St. Francis Police Department Quarterly Report

January – March 2020

To: City Council and City Administrator Joe Kohlmann
From: Todd Schwieger, Chief of Police
Date: April 20, 2020

RE: Police Department First Quarter Report

The St Francis Police Department began 2020 by recognizing four officers for their extraordinary efforts in 2019 during the department annual awards ceremony. Officers Chris Bulera, Nate Schwieger, Brandon Stemme, and Reserve Officer Richard Sieber were presented with the St Francis Police Department Award of Commendation for outstanding service and superior dedication to the St Francis Police Department and Community in 2019.

In March the COVID-19 outbreak hit with a vengeance and police department staff had to make adjustments in order to continue providing essential services to the community in conjunction with keeping staff healthy. Despite the new normal of a lobby closure and multiple employees working from home police department staff did an extraordinary job in continuing to serve and protect the citizens of St Francis. The teamwork and acts of selflessness that not only police department staff displayed but ALL city staff displayed was and is an honor to be a part of. Spring is usually a time when staff would be preparing for community outreach events. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 several events will either be postponed or cancelled. Despite the setback, police department staff will continue striving to maintain a strong working relationship with the citizens of St Francis. We look forward to picking up where we left off later in the year and adding even more events in 2021.

Calls for service during the 1st quarter of 2020 are consistent with the numbers from the previous year. Part 1 and 2 offenses increased slightly over the 1st quarter of the previous year and Part 3,4,5 offenses saw a slight decrease. As a reminder, Part 1 offenses are considered violent crimes such as assault and robbery. Part 2 offenses are considered property crimes such as burglary and theft. All part 1 and 2 offenses are reported to the FBI to be included in the annual Uniform Crime Report. Part 3,4,5 offenses are non-reportable incidents and are the more common types of calls responded to such as medicals, alarms, vehicle accidents, domestic disputes and neighbor disputes.

The Police Department would like to thank the City Council for their continued support as we move through 2020.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Offense Type</th>
<th>Description Examples</th>
<th>Number of Calls- 2019</th>
<th>Number of Calls-2020</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Part 1 and 2</td>
<td>Theft, Fraud, Damage to Property, Burglary, DWI, Assaults,</td>
<td>159</td>
<td>175</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Part 3,4,5</td>
<td>Suspicious persons/activity, Vehicle lock outs, Animal complaints, Check welfare, Accidents, Alarms, Medical, Parking complaints, MV Complaints, Warrant arrests, Neighborhood Disputes, Extra Patrol requests.</td>
<td>906</td>
<td>847</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Investigations</td>
<td></td>
<td>35</td>
<td>23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Citations</td>
<td></td>
<td>97</td>
<td>128</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Generated ICR’s (Incident Crime Reports)</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td><strong>1,197</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,173</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
# ICR Breakdown Part 1 and 2 Offenses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2019-1st Quarter</th>
<th>2020 – 1st Quarter</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Thefts from Vehicle</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Theft of Gas</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Burglaries</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assaults</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DWIs</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Citations</td>
<td>97</td>
<td>128</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fraud</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

## 1st quarter 2019

- **Theft from Vehicle**: 36
- **Theft of Gas**: 5
- **Theft No Pay**: 2
- **Burglaries**: 4
- **Assaults**: 7
- **DWIs**: 4
- **Citations**: 12
- **Fraud**: 5

## 1st quarter 2020

- **Theft from Vehicle**: 32
- **Theft of Gas**: 4
- **Theft No Pay**: 2
- **Burglaries**: 4
- **Assaults**: 7
- **DWIs**: 4
- **Citations**: 12
- **Fraud**: 5

---

3
## ICR Breakdown Part 3, 4, 5 Offenses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>2019 - 1st Quarter</th>
<th>2020 – 1st Quarter</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Suspicious Activity</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>69</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vehicle lockouts</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Medicals</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>92</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alarms</td>
<td>49</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vehicle Accidents</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Agency Assists</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>94</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Domestic situations</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>73</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Juvenile Activity</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Civil disputes/Landlord- tenant/Child Custody</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>26</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 1st quarter 2019

---

### 1st quarter 2020
WINNING WITH COPS
FIRST AID TRAINING
In January of 2020 the Police Department held its annual awards ceremony for officers and staff members. Commendation awards were implemented in 2017 to recognize staff members and citizens for their outstanding service and superior dedication to the City of St Francis. Staff members and citizens can be nominated for an award by any staff member of the police department. The nomination is then reviewed by the awards committee who then approves, denies or suggests a different type of award. The different awards staff members and citizens can be nominated for are The Medal of Honor, Medal of Valor, Award of Commendation, Life Saving Award and The Citizens Award.

During the ceremony, four department officers were recognized for their exceptional performance and service in 2019. Officer Chris Bulera received the Award of Commendation for his outstanding service during a cardiac arrest situation in January of 2019. Officer Bulera went above and beyond in providing assistance to the victim's wife and family during and after the incident. Officer Nate Schwieger received the Award of Commendation for his work on an investigation which led to a search warrant at a local residence and the recovery of over $100,000 in stolen property. Officer Brandon Stemme received the Award of Commendation for his dedication to DWI and traffic enforcement. Officer Stemme has been a department leader in traffic enforcement since 2005 and made 55 DWI arrests in 2019. Reserve Officer Richard Sieber received the Award of Commendation for his exceptional service and dedication to the St Francis Community by donating hundreds of volunteer hours as a reserve officer in 2019.
Year-to-date Fatalities (January-February)

- Preliminary numbers show 62 fatal traffic crashes in 2020, compared with 61 last year.
- 69 people that have been killed in traffic crashes in 2020, compared with 66 this time last year.
- Of the 69 fatalities:
  - 4 people died in distracted driving-related crashes.
  - 17 people died in speed-related crashes.
  - 13 people died in alcohol-related crashes.
  - 16 people died who were unbelted.
  - 49 were men, 16 were women, and 4 were not reported.
  - 12 were pedestrians.
  - 2 were bicyclists.
  - 1 was a motorcyclist.
- 6,330 motorists were arrested for DWI so far in 2020 (January-March), compared with 6,487 in 2019.

March 2020 Preliminary Fatal Crash and Fatality Numbers

- There were 17 fatal crashes in March, compared with 21 last year.
- There were 28 fatalities in March, compared with 22 last year.
- Of the 28 fatalities:
  - 1 person died in distracted driving-related crashes.
  - 7 people died in speed-related crashes.
  - 3 people died in an alcohol-related crash.
  - 3 people died who were unbelted.
  - 18 were men, 6 were women, 4 not reported.
  - 4 were pedestrians.
  - 2 were bicyclists.
  - 1 was a motorcyclist.
- 1,830 motorists were arrested for DWI in March, compared with 2,374 in March 2019.