



# Redding Police Department

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Chief Mark O'Donnell



## Annual Report to the First Selectman:

I am pleased to present you with the Redding Police Department's FY 19/20 Annual Report. The Annual Report is intended to provide you with information on the police department's activities for the fiscal year. I hope you find it informative.

Redding continues to be a safe and vibrant community. Our Uniform Crime Report (UCR) numbers continue to be low for a community of our size and demographics. I am most proud that our talented staff continues our fine tradition of community policing.

The onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic has brought about significant challenges to our operations that we will see far into the next fiscal year. We have made a significant effort to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on our staff and our ability to deliver services to the community. In all, I believe we have managed this well and have provided exemplary police services to the people of Redding.

## The Redding Police Department:

The Redding Police Department is located at 96 Hill Road and is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Chief Mark O'Donnell has been leading the department since October 2017. Chief O'Donnell has overall responsibility for the patrol, communications, and support service divisions of the department. Chief O'Donnell is assisted with a support staff of four. The police department's authorized strength is fifteen police officers: Chief of Police, Captain, 3 Sergeants, 9 Patrol Officers and a Detective. The Police Department additionally has a full-time School Resource Officer, two part-time School Safety Officers and a full-time Animal Control Officer. Redding Police Officers are certified Emergency Medical Responders. Officers are trained to deliver Naloxone and all patrol cars are equipped with proper medical supplies, including oxygen and automatic external defibrillators.

## Communication Center:

All 9-1-1 calls and routine calls are routed through the Redding Police Department's communication center. The communications center is operated by 6 civilian employees consisting of 5 full-time dispatchers and 1 part-time dispatcher. The communication center is staffed 24/7 by a single dispatcher. The police department dispatchers are state certified and are responsible for dispatching all police, EMS, and fire calls. Dispatchers are trained in: 911 Call-taking, Emergency Medical Dispatching, NCIC/COLLECT, and The Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Dispatch Protocols.

## Animal Control:

The Redding Animal Control Officer (ACO) serves the public by investigating all domestic animal and wildlife concerns. The Redding ACO is a trained Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator and is available to assist residents with wildlife matters.

## School Safety:

We take our responsibility to safeguard all of our children while at school very seriously. All of our schools are monitored via video by police dispatch 24 hours per day. Our school safety team currently consists of:

- One full-time School Resource Officer (SRO) at Joel Barlow High School
- Two part-time armed School Safety Officers (SSO) each at Redding Elementary School and John Read Middle School

### **Investigative Services:**

The Redding Police Department's Detective supports the officers of the Patrol Division with complex and time-consuming criminal investigations for a wide assortment of offenses. Detective Dias has extensive training in cybercrime and fraud investigations. She is a premier investigator in this field and regularly assists many of our local, state and federal law enforcement partners with these complex investigations.

### **Services and Programs:**

#### Selective Enforcement/Speeding Complaints:

Any resident who feels that there is a particular speeding problem that the police are not aware of may come into police headquarters and complete a speeding complaint form. These forms are also available on-line at [www.rpdct.us](http://www.rpdct.us). The department uses several methods to address speeding complaints including the evaluation & study of the complaint and education through speed monitoring signs and enforcement.

#### Police Internships:

The Redding Police Department prides itself in offering an educational work experience through an internship program. The internship program allows high school and college students an opportunity to personally evaluate the profession of law enforcement.

#### Car Seat Safety Checks and Installations:

The Redding Police Department is dedicated to providing the public with information pertaining to the safety of child passengers in vehicles. Our Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will demonstrate and explain to caregivers about the proper selection, installation and use of car seats, booster seats and proper use of seatbelts. Please contact Sgt Quinn to schedule an appointment for an installation.

#### Emergency Notifications:

The Redding Police Department tries to get important information to residents as soon as possible. Several emergency notification systems are operational within the Town of Redding providing varying degrees of information for those who want it. Visit our website to learn more.

#### Fingerprinting Services:

The Redding Police Department will fingerprint any resident, Town of Redding Employee or prospective employee or other person who is required to be fingerprinted for employment, who works or resides in the Town of Redding.

#### Redding Parking Authority:

West Redding Railroad Parking Permits are available at the police department. Permits are issued for the calendar year at a cost of \$250.

#### Med Drop

The RPD Medication Disposal Program provides 24/7 access to the public in disposing of their unused or unwanted medications. A secure drug disposal bin is located in the front lobby of the Police Department.

#### Community Outreach:

The Redding Police Department offers a number of outreach services to the community. Please Contact Captain DeLuca to schedule and/or learn more about an event.

