# Meridian Township Police Department



2015 Annual Report

#### **Mission and Value Statements**

The Meridian Township Police Department is committed to establishing and maintaining partnerships in our community; and with understanding, cooperation and equality; we strive to enhance the quality of life and protect the rights of our community.

#### **\*** COMPASSION

We care for and empathize with our fellow human beings.

#### **\*** COURAGE

We face danger to ensure the safety of others. We will stand up for what is right. We will be brave when others may not. We strive to eliminate fear through our actions.

#### **\*** EXCELLENCE

We employ those who strive to achieve a higher standard. We listen to our employees and the members of our community to continually improve our effectiveness and reliability. We strive to exceed community and professional expectations.

#### **\*** FAIRNESS

We will treat all individuals impartially. We will act in a just manner. We appreciate different points of view. We exercise discretion appropriately.

#### **\*** INTEGRITY

We will fulfill our mission in its entirety using sound principles, honesty and sincerity.

#### \* RESOURCEFULNESS

We can be relied upon for help and support. We have the ability to deal with situations effectively. We build on our mutual experiences to effectively resolve problems.

#### **❖** RESPECT

We value the rights and beliefs of others. We are courteous. We treat others as we expect to be treated. We appreciate diversity.

#### **❖ WORK ETHIC**

We are self-motivated and self-directed. We do what is asked and strive to achieve expectations. We hold ourselves to a higher standard.

## **Sworn and Civilian Staff – Summary**

#### <u>CHIEF</u>

David Hall

#### **LIEUTENANTS**

Greg Frenger Ken Plaga

#### **SERGEANTS**

Don Lound \*\* Bart Crane

Lana HowellAndrew McCreadyScott DawsonRichard GrilloBrad BachEdward Besonen

#### **SWORN BY SENORITY**

Kelly Blask Robert Jurhs Kristi Lysik Kyle Royston Paul Rambo Rebecca Payne **Dave Metts** Kevin Harvey Judy Hood Mark Divney John Free \*\*\* **Jason Clements** Christina Scaccia Michael Hagbom Jeff Adams Bryan LeRoy Adam Stebbins \* **Curt Squires** 

Curt Squires Adam Stebbins
Brett Reed Brian Dow \*
Erin Linn Doug Strouse \*

Brian Canen Aaron McConaughy \*

Charles Glumb

Andrew Tobias

Christopher Lofton

Dan King \*

John Arpino \* \*\*\*

Taylor Comiskey \*\*\*

#### **CIVILIAN PERSONNEL**

Kristi Schaeding , Administrative Assistant
Chris Domeyer, Property Technician
Cindy Cummings, Records Supervisor

Lynne Bach, Records Technician
Lori Hagan \*, Records Technician
Leslie Snyder \*, Records Technician

#### **CADETS**

Elizabeth Johnston

Rebecca Smith \*\*\*

Cody Merkins \*\*\*

Chris Land \*\*\*

Jordan Woodruff \*\*\*

Lance Gilbert \*\*\*

Sean Rasmussen

Jennifer Bentz

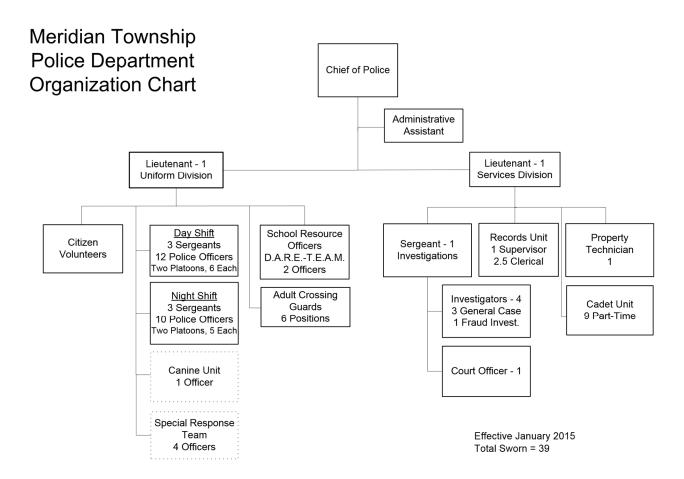
Emily Eaton \*

Taylor Hess \*

Ashley Stombaugh \*

Kaitlynn Totten \*

Grant Thelen \* Hired in 2015 \*\* Retired in 2015 \*\*\* Resigned in 2015



#### **ADMINISTRATION**

The command structure consists of the Uniform Division and the Services Division.

#### **UNIFORM DIVISION**

The Uniform Division is the largest division of the Police Department. The Division consists of Road Patrol, the Canine Unit and the School and Community Resource Unit. The Division has 24 officers, 6 sergeants and is commanded by a Lieutenant. The Division provides 24 hour road patrol to Meridian and Williamstown Townships. The Division also provides DARE and TEAM lessons in the schools located within Meridian Township.

In 2015, there were 17,254 calls for service (excluding traffic stops). Of those calls, 6,628 were written police reports and 765 were arrests. Officers issued 2,366 citations with a total number of 2,743 charges. Each citation can include up to three charges.

2015 Written Reports			
Alarms	920		
Traffic Crashes	850		
All Other	4657		
Total 6,427			

#### **Yearly Comparisons**

#### **Written Reports**

2012	2013	2014	2015
6,160	5,973	6,308	6,427

#### Calls for Service

2012	2013	2014	2015
14,162	13,839	13,551	17,254

#### **Arrests**

2012	2013	2014	2015	
975	864	855	765	

#### **Citations**

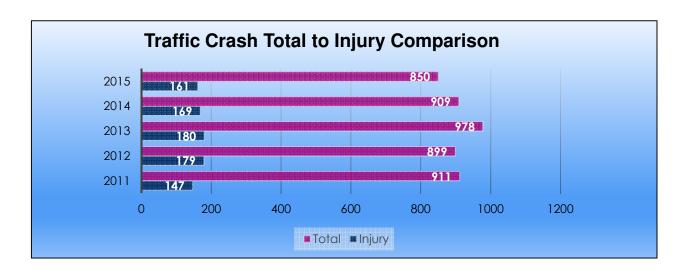
	2012	2013	2014	2015
Citations Issued	3,789	2,883	2,618	2,366
Total # of Charges	4,296	3,468	2,979	2,743

