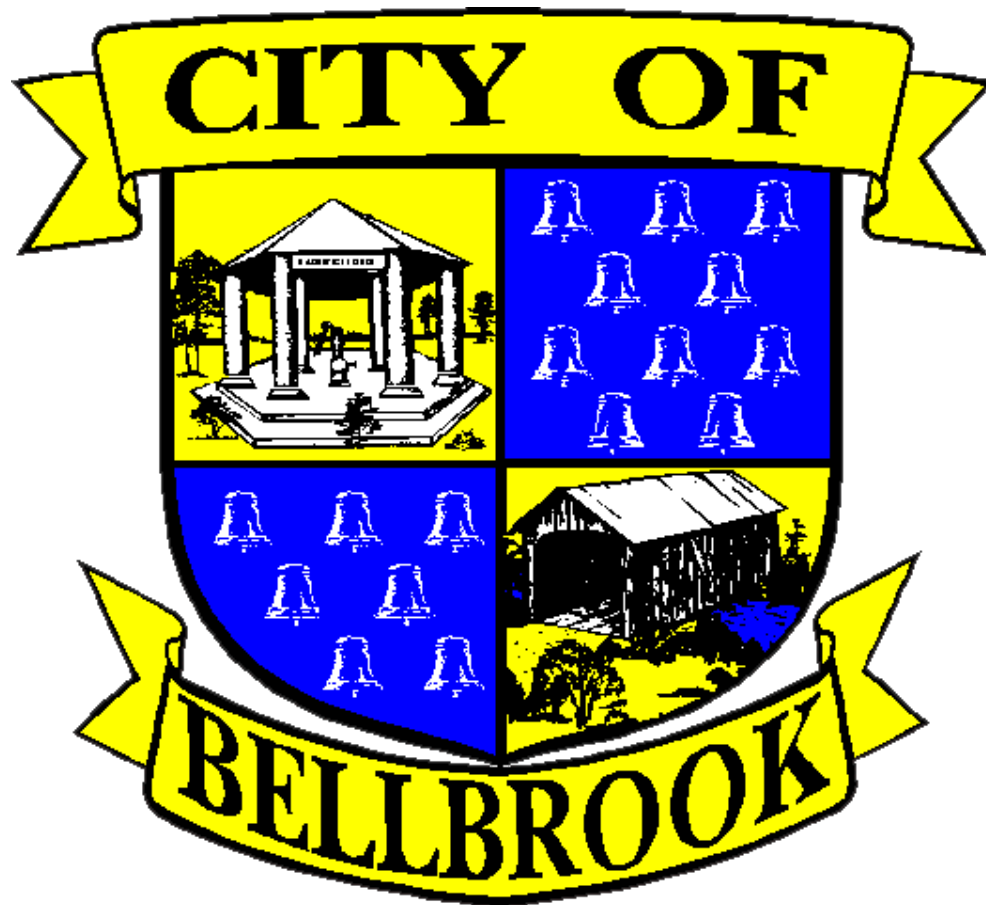


Bellbrook Police Department



2014 Annual Report

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Bellbrook Police Department is to efficiently provide quality police services for our community by promoting a safe environment through a police-citizen partnership, with an emphasis on mutual trust, integrity, fairness and professionalism.

Core Values



Courage

We train in a manner so we will properly respond to all types of calls for service. Our officers are always ready to assist others when they are called upon, regardless of the situation.

Loyalty

Our officers are true to their values, ethics and integrity as individuals and as part of the fine institution that comprises the Bellbrook Police Department.

Community

The Bellbrook Police Department is committed to providing excellent customer service to the citizens of Bellbrook. It is our profound belief that we are here to serve you. We remain devoted to provide the highest level of professional law enforcement services to our community. Our mission is to serve all of you!

Executive Summary

This year has brought a lot of change to the Bellbrook Police Department (BPD). Chief D. Helling retired after 16 years as the Chief of Police. The Patrol Lieutenant, Matt Savino, retired after proudly serving 25 years with the Bellbrook Police Department. On March 17, 2014, I took over as the Police Chief. I previously worked with the Xenia Police Division, where I had honorably served the past 24 years; the last 11 as the patrol Captain. There were necessary changes needed in the BPD command staff to fill the holes from the retirements. Steve Carmin was named as the patrol Lieutenant and Brian Meade was named as the evening shift patrol Sergeant. Our entire command staff was brand new within a few weeks of my arrival. In keeping with a long standing tradition in Bellbrook, I wanted to make sure the citizens knew we were customer service driven and were going to maintain our lofty professional standards. When I was hired as the Chief of Police, City Council and the City Manager tasked me with re-establishing ties with the community. One of my first community initiatives was to perform foot patrols in the evening hours, throughout the neighborhoods of Bellbrook. Lieutenant Carmin, Sergeant Meade and I walked each neighborhood in Bellbrook throughout the summer to talk to citizens, identify neighborhood issues and to introduce ourselves to the citizens. This effort was very popular with the citizens and we will continue to do something similar in coming years. Another community initiative was to reestablish the bike patrol unit. Bellbrook PD had a bike officer assigned on dayshift and evening shift patrolling the neighborhoods. Officers were able to make personal contact with children, parents and business owners during their shifts. I attended a few Chamber meetings and Ministerial Alliance meetings and introduced myself and my command staff to the members of these groups. The members of these groups were very excited to meet the officers and to hear, from them, the ideas they had for the community. Another popular community initiative was to reinstitute the "vacation house checks" (VHC's). If a citizen will be away from their home for a period of time, they can complete a VHC sheet. These are given to the patrol officers and the homes will be checked throughout the day by the patrol officers.

As we continue to provide excellent customer service to our community, I am reminded on a daily basis that our community initiatives would be less successful without the great men and women that serve as Bellbrook police officers and the relationship that continues to be fostered with the fine citizens of Bellbrook.

We are proud to serve you!

Douglas Doherty

Chief of Police

Chief Douglas P. Doherty



Chief Doherty has 25+ years in law enforcement. He began his career as a reserve officer with the Madison Twp. police department in 1989. In February 1990, he became a full time officer with the Xenia Police Division. During his tenure at XPD, he served as an officer, detective, OIC, FTO, Investigator, OLC rep, patrol Sgt and Captain. On March 3, 2014, he was chosen to become the next Chief for the City of Bellbrook. Chief Doherty has graduated from the Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command and attended the F.B.I. National Academy, graduating in class 214. Chief Doherty has been married to his wife, Shannon, for the past 23 years. They have two grown children, Christina and Daniel.

