The Grand Prairie Police Department experienced a year of achievements in 2007, including being awarded status as an Accredited Law Enforcement Agency by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), exceeding hiring goals by 40 percent, receiving voter approval for a new Public Safety Building and installing 12 additional photo enforcement cameras at dangerous railroad crossings and red light intersections.

In July, CALEA awarded GPPD accreditation status after a four-year process during which all aspects of our Department’s policies, procedures, management, operations and support services were examined in detail. Earning CALEA accreditation proves we are among the best internationally, and it stands as a challenge for us to continue demonstrating our commitment to this profession.

Another milestone reached in 2007 involved GPPD’s recruiting efforts. For the first sustained time in recent GPPD history, the Department is fully staffed, thanks to our recruiting team and their aggressive approach to increase hiring by 55 percent over the previous year. We hired 28 sworn officers, 23 civilian employees, and our recruiting team earned one of the city’s highest honors at the annual employee awards banquet, being recognized with the Group Achievement Award for 2007.

In the May election, Grand Prairie voters approved using a ¼ cent sales tax to build a new Public Safety Center that will replace our existing facility of 35 years that we have long since outgrown. An extensive design process is underway for the new 130,000-square-foot Public Safety headquarters, and we expect the construction to begin in October 2008 and be completed by May 2010. One important note about the sales tax is that it is not a new tax on residents but a continuation of the sales tax that was previously used to build Lone Star Park, which was paid off 18 years ahead of schedule.

GPPD experienced several “firsts” this year including becoming the first in Texas to install a railroad crossing photo enforcement camera. After only three months, violations at the photo-enforced railroad crossing decreased by 48 percent. Since then, we’ve installed four more cameras at railroad crossings and eight at dangerous red light intersections. We also became the first in Texas to use a new laser radar technology to measure the distance between cars in an effort to enforce tailgating violations.

Other highlights: Cross-trained all five of our Lake Patrol Officers as Emergency Medical Technicians; increased starting salary to $48,641; launched Grand Prairie Police MySpace site as part of the online police recruiting strategy; www.myspace.com/grandprairiepolice; and honored fallen Police Sgt. Greg Hunter with a memorial at the site of his death, funded by family, friends, coworkers, private citizens and local businesses.

This continues to be an exciting time to be a police officer in Grand Prairie as we look to the future and plan for the needs of a growing and dynamic community.

- Chief Glen Hill
Between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, 29,722 traffic and pedestrian stops were recorded. 51% of those stopped were not residents of Grand Prairie.

**Traffic Data**

- White, 39%
- Hispanic, 34%
- Black, 20%
- Other, 4%
- Asian, 2%
- Native American, .1%

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**Deputy Chief Don Trask**

Field Operations Bureau

972-237-8905

**K-9**

972-237-8784

- Deployments - 87
- Narcotic Finds - 10
- Apprehensions - 13

**Reserves**

972-237-8940

- Hours Volunteered - 2,418

**Tactical**

972-237-8819

- Search Warrants - 17
- Barricaded Persons - 4
- Other - 2

**Patrol**

972-237-8724

- Calls for Service - 136,435
- Fleet Miles - 1,346,425
- Traffic Stops - 39,496
- Traffic Pursuits - 21

**Directed Patrol**

972-237-8832

- Felony Narcotic Cases Filed - 98
- Arrests - 385
- Citations - 818
- Undercover Drug Operations - 2
- Search Warrants - 24
- Guns Seized - 15
- Narcotic Seizures - Marijuana 30.2 lbs
  ICE 2.25 lbs
  Powder Cocaine 10 Kilos
  Crack Cocaine 4 oz
  MDMA 56 dosages
- Currency Seizures - $45,000

**Lake Patrol**

972-237-8940

- Boating Contacts - 1,566
- Boaters Assisted - 193
- Water Rescues - 24
- Land Contacts - 4,983
- Boat Accidents - 16
- All five lake officers were trained through EMT

**Traffic**

972-237-8906

**Citations**

- Traffic Unit - 12,503
- STEP - 15,521
- Patrol/Other - 23,582

**Crashes**

- Total Collisions Reported to 911 - 6,369
- Collisions Reported on CRB-3s - 3,147
- Non-Injury Collisions - 2,098
- Injury Collisions - 1,033
- Fatal Collisions - 16
- Killed in Collisions - 18
- Hit & Run Collisions - 828

**Cases Filed**

- DWI - 455
- DUI - Minor - 19
- Other Criminal Traffic Cases - 649
Crime Scene
972-237-8757

- Crime Scene Searches - 690
- Lab Requests Processed - 535
- AFIS Searches - 436
- Fingerprint Comparisons - 5,569

