Jacksonville Beach Police Department Annual Report 2015
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Our Mayor and City Council

Mayor Charlie Latham

Chris Hoffman
Seat 1

Phil Vogelsang
Seat 2

Keith Doherty
Seat 3

Bruce Thomason
Seat 4

Jeanell Wilson
Seat 5

Lee Buck
Seat 6
The City of Jacksonville Beach operates under a Council-Manager form of government, the most common form of government for small cities in the United States. It is designed to operate like a corporation: the City Council acting as the Board of Directors and the City Manager as the Chief Operating Officer.

The City Manager, George D. Forbes, as the Chief Operating Officer of the city, is charged with carrying out the policies made by Council and managing the day-to-day operations of the city. He prepares the annual budget for council approval and hires city employees.

Jacksonville Beach City Manager George D. Forbes is the City’s longest serving city manager in its history dating back to our first City Manager in 1937. Mr. Forbes has dedicated his adult life to public service and has nearly 40 years of public service. On March 13, 2016, Mr. Forbes will complete his 21st year as our city manager. Congratulations Mr. Forbes on your achievement.
This annual report for calendar year 2015 documents activities and efforts by employees of the Jacksonville Beach Police Department to accomplish the department’s mission, “Working with Citizens for a Safe Community.”

The police department is a nationally-accredited, full-service agency employing 100 personnel; including 65 full-time police officers and 35 civilian employees. The department has three divisions: Patrol, Detective, and Services.

Police officers assigned to the Patrol Division respond to citizen calls for service and also take proactive steps to prevent crime and capture lawbreakers. They conduct the initial investigation of crimes, write reports, investigate traffic crashes, and issue citations. They try to prevent crimes utilizing patrol efforts by vehicle and on foot, creating a visible law enforcement presence.

Members of the Detective Division conduct follow-up investigations of crimes. General Investigations Team detectives investigate crimes such as homicide, robbery, burglary, theft, etc. Community Response Team detectives primarily investigate vice, narcotics, and quality of life crimes. Members of both teams are drawn from the ranks of patrol officers and receive specialized investigative training to handle the more serious crimes reported to the police department.

Employees assigned to the Services Division provide support services such as radio communications, records keeping, property and evidence maintenance, animal control, school crossing protection for children, and training for employees, among others.

The goal of every employee of the police department is to help create a safe community for every person who lives in, works in, or visits Jacksonville Beach. We encourage interested persons to contact any member of the police department with recommendations for improvements in the services we provide.
“Working with Citizens for a Safe Community”

Members of the Jacksonville Beach Police Department subscribe to values which we believe are essential to accomplish our mission. Those values, and their meanings, include the following:

COMPASSION
We will be understanding of and sympathetic to the needs of all our citizens.

DEPENDABILITY
Our words and deeds can be relied upon to meet the highest law enforcement standards. We will always do what we say we will do.

HIGH MORAL CHARACTER
Our actions, both on and off duty, will demonstrate honesty and decency at all times.

INITIATIVE
We will continually seek new and better ways to serve our citizens.

INTEGRITY
We will hold ourselves, both individually and collectively, accountable to our citizens.

PROFESSIONALISM
A key value that expresses our determination to achieve the highest standards demanded in order to earn public trust.

SELF-IMPROVEMENT
Each member of the department is a work in progress. Every statement we make, every action we take, will reflect our efforts to improve ourselves; to be a shining example of the best that law enforcement has to offer.
Police Officer of the Year
2015

