

**MONONA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**



**FEBRUARY 2022**

## **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

In February of 2022, the Operations Division handled 15 vehicle crashes and issued 154 traffic warnings, 91 traffic citations, and 18 parking tickets. Our calls total for February was 1,046 calls for service.

### **Training**

SRO Wunsch, CRO Flora, and Officer Winckler attended the 40-hour *CIT (Crisis Intervention Training)* on February 14<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Verona Fire Department. The training was presented by NAMI Dane County.

CRO Flora attended an 8-hour *Media & Crisis Communications* training on February 23, 2022 at the UW Police Department.

Officer Franca attended an 8-hour *Advanced Crisis Intervention Training (CIT)-Working with Youth*, on February 23, 2022, at the Sun Prairie Police Department. The training was presented by NAMI Dane County.

Lt. Wiegel attended a 1.5-hour webinar titled: *A Deeper Understanding: Root Cause Analysis for Law Enforcement* on February 1, 2022. The presentation was hosted by Lexipol with presenters Gordon Graham and Ret. Chief Mike Ranalli.

### **Security Checks**

Officers performed 22 security checks in the month of February. 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 19 retail theft cases in February, down a few from the 24 cases in January. 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 February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, at 2:04 a.m. our officer attempted to assist Capitol PD with a pursuit by deploying a tire deflation device. The attempt was unsuccessful. Wisconsin State Patrol was able to stop the vehicle a short time later in Madison. The suspect was held at gunpoint but refused to exit. Officers from other jurisdictions removed the driver and took him into custody. Abuse of alcohol was a factor. (MO22-00996) M/W, 75.

On February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 12:17 a.m. an officer attempted to make a traffic stop for speeding and the vehicle fled to speeds of 110 MPH. A second officer observed the suspects pull into an apartment parking lot. A High Risk Stop was performed with firearms pointed at the vehicle. The driver and a passenger were taken into custody. The driver was taken to JRC with a charge referred for felony eluding. (MO22-01505) M/H 15.

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 11:47 p.m. our officer took a report of a vehicle stolen from the Planet Fitness parking lot, where her keys were stolen out of the locker room. The victim had an Apple Wallet in the vehicle and was tracking it. The victim located her car occupied in Madison. Our officer engaged in a short pursuit and terminated. Other agencies also engaged in pursuits and ultimately the driver fled on foot and was located by an outside agency K9. The driver was charged with operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent, felony eluding, felony bail jumping, possession of cocaine, obstruction, and possession of drug paraphernalia. (MO22-01964) F/B 32.

### **Citizen Complaints**

There was one citizen complaint in February. A woman filed a complaint that an officer was verbally aggressive towards her and her daughter when speaking on the phone with them to relay that her son was arrested for a felony pursuit. The woman advised this caused her daughter some anxiety and added to the trauma of having to deal with an out of control teenager who had committed a crime. The investigation is ongoing.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Shift Monthly Report** (Highlighted events)

On February 1<sup>st</sup>, an officer was dispatched to a local condo for a neighbor trouble report. The complainant advised she thinks her neighbor was buzzing her condo doorbell at various hours of the evening in retaliation for a verbal confrontation they had in the parking lot in 2016, and she would be reporting it to the building management as well. The next day she called back to advise she learned no one was buzzing her bell, it was actually a faulty buzzer and it was fixed by management. (MO22-00945)

On February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 10:40 a.m. an officer was dispatched to a local apartment for a neighbor trouble report. The officer was advised one adult woman said "hello". The neighbor replied with profanity which the neighbor responded in kind. The neighbor said she is not one to back down. The officer provided helpful tips on how to not engage in a manner that might further escalate a situation. (MO22-01472)

## Officer Overtime Analysis

<b>2022</b>	JAN Hrs	FEB Hrs	TOTAL HRS To Date	APPROX COST To Date
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (In-Service)	56	-	56	\$3,210
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (Instructors for In-Service)	13	-	13	\$745
OTHER REQUIRED TRAINING (ECIR/Radar/CPR/K9)	4.75	2	6.75	\$387
OPTIONAL OFFICER TRAINING	-	60.75	60.75	\$3,482
SICK LEAVE Coverage	92	16	108	\$6,191
VACATION Coverage	-	72	72	\$4,127
FLOATING HOLIDAY Coverage	-	-	0	\$0
FMLA Coverage (Work injury, baby leave, etc)	-	-	0	\$0
COURT	13	11	24	\$1,376
LATE/EARLY CALL or SERIOUS INCIDENT	7	8.25	15.25	\$874
Special Event (Meeting, Parade, Festival, Drug Work)	16.25	1.5	17.75	\$1,017
Mental Health Case	8	-	8	\$459
Officer Dispatch Coverage	-	-	0	\$0
MG High School OT (Reimbursed)	0.75		0.75	\$43
TRAFFIC GRANT (Reimbursed)	16	12	28	\$1,605
TASK FORCE (Reimbursed)	-	-	0	\$0
TOTAL HRS	226.75	183.50	410.25	
Expense Per Month @ average OT rate \$55.63 / HR	\$22,822	\$10,518		\$23,516

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Monthly Report (Highlighted events)

Second shift Officers conducted 75 traffic stops, handled 12 Retail Thefts, 9 crashes and had one OWI arrest.

