

NORTH KANSAS CITY

POLICE

ANNUAL REPORT | 2014

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LETTER FROM THE CHIEF



The year 2014 was one that saw civil disturbances and significant media attention directed at policing in the State of Missouri. Fortunately, the focus of the public tended to be on the eastern side of the state. However, the incidents that were occurring in and around Ferguson were such that the North Kansas City Police Department did some

self-evaluation to determine what our relationship was with the community that we serve. I believe that our officers work diligently to develop ties with our citizens, businesses, and visitors to the city and that we strive to treat everyone with the dignity and respect that they deserve.

We closely monitor the use of force by our officers to ensure that their actions are reasonable and appropriate for a given set of circumstances. We have a system established that allows citizens to express their concerns or complaints about our officers conduct and I believe that we conduct thorough investigations to establish whether an employee acted properly if allegations are made indicating otherwise. I am confident that the relationship that exists between the community and the members of the North Kansas City Police Department is one of mutual respect and understanding and we will strive to keep that relationship as we move forward.

Part One crimes, which includes serious crimes against persons and most property crimes, decreased by 6% from 2013 to 2014. While we consider this as good news, we also saw a 23% increase in traffic crashes from the previous year. Upon closer examination of the traffic crash data, we established that 2013 was somewhat unusual as we saw a significant reduction in crashes from 2012 to 2013. Our officers are aware of the increase in crashes. To try to impact the spike in crashes the number of car stops our officers made increased 7.8% this year and the enforcement actions taken increased by over 13%.

Arrests for driving under the influence increased by 40% this year as we recognize the hazards created by impaired drivers for the rest of the motoring public. We will continue to apply our efforts to make the community safe for persons in their homes, their businesses, and in their vehicles.

For the fiscal year that ended on September 30, we were able to maintain good stewardship of the taxpayers' investment in the department by 4% of the funds that were allocated to payroll

and operations in our FY 2013-14 budget. Moving forward, we will continue to manage our budget as effectively as we can while providing quality police service to the community.

While police officers are expected to perform acts that may place them in danger or that will help preserve a life, there are occasions where their actions may rise above what is considered a normal day at work. This year the Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriffs Association recognized four members of the North Kansas City Police Department for their meritorious service.

Officer Kaylee Lull received a Lifesaving Award for Valor for her efforts in helping revive a victim who suffered a heart attack in his vehicle. Officers Rick Landon, Brian Lawrence, and former recruit officer Jared Renyer received the Bronze Award for Valor by intervening with a suicidal subject by disarming her and taking her into custody before she could harm herself.

We appreciate the honors that were bestowed on these officers and also understand that the dedication to duty recognized here is something that all of our officers display in one manner or another.

I am pleased to present the 2014 Annual Report on behalf of the men and women who serve with the North Kansas City Police Department. It is an honor to be their Chief of Police and a privilege to lead this organization for a City that I have been part of for most of my life.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Beamer'. The signature is stylized and fluid, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Steve Beamer
Chief of Police

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DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE

During 2014, the North Kansas City Police Department authorized staffing included 34 sworn officers, 11 full-time civilians and 2 part-time civilians, for a total employee roster of 47.



DISTRIBUTION OF OPERATING COSTS

The Department's fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 within budget at 96.22% on total budgeted expenditures.

Total Expenditures & % of Budget - Fiscal Year End	13-14 Budget	Fiscal Year End	Fiscal Year End % of Budget
Payroll	\$2,733,237.00	\$2,722,931.14	99.62%
Benefits	\$1,081,945.00	\$1,030,900.46	95.28%
Services	\$130,400.00	\$91,809.93	70.41%
Supplies/Materials	\$296,500.00	\$245,767.18	82.89%
Debt Svc/Capital Out	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTAL	\$4,252,082.00	\$4,091,408.71	96.22%



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PATROL DIVISION

The **Patrol Division** includes the Patrol Unit, the Tactical Team and K9 Unit.