Calls for Service As Received From Dispatch				
911 Hang Up	128	OlWarrant	48	
Abandoned Vehicle	148	Operating Under Influence of Drugs	68	
Accident Non-Traffic	2	Ordinance Violation	26	
Admin	742	Parking Complaint	164	
Alarm	1072	Party Complaint	25	
Animal Call	266	Police Assist	505	
Assault	121	Personal Injury Accident	97	
Attempt to Locate	67	Personal Protection Order	47	
Bar Check	7	Peace Officer Complaint	17	
Bomb Threat	2	PININL – Accident with Entrapment	6	
	139	PBT – Preliminary Breath Test	9	
Burglary Child Abuse/Neglect	46	Private Property Accident	149	
Check ID	3		137	
Civil Disturbance	1	Pick up Property		
	129	Property Damage Accident	882	
Community Meeting	10	Prowler Provising Treatment	26	
Crossing Guard	17	Person Requiring Treatment	14	
Crowd Control	1	Runaway	33	
Criminal Sexual Conduct	29	Reckless Driving	354	
Deliver Message	15	Repossession	18	
Disorderly Conduct	8	Retail Fraud	364	
DOA	9	Robbery	7	
Dog Complaint	191	Security Check	201	
Domestic Assault	122	Shooting	1 70	
Drown in Moving Water	1	Shots Fired	79	
Drugs	84	Special Assignment	140	
Drunk	16	Stalking	15	
Escort – Bank Escort	1	Subpoena Service	124	
Fight	134	Subject Down	3	
Fire Assist	296	Suicide	65	
Fireworks Complaint	55	Suspicious Situation/Person/Vehicle	1233	
Follow-up	971	Threat	111	
Foot Patrol	96	Traffic Control	96	
Fraud	395	Transport	167	
Harassment	113	Trash / Littering Complaint	16	
Hazzard – Road	309	Trespass	34	
Hit and Run	161	Trouble With Subject	271	
Inmate – Transfer	3	Test – Test CAD call	4	
Juvenile	61	Unlawfully Driving Away An Automobile	41	
K9 – Assist	28	Unknown Injury / Accident	36	
Larceny	478	Unwanted Person	119	
Liquor Law Violations	12	Unwanted Trouble	149	
Lock Out	27	Utility / Wires Down	49	
Malicious Destruction of Property	166	Vehicle ID Check	20	
Medical Assist	2879	Visual/Vacation Property Check	43	
Missing Person	64	Warrant Arrest	259	
Motorist Assist	376	Weapon Violation	25	
Neighbor Complaint	60	Welfare Check	574	
Noise	308			
Obscene	15			
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 17,254 *				

\*Call-for-service numbers include any agency who took action within the Township borders. Ingham 911 dispatch was unable to filter out other agencies.

Alarm Response	920	Larceny	367
Arson	0	Liquor Law / Violations	22
Assault	251	Medical First Responder	748
Building Code Violation	1	Miscellaneous Non-Criminal Offense	584
Burglary	149	Motor Vehicle Theft	20
Commercialized Sex/Prostitution	0	Negligent Homicide / Manslaughter	1
Conservation	10	Obscenity	7
Criminal Sexual Conduct	26	Obstructing Justice	190
Damage to Property	139	Obstructing Justice Obstructing Police	190
Disorderly Conduct	37	Ordinance Violation	3
Embezzlement	24	OUI of Liquor of Drugs	63
Extortion	2	Peeping Tom	1
Family Abuse / Neglect / Other	19	Public Peace Other	34
Forgery / Counterfeiting	23	Retail Fraud	355
Fraud	285	Robbery	15
Health and Safety	32	Sex Offense (Other)	5
Hit and Run Motor Vehicle Accident		• • •	7
	138 0	Stolen Property  Traffic Civil	988
Immigration	101	Traffic Criminal	176
Incapacitated / Mental Health Intimidation / Stalking			
	87	Trespass	21
Investigation / Inspection (Non-Criminal)	667	Violation of a Controlled Substance	61
Invasion of Privacy (other)	0	Weapons Offense	12
Juvenile Offenses / Runaway	18		

Officers investigated 850 traffic crashes in 2015 compared to 909 in 2014. These included personal injury, property damage, and hit and run accidents. Of the total, 161 accidents involved injuries. There were no fatal crashes in Meridian Township in 2015.



#### TRAFFIC SAFETY

Traffic safety is a major concern within Meridian and Williamstown Townships. Traffic issues are addressed in various ways. The utilization of directed patrols, where officers are in designated locations during the time offenses are known to occur, is one way the Department addresses traffic issues. The Department also uses motorcycles and semi-marked patrol vehicles to address traffic issues.

The Department provides traffic safety education through many programs. The adult and youth citizens' police academies provide information and education on safety issues. School Resource officers also discuss safety and traffic issues with the students.

Meridian Township also works with the Ingham County Roads Department to provide input and request assistance on traffic safety concerns.

The use of speed awareness trailers and signs are all tools used to address community concerns regarding traffic safety in the Township.

#### TRAFFIC CRASH INVESTIGATION TEAM

Officers investigated 850 crashes in Meridian Township in 2015. When a crash involves serious injury or death, the Traffic Crash Investigation Team is called to investigate the crash. There are five Meridian officers assigned to the team. These personnel have additional advanced training and experience in crash investigations including: identifying and collecting evidence, photography, sketching, measurements needed, and use of the surveying equipment to produce scaled drawings of the crash scene. Fortunately, there were no crashes in 2015 that required the Traffic Crash Investigation Team to respond. The Department participates with other Ingham County agencies on a regional crash investigative team. Should any agency have a serious accident, that agency may request assistance from other agencies. Accident investigators will assist, providing expertise and helping to reduce overtime costs.

Meridian Township Deer Involved Collision Data					
Year	Injury Involved	No Injury Involved	Total		
2009	1	151	152		
2010	1	137	138		
2011	2	150	152		
2012	2	151	153		
2013	4	176	180		
2014	4	133	137		
2015	5	139	144		

Beginning in 2011, the Township initiated a deer-culling program to reduce the deer population and help reduce the amount of car/deer collisions. The culling program has continued to present date. In 2015, Chronic Wasting Disease was discovered in the Township and the Department of Natural Resources began a program of testing and additional culling. The DNR program reduced numbers further.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

The Department utilizes volunteers to assist in police operations. Volunteers assist with fire lane and handicap parking enforcement as well as data entry and statistical compilation. The Department is always seeking new ways to utilize volunteers. In 2015, 181 hours of volunteer services were provided, resulting in 200 parking citations and over 50 warnings.

#### **COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICERS**

The Meridian Township Police Department is committed to community policing. The Uniform Division Commander oversees the community-policing program. Officers are assigned neighborhoods with leaders and make contact with them on a regular basis. Officers address concerns, provide assistance in areas of law, code enforcement, and ensure community needs are met. They take pride in their neighborhoods and participate in social events and outings.

The Meridian Township Police promotes and participates in National Night Out events. Several of the neighborhoods in the Township hold events to support community involvement in crime prevention. National Night Out is always the first Tuesday in August. Thirty neighborhoods participated in National Night Out in 2015.

#### **ADULT CROSSING GUARDS**

A school resource officer supervises six AAA certified crossing guards who come to work no matter the weather to ensure the safe travel of our students to school. On the rare occasion a crossing guard is unable to make their post, someone in the resource unit will cover the post, if possible; otherwise, a cadet or patrol officer will cover the crossing. Our guards are proud of their work and know the children by name. The crossing guards attend yearly updated training on crossing procedures at the Lansing Area Safety Council using AAA training materials.

#### **CANINE TEAM**

In 2015, Meridian Police deployed two K-9 units: K-9 Uby, and his handler Officer Erin Linn and K-9 Yukon and his handler Officer Andrew Tobias. These teams provided canine services to the Department in 2015 and are trained in article searches, area searches, tracking, building searches, and drug detection. When the Department's canine teams are not available, service is requested from neighboring departments.

