

GRAND PRAIRIE STRONG



GRAND PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WE PROTECT AND SERVE

2020 **ANNUAL REPORT**





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GRAND PRAIRIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Mission

The Grand Prairie Police Department is dedicated to service and partnering with our community to maintain a safe environment with a high quality of life.

Values

COMMITMENT. To service through community partnerships, innovation and a holistic approach to policing.

PRIDE. In our appearance, in our professionalism and in safeguarding our community.

RESPECT. For our profession and for those we serve.

Motto

We Protect and Serve



CHIEF'S MESSAGE



Ladies and Gentlemen of Grand Prairie,

The year 2020 will not soon be forgotten as our city endured a number of hardships. We lost friends and family to a global pandemic including City Councilman Jim Swafford who, without question, made our city a better place to work and live. Yet in the midst of this turmoil, when many other police departments were simply trying to weather the storm, the Grand Prairie Police Department took a different approach. The men and women of your Grand Prairie Police Department led our country the way it should be led...by example. The officers brought those who chose to commit crime to justice while embracing our citizens in their time of need. During some of the greatest law enforcement challenges in our nation's history, the department led the effort to bring this city together in solidarity, all while having the fewest number of crimes in over a decade.

We leveraged technology, launched new programs to help those in mental health crisis, partnered with charities to provide food and clothing to those in need, and even used evidence-based strategies to target crime BEFORE it occurred. Consequently, crime was reduced by nearly 7% since 2019 and our overall crime was reduced by 48% since 2010. The city also had the fewest number of thefts, burglaries, and robberies since 2010, a feat we are proud of considering our population surge and the fact crime spiked in many of the cities around us. Finally, Grand Prairie was the only city in the Dallas region to have collision reductions in all categories including Driving While Intoxicated, Speed, Intersections, and injuries from failing to wear a safety belt. In short, Grand Prairie is among the safest places to work, live, and play!

Please know we will continue to provide the highest level of service to all those we serve whether you are our guest or live in our GRAND city because, after all, we work for you!

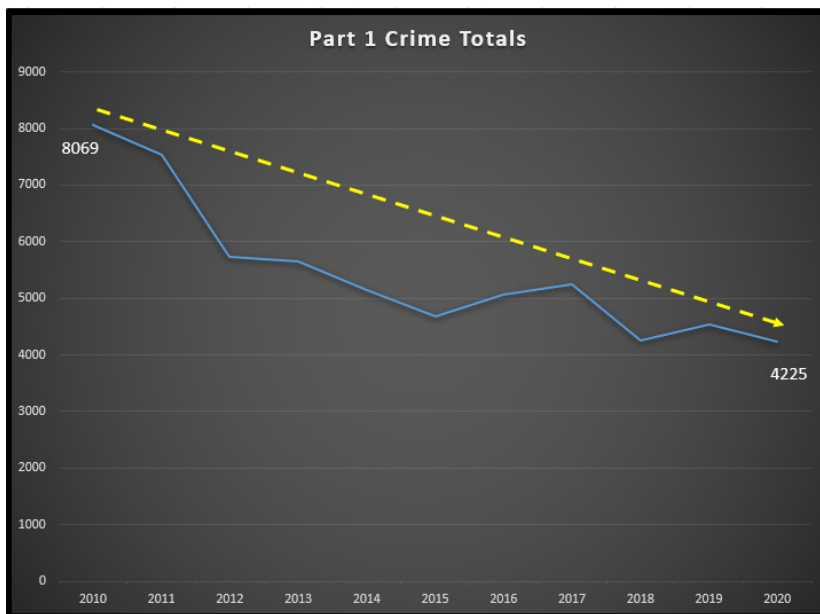
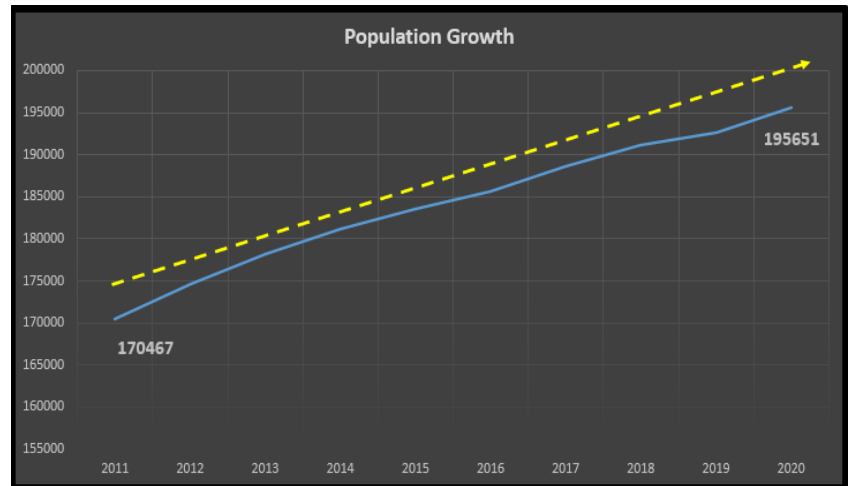
Sincerely,


