

WEEKLY REPORT

A question was raised at the last city council meeting regarding the Department of Justice Bulletproof Vest Grant program. **The Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP), created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act** of 1998 is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement. Since 1999, the BVP program has awarded more than 13,000 jurisdictions, a total of \$393 million in federal funds for the purchase of over one million vests (1,197,348 as of December, 2014). BVP is a critical resource for state and local jurisdictions that saves lives. Based on data collected and recorded by BJA staff, in FY2012, protective vests were directly attributable to saving the lives of at least 33 law enforcement and corrections officers, in 20 different states, an increase 13.7% over FY2011. At least 14 of those life-saving vests had been purchased, in part, with BVP funds. Since 2000, the Newark Police Department has been reimbursed for approximately \$85,000 from the grant. Under the program, departments first purchase the vests and then are **reimbursed for half the cost of the vest**. We apply for funding based on our expected vest needs for the two years following the grant application. When we are awarded funding, the money goes into the city account and may be drawn down **after** the vest is purchased.

Our bicycle safety program continues. As a result of complaints received regarding bicyclists riding on the sidewalk as well as other complaints on Main Street, city employees are taking several steps to address the concerns. The signs on Main Street to prohibit riding bicycles on the sidewalk were found to be too small. The Public Works and Water Resources Department recently completed replacing the small signs with larger signs. Within the next few weeks, 16 stencils will be painted prohibiting riding bicycles on the sidewalk will be placed on the Main Street sidewalk between Tyre and South College Avenues. Members of the Special Operations Unit have met with ELI students to provide information regarding bicycle laws. Since the signs on Main Street have been replaced, officers have been assigned to foot patrol issuing warnings to cyclists riding on the sidewalk. This week officers have begun to issue a summons to anyone found to be in violation. Information about the bicycle enforcement has been posted on the police department Facebook page and the mobile sign board is being placed in various locations reminding bicyclists about the law.

Lieutenant Michael VanCampen has been selected and approved to attend the upcoming Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy. Lt. VanCampen will join attendees from across America and around the world to attend this intensive police management program. Several of our command staff are graduates of this program as well as the West Point Command and Leadership training program. Several of our Sergeants have also graduated from the West Point Command & Leadership program.

Our Motor Vehicle Accident reduction program continues. This is similar to the "Vision Zero" program mentioned at the last council meeting. During the week of March 7th, 198 summonses were issued for motor vehicle violations on targeted high collision roads.

At the Traffic Committee Meeting held on November 17, 2015 it was decided a Cleveland Avenue AD HOC Committee would be beneficial to discuss possible solutions to the issues that

exist on Cleveland Avenue in anticipation of the Delaware Department of Transportation's repaving project scheduled in 2017.

On March 16th, the first meeting was held at the Newark Senior Center. Representatives from the following entities were in attendance, DelDOT, WILMAPCO, Newark Housing Authority, NAACP, Traffic Committee, Bike Delaware, Car Dealerships, Planning & Development Department, and the University of Delaware. A presentation was conducted of the Hazard Elimination Plan that provided statistics and possible solutions along the Cleveland Avenue corridor from N. College Avenue to Capital Trail. Following the presentation, each representative of the committee was provided an opportunity to discuss specific issues, goals, and recommendations for possible solutions. The AD HOC committee will meet in April to discuss additional stakeholders they feel should be involved. In May, the committee will meet to perform a site visit of Cleveland Avenue. In June, a public meeting will be held to review DelDOT's research and traffic improvement models.

NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

WEEK 03/06/16-03/12/16

INVESTIGATIONS

CRIMINAL CHARGES

	2015 TO DATE	2016 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2016	2015 TO DATE	2016 TO DATE	THIS WEEK 2016
<u>PART I OFFENSES</u>						
a)Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
b)Attempt	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnap	2	2	0	1	1	0
Rape	1	0	0	0	3	0
Unlaw. Sexual Contact	0	2	0	0	0	0
Robbery	9	8	1	10	5	0
- Commercial Robberies	6	3	1	3	0	0
- Robberies with Known Suspect	1	1	0	0	0	0
- Attempted Robberies	1	1	0	4	0	0
- Other Robberies	1	3	0	3	5	0
Assault/Aggravated	0	1	0	5	1	0
Burglary	13	19	2	4	10	0
- Commercial Burglaries	1	6	1	1	0	0
- Residential Burglaries	11	10	1	3	8	0
- Other Burglaries	1	3	0	0	2	0
Theft	82	123	18	55	33	1
Theft/Auto	8	5	0	5	5	1
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Other	7	20	1	13	15	0
TOTAL PART I	122	180	22	93	73	2
<u>PART II OFFENSES</u>						
Other Assaults	45	72	5	27	25	1
Rec. Stolen Property	0	0	0	8	8	0
Criminal Michief	42	27	2	17	21	1
Weapons	4	3	1	26	6	1
Other Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alcohol	24	46	21	41	58	20
Drugs	16	31	5	68	33	0
Noise/Disorderly Premise	49	125	14	32	49	3
Disorderly Conduct	26	32	6	10	24	3
Trespass	33	24	5	15	7	1
All Other	87	116	8	60	58	4
TOTAL PART II	326	476	67	304	289	34
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>						
Alarm	197	204	19	0	0	0
Animal Control	70	67	11	0	0	0
Recovered Property	32	56	6	0	0	0
Service	5014	6710	683	0	0	0
Suspicious Per/Veh	90	124	16	0	0	0
TOTAL MISC.	5403	7161	735	0	0	0

	THIS WEEK <u>2015</u>	2015 TO <u>DATE</u>	THIS WEEK <u>2016</u>	2016 TO <u>DATE</u>
TOTAL CALLS	690	7,106	977	9,094



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TRAFFIC SUMMONSES	2015 YTD	2016 YTD	THIS WEEK 2015	THIS WEEK 2016
Moving/Non-Moving	1,708	1,971	154	340
DUI	41	38	6	7
TOTAL	1,749	2,009	160	347

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS				
Fatal	0	0	0	0
Personal Injury	33	37	2	3
Property Damage (Reportable)	67	144	3	12
Property Damage (Non-Reportable)	70	23	6	3
Hit and Run	49	54	4	1
TOTAL	219	258	15	19