Canine Team Activity Numbers			
Calls Handled By Meridian's Canine	77		
Calls Handled By Other Departments	16		
Call Outs To Other Departments	66		
Total Calls For Service	159		
Activity Type			
Drug Search	67		
Suspect Track	49		
Building Search	29		
Evidence Location	10		
Demonstration	14		
Missing Person	5		

<sup>\*</sup>A canine call may include more than one activity type.

#### SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

Meridian Township Police Department participates in the Ingham Regional Special Response Team (SRT). This team consists of specially trained officers that respond to high-risk search warrants, arrest warrants, drug raids, civil unrests, or other tactical situations. The Department has one sergeant, two officers and a K-9 team assigned to the team and function in an on-call basis. These officers receive specialized tactical and surveillance training along with specialized equipment. Officers on the team train one day per month and attend a multiday training once per year. The Department also has two officers that are trained as negotiators and receive specialized training.

In 2015, SRT was activated nine times:

- Barricaded gunman for Ingham County Sheriff's Office
- NCAA Elite 8 basketball game for MSU and East Lansing
- NCAA Final 4 game for East Lansing and MSU
- High-Risk search warrant in the City of East Lansing
- Mutual aid to Clinton County Sheriff's Office for a murder suspect
- Narcotics search warrant execution in the City of East Lansing
- Mutual aid to the City of Lansing for armed suspects in a breaking and entering
- Big 10 football championship game for MSU and East Lansing
- College football playoff game for MSU and East Lansing

In 2015, there were no team responses in Meridian and Williamstown Township.

#### SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE UNIT



Meridian Police maintains a strong relationship with Okemos and Haslett Public Schools; as well as St. Martha's Catholic School, Montessori Radmoor and Donley Elementary. The Department offers classes to any school or organization in Meridian and Williamstown Townships. The classes are primarily taught from the DARE curriculum (Meridian Police is one of the few agencies in Michigan still fortunate enough to have this program) or the TEAM curriculum. The Department also seeks available materials as needed to

educate groups in the community that are looking for safety presentations. These provide an excellent opportunity for our Resource officers to have positive, informative interactions with the students and staff of the schools we service and members of the community. Officers also spend free time visiting schools in our assigned school districts. This interaction with administrative staff at the schools helps to maintain open lines of communication between the police and schools, while at the same time giving the students a chance to see and visit with the police in positive situations.

In 2015, the resource unit once again worked with the 55<sup>th</sup> District Court to bring "Court to School." This program transforms the auditoriums at both Okemos High School and Haslett High School into a courtroom. Defendants are allowed to convert their community service hours into a dollar amount to count toward up to 50% of their fines, in return for participating in the program. Judge Boyd and Judge Allan take time with each school to explain how the process works and to answer any questions the students have. This unique program gives students an opportunity to witness real criminal cases being adjudicated. The court schedules cases that may be pertinent to the students such as retail fraud, possession of marihuana and minor in possession of alcohol; offenses the students may have previously thought of as insignificant.

In addition to teaching classes, the resource unit serves as a point of contact for questions regarding emergency preparedness from schools and other organizations in the community. The resource unit attends and evaluates lockdown drills and provides training and updates on ever evolving emergency procedures to staff and students. This is crucial to provide a safe and positive learning environment while ensuring students and staff respond appropriately to an emergency.

The TEAM curriculum is taught, as requested, in any K-12 classroom and five lessons are taught twice a year to the health classes at Okemos High School. Educators are given the available classes at the beginning of each school year and encouraged to call for any included lessons as well as for subject matter not listed, as the SRU (School Resource Unit) will adapt to requests as needed. The most popular courses at the secondary level are alcohol (including M.I.P. and drunk driving); an overview of law enforcement, active violence incident education and preparedness, fire safety and by far the most popular is cyber safety. At the elementary level, the popular classes are My Big Five Safety Rules, 911 purpose and proper use, gun safety and cyber safety.

The DARE program is designed using actual issues fifth graders face. The curriculum covers many of the federal common core standards, so the educators giving up time for officers to come in is not time lost. The DARE lessons cover responsible behavior, facts and health effects of alcohol and tobacco, risks and consequences, peer pressure, stress management, confident communication, non-verbal communication, bullying, being a good citizen and building a help network. The curriculum teaches more life skills rather than specific abused drugs. The educators appreciate the lessons and find it very useful. Administration in both school districts welcome the program and finds the content valuable. Approximately 600 students experience 10 lessons of DARE each school year.

The Unit offers Halloween safety to our schools in the fall. The schools find the presentations beneficial and request our return each Halloween. Hundreds of students are educated on safe trick-or-treating. Also, in the fall is the vastly popular MTPD Halloween Open House. 2015 may have been one of the best years' ever. Citizens are invited to tour the Police Department, examine equipment, enjoy donuts and drink cider and explore Police vehicles.

The Unit also participates in TRIAD (an organization dedicated to providing free services for the elderly in Ingham, Eaton and Clinton Counties) meetings as a law enforcement representative. The SRU also lends a hand with a spring fundraising event for TRIAD. The SRU also plays a vital role in the preparation and execution of "No Senior without Christmas," a yearly event to distribute boxes of daily necessities to area seniors in need.

Number of Classes Held in 2015			
D.A.R.E	185		
T.E.A.M. 27			
Other Presentations 35			
Total for 2015 247			

#### **SERVICES DIVISION**

The Services Division provides support to the Uniform Division by processing reports, following up on criminal complaints, evidence processing, hiring new officers, providing technical support, and the cadet staff. Services Division includes the Investigations Unit, Records Unit, Cadets, Property Technician and Services Division Commander.

#### **INVESTIGATIONS UNIT**

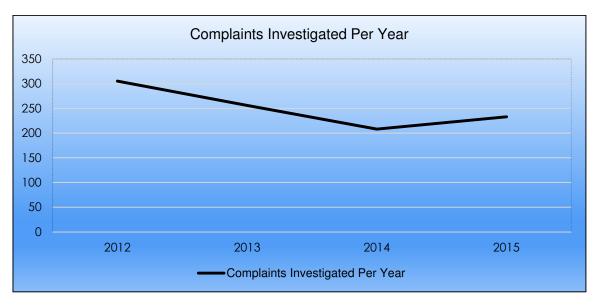
Personnel are selected to serve in the Investigations Unit for a three-year assignment. The Investigations Unit includes a sergeant, three Investigators, and one Court Services Officer. The investigators are assigned cases that require specialized training, significant resources, and additional follow up. The Court Services Officer (CSO) is assigned to be the liaison with prosecutors and courts.

The Investigations Unit Sergeant overseas the Investigators and Court Services Officer. The Sergeant reviews reports, assigns follow up investigations, and manages major cases. Reports written by the uniform division are reviewed and those with sufficient solvability factors are assigned to the Investigators. The victims of crimes that lack any investigative leads are notified by letter that the case is not being investigated; however, the case may be reopened if new information develops. In 2015, there were 154 letters sent to victims in Meridian Township and 21 letters sent to victims in Williamstown Township. The Sergeant also reviews all crimes involving the area schools. These cases involve a crime on school property, on a school bus, at a school-sponsored event, within 1000 feet of a school, or if a crime poses a significant threat to students, staff, or school property. These crimes are reported to the schools on a School Notification Letter. In 2015 there were 35 notifications sent to Haslett, Okemos, and East Lansing Schools. There were no reported incidents involving Williamston Schools.

