

**MONONA POLICE DEPARTMENT
MONTHLY REPORT**



DECEMBER 2021

OPERATIONS DIVISION

In December of 2021, the Operations Division handled 39 vehicle crashes and issued 46 traffic warnings, 29 traffic citations, and 13 parking tickets. Our calls total for December was 841 calls for service.

Training

All Officers and Dispatchers attended a 3.5-hour *Badge of Equity* Training put on by Gloria Reyes of Reyes Public Safety and a 3.5-hour *Trauma Informed Care* training put on by Tamra Oman of Hope Road.

All Officers attended an 8 hour December In-Service training which included 4 hours of Active Shooter Incident Management (ASIM) training as well as some firearms training.

School Resource Officer Luke Wunsch attended the following webinars in December:

- The Mass Shooting Contagion Dilemma - 1 hour
- Utilizing Therapy dogs on Campus - 1 hour
- Public Information Sharing During Critical Incidents - 1 hour
- Situational Awareness: Scenario Training and Development – 1 hour
- Keeping Students & Staff Safe in an Increasingly Charged Environment-1 hour
- Abuse, Neglect, and Anger and Suicidal Behavior – 1 hour

Security Checks

Officers performed 16 security checks in the month of December. A security check is when an Officer goes into a business and walks around to meet with staff to discuss any problems that the businesses are aware of. This also serves as a deterrent for theft. For the overnight shift, this entails checking the perimeter of the business and pulling on doors to make sure the businesses are secure.

Retail Thefts

There were 34 retail theft cases in December, up quite a few from the 21 cases in November. Around 40 cases are typical in a month. These cases can be time consuming if the suspect flees and follow-up outside the City is necessary.

Use of Force Incidents

On December 2nd, 2021 at 5:37 p.m. an officer attempted to stop a vehicle where the driver had a felony warrant and was wanted for a domestic incident the prior night. Our officer pursued the vehicle as a tire deflation device was set up. The suspect vehicle struck the tire deflation device and continued to flee as the front tires shredded off. Wisconsin State Patrol assisted and eventually the vehicle stopped. A High Risk apprehension was done on the driver. Dane County Deputies attested the male on a

Department of Corrections warrant, and we referred charges for felony eluding to the DA's Office. (MO21-10518) M/B 27 years old.

On December 29th, 2021 at 11:32 a.m. an officer responded to a retail theft in progress. As the suspect left, the officer attempted a traffic stop but the suspect fled at high speeds. The pursuit was terminated. The officer located the suspect vehicle in a nearby driveway and attempted to stop it again but it then drove through the lawn and fled again. The Officer traveled at normal speed in the last direction of travel and found that the suspect had struck a tree, leaving vehicle parts behind, but it continued on. Our Detective put out a surveillance photo of the driver and she was positively identified by her Probation & Parole Agent. The vehicle was found the next day having struck another tree, this time the suspect left the vehicle behind and it was towed from the scene by a Deputy. The driver remains at large. (MO21-11234) F/W 40 years old.

Citizen Complaints

There were no complaints in December.

1st Shift Monthly Report (Highlighted events)

On December 5th, 2021, at 12:25 p.m. an officer was dispatched to a cold scene burglary. Someone cut the lock off a storage unit in a common apartment basement and stole numerous tools. A surveillance video showed the suspect and vehicle the suspect had. A suspect was located on December 26th in that same stolen vehicle and was arrested for operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent. The passenger in that car pawned tools recently, but the owner did not have serial numbers for the tools and we did not end up with enough proof to arrest the passenger for the burglary incident. (MO21-10592).