The Patrol Division is staffed by officers assigned to deliver traditional immediate police emergency response, as well as to initiate more involved criminal investigations. North Kansas City patrol officers are the backbone of visible policing in our community. These are the men and women that are on constant vigil to provide emergency services around the clock, every single day of the year.

NKCPD issued a total of 4,332 Uniform Traffic Tickets (UTT) and General Ordinance Summonses (GOS) in 2014, not inclusive of parking violations. This is a 13.05% increase from 3,832 tickets issued in 2013.

Quarter	Car Checks	Pedestrian Checks	Residential Checks	Building Checks	Tickets	Parking Tickets
1st Quarter Totals	2,434	2,672	672	38,904	1,187	131
2nd Quarter Totals	2,267	2,753	594	38,065	1,166	132
3rd Quarter Totals	2,052	2,432	657	23,763	1,051	194
4th Quarter Totals	1,764	1,972	563	4,672	928	189
2013 YTD	8,517	9,829	2,486	105,404	4,332	646

K9 Unit

During the K9 Unit's regular patrol shift, they assist with narcotics detection and suspect apprehensions. They are also called upon by other local police jurisdictions for assistance.

The K9 Unit regularly participates in school narcotic sweeps in conjunction with the Clay Sheriff's Department and Riverside Public Safety. In 2014 they assisted in ten area school narcotic sweeps.

In addition, the K9 Unit gave three educational demonstrations to local organizations, where they introduce the participants to canine officers Stryker and Ty. The participants learn interesting information on how the K9 Officers perform their jobs and do thier part in controlling illegal drugs in our city, as well as surrounding cities.



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SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

The **Support Services Division** encompasses the Communications, Records, Animal Control and Parking Control Units. In addition, the Support Services Division provides administrative and support functions to the police department, to include recruitment, computer operations, budget, purchasing and accounts payable.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Unit provides continuous telephone and radio contact with officers while coordinating all police, fire and ambulance responses within the city. Computer Aided Dispatching (CAD) software is used to process calls and track information crucial to each call.

Communications Officers must be able to not only answer and disseminate these calls for assistance, but they do so as they also monitor multiple radio frequencies, broadcast calls, run records information, track officer's activity in the field to monitor their safety, and maintain our computerized record management system. The Communications Officers often encounter irate, frustrated, and frightened citizens needing urgent help. During emergencies, these employees must remain calm and efficiently handle their duties.

The North Kansas City Communications Center is currently staffed by one Supervisor and eight full-time Communications Officers. This unit is a vital link between citizens and emergency services. Each Communications Officer must maintain recertification every three years on the MULES computer system.

Total calls received through dispatch in 2014 was 36,088, down .34% from 36,212 calls in 2013. 9,545 or 26% of total calls received in 2014 were 911 calls.

Total Console 1, 2 & 3	YTD	% of Total
911 Calls	9,545	26%
Admin Calls	26,543	74%
Total Number - All Calls	36,088	

COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD)

Any phone call received or party reporting in person that requires response from a police officer is classified as a CAD incident. There were 20,759 CAD incidents in 2014, up 9.5% from 18,954 in 2013. Total radio transmissions in 2014 was 133,644, a 5.3% decrease from 141,140 radio transmissions in 2013.

CAD Incidents	YTD
CAD Incidents	20,759
Avg. Daily CAD Incidents	56.87

Radio Transmissions	YTD
Radio Transmissions	133,644
Avg. Daily Radio Trans.	366.15



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Communications personnel also assist in the documentation of booking procedures, processing detainees and coordinating transportation/bonding with our housing agent.

The North Kansas City Police Department had a total of 2,184 arrests in 2014, up from 1,678 arrests in 2013, a 30.15% increase. 73% of total arrests were due to outstanding North Kansas City warrants and outside agency warrants. General Order Summonses and Uniform Traffic Tickets accounted for 23% of arrests made in 2014.

