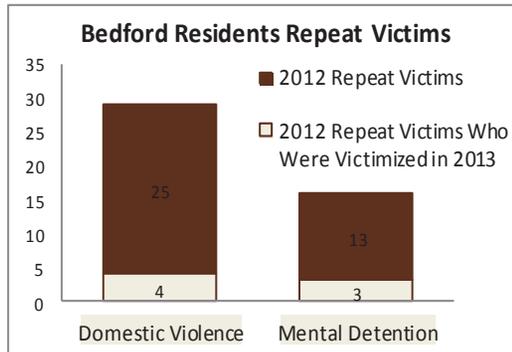
Facility Facts

- Composed of 22 Cells
- Can house 80 inmates
- Processed 5,532 inmates
(3,288 ICE detainees)

Repeat Victimization Unit

In late 2012, the Repeat Victimization Unit was created to systematically address the contributing factors leading to crime victimization and reduce repeat occurrences. This program creates an opportunity to reduce repeat victimization and reduce the need for repetitious police response to the same location/victim. The Unit is already showing signs of success as 79% of the Bedford residents who were repeat victims in 2012, were not reported as being victimized in 2013.

Year	Emergency Mental Detentions	Domestic Violence
2009	310	504
2010	375	521
2011	379	519
2012	352	397
2013	338	433



Criminal Investigations Division



66% Clearance Rate for Persons Crimes

The Criminal Investigations Division is responsible for investigating crimes against property and/or persons, and conducting special and undercover operations to include narcotics, gambling, organized crime, etc.

The Criminal Investigations Division is staffed with 8 Detectives, 4 Investigators and 2 Crime Scene Technicians supervised by two Sergeants and one Lieutenant. In 2013, CID investigated 4,142 cases and maintained an overall clearance rate of 66% for persons crimes (compared to the national average of 47%) and 18% for property crimes.

Crime Scene Unit

The Department has 2 full-time Crime Scene Technicians, as well as designated Detectives who assist in this capacity. It is the responsibility of the Crime Scene Technicians to preserve and collect physical evidence from crime scenes. The evidence is either processed in-house or submitted to a contract vendor for scientific examination.



Persons vs. Property

Persons crime can be defined as a crime which is committed by direct physical harm or force being applied to another person. Persons crimes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Homicide
- Assault
- Sexual Offense
- Robbery
- Kidnapping

Property crime can be defined as a crime which involves personal property. Property crimes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Burglary
- Theft
- Auto Theft
- Criminal Mischief

Records Division

The Records Division is responsible for four distinct positions, each one encompassing a diverse set of duties.

Records Technicians are responsible for entering all offense/incidents, arrest and accident reports into the Department's records management system, the management and retention of said records, and processing open record requests. In addition, this Division is responsible for the management of the City's business and residential alarm permit program.

Property/Evidence is responsible for receiving, releasing and the safekeeping of all property and evidence. The Property Technician must maintain the chain of custody for all evidentiary items. In 2013, the Property Division logged 5,798 pieces of evidence.

The **Crime Analyst** is charged with keeping officer and local agencies abreast of urgent suspect and/or officer safety issues as they arise. The Crime Analyst also analyzes data in order to assist in the strategic patrol deployments and investigation of criminal acts.



Record Stats

Processed 5,793 case reports

Fielded 6,338 phone calls

Assisted 2,974 customers

Processed 2,012 alarm permits

Distributed 193 crime bulletins

Logged 5,798 pieces of property



Public Service Officers (PSO)

Q: *What matters can Public Service Officers Assist with?*

A: *Public Service Officers can take incident or offense reports on virtually all cases that consist of no immediate threat. These reports can be generated via phone or in person. They also provide fingerprinting services to the public.*

PSO's can be reached at 817.952.2440

Professional Standards

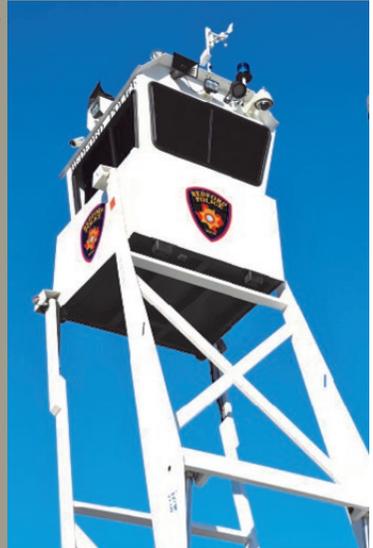
The Professional Standards Division encompasses several components of the Police Department: Internal Affairs, Recruiting, Training, Red Light Camera Program, Community Services, School Resource Officers, and School Crossing Guards.