Criminal Investigations
972-237-8751

- Cases Assigned - 4,154
  - Narcotics - 117
  - Major Crimes (Persons) - 602
  - General Assignments (Property / Financial / Computer) - 3,247
  - Special Operations (Auto Theft / Gang / Vice) - 188
- Cases Filed - 979
  - Narcotics - 107
  - Major Crimes (Persons) - 281
  - General Assignments (Property / Financial / Computer) - 468
  - Special Operations (Auto Theft / Gang / Vice) - 123
- Search Warrants - 38
- Narcotic Seizures - $187,991
- Assets/Currency Seized - $3,300

Grand Prairie Crime Clock

Simple Assault - 1,245
(1 every 7 hours)

Burglary - 1,577
(1 every 6 hours)

Forcible Rape - 74
(1 every 118 hours)

Theft - 4,575
(1 every 2 hours)

Motor Vehicle Theft - 1,178
(1 every 7 hours)

Criminal Homicide - 6
(1 every 1,460 hours)

Robbery - 225
(1 every 39 hours)

Aggravated Assault - 221
(1 every 40 hours)

Victim Assistance Program
972-237-8796

Passed by the Texas Legislature in 1979, the Texas Crime Victims’ Compensation Act created a fund and established statutory eligibility guidelines for the provision of certain benefits for crime victims.

In 2007, the Grand Prairie Police Department served 1,728 victims of violent crime. Services included crisis intervention, follow up contact, personal advocacy, information and referrals, criminal justice support and advocacy, assistance obtaining emergency protective orders and filing crime victims’ compensation claims.

Property and Evidence
972-237-8722

- Items Received - 74,885
- Items Released - 107,773
- Stolen Property Recovered from Pawn Shops in Grand Prairie - $81,932

July

Became the first in Texas to use a new laser-powered radar with distance between cars technology to pick out tailgaters.

August

Earned overall team honors at National Police Motorcycle Skills and Training Championship in Frisco.

Earned national accreditation from Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA).

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Memorial for fallen Police Sgt. Greg Hunter dedicated, funded by family, friends, co-workers, private citizens and local businesses.
Special Recognition

2007 Retirees
Stephen Courson • Gary Gouge
Diana Paulsen • Judy Read
Cleta Shaw • Doyle Winter

2007 Promotions
Gerald Brown - Sgt.

Personnel and Training
972-237-8690

• Police Officers Hired - 28
• Non-Sworn (civilian) Employees Hired - 23
• Training Classes - 145

Auto Pound 972-237-4100

• Vehicles Impounded - 6,626
• Vehicles Released - 5,249
• Vehicles Crushed - 65
• Auction Revenue - $450,441

Detention 972-237-8951

• Total Inmates - 11,091
• Average Length of Stay - 3 Days

Communications

911 Emergency • 972-237-8790 Non-Emergency

• 911 Calls Received - 148,089
• Non-Emergency Calls - 149,361

Community Service
972-237-8900

• H.E.A.T. (Help End Auto Theft) and VIN Registrations - 348
• New Crime Watches Organized - 13
• Neighborhoods Participating in National Night Out - 32
• Child ID Kits Distributed - 63
• Safeside City Graduates - 2,480
• Citizen Police Academy Graduates - 45
• Junior Police Academy Graduates - 16

Records 972-237-8740

• Reports Entered into RMS - 40,889
• Fees Collected - $82,923
• Visitors to Lobby - 18,766
• Open Records Requests - 11,500

September

Violations at the first photo-enforced railroad crossing decreased from June to September by 48 percent.

October

Increased starting salary to $48,641. Officers Bo Stegall and Joe Kalota earned first and third place trophies at Lone Star Police Motorcycle Competition.

December

Santa Cop and Santa Spot collected and delivered food and toys to about 400 Grand Prairie families in need.

Police Recruiting Team receives 2007 Group Achievement Award at City of Grand Prairie Annual Awards Banquet
The Grand Prairie Police Department is continually seeking diverse, highly motivated, community-oriented officers with integrity, who are willing to face a variety of challenges and responsibilities. We are committed to working in partnership with the residents of our community to provide a safe, secure environment to enhance the quality of life for each citizen of Grand Prairie.

“People, Service & Integrity” EOE

Qualifications:

- Applicant must be a United States citizen between the ages of 21 and 44. Applicants 45 years of age or older are not eligible for a beginning position as a police officer.
- Applicant with felony convictions will not be considered for employment.
- Applicant may never have been convicted of an offense above the grade of a Class B misdemeanor or a Class B misdemeanor within the last 10 years.
- Applicant must not be on probation for any offense at the time of application.
- Applicant must have a high school diploma or a G.E.D. with 60 accredited college hours or Four years military experience with 30 accredited college hours or At least two years full-time employment with a federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency with a current peace officer’s license.

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Excitement! Advancement! Teamwork!

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