The three Investigators are assigned to investigate criminal complaints including homicides, sexual assaults, robberies, child abuse, home invasions, embezzlements, larcenies, and death investigations. Cases are closed when a suspect is identified and the prosecutor authorizes charges or all investigative efforts have been exhausted. Crimes against persons are given greater priority than crimes involving theft.

Complaints Assigned Per Year			
2012	305		
2013	256		
2014	208		
2015	234		

The above table shows the Investigations Unit assigned a total of 234 complaints in 2015. The following table lists the types of offenses investigated. The number of "complaints" is lower than the number of "offenses" because a single complaint may include more than one crime or offense.



Crime	2012	2013	2014	2015
Homicide	0	4	0	1
Kidnap	1	2	0	0
Criminal Sexual Conduct	25	26	17	25
Robbery	7	11	6	3
Assault/Stalking	21	14	18	13
Arson	1	1	2	1
Extortion	1	0	0	1
Burglary	47	27	18	75
Larceny	72	48	45	48
Unlawful Driving Away Auto	10	5	6	12
Forgery	7	1	2	12
Fraud	54	47	61	46
Embezzlement	7	6	3	9
Stolen Property	6	3	3	2
Malicious Destruction of Property	8	11	2	3
Retail Fraud	12	26	26	10
Drugs	5	0	3	2
Sex Offenses	0	3	4	3
Obscene Material	4	4	2	6
Child Abuse	3	4	4	4
Liquor Law Violation	0	2	2	0
Obstructing Police	2	0	1	0
Obstructing Justice	0	0	1	0
Weapons Offense	1	2	1	0
Public Peace	5	2	3	1
Hit & Run Accident	1	2	0	2
Health and Safety	0	0	0	0
Invasion of Privacy	0	1	0	0
Conservation	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Runaway	7	3	1	3
Traffic Offenses	1	0	1	14
Juvenile Violation	0	0	5	0
Civil Custody	0	0	0	6
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	0	0	2
Suspicious Situations	18	8	3	0
General Assist	2	0	2	12
Death Investigations	10	14	10	12
Missing Persons	6	3	2	0
TOTAL	345	280	254	328

In 2015, the Investigations Unit continued to investigate 129 offenses from 2014, while 233 offenses were assigned, 199 were cleared, 128 were inactivated, and 35 will continue to be investigated in 2016.

2015 Complaint Dispositions				
Continued from 2014	129			
Assigned in 2015	233			
Cleared in 2015	199			
Inactivated in 2015	128			
Continued in 2016	35			

When an investigation is completed and reviewed for charges, the Investigator is responsible for forwarding the warrant request to the Ingham County Prosecutor's Office (ICPO). In 2015, the Investigators brought 93 requests for warrants and petitions to the Ingham County Prosecutor.

Investigations Warrant Requests & Petitions for 2015					
Felony Misdemeanor Totals					
Requested	67	26	93		
Issued	34	13	47		
Denied	2	3	5		
Diversion	2	0	2		
Status Pending	29	10	39		



A total of \$46,797.50 worth of stolen property was recovered in 2015. The majority of the recovered stolen property was returned to the victims.

The Investigations Unit participates in several boards and task forces. Most meetings are held monthly to discuss cases of concern or interest, problem solving, creating countywide protocol, and to share information on suspects and trends. The Investigators participate in weekly area detective meetings to discuss current crimes, share intelligence, and foster working relationships between agencies. Some of the boards and task forces include:

- Elderly Death Review Board
- Child Death Review Board
- Capital Area Sexual Assault Response Team
- Pediatric Subcommittee for Abuse and Sexual Assault
- Michigan Association of Check Investigators
- Tri-County Loss Prevention
- Crime Stoppers
- Tri-County Sex Offender Task Force (Tri-Sort)
- Small Talk Children's Assessment Center

Noteworthy investigations for 2015 include:

A Homicide investigation of a newborn baby was reported in January 2015. The suspect was out of jail on bond for a prior homicide of a newborn baby in 2013. The 2015 homicide investigation remains under investigation.

A Criminal Sexual Conduct case involving a juvenile assaulted by multiple assailants was reported. The investigation was completed and victim declined prosecution.

The death of a three-month old child was investigated. The death involved bed sharing with the infant. The Medical examiner listed death as Sudden Infant Death Syndrome and not a criminal issue.

Patrol officers responded to Toys-R-Us regarding the Illegal Use of Credit Cards. The suspects fled and both were arrested after a foot chase. Investigators developed 19 felony counts for illegal use of credit cards. The investigation determined that the group was linked to larger organized crime from New York.

Counterfeit bills were discovered at multiple businesses in Meridian Township. A suspect was identified, but witnesses were unable to identify the man.

A reported Child Abuse case that involved a four-month old child treated at Sparrow Hospital and then at the University of Michigan Hospital. The child remained hospitalized for several weeks. The child's father was charged with Child Abuse First Degree.

An Armed Robbery at a home involved two men armed with firearms. The men entered the home and demanded money. The victim had a medical marijuana grow operation inside the residence and refused to cooperate with investigations.

East Lansing Police officers were executing an arrest warrant at a home when the wanted man sent his Pit Bull to attack one of the officers. The East Lansing officer fired one shot at the dog, injuring the animal and stopping the attack. Meridian Police investigated the case and charges were issued for Felonious Assault on a Police Officer.

The Independent Bank was robbed and the suspect was not located. The investigation is ongoing with the assistance of the FBI. A suspect was arrested in Livingston County with ties to this bank robbery.

There were multiple Home Invasions reported over a two month period. The suspects entered homes through unlocked sliding doors. A suspect arrested in Shiawassee County on similar charges has been identified and the cases will be presented to the prosecutor for review in 2016.

Meridian Police assisted the Williamston Police Department with a suspicious death investigation. The investigation continues.

In 2002, a sexual assault case was investigated and presented to the Ingham County Prosecutor. The case involved the sexual assault of a five-year-old female. Charges were not authorized in the case in 2002. The case was investigated again in 2015 and presented to the Prosecutor. The suspect was charged with one count of Criminal Sexual Conduct in the First Degree. The suspect plead guilty to CSC 2nd and was sentenced to serve two to fifteen years in prison.

Officers responded to a Home Invasion involving two armed subjects entering a home and firing a rifle in the home. The suspects shot and killed the resident's dog. The victim had a medical marijuana grow operation inside the residence and refused to cooperate with the investigation.

A victim survived a shooting by a subject who fired into her home. Three people drove to the victim's residence and one man fired multiple rounds into the occupied house. Two suspects were arrested soon after the shooting. The third suspect has not been arrested in the case. The case is still under investigation.

Several Home Invasions were reported over a three-month period. A suspect was identified but there was not enough evidence to charge the man. The suspect died in the Upper Peninsula. The man's estranged wife discovered stolen property in his home after his death.

Two juveniles were sexually assaulted while playing in a wooded area at a cemetery. Investigators identified the suspect, compiled evidence, and arrested the suspect within three days of the sexual assault. The suspect, a Registered Sex Offender, was charged with CSC and Habitual Offender.