EOY OF YEAR	YTD Totals	YTD % of Arrest Totals
NKC Warrants	532	24%
NKC Juvenile Arrests	10	0%
NKC Court Committals	7	0%
24 Hour Investigative Holds	51	2%
G.O.S. Arrests	216	10%
U.T.T. Arrests	290	13%
Outside Agency Warrants	1078	49%
Total	2184	

PARKING CONTROL

Parking Control is responsible for patrolling the entire city limits and enforcing all parking regulations and parking violations on City property. The Civilian Parking Control Officer issued 585 or 90.5%, of the 646 ticketed parking violations in 2014.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control is responsible for enforcing all City codes related to the ownership and care of domestic animals, as well as responding to all animal related calls for service.

The North Kansas City Animal Control Unit has one full-time employee and one part-time shelter attendant. The shelter is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Animal Control received 1,885 calls for service in 2014, a 4.43% increase over 1,805 call for service in 2013.

MONTH	EOY	YEAR	2014	DOGS	CATS	OTHER
Number of complaints and calls for service - TOTAL				1885		
Number of bites				1	1	0
Animals Impounded						
A. NKCC Shelter				57	37	1
B. Owner turn in				7	7	0
TOTAL				64	44	1
Disposition						
A. Claimed by owner				24	5	0
B. Adopted to new home				27	14	0
C. Escaped				0	0	0
D. 250 and Other				10	29	0
TOTAL				61	48	0
Number of dead animals removed				0	10	18
Tags, enforcement actions and fees collected:						
A. Warning letters				0	0	0
B. Citations				5	0	0
C. Impoundment and adoption fees				\$2,105.00	\$380.00	\$0.00
D. Tags issued				152	31	0
E. Owner turn in fees				\$80.00	\$140.00	\$0.00

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INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The responsibility of the **Investigations Division** is to clear assigned crimes through thorough investigation of all leads. An assigned crime is considered cleared when either charges are brought or the case is unfounded. Additionally, the Investigations Unit is responsible for monitoring criminal activity and forwarding pertinent information to other agencies. The Investigations Division and the Patrol Division interact to determine crime trends and develop strategies to counteract criminal activity.

Total Crimes Against Persons decreased 16% over 2013 totals with 21 reported incidents in 2014 compared to 25 reported incidents in 2013. The 2014 clearance rate for Crimes Against Persons is 52.4%

There were 314 reported property crimes in 2014, compared to 333 reported incidents in 2013.

The clearance rate on all 2014 Part 1 Crimes is 16.1%.

Crime	Committed	Cleared	Clearance %
Homicide	0	0	#DIV/0!
Rape	1	1	100.0%
Robbery	11	5	45.5%
Assault	9	5	55.6%
Crimes Against Persons	21	11	52.4%
Burglary	35	8	22.9%
Larceny-Theft	229	29	12.7%
Auto Theft	50	6	12.0%
Arson	0	0	#DIV/0!
Property Totals	314	43	13.7%
TOTAL ALL	335	54	16.1%

Year	2011	2012	2013	2014
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	4	1
Robbery	6	6	15	11
Assault	8	7	6	9
Crimes Against Persons	14	13	25	21
Burglary	39	31	29	35
Larceny-Theft	350	259	259	229
Auto Theft	41	40	45	50
Arson	0	1	0	0
Property Crimes	430	331	333	314
TOTAL	444	344	357	335
Annual Increase/Decrease %	16.54	-22.52	3.78	-6.16

TRAFFIC UNIT

The **Traffic Unit** is dedicated to improving and promoting traffic safety through analysis, education, prevention, and enforcement.

Annually, federal funds are made available through the US Department of Transportation to promote traffic safety on our roadways. Our goals are to reduce motor vehicle crashes, injuries and fatalities, increase the use of occupant protection devices and reduce impaired driving.