On December 6th, a 74-year-old woman was scammed out of \$1,500 for a fake home repair by two men who claimed to be from a company that installed lightning rods on her roof. The men stated they were there for an inspection and found \$5,200 worth of damage, and the homeowner didn't have that amount of money on hand, but issued an initial check for \$1,500. Fortunately, the check was written to the actual name of one of the criminals, and the phone number used on the fake invoice came back in our records system to the second criminal. Hearing of the crime, the original company that installed the rods inspected the roof again and advised our Detective that the criminals did \$1,245 worth of damage to the roof. Charges were referred to the District Attorney's Office for Theft from an Elderly Person, Criminal Damage to Property, and five counts of Felony Bail Jumping. (MO21-10612)

Officer Overtime Analysis

2021	JUL Hrs	AUG Hrs	SEPT Hrs	OCT Hrs	NOV Hrs	DEC Hrs	TOTAL HRS To Date	APPROX COST To Date
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (In-Service)	-	-	60	-	8	68	248.5	\$13,824
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (Instructors for In-Service)	-	-	32	-	-	-	56.5	\$3,143
OTHER REQUIRED TRAINING (ECIR/Radar/CPR/K9)	24	-	-	-	-	28	163	\$9,068
OPTIONAL OFFICER TRAINING	-	-	-	12	-	-	45	\$2,503
SICK LEAVE Coverage	24	41.5	42	28	42	76	359.5	\$19,999
VACATION Coverage	90	56	30.5	60	106.5	56	575	\$31,987
FLOATING HOLIDAY Coverage	4	12	4	24	12	32	132	\$7,343
FMLA Coverage (Work injury, baby leave, etc)	72	8	56	31	8	-	199	\$11,070
COURT	8.5	7	2.5	13	3	19	165.25	\$9,193
LATE/EARLY CALL or SERIOUS INCIDENT	21.75	15.25	13	14.5	4.75	21.25	197	\$10,959
Special Event (Meeting, Parade, Festival, Drug Work)	104	39	6.5	61	39.25	12.5	326.5	\$18,163
Mental Health Case	23.5	2.5	15	34	1.5	6.5	91.5	\$5,090
Officer Dispatch Coverage	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0
MG High School OT (Reimbursed)	-	3.75	4	13	3	-	23.75	\$1,321
TRAFFIC GRANT (Reimbursed)	28	24	28	-	-	-	323.5	\$17,996
TASK FORCE (Reimbursed)	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0
TOTAL HRS	399.75	209.00	293.50	290.50	228.00	319.25	2906.00	
Expense Per Month @ average OT rate \$55.63 / HR	\$22,238	\$11,627	\$16,327	\$16,161	\$12,684	\$17,760		\$161,661

(Of interest to note, we were down 3 officers Jan-May and down two officers June-Dec so OT was higher this year than prior years.)

Lieutenant Curtis Wiegel is the Operations Commander and 1st shift patrol supervisor. He can be reached at cwiegel@ci.monona.wi.us.

2nd Shift Monthly Report

Here is the second shift activity report for the month of December. Officers conducted 19 traffic stops. We handled 17 Retail Thefts, and 17 crashes.

The following are some of the cases second shift handled this month.

On December 22nd, 2021, officers responded to Wal-Mart for a theft of a purse. The victim left her purse in her cart while shopping. When she had her back turned from the cart the suspect walked by and took it. The suspect was positively identified after looking at the surveillance video. Officers attempted to track down the suspect but could not locate him. The suspect is out on bond for a previous felony charge, on probation, and has warrants for his arrest. Our charges were forwarded to the District Attorney's Office.

On December 30th, 2021, Officers were sent to Wal-Mart for a juvenile subject walking through the store knocking items off the shelves. Officers made contact with the juvenile in the parking lot. Officers made contact with the juvenile's mother and he was released to a responsible party.

Sergeant Jeremy Winge is the 2nd shift patrol supervisor and can be contacted at: jwinge@ci.monona.wi.us

3rd Shift Monthly Report

During the month of December, third shift officers conducted 36 traffic stops, resulting in 5 citations and 31 warnings. One motorist was arrested for operating while intoxicated. Officers investigated two accidents while responding to several disturbance calls.

On December 4th, 2021 at 12:21 a.m. an officer made a traffic stop on a vehicle for unsafe lane deviation, along with traveling 35 mph in a 55 mph zone. The driver was arrested for OWI 3rd offense, with a B.A.C. of .23. The operator was booked into jail on an active arrest warrant for failing to appear at jail for her 2nd offense OWI sentencing.

On December 7th, 2021 at 12:00 a.m., officers responded to a domestic disturbance on Schofield Street. A male at this residence was arrested for domestic battery, disorderly conduct and strangulation. He was transported to the Dane County Jail.