Nathon Lazinsky
Patrol Officer

Police Officer of the Quarter
2015

Nathon Lazinsky
First Quarter

Anthony Cooper
Second Quarter

Randy Blalock
Third Quarter

Anthony Cooper
Fourth Quarter
Civilian Employee of the Year 2015

Krista Strickland
Senior Communications Officer

Civilian Employee of the Quarter 2015

Patricia Schmidt
First Quarter

Loretta Lavender
Second Quarter

Alissa Breitenstein
Third Quarter

Sandra King
Fourth Quarter
Volunteers of the Year
2015

Michael Zonis
COP

John Galarneau
CPAAA

Volunteer of the Quarter
2015

John Galarneau
First Quarter

Maralee Fox
Second Quarter

John Galarneau
Third Quarter

Edith Goldi
Fourth Quarter
Patrol Sergeants

Thomas Bingham, Jr.
Patrol Sergeant
19 Years

Keith Brown
Patrol Sergeant
16 Years

Anthony Dziedzicki
Patrol Sergeant
16 Years

Paul Watkins
Patrol Sergeant
19 Years

Homer Morodomi
Patrol Sergeant
18 Years

Keith Shackelford, Sr.
Patrol Sergeant
15 Years
Patrol Corporals

Michael Abate
Patrol Corporal
9 Years

Morris Ingle
Patrol Corporal
22 Years

William Eierman
Patrol Corporal
13 Years

Andrew Lavender
Patrol Corporal
14 Years

James Parker, Jr.
Patrol Corporal
4 Years

Tonya Tator
Patrol Corporal
18 Years
Patrol Officers

Brent Bartlett  
Patrol Officer  
1 Year

Travis Brown  
Patrol Officer  
12 Years

Sean Coen  
Patrol Officer  
9 Years

Anthony Cooper  
Patrol Officer  
4 Years

Debra Coppola  
Patrol Officer  
11 Years (Part-Time)

Steven Currier  
Patrol Officer  
1 Year

Bryan Doyle  
Traffic Officer  
7 Years

Tyler Eastridge  
Patrol Officer  
1 Year

Allan Ford  
Patrol Officer  
5 Years

Dustin Gibson  
Patrol Officer  
3 Years

Mitch Gilliland  
Patrol Officer  
2 Years

Gregory Gordon  
Patrol Officer  
10 Years

Benjamin Gray  
K-9 Officer  
7 Years

Hunter—5 Years  
Partner—Gray

Tracy Hawes  
Patrol Officer  
12 Years

Sarah Houston  
Patrol Officer  
3 Years
Hanna Howell
Patrol Officer
1 Year

Dustin Kling
Patrol Officer
1 Year

Andrew Lash
Patrol Officer
3 Years

Nathon Lazinsky
Patrol Officer
2 Years

Daniel Luxenberg
Patrol Officer
7 Years (Part-Time)

John Mason
Patrol Officer
1 Year (Reserve)

Christopher Ortiz
Patrol Officer
8 months

Rex Peters
Patrol Officer
1 Year

Craig Pfeuffer
K-9 Officer
15 Years

Mako—8 Years
Partner—Pfeuffer

Anthony Reeves
Patrol Officer
8 Months

Yvonne Santiago
Patrol Officer
13 Years

Aaron Scarborough
Patrol Officer
17 Years

Stephan Young
Patrol Officer
1 Year (Part-Time)
Community Response Team (C.R.T.) detectives address special problems such as illegal narcotics, prostitution, criminal transient investigations, and burglary and robbery surveillances. They concentrate their resources on the problem while taking full advantage of team members’ special skills and knowledge.
Detective Division
General Investigations Team

The General Investigations Team (G.I.T.) is comprised of highly-trained detectives who investigate offenses ranging from burglary and theft to homicide. They also track and notify the community of any sexual offenders and predators that live in the city.

Anthony Martin, Jr.
G.I.T. Detective
4 Years

Lewis Keller
G.I.T. Detective
7 Years

MistyDawn Kulcsar
G.I.T. Detective
4 Years

Tammy Monteiro
Senior Secretary
32 Years
Detective Division
Community Assisted Policing Effort
Downtown C.A.P.E.