Lieutenant Stephen P. Carmin



Lieutenant Stephen P. Carmin is a 22 year veteran of the Bellbrook Police Department. He began his career at German Township Police Dept., Montgomery County, Ohio, before coming to Bellbrook Police Department in December 1992. Carmin was promoted to Patrol Division Sergeant in 1999, and then to Patrol Operations Lieutenant in March 2014. Lt. Carmin attended Pima College in Tucson, Arizona, where he studied Criminal Justice. Lt. Carmin also carries a Diploma from Lamson Business College, Arizona, in the field of Computer Science

In his role as Patrol Operations Lieutenant, Lt. Carmin assists the Chief of Police through daily administration of police operations and other special projects assigned by the Chief of Police. Overseeing thirteen Police Officers including the Patrol Division Sergeant and Detective, Lt. Carmin has oversight of all police operations and calls for service, insuring completeness of documentation, quality of service, accuracy, and case follow-up.

Lt. Carmin and his family are Bellbrook residents. He has two children who attend Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Schools.

Sergeant Brian J. Meade



Sgt. Brian J. Meade began working at the City of Bellbrook Police Department on July 15, 2002. He came to our department after working four years with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office as a Corrections Officer and a Deputy Sheriff (Court Services). Sgt. Meade also worked part-time with the Village of Enon Police Department as a police officer for over two years while employed at MCSO. Sgt. Meade was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on March 31, 2014. He supervises both evening and midnight shift officers but maintains rank over all patrol officers. He handles scheduling for the department as well. Sgt. Meade is married and has a daughter and a son.

Sgt. Meade is currently an Evidence Technician along with being the OC Instructor for the department. Sgt. Meade previously served as the DARE Officer.

DEPARTMENT ROSTER – SWORN MEMBERS

COMMAND STAFF



Chief Doherty



Lt. Carmin



Sgt. Meade

DETECTIVE SECTION



Det. Salyers

PATROL SECTION



Jones



Loudermilk



J. Burns



Vetter



Ruble



VanScoy



M. Burns



Davis



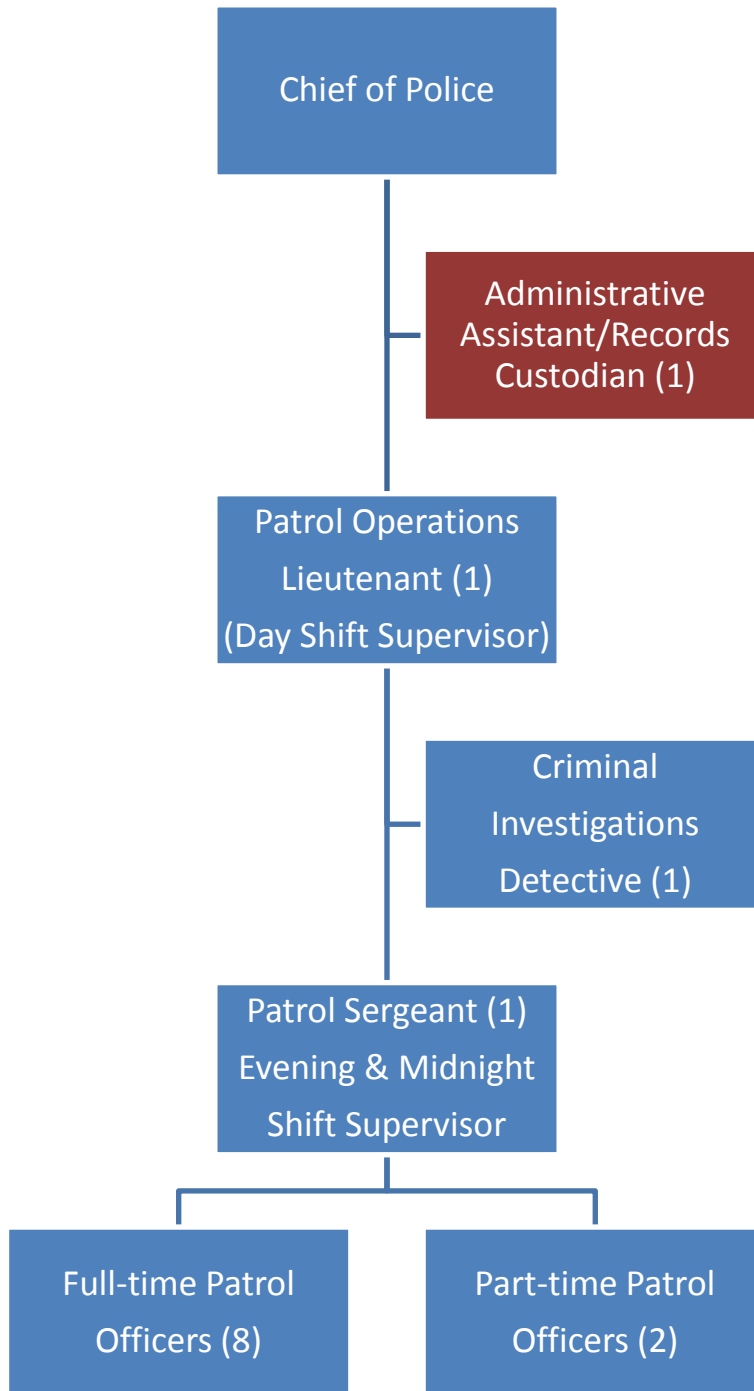
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Bellbrook Police Department

Organizational Chart



2015 Goals and Objectives

Administration

Develop a physical fitness challenge to be voluntarily performed annually by participating officers

- Assist officers with a training regiment
- Officers can earn a fitness ribbon for their uniform

Develop a physical agility test for sworn officers and applicants to be performed annually

- Design a basic course and train officers to meet the standard

Seek opportunities for community involvement

- Provide police related presentations for community groups upon requests.
- Have officer partnerships at local festivals, churches, community groups and schools

Continually seek input from officers on departmental matters

- Schedule regular Labor/Management meetings
- Develop committees that promote officer involvement (Training Committee, Use of Force Review)

Patrol Operations

Completion of MDT project

- Install and have operational six (6) total MDT systems in patrol vehicles. This task will carry-over two (2) MDT systems from the 2014 calendar year.

Driver Training

- Utilizing the OPOTA driver training simulator, or thru low-speed EVOC course training locally at department.

Completion of ETi "Cloud" services install/migration for reporting software

- This will be a carry-over from 2014 calendar year.

Implement ALiCE training at Bellbrook-Sugarcreek Schools

- Achieved thru the continued cooperation with STPD and Bellbrook Schools staff.

Appoint and assist in training of an additional Sergeant position for midnight shift assignment

- This will be in cooperation with the Chief of Police and City Council.

Training

Continue to utilize the Training Committee as established by Chief Doherty.