On December 10th, 2021 at 1:16 a.m., officers responded to HWY 12 near HWY 51 to assist Dane County Sheriff's Department with a vehicle pursuit. The suspect in this incident had rammed a squad car, and fought with deputies prior to fleeing from them. The vehicle came to a stop at HWY 12 and HWY 51 where the intoxicated driver again started fighting with police. Officers assisted with taking the suspect into custody.

On December 12th, 2021 at 1:00 a.m., an officer attempted to make a traffic stop on a vehicle that was involved in an active burglary on Femrite Drive, in the City of Madison. The vehicle eluded officers who terminated the pursuit after the vehicle began to travel eastbound in the westbound lanes of HWY 12. The suspect remains at large.

On December 16th, 2021 at 1:15 a.m. Officers responded to Country Inn & Suites for what was coded as a robbery. The investigation determined that as soon as the power went out due to high winds, a male suspect entered the hotel, jumped the counter and stole money from the cash register. The suspect fled in a vehicle prior to the clerk knowing that theft had occurred. The investigation is ongoing.

Sergeant Adam Nachreiner is 3rd shift patrol supervisor and can be contacted at anachreiner@ci.monona.wi.us

Community Relations Officer December '21 Notable Activities

*Organized Shop with A Cop Program throughout December

12/15/21- Attended License Review Committee Hearing at Monona Public Library

12/21/21- Made multiple felony warrant arrest and recovered stolen property from multiple businesses

12/23/21- Provided toys to La Petite Academy from donations received from community members

12/24/22- Took Subject into Protective Custody reference a Chapter 51.15 Return and Transported to St. Mary's Hospital

*Fielded/Shared Good Neighbor Project Concerns with Patrol throughout October

*Continued to Update Emergency Key Holder Directory reference Monona Businesses

*Reviewed License/Application Requests throughout December

INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Detective Unit

During the month of December 65 cases were reviewed for possible referral to the Investigative Division.

Crime	Number of Cases
Death Investigation	3
Fraud	7
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	1
Retail Theft	34
Robbery	1
Sex Offense	1
Stolen Vehicle	2
Theft	14
Weapons Violation	2

Members of the Investigative Unit were assigned to review and/or assist with many of the current and past incidents.

Current Investigations

MO21-08707 – SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A CHILD

A child disclosed repeated acts of sexual assault. Monona Detectives and CPS spoke to the victim. This is an ongoing investigation that is proceeding slowly.

MO21-11234 – RETAIL THEFT/ELUDING

A detective assisted patrol with a retail theft from a local store. The detective followed the suspect vehicle and attempted to stop it. The vehicle fled at a high rate of speed and the detective terminated the pursuit quickly. The female driver was later identified and charges are expected.

MO21-10702 – SEXUAL ASSAULT

An adult was drinking at a bar in downtown Madison, which led to a sexual encounter at an apartment in Monona. Multiple interviews were conducted and the case is still being investigated.

MO21-11037 & MO19-15610 – MENTAL HEALTH INCIDENTS

In 2019, a suspect showed up to a family home and he was displaying unstable behavior. He was placed into protective custody at the direction of Dane County Crisis. He was found to have a loaded gun, rubber gloves, and a bandana. An officer safety alert was shared on this subject due the circumstances involved in this case.

MO21-10483 – DEATH INVESTIGATION

A death investigation was conducted in the 5000 block of Midmoor Road. The death originally appeared to be suspicious in nature, but was eventually ruled as a result of a medical incident. Two Medical Examiners responded to the scene and confirmed that there was no foul play.

MO21-09701 - FRAUD

This case is now a large-scale fraud that occurred at the Monona Walmart and several other Walmart stores in Wisconsin. The suspect was detained but then released pending a detective investigation. The suspect conducted 13 different transactions at the Monona store since August 21st, using fake professionally made coupons. She paid a total of \$1054.07 for \$22,336.07 of merchandise. At this time, we will be filing 13 felonies against the suspect for her actions. A total of 4572 fake coupons were used with a loss of \$21,282.00.

Other Activities

Property Room management

Municipal Court officer duties

Detectives conducted background investigations for police officer applicants.