Laurence Smith
Downtown C.A.P.E.
Sergeant
7 Years

Brian Wallace
Downtown C.A.P.E.
Corporal
4 Years

Amante Bacolor
Downtown C.A.P.E.
1 Year

Randy Blalock
Downtown C.A.P.E.
5 Years

Benjamin Conner
Downtown C.A.P.E.
2 Years

Charles Keen
Downtown C.A.P.E.
4 Years

Tony Maxwell
Downtown C.A.P.E.
1 Year

Richard Miller
Downtown C.A.P.E.
2 Years

Mitchell Sorrells
Downtown C.A.P.E.
1 Year
Nine sworn law enforcement officers, a sergeant, a corporal, and seven patrol officers comprise the Downtown Community Assisted Policing Effort (Downtown C.A.P.E.). Officers assigned to the Downtown C.A.P.E. Unit actively patrol the downtown area on foot, on Segway's, in marked patrol vehicles, SUVs, and ATVs. They maintain close contact with business owners and residents to help find solutions to crime problems that affect the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.

The officers have also been educated in the areas of code enforcement and crime prevention that has added greatly to their capabilities. This has given the officers the ability to instruct businesses and residents on methods for taking a proactive role in deterring crime in the community. It has provided the unit with a holistic approach to deterring or preventing crimes and associated issues in the area.

The unit also participated in several events in the community to enhance the public’s awareness regarding the unit and its activities. During bicycle rodeos, the officers instructed participants on bicycle safety and the importance of wearing helmets. They also aided in giving young children and their parents a positive contact with law enforcement officers.

This year the unit also proactively taught “Responsible Vending” to several establishments and employees. This program aids in teaching the value of responsible vending and the part establishments play in safeguarding the community against excessive service.
Downtown Community Assisted Policing Effort Officers in the Community
The Community Assisted Policing Effort (C.A.P.E.) program was founded in 1991 to address quality-of-life crimes in the Pablo Beach, South, neighborhood. There is one full-time police officer and one part-time Police Community Service Officer assigned to this unit. They provide much-needed assistance to the community, including active patrol, community clean-ups, assistance to the elderly, mentoring the youth, and much more.

Anthony Cooper
C.A.P.E. Officer
4 Years

Jacksonville Beach Carver Center

Samuel Owens
Police Community Service Officer
Part-Time
37 Years
Community Response Team

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<td>Total Drug Related Arrests</td>
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<td>Felony Charges</td>
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<td>Misdemeanor Charges</td>
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<td>Cases Cleared</td>
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<td>Public Relations Presentations</td>
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NOTE: C.R.T. was assigned to Downtown Task Force operations from March through September.

General Investigations Team

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# Detective Division Statistics

**Downtown C.A.P.E.**

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The Services Division encompasses many roles in the agency to include Recruiting, Training, Crime Prevention, Property and Evidence, Animal Control, Communications, Records, and Volunteer Services. The division’s efforts concentrate on providing non-emergency services to the citizens of the community. They utilize their resources to respond to problems while taking full advantage of team members’ special skills and knowledge.
Animal Control

The Animal Control Program continued heading in a positive direction again this year. ACO Theodore Mandrick has initiated teaching residents and speaking at public meetings about wildlife and other animal control issues. Ted was also able to educate the public on nuisance wildlife and the dangers of feeding and interacting with wild animals. His efforts have increased the health and welfare of the animals in our city while at the same time limiting the exposure of citizens to dangerous animals.

Training Statistics

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<td>Total Training Hours (All Personnel)</td>
<td>10,396.5</td>
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Services Division
Communications Section

Erin Citrullo
Communications Supervisor
15 Years

Rachel Bennett
Senior Communications Officer
13 Years

Raymond Clarke
Senior Communications Officer
7 Years

Tina Edmonds
Senior Communications Officer
19 Years

Anthony Nichols
Senior Communications Officer
12 Years

Glen Ricard
Senior Communications Officer
13 Years

Krista Strickland
Communications Officer
1 Year

Mary Walker
Senior Communications Officer
12 Years
Communications Workload History