- Meet once a month to plan out training

Have all officers train on something in house once a month.

- Brainstorm with Training Committee about developing new ideas for training.

Have all officers attend at least one outside training.

- Encourage all officers to find outside training for the Bellbrook Police Department. This will also satisfy CPT hours with OPOTA instead of over relying on EOPOTA courses.

Calls for Police Service Comparison

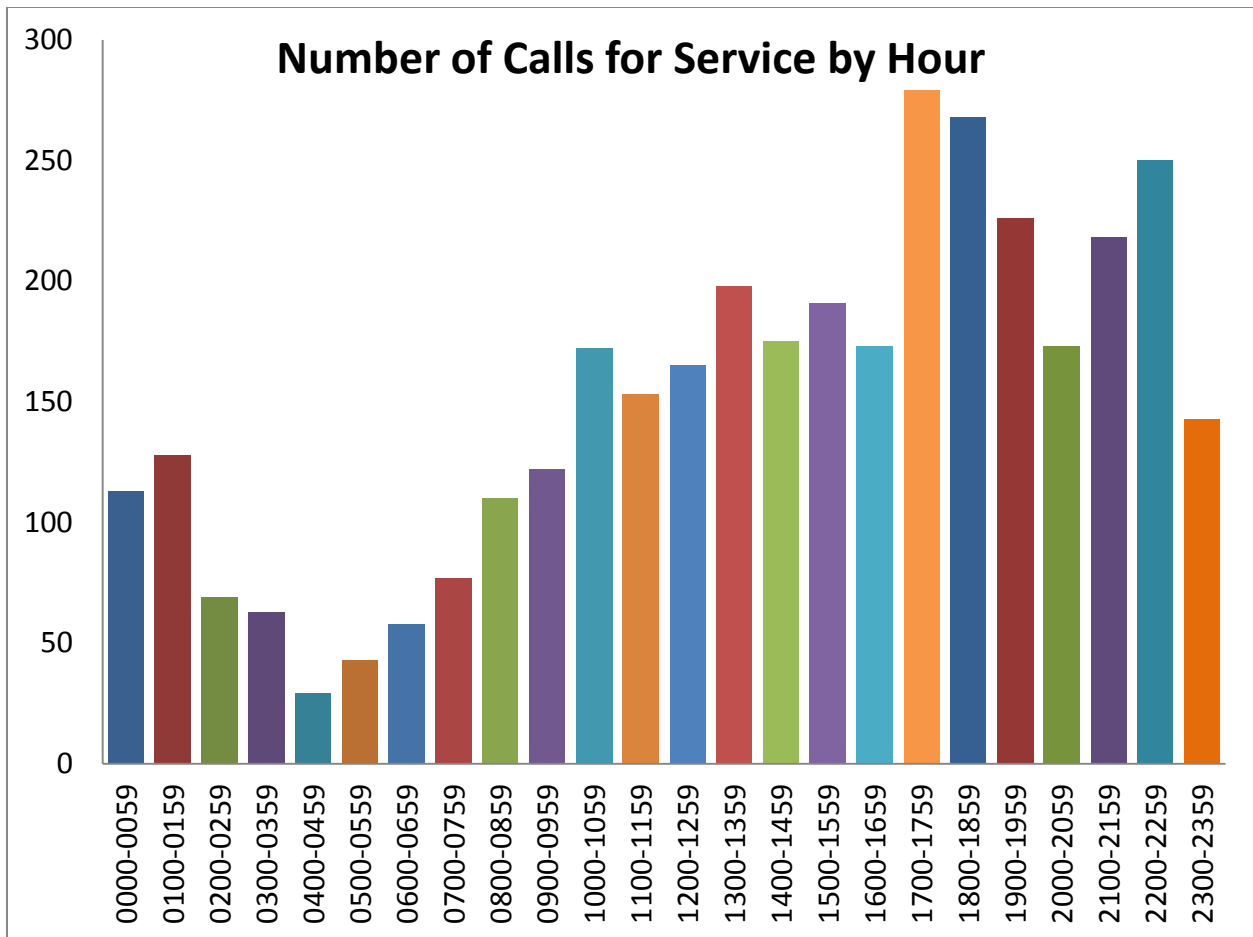
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Nature of Call	2012	2013	2014	Increase from 2013
Assault	24	13	17	+4 (+26%)
Robbery	1	1	1	0 (no change)
Burglary / B&E	8	10	7	-3 (-30%)
Sex Offenses	11	9	10	+1 (+10%)
Thefts	108	89	76	-13 (-15%)
Juvenile Problems	43	47	64	+17 (+27%)
Animal Complaints	103	70	79	+9 (+11%)
Crim. Damaging/Vandalism	61	39	24	-15 (-39%)
Suspicious Vehicle / Person	124	159	127	-32 (-18%)
Peace Officer/Welfare Check	169	146	142	-4 (-3%)
Traffic Enforcement Related	1,656	1,805	1,864	+59 (+4%)
All Other Calls	1,608	1,409	1,217	-192(-14%)
Grand Total	3,916	3,797	3,628	-169 (-5%)

Calls for Police Service – Discussion

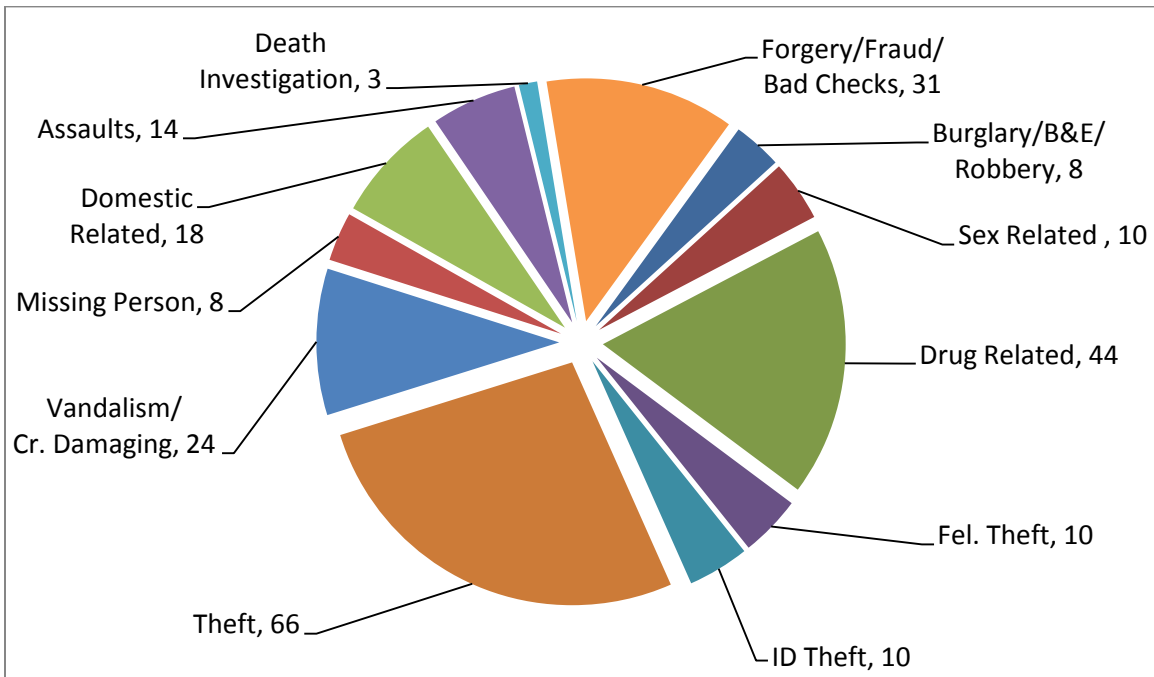
Comparisons of calls for service over the past three years indicate relatively little change as to activity. Some categories of incidents show significant percentage increases; however, this can be attributed to the low number of calls for that type of incident - a very modest increase can result in a large percentage change.