Hosted and an auto theft initiative – Several arrests done by our department

If you have information to provide in these or other incidents, please contact:

Det. Sgt. Ryan Losby can be contacted at rlosby@ci.monona.wi.us

Det. Matthew Bomkamp can be contacted at mbomkamp@ci.monona.wi.us

School Resource Officer

In the month of December, I had 23 “official” contacts with students. 73.9% of my contacts were initiated by students. I attended 8 hours of Police Department in-service and 13 hours of a campus safety summit, which discussed various topics. Some of which were school safety, situational awareness, mental health, threat assessments, and utilizing therapy dogs in schools.

INCIDENTS OF NOTE:

December 6, 2021 – A high school student reported to the front office that someone told them to “enjoy your funeral” as they entered the school. The reporting student felt uneasy about the comment and did not know the person who made the comments. The suspect was walking out of the school with a backpack. I consulted with administration, identified the reporting party, interviewed them, and reviewed video. The suspect was identified as another student. Administration and I interviewed the student. We determined there was no legitimate threat to the school.

December 14, 2021 – A grandmother of a student at Winnequah Elementary called and wanted to report child neglect/abuse. The student lived with his father. Although it sounded like there was some child custody issues, I took the information and investigated. I spoke with school administration and the student’s teacher. None of the information grandma provided appeared to be accurate. In fact, based on statements from the school, the father was very involved and communicated often with the school. I also informed the grandmother that police were in contact with the father about the son participating in Shop With a Cop. Grandmother was thankful for me following up on her concern and relaying the new information to her.

December 17, 2021 – Tik Tok had a challenge where people were talking about school shootings and bombs going off in schools across America. Numerous students stayed home from school this day. Several students made reference to the challenge, but no threats were made to Monona schools.

December 17, 2021 – High school administration reported someone damaged the water fountain on the third floor. I was requested to check the video to see if I could determine when it happened, and whom the suspect might be. I was able to locate the suspect on video, ripping off the locked cap, which also damaged the water fountain nozzle. I passed the information onto administration and they dealt with the issue internally.

Several students received consequences from the school for vaping and/or having vaping devices on their person.

Several thefts of electronics were reported and eventually recovered.

School Resource Officer Luke Wunsch can be contacted at Lwunsch@ci.monona.wi.us

Citation and Arrest Statistics

During the month of December, the Monona Police issued numerous traffic citations, municipal ordinance (non-traffic) citations, parking citations and warnings. In addition, there were many referrals for charges. See the detail below.

Traffic Citations	29
Municipal Ordinance Citations	13
Parking Citations	13
Traffic Warnings	46
Adult Arrests & Referrals	19
Juvenile Arrests & Referrals	0
Warrant Arrest	8
Eligible CRC Referrals	1

Each of the adult and juvenile arrests and referrals take at least an hour of the Dispatchers’ time to complete the reports and intake paperwork for the Dane County

District Attorney's Office. Once completed these forms and reports are reviewed by the Investigations Lieutenant before submitting them to the DA's Office. Each of these submissions is reviewed for referral to the Dane County Community Restorative Court (CRC). CRC is a program to address youthful offenders, age 17 – 25, with little or no Criminal History in a restorative justice model as an alternative to formal criminal charges. The CRC Referrals line above shows the number of Adult Arrests & Referrals who qualified to participate in CRC. Offenders who fail to complete CRC are referred back to the DA's Office for formal charging.

Dispatch

The Monona Communications Center answers business line calls for Police, Fire, and EMS incidents. Calls for service for Fire and EMS are transferred to the Dane County Communications Center for dispatching of Monona Fire and EMS personnel. The Monona Communications Center advises Police of high priority Fire and EMS calls in the event Officer Response is required. Many of the business line calls include routine phone calls from citizens who are not only seeking police assistance, but also assistance with processing citation payments, requesting police records and general assistance. The dispatchers are also responsible for preparing and filing officer reports, citations, accidents, parking, UCR reporting and many other routine daily duties.

During the month of December, Dispatchers handled 841 calls for service. Most of these calls for service were received on the non-emergency lines, via personal reporting at the Police Department, transfers from the Dane County Communications Center or as self-initiated calls directly from Monona Officers.

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