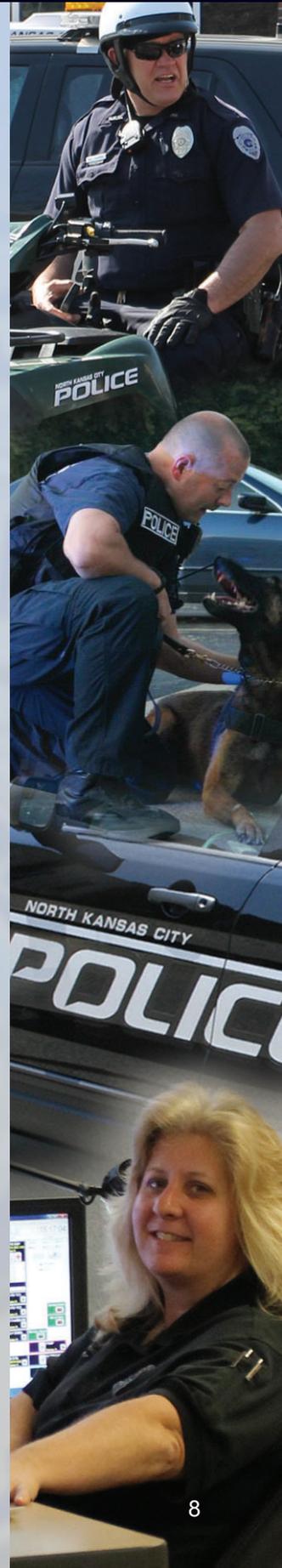
Crashes on city streets and private property in 2014 were up 23% over 2013.

DWI arrests increased 40% from 45 in 2013 to 63 in 2014.

Crash Statistics	YTD CRASH STATS	
	Total	% of Total All
City Streets	368	79.1%
Private Property	97	20.9%
TOTAL ALL CRASHES	465	
Injury Crashes	58	12.5%
# of People Injured	86	
Alcohol Related	4	0.9%
Fatalities	1	0.2%
Hit and Run	73	15.7%

State Highways	YTD STATE HWYS	
	Total	% of Total All
I-35	50	24.6%
Hwy 210	69	34.0%
MO 269 (Chouteau)	15	7.4%
MO 1 (Vernon)	9	4.4%
Burlington - Hwy 9	60	29.6%
TOTAL STATE HWY CRASHES	203	

DWI ARRESTS	2011	2012	2013	2014
	63	47	45	63
Annual Increase/Decrease %		-25.40	-4.26	40.00



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COMMERCIAL VEHICLE UNIT

The North Kansas City Police Department's **Commercial Vehicle Unit** is responsible for monitoring and enforcing State, Federal and Local law's pertaining to the safe operation of commercial vehicles in the City of North Kansas City. In addition to conducting safety inspections, the unit also enforces size, weight and load laws related to commercial vehicles.

All statistics are reported to the Commercial Vehicle Safety alliance in Washington, D.C., a unit of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

Total Violations and Summons	YTD TOTALS ALL
	Total
Out of Service Violations	307
Total Violations	1490
Summons Issued	371

OVERTIME AND SICK LEAVE

Department overtime in 2014 decreased 6% over 2013, with a total of 3158.12 overtime hours. Two-hundred sixty-one hours, or 32%, of total first quarter overtime was accrued on Snake Saturday.

Total sick time hours for 2014 was 1575.15, an 18% decrease over 1919.05 hours of sick time in 2013. 22% of total sick time for 2014 was FMLA.

2014 Sick Time				Through 12/31/2014	
1st Qtr Hours	2nd Qtr Hours	3rd Qtr Hours	4th Qtr Hours	YTD	
507.62	344.86	297.57	425.10	1,575.15	

Qtrly +/- % **-32.06** **-13.71** **42.86**

2nd Quarter - 52 hours of total sick time was FMLA
 3rd Quarter - 76 hours of total sick time was FMLA
 4th Quarter - 220 hours of total sick time was FMLA

Yearly Comparison - SickTime				Through 12/31/2014	
	2012	2013	2014	Comparison +/- %	
Q1	479.95	595	507.62	-14.69	
Q2	402.98	306.25	344.86	12.61	
Q3	353.1	436.25	297.57	-31.79	
Q4	385.66	581.55	425.10	-26.90	
Totals	1497.42	1919.05	1575.15		