Reports of the use of a Cloned Credit Card lead to a residence. The suspects were charged with illegal use of the cloned credit cards and a marijuana growing operation. Thousands of dollars worth of merchandise bought with the illegal credit cards were seized. The prosecutor issued charges.

Meridian Police assisted a police department in Florida with a sexual assault investigation. The case involved a teacher sexually assaulting a student. Police in Florida issued multiple charges on the suspect.

An MSU student reported discovering a man in her apartment while her roommate was in her shower. The man fled the location. Meridian Township and Michigan State University Police worked together to alert the MSU students and residents of the apartment complex of the danger. Officers identified a possible suspect in the same area the following night. The victim was able to identify the suspect and the man was arrested for Home Invasion.

#### **COURT SERVICES**

The Court Services Officer (CSO) process criminal complaints and presents them to the Ingham County Prosecutor and Township Prosecutor to request arrest warrants and juvenile petitions. The CSO also swears to warrants, transports prisoners, arraigns prisoners, and processes associated paperwork. Registered Sex Offenders report to the CSO on a regular schedule and the CSO schedules Sex Offender Address Verifications on a regular basis.

COURT SERVICES	2012	2013	2014	2015
Arraignments	314	261	257	248
Subpoenas Served	1,069	393	953	896
Personal Protection Orders	61	55	51	37
Warrant Requests	930	696	574	524
Warrants Signed by CSO	389	471	533	485
Twp. Attorney Requests	150	199	173	214
Total Petition Requests	97	108	97	74
Retail Fraud Requests	261	311	355	300
OWI Requests	81	51	77	64
Assault Requests	77	60	62	62
Assault Requests-Domestic	189	151	144	133
Larceny/Fraud Requests	78	47	63	30
Narcotics Requests	49	61	36	49

#### RECORDS UNIT

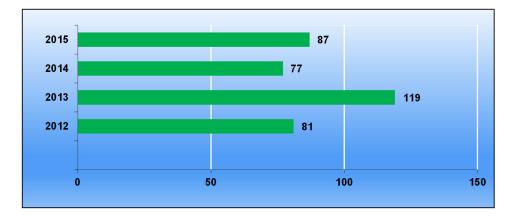
The Records Unit provides services for the police records of both Meridian and Williamstown Township. The staff consists of a supervisor, two full time technicians, and one part time technician. The records staff support the Uniform Division by processing criminal reports, arrest reports, crash reports, citations, warrant requests, and other related documents. Records

personnel also enter, modify, and cancel Conditional Bonds, Personal Protection Orders, and arrest warrants in the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN). Crime reports are transmitted to the Michigan Incident Crime Reporting system (MICR) for submission to the FBI. The MICR submissions are validated for accuracy and then submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigations for the annual publication of "Crime in the U.S."

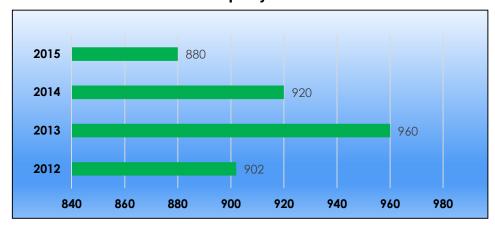
Records also assist the public by responding to FOIA requests, processing insurance company requests for reports, assisting with sex offender registrations, processing "License to Purchase Pistol" requests, and answering the overflow calls from the Municipal Building. In addition to these functions, the staff maintains several databases for statistical reports which are provided to the Department staff, the Township Manager, Township Board members and posted on social media.

Annual Crime Reporting Summary	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change 2014-2015
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	4	0	1	-100%
Rape and Attempted Rape	32	38	24	23	-4%
Robbery	18	31	14	15	7%
Aggravated Assault	31	46	39	48	23%
Total Part 1 Violent Crime	81	119	77	87	13%
Burglary	183	151	152	145	-5%
Larceny	672	780	748	715	-4%
Vehicle Theft	42	26	15	20	-33%
Arson	5	3	5	0	-100%
Total Part 1 Property Crime	902	960	920	880	-4%
Total Part I Offenses	983	1079	997	967	-3%
OWI Arrests (Liquor or Drugs)	87	89	81	63	-22%
Traffic Accident – Roadway	905	959	909	850	-6%

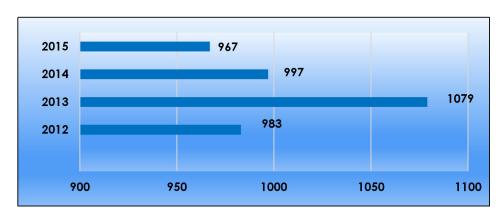
**Part 1 Violent Crimes** 



**Part 1 Property Crimes** 



Part 1 Offenses



#### **TRAINING**

The Training Sergeant oversees all training for the Department. The Department provided sworn personnel and civilian employees with 4,409.21 hours of training in 2015. This was an increase of 598.31 hours from 2014.

The in-service training program consists of monthly training for all sworn employees, periodic roll call videos, policy tests, quarterly firearms sessions, and computer based instruction. The external training program utilizes colleges, universities, and private providers to handle specialized training outside the scope of the Department trainers. The Department strives to remain at the forefront of progressive policing by acknowledging the importance of both continuing education, to retain current skills, and the acquisition of new knowledge for officers to expand their skill base.

The Department receives training funds from the Township through the budget process, and from the State of Michigan, through Pubic Act 302. The State of Michigan funds Public Act 302 through an assessment on traffic citations issued in the State.

In an effort to contain costs and increase the flexibility of the training program, the Department endeavors to have as many officers as possible trained as instructors for specific training topics. Thus, the Department can train every officer using an in-house instructor and can avoid the expense and difficulty of sending them off-site to receive training.

The Department also actively seeks opportunities to host training because this typically allows officers to attend the hosted training program free of charge. In 2015, the Department was able to provide Legal Update training for all employees for no cost. The \$2,000 cost for this training was covered by inviting area departments to participate for a small fee.

#### **MID-MICHIGAN POLICE ACADEMY**

The Training Sergeant is assigned as a Coordinator for Lansing Community College's Mid-Michigan Police Academy. Coordinators work closely with the recruits for the seventeen-week academy. Besides being involved in the development of future police officers, the Department gains the ability to monitor the Academy for potential employees. Meridian Township's association with the Police Academy helps ensure that we maintain an active role in shaping the future of law enforcement in the Mid-Michigan area. Three of the officers hired in 2015 were graduates of this Academy.

Meridian Township's participation earns scholarship money for the Department. This money was utilized to send one Officer to Medical First Responder training at L.C.C. in 2015.

#### 17th CITIZENS' ACADEMY

Every year in September, the Department sponsors a nine-week Citizens' Academy that meets once a week for three hours. This academy exposes the attendees to police operations and procedures. This year, at the suggestion of one of the citizen attendees, an extra week was added so the class could tour the Ingham County 911 Dispatch Center. The tour was so well received that it will be added as an extra session to future academies.

Thirteen officers and four civilians were involved in presenting the various topics to eighteen citizens from Meridian and Williamstown Townships.