Communications Workload Comparison for 2014 to 2015

- Calls for Service Fire / Rescue
- Traffic Stops
- 9-1-1 Calls
- Calls for Service Police
- Police Response Activity

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<td>52,243</td>
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<td>9-1-1 Calls</td>
<td>45,230</td>
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Services Division
Records Section

Betty Lucas
Records Supervisor
18 Years

Cathy Healey
Records Specialist
2 Years

Beverly Franklin
Records Specialist
3 Years
Crime and Traffic Statistics

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<td>442</td>
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<td>477</td>
<td>396</td>
<td>315</td>
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*The data appears disproportionate compared to previous years, however improvements were made to the methods in which burglary statistics were obtained. In preceding years, the records management system was not capturing all possible subsections of the burglary statute which caused an underrepresentation of data; therefore, the system was updated to include any omitted subsections. ** For years 2011-2014, the “Traffic Citations” category included both traffic citations and traffic warnings.
The Jacksonville Beach School Crossing Guard program had a new addition to the group this year. John Oswalt was added to the team of wonderful people who help to get the community’s children to school safely.

We would also like to say thank you to all of our volunteers who covered any open shifts due to illnesses. This dedication is what makes our program the top program in Florida.
Volunteer Programs

The Citizen Police Academy began in 1998 with the goal of making citizens more aware of the role of the police department in their community. During the twelve-week course, students learn about patrol operations, investigations, S.W.A.T., K-9, crime scene processing, and so much more. Through 2015, we have completed 35 classes with a total of 1009 graduates.

Graduates of the Citizen Police Academy are eligible to join the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA). The CPAAA was formed by graduates in 2000 as a way to volunteer for the police department and help the community. Combined with the Citizens On Patrol (COP), they totaled 12,760.75 hours of volunteer service to the community.
The CPAAA and its members organized several annual events for the department in 2015. The first event of the year was the 21st Annual Kid’s Fishing Rodeo. Once again the event was an overwhelming success. Kids of all ages were able to learn how to fish and participate in numerous activities. The best portion of the event was the interaction between the officers and the children of the community. There were approximately 1250 attendees.

The Halloween Party and Kid’s Christmas Party hosted by the CPAAA and the department were some of the best attended events all year. The combined attendance for the events was estimated to be over 2200 in 2015. Mr. And Mrs. Claus were also in attendance taking photographs with the children. 500 candy canes were given away during the event, one to each child that visited Santa.
Members of the Citizens On Patrol (COP) unit are trained volunteers, selected from the CPAAA, who conduct traffic direction and control, parking enforcement, and proactive patrolling. COP volunteers receive an initial 65 hours of specialized training on patrolling techniques, Florida laws, traffic control, and report writing. COP members volunteered approximately 3,440.25 hours in 2015.
Citizens On Patrol

Barbara Galvin  Terri Goffinet  Mike Hearn  Bunny Hoyle

Donna Jones  Jeff Jones  Rose Keyes  Bill Lee

John Oswalt  Susan Ryan  Beverly Taylor  Harvey Warnock

Floyd Wilson  Michael Zonis

Not pictured: James Olson
Special Programs

S.W.A.T. Team
(Special Weapons and Advanced Tactics)

Police officers assigned to the Special Weapons and Advanced Tactics Team (S.W.A.T.) are selected after completing a mentally and physically challenging process. There must be a unanimous vote by all team members before a new member can be recommended to the S.W.A.T. Commander and Chief of Police for selection. In addition to their regular duties, S.W.A.T. officers must constantly train to maintain their skill level to be able to handle high-level threats and high-stress situations. S.W.A.T. officers also deploy to assist other agencies as a secondary resource in tactical situations that may arise.