The very low numbers of “Part – I” Crimes, those being *Homicide (none), Rape, Robbery, Burglary, Larceny (Thefts)* and *Assault* indicate the City of Bellbrook is a very safe and secure place to live and work. The Officers of the Bellbrook Police Department work very hard each and every day to insure safety and welfare of all residents and businesses.



The above chart details Bellbrook Police Department’s call load by hour. 3am to 10am is the most pronounced time of day for the *least* number of call activities resulting in citation/arrest. Most activity involving arrest or citation occurs between the 6pm and midnight timeframes.

Types of Crime



Type of Crime	2011	2012	2013	2014
Burglary/B&E	10	8	10	7
Robbery	1	1	1	1
Sex Related (1)	6	11	9	10
Felony Theft	13	16	30	10
ID Theft	14	16	9	10
Theft (2)	56	108	89	66
Drug Related (3)	24	22	14	44
Vandalism/Criminal Damaging	25	61	39	24
Missing Person (4)	10	9	10	8
Domestic Related	35	24	14	17
Assaults	21	24	13	17
Death Investigation	5	4	7	4
Forgery/Fraud (5)	17	13	30	21
Bad Checks (6)	20	22	3	10

(1) Includes: rape, Gross Sexual Imposition, Sexual Imposition, Child Enticement, Sexual Battery, Importuning, Disseminate matter harmful to Juveniles, Pandering Sexually Oriented material. Illegal use of a Minor in Nudity.

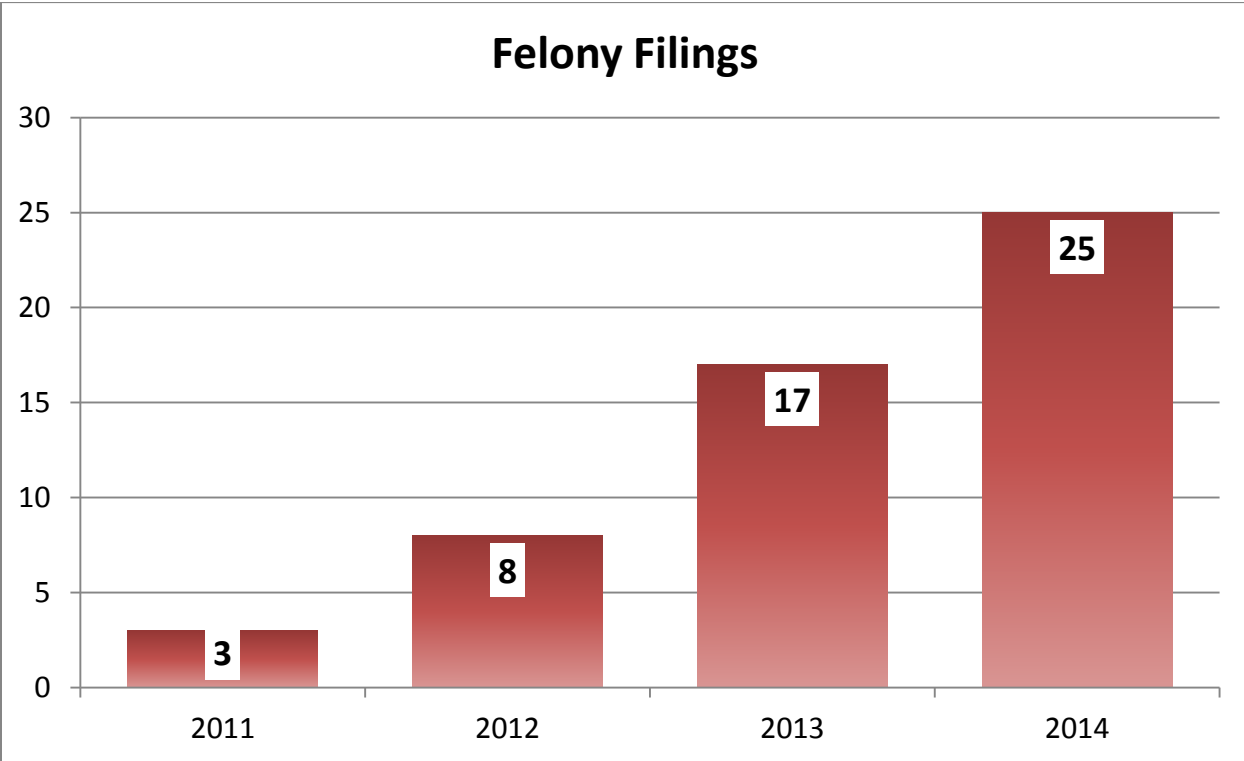
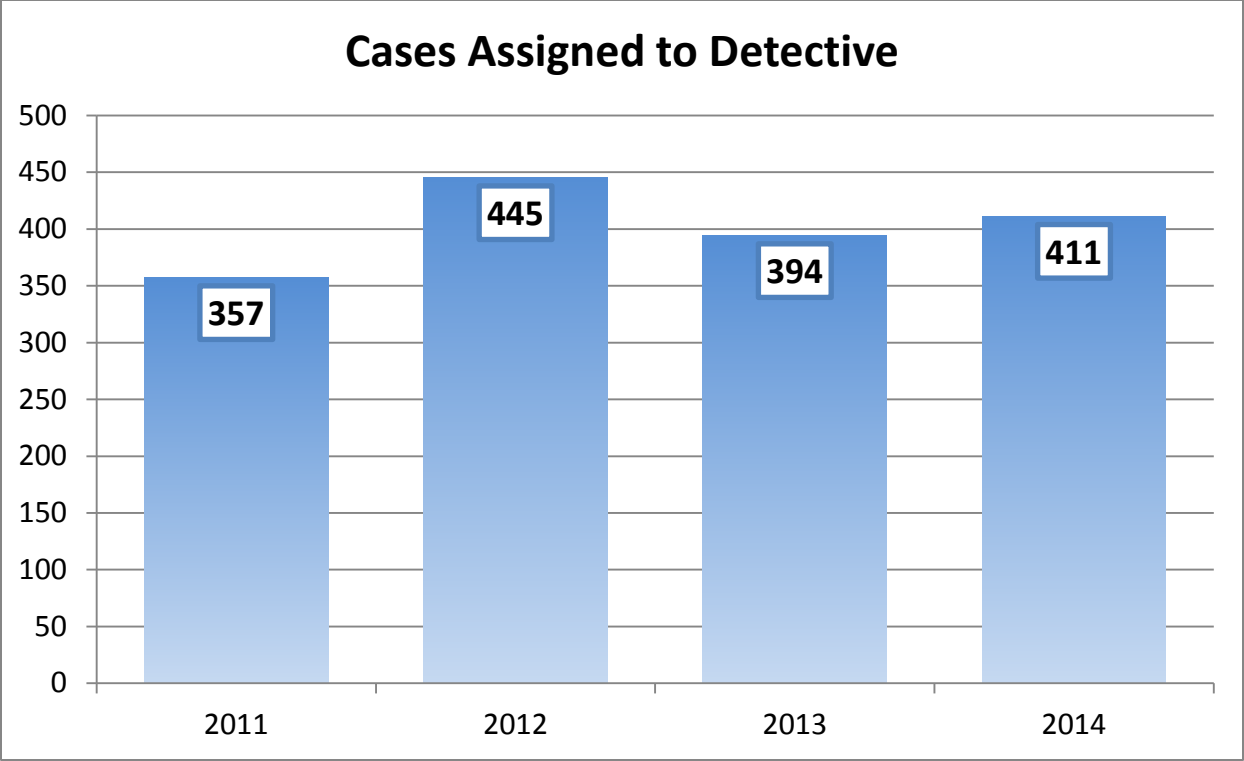
(2) Includes: shoplifting, along with auto accessory thefts.