#### 8<sup>th</sup> YOUTH CITIZENS' ACADEMY

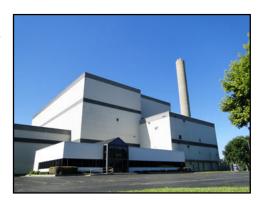
Every year in February, the Department sponsors a seven-week Youth Academy that meets once a week for two hours. Students from area high schools learn about police operations and are given an opportunity to engage in hands-on activities ranging from crime scene investigation to firearms simulation.

A total of seventeen students from ten different school districts attended the Academy in 2015. Nine Meridian officers and one Ingham County deputy assisted with teaching the classes.

#### PROPERTY ROOM REPORT

Waste to Energy / Incinerator

- Three destruction runs were made to the incinerator at the Kent County Refuse Disposal System.
- Over 6,729 pounds of illegal drugs, confidential shredding, evidence, and other miscellaneous material was destroyed.
- Also included in this destruction was over 100 pounds of material from the Prescription Drop-off Box, containing 10 pounds of prescription medication.



This cost the Department *only* \$243.30!

#### **Firearms**

Fifty firearms were destroyed at the Michigan State Police Forfeited Weapons Unit.

#### **Forensics**

• 261 items were taken to the MSP Forensic Lab for analysis.

#### Destruction of Evidence

 With the completion of case disposition sheets, 1,101 bags of evidence containing drugs, drug paraphernalia, and prescription drugs from secured evidence drug lockers were destroyed.



• The total number of items destroyed this calendar year was 2,585 items.

#### Surplus of Money

- A total of 157 items were sent to propertyroom.com, generating a surplus of \$1,466.28.
- A special evidentiary account was created to store money from the property room. Money totaling \$3,309.75 was deposited to the Meridian Township Treasurer for safekeeping until non-evidentiary cases receive disposition.

#### Impound Lot

In 2015, 31 cars were impounded and released from the MTPD impound lot.

#### Property / Returned or Donated

 72 lost and found bicycles were donated to the Share-a-Bike program in East Lansing for disadvantaged children in the community.



 Over 500 letters were generated and sent to property owners resulting in 271 items returned to the owners.

#### **CITIZEN SATISFACTION SURVEY**

A total of 1,200 citizen satisfaction surveys were mailed to victims and complainants involved in traffic accidents and other calls for service in Meridian and Williamstown Township. Surveys are used as a tool to monitor customer satisfaction with the department's services. In 2015, a total of 198 surveys were returned. The 16.5% response rate was an increase as compared to 2014.

#### **Citizen Satisfaction Survey for Sworn Personnel**

Category	Rating of Excellent/Good
Helpfulness	95%
Friendliness	94%
Knowledge	94%
Quality of Service	93%
Professional Conduct	93%
Response Time	96%

#### Rating of Emergency and Non-Emergency Dispatch Service

Category	Rating of Excellent/Good
Helpfulness	77%
Friendliness	74%
Knowledge	76%
Quality of Service	74%
Professional Conduct	75%

<sup>\*</sup>Not all questions generated a response.

#### CITIZEN SERVICE COMPLAINT SUMMARY

The Department investigated two formal citizen service complaints during 2015. Below is a summary of the findings. On occasion, supervisors may take a walk-in complainant from a citizen in which the supervisor gives an explanation why the officer performed in such a manner. Upon hearing the explanation, the citizen declines to pursue the complainant. Beginning 2016, those complaints will be tracked.

- 1 Exonerated The incident occurred but was lawful or proper.
- 1 Unfounded The alleged actions or events did not in fact occur.

#### **AWARDS**

2015 Officer of the Year – Officer Curtice Squires, a sixteen year veteran who was assigned to the Field Training Unit early in his career. He trained many new officers on the night shift and has done this in an exemplary manner. Currently, he is our most senior Training Officer and has had many other special assignments. Officer Squires was assigned to the Investigations Unit for three years from 2007 until 2009 and has been on the Special Response Team for many years. He knows his job well on the team and is looked to as a respected leader by other members. He is a range instructor, an armorer for multiple firearms, and the senior officer on his shift. He remains calm and professional when confronted with adversity and deals extremely well with the public. Officer Squires is a leader in the truest sense of the word in this police department and we are very fortunate to have him as a member of the Department.

Citation of Valor – Officer Erin Linn responded to a domestic assault complaint. Following an argument, a man had locked his girlfriend and her child out of the house in the cold. She was the first officer on scene and made sure the mother and daughter were safe. During the investigation, an armed man exited the house and began firing a rifle. Officer Linn was able to stay calm, relay information to dispatch, ensure the victims were safe and returned fire at the suspect. She was able to apprehend the suspect without anyone being injured in the dangerous encounter. Officer Linn's response to this incident exemplifies how every officer should perform when faced with a life and death situation.

Meritorious Service – Officer Christopher Lofton was recognized for responding to a house fire call. Fearing a family may still be inside; he entered the home and searched for anyone in danger. When he learned no one was inside, he assisted Meridian Fire with fire suppression. His selfless act to save people and property was exemplary and we appreciate his dedication and professionalism.

Meritorious Service – Officer Jonte Slack, while off duty, recognized a subject in a restaurant as a suspect that Meridian Police had been searching for. The suspect was wanted for homicide in Florida. He contacted dispatch and kept an eye on the subject until he exited the establishment. The responding units took him into custody without incident. Due to his keen eye, patience and perseverance a homicide suspect was brought to justice.

Life Saving – Officer Jason Clements was recognized for responding to a 32 year-old female who was not breathing. The female had been choking prior to losing consciousness, and he was the first officer on scene. He began CPR until paramedics arrived and continued to assist with life saving techniques. In addition, he contributed by gathering necessary equipment for patient care and assisted in lifting the patient into the ambulance in a short amount of time. Due to his quick actions, the patient was able to survive the incident.

Life Saving – Officer Jason Clements was recognized for responding to a possible drug overdose call and assisted in reviving a 19-year old man who had stopped breathing. He was the first officer on the scene and discovered the patient lying on the floor in the basement. The man was unconscious and cyanotic and he quickly assessed the patient and found he had a pulse but was not breathing. Officer Clements provided rescue breaths and, with assistance from Meridian Fire, were able to bring the patient back to consciousness.

Life Saving – Officers Chris Lofton, Kyle Royston and Trooper Les Rochefort were recognized for responding to a man down on a sidewalk. The man was not breathing and had no pulse. Without hesitation, the officers performed CPR and provided extensive lifesaving treatment in an effort to save the patient. Before the ambulance left, the man began breathing on his own and regained a pulse. Because of their quick actions, the patient survived the incident.

Unit Citation for Professional Excellence – Sergeant Bart Crane and Officers Jason Clements, Taylor Comiskey, Mark Divney, Paul Rambo and Curtice Squires were recognized for apprehending a suspect wanted in a shooting that occurred in Lansing. After the vehicle the suspect was driving was located, officers assisted in conducting a felony stop and took the suspect into custody. They were part of a team that was able to take a dangerous criminal off the street. If not for their professionalism, perseverance, and outstanding work, the situation could have ended much differently.

#### CITIZEN AWARDS

Life Saving Certificate – Cherie Wisdom recognized an elderly woman was choking on a blockage in her airway. She acted without hesitation in performing the Heimlich maneuver. After a moment, Ms. Wisdom was able to clear the obstruction and the patient came to. Due to her quick actions, the woman survived the incident.