Training is responsible for conducting and/or tracking the training of all Departmental personnel. In 2013, the Department received 7,912 hours of training.

Recruiting is responsible for processing the applications, administering the applicable testing, and conducting initial interviews of those individuals seeking employment with the Police Department.

The **Community Services Division** is responsible for providing citizens of Bedford with superior programs and services. Many of these programs focus on educating the community about crime and how to deter its occurrence. In 2013, the division conducted 340 educational, safety, and security presentations.

Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy play an important part in the Police Department, mostly through their volunteer hours. This year, the volunteer opportunities were expanded by assisting the Department with manning the **new mobile observation tower**. The new observation tower is strategically deployed based on crime data.



Internal Affairs is tasked with receiving and investigating citizen complaints and internal investigations that are assigned by the Police Chief. The Internal Affairs responsibility is to receive a complaint, conduct an impartial investigation, and make an unbiased disposition.

Internal Affairs Complaints & Dispositions

2013 Stats	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Sustained	Cleared by Exception	Exonerated	Total
Informal	0	2	0	2	0	4
Formal	0	0	0	1	3	4
Internal	0	0	3	0	0	3
Total	0	2	3	3	3	11



Animal Control Division

The Animal Control Division is responsible for promoting responsible pet ownership and the adoption and/or alternate placement of adoptable animals. The Division provides humane care, treatment, and disposition of all sheltered animals. Further, the Division maintains the Animal Shelter, vehicles, and equipment in a sanitary manner that mitigates the potential for infectious disease transmission.

Specialized Units



2013 Facts

- 15 SWAT call outs
- Bedford SWAT operators received 1,536 training hours
- \$111,605.00 of currency seized by the Tarrant County Narcotics Unit
- Narcotics seized by K-9 in 2013 include:
 - Meth - 58.9g
 - Heroin - 12.1g
 - Cocaine - .4g
 - GHB - 1g
 - Prescription Pills - 4.3g
 - Marijuana - 2lbs 4.79oz

In late 2012, the cities of Bedford, Euless, Hurst, and Grapevine combined their tactical personnel and resources into one unit, the Northeast Tarrant County Area SWAT Team (NETCAST). Each department has 9 SWAT Officers and 3 Negotiators assigned to the unit on a part-time basis. These personnel are comprised of full-time certified officers, at various levels of rank from various divisions within the Departments.

The Tarrant County Narcotics Task Force is a combined effort from several local police agencies. The Unit is charged with narcotic enforcement in Tarrant County. The Department currently assigns one Investigator from Criminal Investigations to serve on the Task Force.

K-9 consists of one Police Officer and one canine, Bowy. K-9 supports the City of Bedford, Tarrant County Narcotics Task Force, and other surrounding agencies, when needed. During 2013, K-9 was responsible for over 46 building and vehicle searches.



	Dogs	Cats	Total
Domestic Animals Impounded (Live)	733	589	1322
Adoptions for Domestic Animals	155	119	274
Owner Claims for Domestic Animals	287	12	299
Transfers for Domestic Animals	94	116	210
TOTAL Domestic Animals Placed	536	247	783

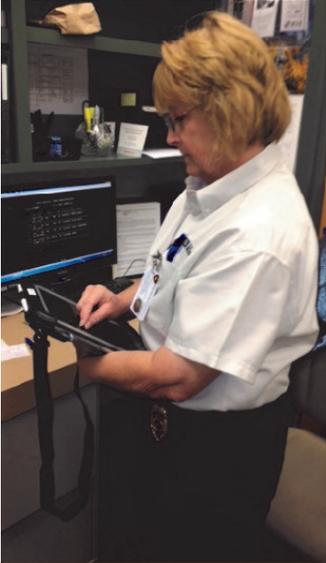
Euthanization - Temperament	60	133	193
Euthanization - Aggression	18	122	140
Euthanization - Health	81	76	157
# of Above Euthanizations that were Owner Requested	37	16	53
TOTAL Euthanizations	159	331	490