- Presentations on Internet Safety, Crime Prevention and Drug Use/Recognition
- Youth tours of the police department and group discussions
- Stuff a Cruiser (Food Drive for Redding Social Services)
- Blue Santa (Fundraiser for needy families during the holiday season)

**Police Activity - July 1, 2019– June 30, 2020**

**Motor Vehicle Activities (1,887)**

- Disabled Vehicles: 133
- DWI Arrests: 4
- Selective Enforcement: 278
- Motor Vehicle Accidents (total): 212
- Motor Vehicle Stops: 1044
- Abandoned MV: 3
- Parking Enforcement: 103
- Traffic Offenses / Traffic Control: 110

**Criminal Investigations (170)**

- Assault: 12
- Burglary: 5
- Disorderly Conduct: 1
- Drug/Liquor: 5
- Homicide: 1
- Larceny / Fraud: 90
- Robbery: 1
- Sex Offenses: 1
- Trespass: 10
- Vandalism: 19
- All Other: 25

**Non-Criminal Investigations (853)**

- Animal Control / Wildlife: 347
- Crisis Intervention: 14
- Disturbances: 62
- Found Property: 24
- Family Matter, non-violent: 48
- Missing Persons / Attempt to Locate: 6
- Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Incident: 291
- Untimely Deaths: 9
- Other: 52

**Service-Related Activity (2,138)**

- 911 Hang-Ups: 173
- Alarms: 370
- Assist Citizen: 173
- Assist EMS: 374

- Assist FD: 97
- Assist Other Police Department: 146
- Assist Other Agency: 35
- Assist School: 34
- Child Car Seat Checks: 12
- Fingerprinting / Permits: 93
- Public Relations: 38
- Public Hazards: 191
- Wellbeing Checks: 52
- Misc: 351

**Patrol Activity: (7,679)**

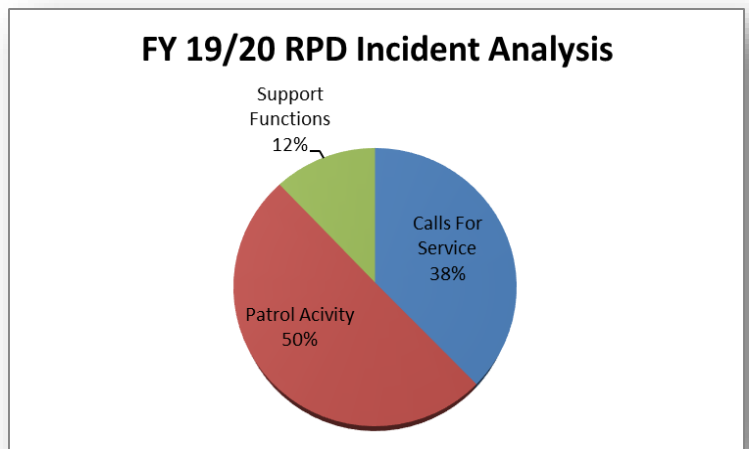
- Directed Patrols: 6,710
- Property Checks: 969

**Support Functions (1,628)**

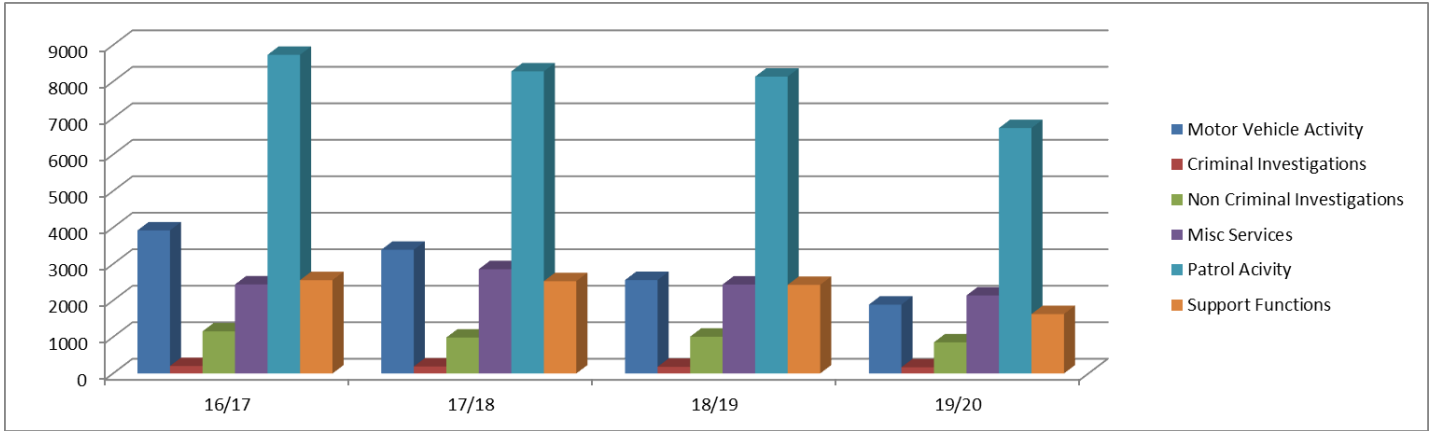
- Supplemental Investigations: 478
- Shift Briefing Reports: 706
- Admin Task/Invest: 315
- Judicial Process/Orders: 51
- Training Assignments: 52
- Transport Person/Prisoner/Package: 17
- Misc: 9