Civilian Certificate of Commendation – William Barnum recognized an elderly man who arrived at his door as a missing and endangered senior citizen from a news report. The man had been outside in the elements all night and was confused when Mr. Barnum encountered him. Mr. Barnum knew right away that he was the missing person the police were looking for. He asked the man to sit in a chair on his porch while he called the police. Meridian Police arrived and reunited the elderly man with his grateful family.

Civilian Certificate of Commendation – Jonathan Peterson recognized a suspect who had been stealing from local businesses for several months. Predicting the suspect may return in the middle of the night to steal more property, he stayed at work after his shift was scheduled to end, and waited for the suspect. Mr. Peterson's persistence paid off as the suspect returned and Meridian Police were able to take him into custody. If not for his willingness to go the extra mile, the criminal may never have been caught.

Certificate of Appreciation – Chris Domeyer has proven over the last year to be an invaluable addition to the Meridian Police Department. His dedication to every task given was exemplary and his positive and upbeat attitude is contagious. He has been a quick learner and has exceeded all expectations in the property room. Mr. Domeyer is a model employee, arriving to work early every day. He makes himself available to all employees and treats everyone with respect. He has done an exceptional job in organizing the property rooms and impound car lot. But beyond

just the work, there is something to be said for someone who inspires others to work hard and takes pride in what they do. His abilities as a Property Technician are unmatched and we are proud to call you part of our team.

Certificate of Appreciation – Mike and Sheila Hughes were recognized for locating a missing special needs child who was lost and wandering around their neighborhood. They approached the child and asked if he needed help. Initially the boy was resistant, but eventually they were able to talk the child into keeping warm in their vehicle while they called dispatch to report who they had found. The child could have been seriously affected by the severely cold weather that day. Due to their willingness to get involved, a child was safely reunited with his loved ones.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

The Department continued its commitment to an online presence using social media and identified those sites that bring value to the community. These sites include Facebook, Twitter, Blogger.com and Nixle.

The Department has solved crimes that would most likely have remained unsolved without the teamwork of the Department and community members made possible through social media. Breakdowns of those crimes include:

Numerous retail fraud suspects have been identified by posting security footage. Most
of the cases that involve an unknown suspect are posted to our social media accounts.

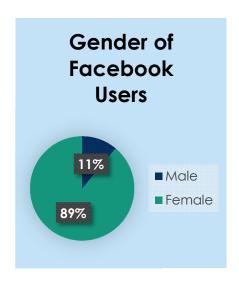
The Department's semi-monthly reports continue to be uploaded to our Google Docs account and linked to our blog. Our blog includes press releases, crime prevention tips, and helpful links for the community (i.e., animal control, school district personnel) which together has contributed to our overall goal of maintaining closer communications with the public.

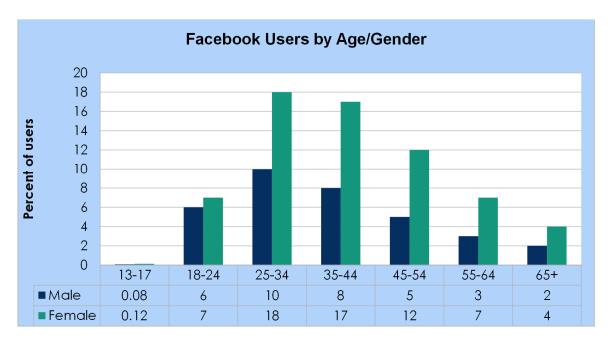
#### NIXLE

Nixle is used nationwide by police departments to release community alerts. The Department uses Nixle to inform the public about emergencies such as road closures and important incidents, as well as a means of providing links to our blog and other social media sites. There are 5,108 total contacts for our Nixle updates, as we maximize internet distribution of critical information to the online viewing public.

#### **FACEBOOK**

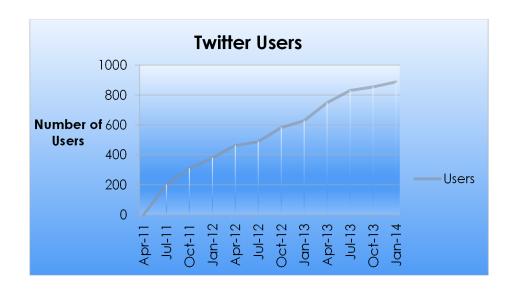
Facebook offers the greatest return on time invested. The 3,233 site visitors who "Like" our page is an increase over last year's "Like" volume of 2,499. Facebook has been helpful in many areas including the identification of suspects, distributing traffic alerts, and the posting of wanted persons. The Department also uses its Facebook platform to engage the community in discussions. The following charts depict gender and age demographics of our Facebook page users in 2015.





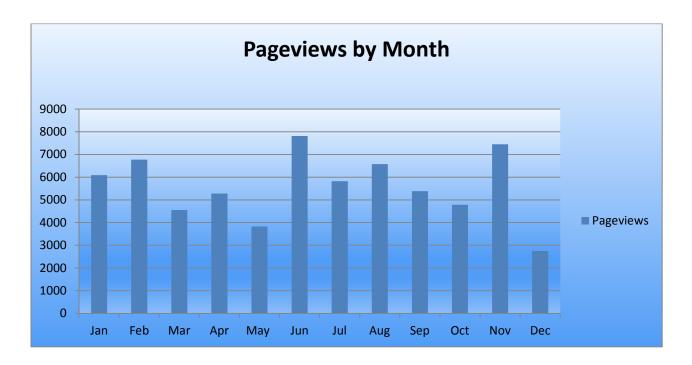
## **TWITTER**

There are 1,723 individuals that follow the Department's Twitter page.



#### **BLOG**

- 321,074 total page views since April of 2011
- Our information continues to be viewed in many countries (including Great Britain, Canada, Russia, Turkey, India, Australia, and others)
- Internet traffic to our blog is originating from various sources outside of our sites, such as Google.
- Highest viewed posts of 2015 continue to be posts seeking suspect identity information.



#### POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015 GOAL BASED ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Throughout the year, the Department administration establishes specific organizational goals in order to help focus our delivery of law enforcement services to the community we serve. The Department is pleased to have successfully accomplished numerous goals in 2015. Many of the goal accomplishments are listed below:

- The Office of Highway Safety Planning (OHSP) Traffic Grant was in effect and implementation covered impaired driving and seatbelt enforcement 21 times throughout the year.
- Meridian and Michigan State University Police signed a memorandum of understanding formalizing the commitment of the Departments to improve law enforcement services to student and employee victims of sexual and relationship violence.
- Officers conducted sex offender task force compliance sweeps in April and October. A total of 55 checks were conducted with no sex offender violations discovered.
- Two car seat check events were held. The June event was held at the Meridian Township Farmer's Market and the other was held in conjunction with the Meridian Township Police Halloween Open House in October. Officers conducted 17 child car seat inspections in 2015.