City Licenses Issued	1552	291	1843
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Wildlife Relocated	438
Euthanizations - Wildlife	166



Code Compliance



In June 2013, the Bedford Police Department assumed the management of the Code Compliance Division. Code Compliance is responsible for routine patrols and responding to calls for service relating to codes that affect the quality of life and aesthetics within the City. The Division attempts to gain compliance through cooperative efforts, follow-ups, and citations, when necessary. Code Compliance Officers investigate complaints concerning a variety of issues to include high grass and weeds, accumulation of trash and debris, illegal dumping and other nuisance-related violations.

To report code violations call **(817) 952-2640** or submit complaints through "Better it in Bedford"
www.bedfordtx.gov/betterit/

Chaplains

In 2013, the Bedford Police Department revised and re-implemented a Chaplaincy Program. The Department Chaplains are volunteers from the community. The Chaplains occasionally ride with the officers in Patrol and assist in those cases where counsel and advice might be helpful to our citizens. Additionally, Chaplains make themselves available to all Members of the Department for those who may seek counsel, advice or spiritual guidance.



Volunteers

The volunteer program is generally made up of members of the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (graduates of the Citizens Police Academy). They are people with ideas, talents and visions of the future, working together to create a better Bedford.

Volunteers work in technical, professional and general support areas. Volunteers are assigned to several different divisions of the Police Department to include Records, Criminal Investigations, Patrol, Animal Control, etc. Volunteers generously contributed approximately 3,000 hours in 2013.



2013 Annual Awards

COMMAND STAFF'S EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Sgt. Jeff Gibson

NEW EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Officer Amber Mosier

CO-CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR

Amanda Freeman, Dispatcher

Jennifer Bellinghausen, Patrol Secretary

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Officer Todd Davis

CO-SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR

Loretta Helm, Detention Services Supervisor

Det. Sgt. David Rutledge

LIFE SAVING AWARD

Cpl. Chris West

Officer Lena Eberling

Merit Awards

Officer Rick Huitt X 2

Officer Tara Noble

Sgt. Doug Crowell X 2

Lt. Brian Meaders X 2

Officer Ivan Roman X 2

Officer Brad Deutsch X 2

Officer Cameron Gregory X 2

Officer Miles McClain

Officer Cord Alcalá

Det. Warren Amburn

Officer Clayton Baxley

Cpl. Shane Bean

Jennifer Bellinghausen, Patrol Secretary

Det. Tim Brown

Det. Sgt. Jerry Buford

Cpl. Brett Bowen

Officer Todd Davis

Amanda Freeman, Dispatcher

T. Sgt. Randy Gardner

Det. Joey Gauger

Brittany Grice, Crime Scene Technician

Officer Monique Hall

Det. Glen Hlavinka

Amy James, Comm. Supervisor

Officer Lasedric Johnson

Sarah Karnes, Dispatcher

Hiroko Laukhuf, Crime Scene Technician II

Amy Leith, Record Technician

Officer Butch Lindsey

Cpl. Bill Mack

Michael Martin, Dispatcher

Mark Massey, Chaplain

Det. Wayne Moody

Officer Jeff Pruett

Det. Clay Regan

Sgt. Noel Scott

Officer Sarah Seim

Officer Stephen Selvidge

Det. Tony Shelley

Sgt. Mike Shikany

Officer Andrew Versocki

Officer Nathan Wilks

Officer Scott Williamson

Michelle Wilson, Lead Records Technician

The Annual Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, January 25, 2014, at the Pat May Center. The Awards Banquet is held each year to reflect on the accomplishments made by personnel and to honor the recipients of awards and those deserving special recognition. The Banquet is entirely funded each year by the generosity of local businesses, citizen sponsorship, the Department's Idea Committee special fundraising efforts.



For More Information...

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