**Total Police Activity: 14,775**

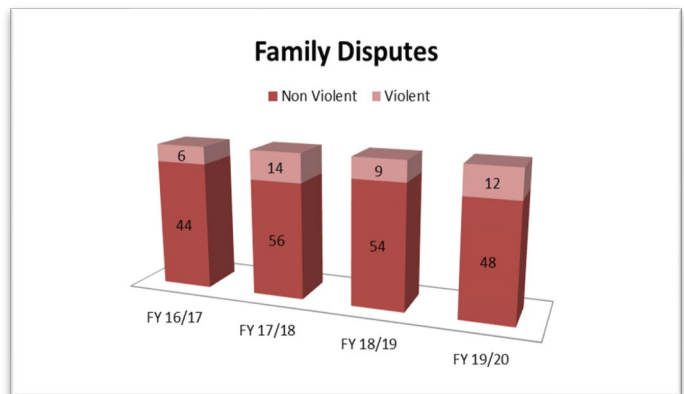
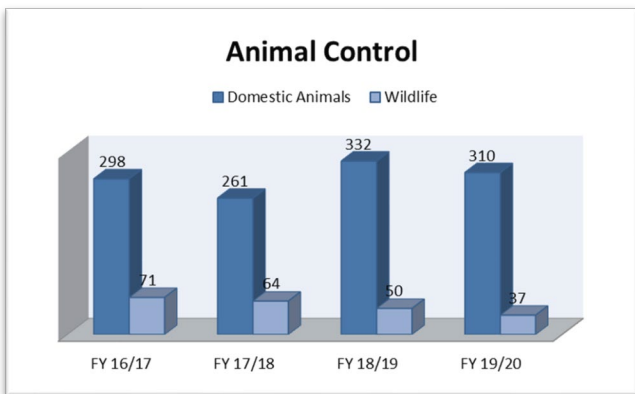
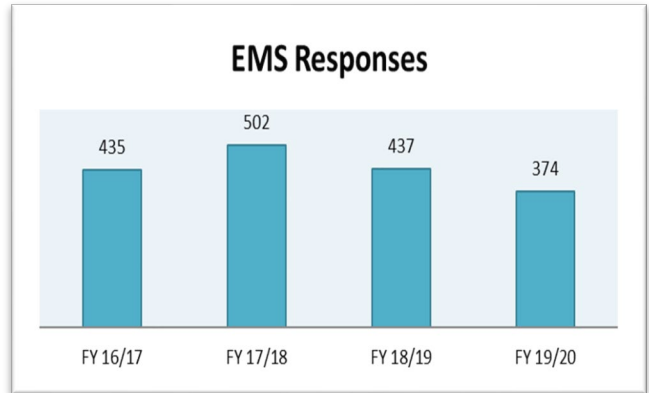
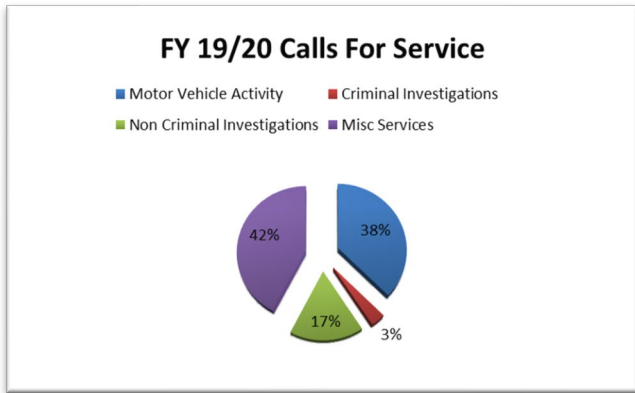
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# Activity History



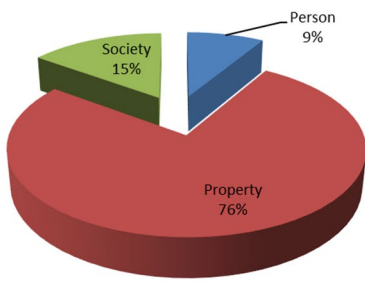
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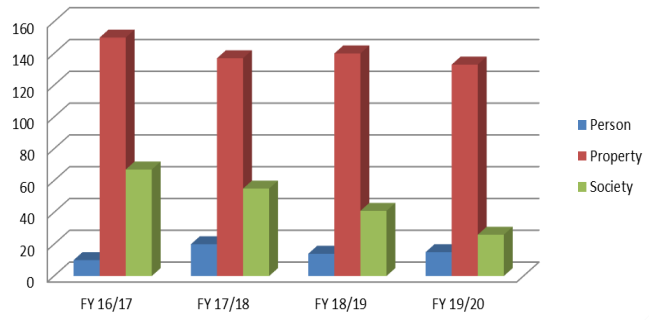
# Crime