Annual +/- % **28.16** **-17.92**

2014 Overtime				Through 12/31/2014	
1st Qtr Hours	2nd Qtr Hours	3rd Qtr Hours	4th Qtr Hours	YTD	
814.63	862.26	761.62	719.61	3,158.12	

Qtrly +/- % **5.85** **-11.67** **-5.52**

1st Quarter - 261 Hours / Snake Saturday (32% of Q1 Total)

Yearly Comparison - Overtime				Through 12/31/2014	
	2012	2013	2014	Comparison +/- %	
Q1	874.71	899.26	814.63	-9.41	
Q2	788.36	596.8	862.26	44.48	
Q3	726.98	729.05	761.62	4.47	
Q4	754.6	1135.92	719.61	-36.65	
Totals	3133.99	3361.03	3158.115		

Annual +/- % **7.24** **-6.04**



DEPARTMENT TRAINING

The Missouri Department of Public Safety requires that each licensed police officer continue their education while they are with a police department. The Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Commission is an agency designed to oversee the licensing of police officers and reserve officers. The Commission controls the basic training instructors, curriculum, and training centers.

SWORN OFFICERS AND RESERVE OFFICERS:

Must successfully complete a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours of continuing education, within a three-year cycle, to maintain their police officer license. Each officer shall complete a minimum of four (4) hours in all four (4) core curricula areas. The core curricula areas are identified as:

1. Legal Studies - Training focuses on updates or familiarization concerning federal, state and local criminal law or legal issues.
2. Interpersonal Perspectives - Training focuses on communication skills such as cultural diversity training, ethics, conflict management, victim sensitivity and stress management.
3. Technical Studies - Training focuses on specialized studies or activities which directly relate to the job description, including first aid and CPR training.
4. Skill Development- Training focuses on activities that develop physical skill proficiency such as defensive tactics, firearms driver training, first aid and CPR training. A minimum of four (4) hours of some type of Firearms Skill Development training must be completed during each three (3) year reporting period.

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS:

The State of Missouri requires that all Communications Officers receive twelve (12) hours of mandatory state training hours within a year. Every two years, the Communication Officers have to be re-certified for REJIS/MULES/NCIC.

CIVILIANS:

The civilian employees attain training to maintain knowledge in new technology that is useful for the department and to keep abreast of mandates regarding criminal history information and its dissemination.

COMMENDATIONS

DEPARTMENTAL LIFE SAVING AWARD

Awarded June 26, 2014

Officer Kaylee Lull

I have been advised of the circumstances surrounding a call for service that you responded to at 2158 hours on June 18, 2014. It is my understanding that you were dispatched on a traffic crash at 1 Riverboat Drive, Harrah's Casino. Upon your arrival you discovered that the sole occupant of the single car crash was unresponsive and in medical distress. You completed a quick assessment of the driver and began CPR. You continued in your efforts until the arrival of the NKC Fire Department paramedics when you were relieved.



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In a communication from NKCFFD Battalion Chief Hargis, he stated that “your prompt actions had a direct effect on the initial positive outcome of this incident.” Sergeant Romine and Major Bagley have both recommended that you receive the Life Saving Award for your efforts that night. I completely agree with their recommendations and am proud to approve this honor.

I commend you for your overall dedication to serving the public and, specifically, for your actions that allowed another person to have a chance to enjoy a full life. The North Kansas City Police Department is fortunate to have officers such as yourself providing service to the community.

Chief Steve Beamer

Awarded December 4, 2014

Officer James Ham

I have received, through the chain of command, memorandums from Sgt. Stark and Major Freeman that detail the actions you took on a call for service on November 22, 2014. During this incident, a suicidal subject attempted to climb over the railing of the Chouteau Bridge so they could jump into the river. Your quick and decisive actions prevented the subject from being able to get over the railing. All indications are that, without your intervention, this individual would have plunged to their death in the Missouri River.