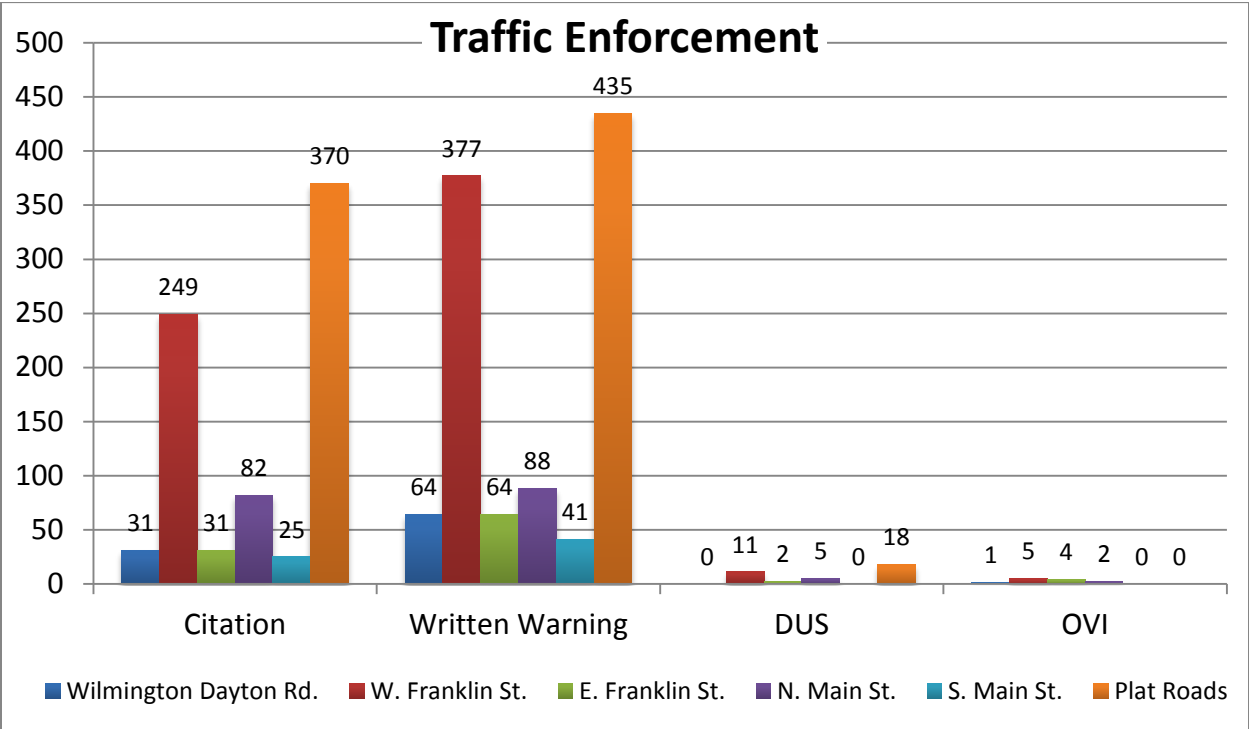
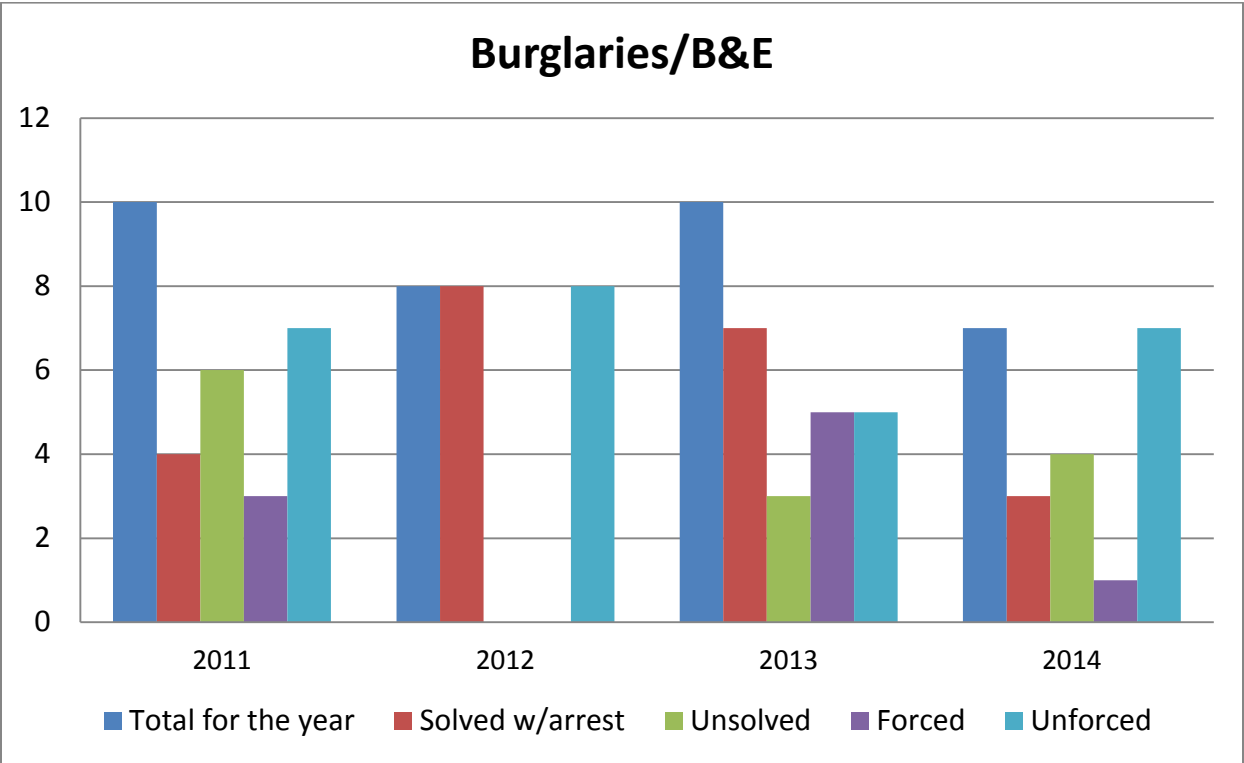
(3) Includes: Possession of Marijuana, Heroin, Cocaine, Meth, prescribed Medication Illegally, along with Paraphernalia (ie. Pipes, syringes, items to make meth)