- The Department increased information shared with the public through social media regarding public safety tips, public service snnouncements, emergency communications, and police and fire services. Nineteen HOMTV interviews were conducted in 2015.
- There were nine episodes of Beyond the Badge with 10 stories involving the Department.
- The Department completed both citizen and youth academies with 34 graduates.
- Monthly citizen surveys are mailed on a monthly basis. The surveys were processed for the year and show ratings of good or excellent above 90% for sworn personnel.
- The Department upgraded the booking area camera. The project was completed in December and the system is operating.
- The Department is participating with the State Records Management System in the Police Department. Setup was completed, and training and implementation is planned for February 2016.
- In-car mobile software to communicate with new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software was completed in April 2015.
- The Township purchased three replacement patrol vehicles. This projected was completed in the spring of 2015.
- Language Line was implemented in the Department allowing for communication between police and citizens in many different languages.

## Meridian Township Police Department

## Williamstown Township Police Services



2015 Annual Report

### Williamstown Township 2015 Annual Report Police Services

The Meridian Township Police Department contracts with Williamstown Township to provide police services. 2015 is the fifth year of contracted services. In the fall of 2016, it is anticipated that a contract will be signed for 2017-18 years. Meridian Police provides 80 hours of patrol time weekly and responds to calls outside the 80 hours. The 2015-16 contract provides that Williamstown Township will pay Meridian Township \$207,988.00 per calendar year and \$53.91 per hour outside of the 80 hours of weekly patrol for emergency and non-emergency responses.

Williamstown Township Statistics					
	2012	2013	2014	2015	
Written Reports	402	448	381	370	
Calls for Service	1474	1432	1322	1508	
Calls for Service (excluding traffic stops)	981	1035	990	1111	
Arrests	20	14	24	21	
Citations Issued	179	164	111	162	
Total Number of Charges	194	176	128	186	

Written Reports						
2012 2013 2014 2015						
Alarms	58	132	62	53		
Traffic Crashes	103	116	102	128		
All Other	241	200	217	189		
Total	402	448	381	370		

Williamstown Township Deer Involved Collision Data					
Year	Injury Involved	No Injury Involved	Total		
2009	2	66	68		
2010	0	50	50		
2011	1	69	70		
2012	0	70	70		
2013	1	72	73		
2014	2	68	70		
2015	1	67	68		

Calls for Service As Received from Dispatch					
911 Hang Up	17	Natural Death	1		
Abandoned Vehicle	2	Noise	2		
Admin	26	Obscene	0		
Alarm	80	Ordinance Violation	5		
Animal Call	64	Operating While Intoxicated	7		
Arson	1	OUID	0		
Assault	2	Park	1		
Assist	0	Peace	1		
Attempt to Locate	6	Personal Injury Accident	12		
Attempt Warrant Pickup	2	Personal Protection Order	3		
Bar Check	7	Pickup Property	2		
Break In	3	Police Assist	33		
Canine Assist	0	Private Property Accident	1		
Check Area	2	Property Check	6		
Check Subject	2	Property Damage Accident	119		
Check Vehicle	10	Prowler	3		
Civil	14	Reckless Driving	50		
Community Meeting	1	Robbery	0		
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1	Runaway	2		
Deliver Message/Death Notification	3	School Walk Through	0		
DOA	0	Security Check	16		
Domestic	6	Shots	8		
Drugs	2	Sex Offender Registration Violation	0		
Driving While License Suspended	3	Special Assignment	1		
Family/Neglect	1	Subpoena Service	1		
Fight	9	Suicide	3		
Fire Assist	30	Suspicious Situation/Person/Vehicle	84		
Fireworks	5	Threat	5		
Follow-up	57	Traffic Hazard	7		
Fraud	19	Traffic Stop	397		
General / Non-Criminal	11	Train	0		
Harassment	3	Transport	1		
Hazard	34	Trash / Littering Complaint	3		
Hit and Run	2	Trespass	2		
Juvenile	2	Trouble With Subject	20		
Larceny	8	Unlawfully Driving Away An Automobile	0		
Liquor Law Inspection	2	Unknown Injury / Accident	6		
Lost Property	0	Unwanted Person	4		
Malicious Destruction	9	Utility / Wires Down	4		
Medical Assist	168	Vehicle Impound	0		
Mental	0	Warrant Arrest	8		
Missing Person	1	Weapon Violation	1		
Minor In Possession	0	Welfare Check	25		
Motorist Assist	49				
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE: 1,508 *					

\*Call-for-service numbers include any agency who took action within the Township borders. Ingham 911 dispatch was unable to filter out other agencies.

Written Offense Reports*					
Alarm Response	53	Investigation /Inspection (Non-Criminal)	15		
Arson	1	Larceny	9		
Assault	11	Medical First Responder	64		
Burglary	4	Miscellaneous Non-Traffic Offense	2		
Conservation	0	Missing Person	0		
Criminal Sexual Conduct	2	Motor Vehicle Theft	0		
Damage to Property	8	Natural Death	8		
Disorderly Conduct	0	Obstructing Justice	2		
Embezzlement	1	Obstructing Police	0		
Family Abuse / Neglect / Other	6	OUI of Liquor of Drugs	10		
Fraud	20	Suicide	1		
Harassing Communication	3	Traffic Civil	128		
Health and Safety	5	Traffic Criminal	9		
Hit and Run Motor Vehicle Accident	2	Trespass	1		
Incapacitated / Mental Health	3	Violation of a Controlled Substance	2		
Intimidation / Stalking	0	Weapons Offense	0		
TOTAL WRITTEN REPORTS: 370 *Written reports may have multiple offenses					

## Williamstown Township 2015 Annual Crime Reporting Summary Part 1 Offenses and OUIL/OUID Arrests & Traffic Accidents

Part 1 Offenses:					% Change
Tart Tonenses.	2012	2013	2014	2015	2014-2015
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0%
Rape and Attempted Rape	1	1	2	1	-50%
Robbery	0	1	0	0	0%
Aggravated Assault	3	2	6	2	-66%
Total Part 1 Violent Crime	4	4	8	3	-63%
Burglary	24	21	11	3	-73%
Larceny	20	8	13	9	-31%
Vehicle Theft	2	0	1	1	0%
Arson	1	1	0	1	100%
Total Part 1 Property Crime	47	30	25	14	-44%
Total Part 1 Offenses	51	34	33	17	-48%
OUIL / OUID	9	3	9	10	11%
Traffic Accidents	3	116	102	128	25%

A total of 128 traffic crashes were investigated in 2015. Of those, 22 were personal injury accidents.

## **Investigations Unit**

During 2015, 3 cases were continued from the previous year, 13 reports were assigned, 13 reports were cleared, 2 reports were inactivated, and one will continue to be investigated in 2016.

2015 Report Dispositions	
Assigned	13
Cleared	13
Inactivated	2
Continued in 2016	1

The following chart shows the types and individual number of offenses that occurred in Williamstown Township and were investigated by Meridian Township Investigators.

Offense	2015
Criminal Sexual Conduct	1
Aggravated/Felonious Assault	1
Burglary	2
Larceny – Theft from Building	0
Larceny – Theft from Motor Vehicle	1
Larceny-Other	1
Family Abuse / Neglect nonviolent	2
Assist other Agency	4
Fraud	2
Intimidation/Stalking	1
Motor vehicle theft	1
Total Offenses Investigated	16