During a career in law enforcement there are occasions where an officer’s efforts can have a direct, immediate impact on another human’s life. Obviously, this is such an incident. Without your quick assessment of the subject at the phone booth, the immediate response to their running onto the bridge, and the physical restraint of the subject as they were climbing over the rail, this incident would have had a tragic outcome. This type of event personifies one of the core values of policing, the dedication to protecting others.

I would like to commend you for your actions that day. I am proud to serve with you. Per the department policy, I am approving the department’s Life Saving Award to you for your actions on November 22, 2014. Congratulations for a job well done.

Chief Steve Beamer

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

Awarded December 15, 2014

Officer Bob Masterson

I have received memorandums from Sgt. Stark and Major Freeman regarding an incident that occurred on November 22, 2014. The details of that incident indicate that a person, intent on suicide, attempted to jump from the Chouteau Bridge into the Missouri River. Fortunately, Officer Ham was able to reach the subject before he was able to get completely over the railing and restrain him, with your assistance and the assistance of a KCPD officer on the scene.

You have been recommended to receive a Certificate of Commendation Award for your actions on that day. While Officer Ham was the first police officer to reach the subject, his ability to control the individual over an extended period of time may not have been successful. This is another example of policing being a team effort. Your response and actions helped to definitively bring this situation to a safe conclusion. I agree with the recommendation and award you with a Certificate of Commendation.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts and dedication to protect and serve the citizens of this community. It is an honor to serve with you.



Awarded April 1, 2014

Officer Chris Hein, Officer Chris Kimmel, Officer Kaylee Lull, Detective Scott Baker

I was contacted by the mother of the sexual assault victim from the incident that occurred on March 27th, 2014. She wanted to let me know how much she appreciated your efforts in the initial response and the investigation of the crime. She was convinced that your actions that night saved her daughter's life. Based on my knowledge of the investigation and her statements, I believe that she is probably right.

Your response to the potential arrival of additional suspects at the scene provided the family with a sense of security, and your calm, professional demeanor during the investigation gave them hope that justice would be served. This woman was in tears as she expressed to me how much you did to help her daughter and the members of the family. I don't think she could completely convey to me how much she appreciated everything that was done in this situation.

There are many days in a policing career where our efforts are not recognized or appreciated. I want you to know that today is not one of those days. Each one of you made a difference in someone's life when you responded to this call for service. Your compassion for the victim, along with the protection provided after arriving on the scene, will be remembered by the family for years to come. Thank you for doing what you did in this incident and what you continue to do every day you serve.

Chief Steve Beamer

SPECIAL UNIT CITATION

Awarded May 30, 2014

Major Jim Bagley, Major Kevin Freeman, Sgt. Dan Justus, Sgt. Mark Smith, PO Al Bolin, PO Rick Landon, PO Brian Lawrence, PO Michael McNamee, PO Rob Russell, PO Jason Silver, PO Jason Smith, Det. Aaron Bassore, Det. Justin Holm, CO Supervisor Linda Alvarez, CO Michael Adamek, CO Beth Buffington

On Tuesday, May 27th, 2014, a vehicle pursuit, related to a burglary in Kansas City, came into North Kansas City. The suspect vehicle crashed at Armour Rd. and Taney St. and the three suspects began to flee the area on foot. Information regarding the suspects and their direction of travel was relayed by Officer Landon to other units. Two suspects were quickly apprehended and the third suspect fled to the north and west. Officer Lawrence observed the suspect and relayed information that he was fleeing under I-35 via a culvert. Other officers began to move into the area of Sunny Hills to intercept the subject. Through good communication and quick response, a perimeter was established and the suspect was eventually arrested within that area. During this same time, we were tasked with working two different traffic crashes that were part of the pursuit.

I want to commend the officers involved in this incident for the teamwork and perseverance that led to the arrest of all three subjects. Information from the Kansas City Police Department indicated that these subjects were responsible for multiple burglaries in the Northland. The efforts by all involved allowed us to take three felony subjects off the streets. Additionally, we were able to fully resolve the crash investigations and let our citizens know that the suspects were all in custody. Nice job.

Chief Steve Beamer