(4) Includes: Missing adults & Juveniles, and runaway Juveniles

(5) Includes: Counterfeit checks, stolen checks, scams over the phone or computer, Bank/Wire Fraud, Stolen Credit Cards

(6) Includes: NSF & Closed Accounts



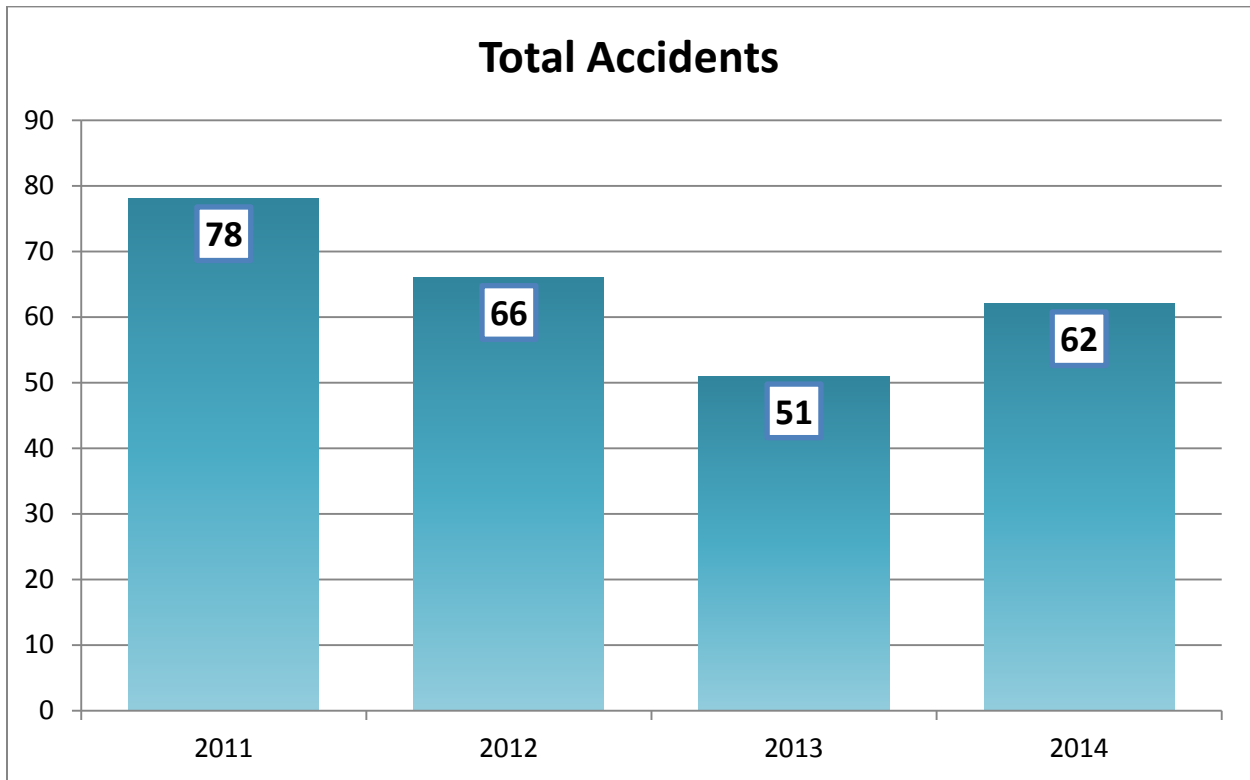


Traffic Accidents

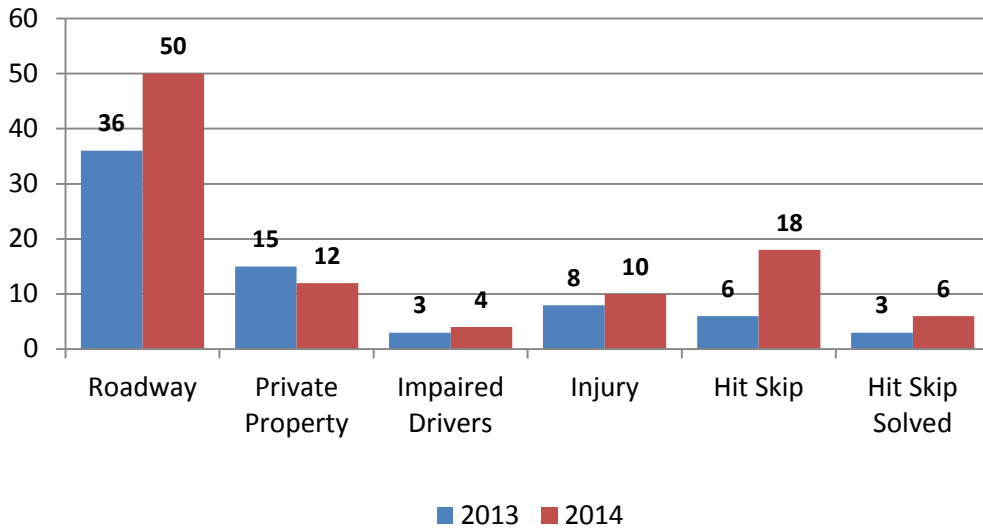
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Accident Reconstructionist and Senior Crash Investigator