A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Scesney", written over a white background.

Chief Daniel Scesney
Chief of Police

WHERE WE'VE BEEN...

 CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
POPULATION GROWTH
15%



 SINCE 2019
CRIME DECREASE
7%

3800+ Fewer Victims of Crime!

POLICE ADMINISTRATION



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POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

2019-2020

\$ 48,107,767 Personnel Services

\$ 9,035,133 Supplies and Services

\$ 5,785,082 Debt Service

\$ 637,000 Capital Outlay

\$ 63,564,982 Total Appropriations

ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

2019-2020

28 Complaints Investigated

10 Sustained

0 Not Sustained

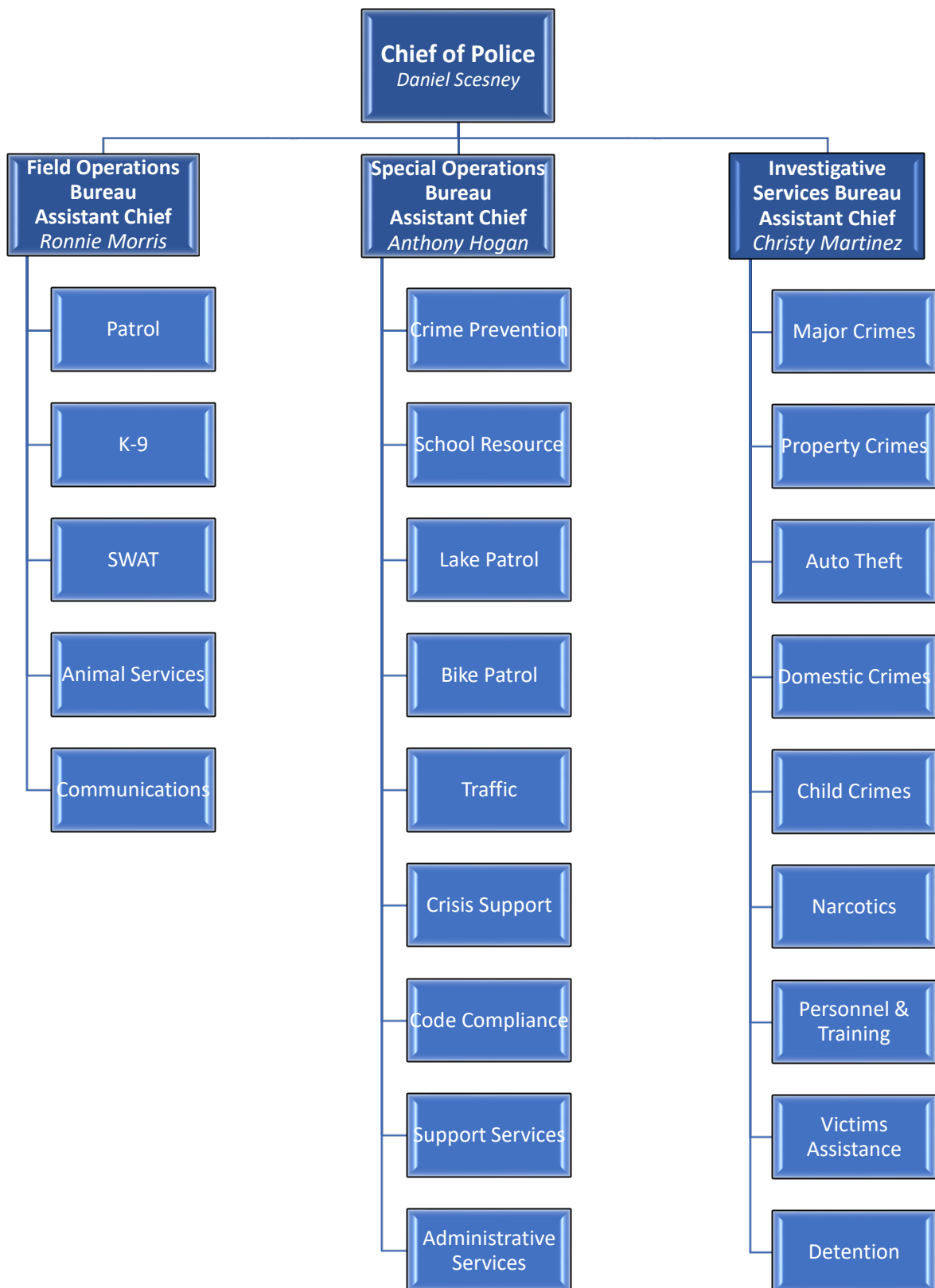
12 Unfounded

5 Exonerated

1 Pending

0 Closed by other means

DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION



PERSONNEL AND RETIREES



PERSONNEL AND TRAINING

- 12 Police Officers Hired
- 21 Non-Sworn Employees Hired
- 208 Background Investigations

- 133 Training Classes
- 3196 Training Hours

RETIREES

Steve Dye
CHIEF OF POLICE

Edward Bylotas
POLICE OFFICER

Kristin Swanson
DETENTION MANAGER

David Rhodes
POLICE LIEUTENANT

K-9 Jurek
POLICE DOG

FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU

PATROL

75,086 Citizen-Initiated Calls for Service

118,224 Officer-Initiated Calls for Service

193,310 Total Calls for Service

40,609 Traffic Stops

K-9

62 Deployments

145 Narcotic Finds

14 K-9 Demonstrations

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING FRONT DESK

8,499
Front Desk Calls

604
Lobby Calls

COMMUNICATIONS

121,774 911 Calls Received

106,693 Non-Emergency Calls

228,523 Total

56 Text to 911

94% Percentage of 911 Calls Answered within 10 Seconds

SWAT

32 High Risk Search Warrants Served