Year	Homicide	Robbery	Arson	MV Theft	Assault	Burglary	Larceny/Fraud	Sex Offenses	Disorderly Conduct	Drug/Liquor	Vandalism	Trespass	DWI	All Other
FY 16/17	0	0	0	1	6	8	94	4	15	10	39	13	21	16
FY 17/18	0	0	0	0	17	11	103	3	6	10	17	17	17	11
FY 18/19	0	0	0	0	12	8	105	2	7	9	22	8	12	10
FY 19/20	1	1	0	1	12	5	89	1	1	5	19	10	4	25

**FY 19/20 Crime Makeup**



**Crimes Against:**



# Traffic

**Accident Trends**



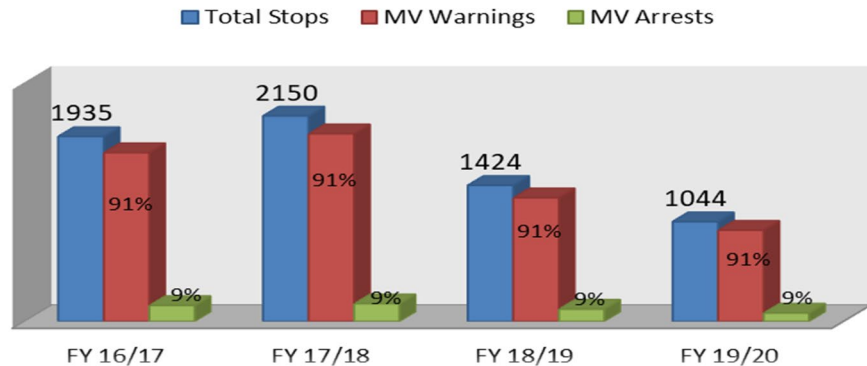
**Most Accident-Prone Roads:**

1. Black Rock Tpke (Rte58)
2. Redding Rd (Rte 107)
3. Ethan Allen Hwy (Rte7)
4. Redding Rd (Rte 53)
5. Umpawaug Rd

**Most Enforced Roadways:**

1. Rte 107
2. Rte 53
3. Rte 58
4. Umpawaug Rd
5. Newtown Tpke
6. Cross Highway
7. Newtown Tpke
8. Poverty Hollow Rd
9. Simpaug Tpke
10. Sidecut Rd

**Traffic Enforcement**



**Officers received training in the following subject areas (1247 hrs):**

- Accident Reconstruction
- Accreditation Manager Training
- ACO Legal Updates
- Active Shooter
- Armed School Security Training
- Arson Awareness
- Bigotry and Bias Crime
- Bloodborne Pathogens
- Building Search/Active Aggressor
- Campus LE & Security Training
- Citizens with Special Needs
- Civil Liability- IA Investigations
- COLLECT/NCIC
- Computer Crime Familiarization
- Constitutional Law
- Critical Incident Response
- Crowd Control
- CT Biased Based Profiling
- Developing Policies
- Domestic Violence
- Domestic Violence Sexual Assault
- Elder Fraud Workshop
- EMR Recert
- Explosives
- Firearms
- First Line Supervision
- Gang Recognition
- Global Pandemic Scams and Frauds
- HAZMAT
- Human Trafficking
- Hunting Laws
- Impaired Driving
- Intoxilyzer Recert
- Juvenile Law
- Landlord Tenant
- LE and Citizens w/Special Needs
- Leadership
- Legal Updates Impacting Police Policies
- Management Rights
- MRT/Bloodborne Pathogens
- Narcan
- NHTSA-Child Passenger Safety Certification
- NIBRS
- Opioid Scene Safety
- Partnering to Prevent School Violence
- Party Dispersal Training
- Patrol Rifle
- Performance Improvement Programing
- Police and Law Legal Updates
- Responding to People with Mental Illness
- Safe Handling of Reptiles and Exotics
- Search and Seizure
- Sex Assault/Rape Crisis
- Sexual Harassment Prevention
- Shooting Decisions
- Stress Management
- Substance Abuse Issues
- Suicide Recognition
- Supervisor Liability
- Taser Instructor Recert
- Terrorism & Suicide Bomber
- Use of Force
- Weapons and Permits
- Weapons of Mass Destruction
- Youth Mental Health First Aid