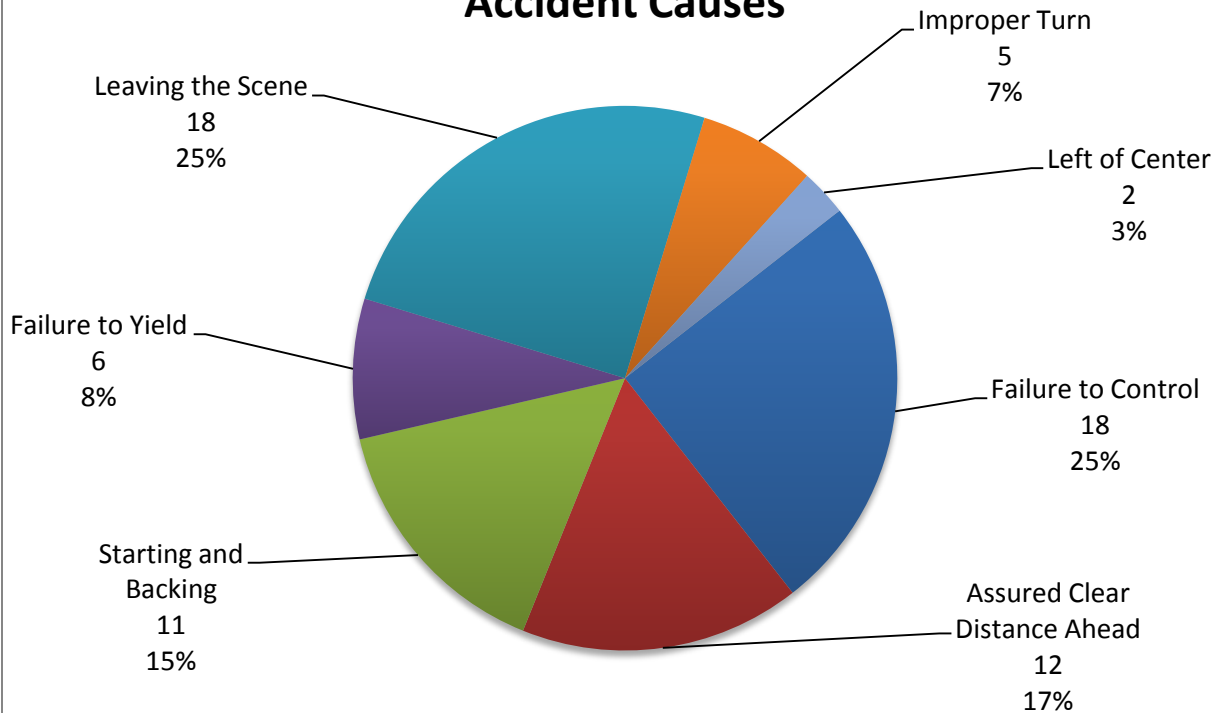
The City of Bellbrook Police Department completes this Annual Traffic Accident Review to assist in locating and identifying any probable traffic hazards within the City. This is done by several means which includes identifying and assessing the traffic patterns and movements of vehicles and by proactive enforcement on potential hazardous roadways. The Accident Review data comes from our reporting software (InterBadge) and prior Annual Crash Reports.



Type of Accidents



Accident Causes



INJURY RELATED CRASHES

There were 62 reported crashes in 2014 which is a 21.57% increase from 2013. There were also 10 injury crashes reported in 2014 which is a 25% increase since 2013. There were no pedestrian injuries for 2014. In 2013 there was 1 bicyclist injury on W. Franklin St. at Vemco Dr., where the bike was bumped from behind when moving over in his lane to turn left.

IMPAIRED DRIVER CRASHES

We investigated 4 (7.14%) crashes that involved impaired drivers. In 2013 we investigated 3 (5.88%) crashes that involved impaired drivers. This is a 33.33% increase from 2013. These crashes were as follows: 1 on Wilmington Dayton Rd., 1 on West Franklin St., 1 on Pinegrove Dr., and 1 on S. Lakeman Dr.

MAJOR ROADWAY CRASHES

WILMINGTON DAYTON RD.

There were 7 crashes that occurred on this roadway from SR 725 to Centerville Station Rd. which accounts for 11.29% of all crashes investigated. The breakdown of crashes is 2 injuries, 3 Hit/Skip, 4 property damage, and 1 impaired driver crashes. Of these 7 crashes only 3 were intersection related (2 at SR725 and 1 at Ambridge Rd.).

W. FRANKLIN ST.

There were 11 crashes that occurred on this roadway from Main St. to S. Lakeman Dr. which accounts for 17.74% of all crashes investigated. These include 2 injury, 1 Hit/Skip, 8 property damage (3 on private property), 1 animal (dog) involved and 1 impaired driver crash. According to the Ohio Department of Transportation, W. Franklin is about 1.72 miles and there were about 10,774 vehicles that traveled on this section of roadway in 2014. In these 11 crashes there were 21 vehicles that were involved which is 0.195% of the total vehicles that traveled this roadway. Of these 11 crashes 6 were intersection related (2 at Vemco Dr., 1 at Firebird Dr., 2 at Little Sugarcreek Rd., and 1 at Sheffield Dr.).

E. FRANKLIN ST.

There were 4 crashes on this roadway from Main St. to Washington Mill Rd. which accounts for 8.33% of all crashes investigated. These include 3 injury, and 1 property damage crash (private property). E. Franklin is about .26 miles and there were about 7773 vehicles that traveled this section in 2014. In these 4 crashes there were 9 vehicles that were involved which is 0.115% of the total vehicles that traveled this roadway. Of these 4 crashes 3 were intersection related (2 at Washington Mill Rd., and 1 at Main St.)

N. MAIN ST

There were 3 crashes on this roadway which accounts for 5.35% of all crashes investigated. One of the crashes involved a deer at Pavilion Ln. which caused only property damage. ODOT does not have any traffic count for this roadway in 2014 but they do measure it as 1.05 miles in length.