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

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, at about 4:39 p.m., officers were dispatched to the area of eastbound Beltline and South Towne Drive for a disturbance. Dispatch advised that a subject displayed a knife at another driver. While responding, one of the involved parties stated they were in the Kohl's parking lot. The other involved person then called and stated he was in the lot by Ken's Meats and Deli. Officers responded to both locations. During the investigation, officers learned that one of the drivers cut the other driver off while attempting to exit the Beltline to South Towne. The driver honked at the other car. While at the red light, the subject who got honked at exited his vehicle and kicked the side mirror off the other person's vehicle. That subject then pulled a knife on the man who kicked his mirror. He then got back into his vehicle and fled. Both subjects were issued citations.

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at about 10:06 p.m. officers responded to Planet Fitness for a stolen vehicle report. Officers arrived and made contact with the complainant who advised that someone took her cars keys from her jacket while she was working out. The victim advised that her coat was hung on a hook in the locker room. The victim was able to track her vehicle from her phone. Additional officers responded to the area where her car was last located on GPS. The vehicle was later located and a pursuit occurred. The vehicle was lost and then relocated. Several other departments assisted. The vehicle continued to elude officers but eventually the suspect abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot. The suspect was located a short time later hiding in an underground parking structure and taken into custody.

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

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Shift Monthly Report** (Highlighted events)

During the month of February, third shift officers for the Monona Police Department conducted 38 traffic stops, resulting in 9 citations and 29 warnings. Two motorists were arrested for operating while intoxicated. Officers investigated two accidents, responded to six alarms, and handled several disturbance calls. Officers conducted training on the department K9 policy along with what to do if an injury occurs to the K9 handler or dog.

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, at 2:03 a.m. Wisconsin Capital Police Department requested mutual aid to assist with a low speed vehicle pursuit that was traveling into the residential area of Monona. The vehicle continued to travel at speeds of 35 MPH refusing to stop when it hit the tire deflation device. The vehicle lost three tires but still traveled to downtown Madison where State Patrol performed a pit maneuver. The vehicle was pinned in and the suspect was taken into custody.

On February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 3:03 a.m. officers investigated a vehicle accident. The investigation determined that an impaired motorist was driving southbound on Monona Drive through the intersection of Broadway. The vehicle drifted across the roadway and

struck the northwest corner of a building. The driver was arrested for OWI 1<sup>st</sup> offense, with blood results pending from the State of Wisconsin Laboratory of Hygiene.

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 12:17 a.m. a vehicle was observed speeding over 100 MPH without any headlights illuminated. Officers attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle however, it eluded them. A witness notified officers the vehicle pulled into a nearby apartment complex. The vehicle was located and still occupied. The 15-year-old driver was arrested and taken to the Juvenile Reception Center on felony eluding charges.

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 a traffic stop was conducted on a vehicle for speeding, 86 mph in a 55 mph. The operator was arrested for OWI 1<sup>st</sup> offense with a preliminary breath test showing .20 g/210L.

Sergeant Adam Nachreiner is 3<sup>rd</sup> shift patrol supervisor and can be contacted at [anachreiner@ci.monona.wi.us](mailto:anachreiner@ci.monona.wi.us)

### **Community Relations Officer**

In February, I continued to attend and participate in meetings with various groups and partnerships such as Madison Area Crime Stoppers, MPD Pride, Stolen Auto Task Force and Amigos en Azul. Additionally, I had the opportunity to meet with the Executive Director of the Monona East Side Business Alliance to discuss additional community outreach possibilities and different ways to grow social media platforms.

Aside from participating in meetings with the aforementioned groups, I attended numerous training opportunities in February. Some of the trainings included Crisis Intervention Training, which was hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Health, and Media and Crisis Communications hosted by UWPD.

Lastly, the month of February brought forth several community engagement events such as the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics and the Snow Snake Games which was hosted at San Damiano. Officers, Administrators and I had the great opportunity to participate and interact with community members at these events.

## INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

### Detective Unit

During the month of February 43 cases were reviewed for possible referral to the Investigative Division.