Evidence Technician/Traffic Homicide Investigations

Selected members of the department tackle additional duties as evidence technicians or traffic homicide investigators. They utilize specialized training at crime scenes and traffic crashes to collect evidence, take measurements, and use mathematical formulas to ensure thorough and concise investigations.
Honor Guard

The Honor Guard is a highly trained, uniformed group of officers who volunteer their time to honor our fallen heroes. The Honor Guard is responsible for carrying out ceremonial functions involving the police department. These include Color Guard, dedication ceremonies, police funerals, and Police Memorial Week ceremonies. There are currently 14 officers who comprise the Honor Guard. Members come from all divisions of the department.

K-9

The Jacksonville Beach Police Department has two police service dog teams. The dogs and their handlers are carefully chosen and go through a difficult yet challenging certification process before being deployed for patrol service. The dogs are certified in suspect apprehension and drug detection. Additionally, the police service dog is an exceptional asset during any high-risk operation.

3rd Annual National Night Out

On October 31st, we hosted our 3rd Annual National Night Out event. There were prizes, games, and other activities for children. The event was a combined event with the Kid’s Halloween Party. The event highlighted our Bike Safety program, our Downtown CAPE Program, and our Crime Prevention Unit. We fitted and provided 65 helmets to the children who participated in the rodeo. Approximately 75 children participated in the rodeo portion of the event, and it was estimated that approximately 250 children attended the event.
Gang Detective

The juvenile gang detective has the responsibility for conducting truancy sweeps, cleaning up graffiti around the city, and handling gang members. The detective also maintains intelligence files on gang members.

Youth Police Academy

The Youth Police Academy graduated its seventeenth class in 2015. This is a special program targeted at making a connection with the youth of the community. The children go through a shortened version of the Citizen Police Academy and attend on Saturday mornings. Some of the topics covered are Patrol, K-9, Detectives, Defensive Tactics, and S.W.A.T.

Above is Downtown C.A.P.E. Officer Richard Miller going over the C.A.P.E. program with kids from the class.

To the right, Youth Police Academy Class 17.
COP’s and CPAAA members at the Kid’s Halloween Party

CPAAA members at the Kid’s Christmas Party

CPAAA & COP members conducting a helmet fitting at a Bike Rodeo

CPAAA & COP members at a Bike Rodeo

Dunking booth at the Fishing Rodeo

CPAAA members at the Fishing Rodeo
Thank You!
CPAAA Volunteers
Thank You!
CPAAA Volunteers
Thank you for all that you do for the community!

Kid’s Christmas Party 2015
There was one retirement in 2015. Senior Administrative Assistant Randy Greene retired after 23 years of service. During her time with the department she worked under two different Chiefs of Police. She was responsible for numerous activities and received several accolades throughout her career.
The Police Department was first accredited by the national Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) in 1995 and has maintained its accredited status since that time. Each member of the department is responsible for ensuring that policies and procedures are followed. There are over 470 standards the department must meet to remain nationally accredited. The Police Department was named a Flagship Agency by CALEA in the past. During the last accreditation hearing, the agency was once again awarded Meritorious Accreditation status but this time with Excellence.
The award for “Meritorious Accreditation” is recognition for having been accredited for over 15 years. This was our 20th year being an accredited through CALEA as a law enforcement agency. The additional recognition of “Accreditation with Excellence” was awarded after our agency met or exceeded the following criteria:

- Must have a minimum of two previous consecutive CALEA Accreditation awards.
- Must not have conditions or noncompliance issues resulting from the current or last assessment.
- Current assessment must have been conducted under the CALEA® Gold Standard Assessment model.
- At the time of the current assessment, the agency must be in compliance with 90 percent of all applicable other-than-mandatory standards.
- Current Assessment Report must have limited file maintenance and not more than two applied discretion issues.
- Must not be operating under any active Federal Consent Decree or Memorandum of Understanding, or state-level complementary action.
- Must not currently be affected by issues that detract from the overall tenets or goals of CALEA Accreditation.
- Must receive a unanimous recommendation of support from the assigned CALEA Review Committee.

The agency received this designation at the awards banquet in November of 2015. The department is due for its next recertification in 2018.