S. MAIN ST.

There were no reported crashes on this roadway. ODOT does not have any traffic count for this roadway in 2014 but they do measure it as .36 miles in length.

UPPER HILLSIDE DR.

There were 4 crashes on this roadway which accounts for 8.33% of the crashes investigated. These include 2 property damage and 2 Hit/Skip crashes (1 involved an injury and an impaired driver). ODOT does not have any traffic count for this roadway either. The total length of Upper Hillside is .537 miles.

CONCLUSION

This department has done a great job in keeping our roadways safe. An active police presence and traffic enforcement along with education of both the public and the officers help to maintain roadway safety. In the past four years there has only been 1 traffic fatality in the City of Bellbrook and that was in 2013 where an elderly male struck another vehicle on Wilmington Dayton Rd. and passed away a short time later at the hospital from his injuries.

Of the 62 crashes that we have handled only 12 have been intersection related which is 19.35% of all our crashes. At this time, I do not see any troublesome traffic patterns or cause for alarm at our major intersections. The majority of our crashes occur either on private property (12 crashes at 19.35%) or on plat roads (22 crashes at 35.48%). Only 28 crashes were reported on the above major roadways for 2014 which is 45.16% of all crashes.

I believe that our department's proactive enforcement on the City's roadways has provided safer streets for the motoring public. In 2014 our department issued 788 citations, 1069 written warnings, including 36 Driving Under Suspension arrests and 22 OVI arrests.

Training Summary

All officers of the Bellbrook Police Department continue to receive training every year. Some training is required by the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy and other trainings are for officers to develop their knowledge and keep their skills sharp.

Online Training

The Bellbrook Police Department uses Lexipol. Lexipol is an online program that houses the Bellbrook Police Department Policy and Procedures. All officers are required to complete what is called the Daily Training Bulletins. These bulletins give a scenario that coincides with our policy and procedures.

Our officers also utilize EOPOTA. Our officers are able to take online classes through OPOTA which counts towards our yearly requirements.

In-service Training

Every year, our officers are required to complete and pass certain trainings. We use our in-house instructors to complete these tasks. Our instructors are OPOTA certified to teach. In 2014, our officers received and completed the following training:

1. Firearms Qualification. This includes the pistol, shotgun, assault rifle, and less-than lethal shotgun.
2. Taser Qualification
3. O.C. Qualification
4. ASP Qualification

Outside Training

Bellbrook Police Officers are encouraged to attend training that will better their skills as officers. In 2014, we had officers go to trainings for Traffic Accident Investigation, Police Bike School (IMPBA), Front Line Supervision, Street Survival, Death Scene Investigation, Crisis Intervention Team, to name a few.

Use of Force Analysis

Bellbrook Police officers enforce state law and city ordinances. While doing so, it might be necessary for officers to use reasonable force to gain control of a person or situation. This could range from hands on physical force to deadly force. In 2014, Bellbrook officers used force seven (7) times. Each Use of Force is reviewed by the Sergeant and Lieutenant to make sure each instance is justified. All seven (7) were found to be justified. The following shows what force was used:

Type of Force	Number of Times Used
Use of Physical Force	5
Chemical Aerosol (O.C. Spray)	0
Baton (ASP)	0
Taser	2

There were no officers or suspects that injured during any of these instances.

Fleet Management

Bellbrook Police utilize the following vehicles for Police Service for the City:

Vehicle	Car No.	2014 Mile Driven	2014 Average Miles per Gallon	2014 Repair Costs
2004 Ford Taurus Detective-Unmarked	71	22,368	18.6	\$358.57
2015 Ford Interceptor SUV Marked	72	5,011	10.8	\$43.49
2007 Ford Crown Victoria Chief-Unmarked	73	N/A	N/A	\$42.50
2011 Dodge Charger Marked	74	16,017	12.0	\$1,535.09
2014 Dodge Charger Marked	75	25,902	11.9	\$204.91
2015 Ford Interceptor SUV Marked	76	3,568	13	\$43.49
2013 Dodge Charger Marked	77	19,128	11.4	\$337.74
2011 Dodge Charger Marked	78	22,368	13.2	\$1,001.76
2008 Ford Crown Victoria Marked	Retired	N/A	N/A	\$157.05
2008 Ford Crown Victoria Marked	Retired	N/A	N/A	\$325.20

Fleet Maintenance and Analysis – Discussion

As patrol vehicles wear, additional maintenance costs are incurred. This was true in the 2014 calendar year and is reflected in repair costs for cars 74 and 78, which needed new strut and suspension bushings (car 74) and new starter (car 78). Additionally, a new headlight assembly was installed into car 71. Remaining service amounts show fluid replacement costs, tires and alignment, and maintenance labor.

BPD's two newest vehicles, 2015 Ford Interceptor SUVs, have been a welcome addition to our fleet. With new "Police" graphics on the SUVs, they are a standout in the community. Offering much more interior room than the Dodge Charger, the Interceptor SUVs offer ample equipment storage room, full-time all-wheel drive, excellent visibility, and the economy of a V6 engine. BPD Interceptor SUVs use the normally aspirated (non-turbo) V6 engine. V6 engines (non-turbo model in the SUVs, and 3.5L Pentastar V6 in the Chargers) were chosen as they offer much improved fuel mileage than the V6 turbocharged (Ford) or V8 (Dodge) "Hemi" offerings, and are a more economical match for city police service, where sustained high speed and instant acceleration is not paramount.

No new vehicles are allotted / budgeted for patrol functions until the 2016 calendar year.



2011 Dodge Charger, Car 78



2013 Dodge Charger, Car 77



2015 Ford Police Interceptor SUV, Car 76



Fuji Police Bicycles

Internal Affairs Summary

Type	Date	Allegation	Finding
Complaint	02/2014	Stalking	Unfounded
Complaint	03/2014	Improper Enforcement	Unfounded
Complaint	05/2014	Improper Conduct Off-Duty	Founded; Verbal counseling
Complaint	12/2014	Improper Conduct of Investigation	Unfounded

The City of Bellbrook Police Department reviews all complaints brought against the agency. No complaints of bias-based policing were filed with Bellbrook Police.

In 2014, four (4) complaints were filed, with three (3) being unfounded, and one (1) founded. After investigation, one report was deemed *founded*, and the responsible officer received verbal counseling regarding the incident which was appropriate and commensurate with BPD Policy.

The City of Bellbrook has an excellent Police force. Each employee is talented and well-trained. In order to maintain our high standards, we must have feedback from the citizens we serve. We acknowledge that everything we do is not perfect, and mistakes can be made. We ask every citizen to please bring these mistakes, trivial or serious, to our attention. By doing this, we can become more responsive to the needs of our citizens, and continue to deliver the best Police services possible.