Crime	Number of Cases
Battery	1
Fraud	6
Retail Theft	19
Sexual Assault	4
Stolen Vehicle	4
Theft	8
Weapons Violation	1

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

### Current Investigations

#### **MO22-01515 – STOLEN VEHICLE/ELUDING**

A Detective observed a vehicle listed as recently stolen on the stolen auto hot sheet. The Detective kept eyes on it until patrol units arrived and attempted to stop the vehicle. MOPD patrol engaged in a brief pursuit with the stolen vehicle. Detectives worked with a local school, MPD, and DOC, and were able to get video of one of the occupants and GPS tracking for that occupant. MOPD will be referring charges on that individual.

#### **MO22-01340 – SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Monona Detectives worked a sexual assault that occurred in the parking lot of a local hotel. Detectives conducted many interviews, collected video, and drafted and executed a search warrant. This case will be sent to the DA's Office for potential charges.

#### **MO22-00741 – OBSTRUCTING**

While Detectives were working another case, they came across information that a person recently stopped and cited by MOPD patrol had given a fake name. Detectives reviewed body-worn camera video and confirmed the ID of the person stopped by patrol and confirmed that person had used someone else's name to evade traffic charges. Citations against the innocent party were withdrawn and the true defendant was issued citations for the violations.

#### **MO22-01220 – SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A CHILD**

Detectives investigated a sexual assault of a child allegation. A forensic interview was conducted and the case was forwarded to the Dane County DA for possible charges.

### **MO22-01193 - ELUDING**

Detectives assisted helping to identify the driver of a presumed stolen vehicle that eluded patrol after an attempted traffic stop. He has now been tentatively identified and still being investigated.



### **MO22-00998 – BOMB THREAT**

One City Schools was threatened with a bomb threat via social media. The suspect was identified and apprehended. The school was evacuated and three bomb detection dogs cleared the property. The suspect was found to have mental health issues and was provided assistance. No charges will be forwarded.

### **Other Activities**

Property room management  
Municipal court officer duties  
New building meetings  
Auto theft task force meetings  
Attended the Snow Snake Games

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

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## **School Resource Officer**

In the month of February, I had 30 “official” contacts with students. Only 26% of my contacts were initiated by students this month while almost 57% of my contacts were initiated by administration, family, or other building members. Three cases were referred to the Dane County District Attorney’s Office due to the seriousness of the offenses.

I attended 5 days of Crisis Intervention Training at Verona Fire Department. The training was put on by NAMI and provides law enforcement with different tools/responses to individuals struggling with their mental health. I also helped chaperone two MGHS ski and snowboard club trips to Tyrol Basin and Granite Peak Ski Resort.

### **INCIDENTS OF NOTE:**

On 02/03/22, SRO Helgeland informed me a GDS student disclosed to a school counselor a sexual assault that took place outside of school. The incident was reported to CPS, but the student did not want to disclose a suspect name. I coordinated with CPS to schedule an interview of the student. The suspect was identified, and a Safe Harbor Interview conducted. The incident was forwarded to detectives and eventually referred to the Dane County District Attorney’s Office for their review on possible charges.

On 02/07/22, an unknown subject entered MGHS at lunch time. The subject was confronted by administration. The subject claimed to be a new student, but when followed by admin, he fled the building. I located the subject and contacted him, identifying him as a Lafollette student. He was informed that if he returned, he would be cited for trespassing. His information was passed onto Lafollette administration and MGHS administration.

On 02/09/22, two MGHS students got into a fight when they returned to campus from lunch. Apparently, one student got into an argument with another in front of Rocky Rococo's. While returning to school, another student threw a drink on the victim. When the victim turned around, the suspect grabbed her by the hair and proceeded to punch her numerous times. Other students stood around laughing and recording the assault. The victim received a concussion from the assault, which elevated the seriousness of the incident. The victim's family wished to pursue charges against the suspect. The case was referred to the District Attorney's Office for Substantial Battery and Disorderly Conduct.

On 02/21/22, a child protective services report came in indicating a MGHS student had been sexually assaulted by another student, outside of school. This investigation is ongoing.

School Resource Officer Luke Wunsch can be contacted at [Lwunsch@ci.monona.wi.us](mailto:Lwunsch@ci.monona.wi.us)

### **MOPD 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	91
Municipal Ordinance Citations	18
Parking Citations	18
Traffic Warnings	154
Adult Arrests & Referrals	8
Juvenile Arrests & Referrals	2
Warrant Arrest	6
Eligible CRC Referrals	2

Monona Police Traffic Dashboard

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/e6fd42be627e4f88a3a24f47667b2a1f>

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 informs 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 1,046 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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