38 Total SWAT Unit Activations

6 Barricaded Persons Incidents Resolved

6,528 SWAT Training Hours

8 SWAT Demonstrations



INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BUREAU



DETENTION CENTER

Arrests
4,799

Average Stay
1.53 Days

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

Major Crimes

1,464 Cases Assigned for Investigation

201 Cases Filed

Financial Crimes

765 Cases Assigned for Investigation

103 Cases Filed

Auto Theft

1,474 Cases Assigned for Investigation

198 Cases Filed

Domestic Crimes

1,337 Cases Assigned for Investigation

654 Cases Filed

Property Crimes

3,778 Cases Assigned for Investigation

800 Cases Filed

Other

786
Investigative Search Warrants

\$2,732,416.49
Value of Property Recovered

Crime Scene

888	Crime Scenes Processed		
1347	Evidence Items Processed in Crime Scene Lab		
79,594	Fingerprint Comparisons		
1445	Latent Fingerprints Submitted to AFIS/AFIX Tracker		
176	AFIS/AFIX Hits	256	Weapons Fired NIBIN
130	Manual IDs	93	Weapons Fired NIBIN Entries
48	Call Outs	190	Submitted to ATF NIBIN

UCR Part 1 Crimes

12	Murder
33	Rape
86	Robbery
300	Aggravated Assault
342	Burglary
2,844	Theft
602	Auto Theft

Victim Assistance

2,080	Information/Referrals in Person
1,438	Personal Advocacy
1,238	Assistance Filing Compensation Claims
1,003	Emergency Legal Assistance
888	Justice Support Advocacy
46	Crisis Counseling



Narcotic Unit

Cases Assigned for Investigation	1,290
Cases Filed	993
Vice/Drug Complaints	131
K-9 Deployments	97
Building/Residential Searches for Narcotics	88
Vehicle Searches for Narcotics	70
Drug Monies K-9 Alerted To	\$447,083

Drug Seizures

191,727 / grams Marihuana	626,859 / grams Methamphetamine	\$3,628,063.89 / grams Assets/Currency Seized
8,166 / grams Heroin	5,495 / grams Cocaine (Powder & Crack)	\$7,386,944.20 / grams Drugs Seized



SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE

21,893 Items Received

7,759 Items Disposed

29,652 Items Flowed Through

583 Firearms Seized

SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT DIVISION TRAFFIC UNIT

Crashes

3,372 Total Collisions Reported

2,529 Non-Injury Collisions

827 Injury Collisions

17 Traffic Fatalities (16 crashes)

931 Hit & Run Collisions

Cases Filed

456 DWI

5 DUI - Minor

1 Intoxication Assault

0 Intoxication Manslaughter

48 Other Criminal Traffic Cases

356 Fail to Leave Identification

6 Fail to Stop and Render Aid

Citations

16,765 Traffic Unit

7,717 STEP

12,174 Patrol/Other

1,106 School Zone Speed Violations

171 Truck Route Violations

36,656 Total Citations

LAKE PATROL UNIT

465 Boating Contacts

49 Boaters Assisted

36 Water Rescues

167 Land Contacts

2 Boating Accidents

RECORDS PDRECORDS@GPTX.ORG

21,029

Reports Entered into RMS

4,340

Visitors to Lobby

5,138

Arrest Bookings

2,602

Crash Reports Purchased
Online

\$34,200.16

Fees Collected

13,436

Open Records Requests

5,138

P2C Online Reports

AUTO POUND

4,423

Vehicles Impounded

3,368

Vehicles Released

88

Vehicles Crushed

\$745,167.14

Auction Revenue

CODE COMPLIANCE

21,458

Code Compliance
Officer Initiated
Inspections

4,237

Citizen Complaints

15,110

Follow Up Inspections

1,393

Citations Issued

76

Vehicles Towed

6,107

Citizen Contacts

113

Neighborhood Enrichment
Team (NET Cases)

4,928

Illegal Signs Removed

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

19

Neighborhood Watch Groups/Trainings

15

Child ID Kits Distributed

11

Nuisance Abatement Investigations

21

Business Security Surveys

5

Residential Security Surveys

3

Alcohol Compliance Operations

1

New Crime Watches Organized

1

National Night Out Events



ANIMAL SERVICES

7,568

Request for Service

10,852

Field Responses

178

Call Back Responses

0

Dangerous Animal Cases

178

Citations Issued

147

Bite Cases

VOLUNTEERS

125

Active Volunteers

11,864

Total Hours

\$292,328

Equivalent Value (\$24.64/Hourly)
source: Independentsector.org



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It is not how these officers died that made them heroes. It is how they lived.

Sergeant Gregory L. Hunter



Gregory L. Hunter

OFFICER

END OF WATCH: JUNE 18, 2004

Sergeant Gregory L. Hunter began his law enforcement career with the Grand Prairie Police Department on January 4, 1973. He was the city's first African-American Officer to be commissioned by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. On Friday, June 18, 2004, Sergeant Hunter was mortally wounded while he and Officer Bruce Seix investigated a suspicious vehicle at Walmart. Sergeant Hunter was ambushed by the suspect who opened fire as he emerged from behind a curtain inside his van. Sergeant Hunter is survived by his wife Denise and their daughter Erin.

Officer Lyndon F. King



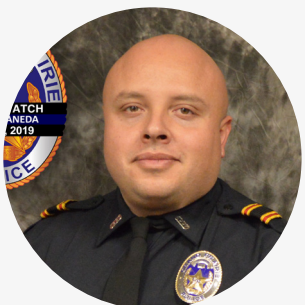
Lyndon F. King

OFFICER

END OF WATCH: MARCH 1, 1982

Officer Lyndon F. King began his career as a Reserve Officer in 1973. He became a full time officer on July 7, 1976. On March 1, 1982, he became the first Grand Prairie Police Officer to be killed in the line of duty. Officer King was investigating an accident on Interstate 30 near the N.W. 7th Street overpass. He was killed in an accident when a drunk driver struck his squad car from the rear, sending it into a spin, striking Officer King. Officer King is survived by his wife, Carolyn, and his son, Michael, who was 18 months old at the time of his line of duty death.

Officer A.J. Castaneda



A.J. Castaneda

OFFICER

END OF WATCH: JUNE 7, 2019

On June 7, 2019, Police Officer AJ Castaneda was struck and killed by a vehicle while running radar on the President George Bush Turnpike, near Dickey Road. Officer Castaneda was a U.S. Coast Guard veteran. He had served with the Grand Prairie Police Department for five years and had previously served with the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office for six years. He is survived by one child.

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