

Montpelier Police Department 2014 Annual Report



Committed To Our Community

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Montpelier Police Department Mission Statement

The Montpelier Police Department shall endeavor to be a caring organization which dedicates itself to personal excellence, teamwork, and focused performance.

Our mission is to be considerate of the needs of the citizens, while providing a safe and secure environment. We shall do this by enforcing laws; arresting violators when necessary; building community relations through a cooperative partnership with the citizens of Montpelier; respecting the dignity of all people; and by striving to protect individual rights afforded by the laws of this city, state, and within the United States Constitution.

This mission is to not only arrest violators, but to use our best discretion in order to improve the quality of life for all. All officers of the Montpelier Police Department shall be mindful and hold near to their heart what it means to have **Honor, Courage, Dignity, Loyalty, Respect, and Integrity**. These words represent our values.

We shall take this mission on not because we have to, but because we believe we serve a higher purpose. Each officer shall be unwavering in their commitment to this mission.



Message From Chief Dan McGee



I am honored to present the 2014 Montpelier Police Department Annual Report. Our agency makes great effort and takes great pride in our ability to serve the public. It is quite an accomplishment to see how our agency is growing in dedication, character, and compassion for our job.

2014 was a year of continued development and growth. A year that I was proud to check things off of the "to-do list". A year that was steady in complaint reports filed and a year that saw us continue making advancements within. We celebrated by adding two new officers, a new sergeant, a department Chaplain, conducting some fun training, and through good police initiative take some drug manufacturers off the street. I can't say it enough, with our dedicated personnel we have no limits to success. However, even saying that I want us not to lose sight of the end goal. That is always to serve our community with pride, honor, and a concerted effort to protect.

This year was also a very scary year for law enforcement in general. From the turmoil in Ferguson, MO. to officers being assassinated on the streets of New York. I pray each day that our officers faithfully serve the community and go home to their families. So it is a continued goal of mine to ensure we are preparing and firming up our abilities to keep ourselves safe when performing our jobs.

Look forward to many new things on the horizon and unlimited potential! Please ensure that we focus directly on our mission, as this will help keep us on track in all we do. We all have room to grow personally and professionally and I hope you all will join me faithfully in those journeys in 2015. Keeping my faith in front of me at all times has been essential as Chief. It is what guides me to grow as a person and help us grow as a department.

I want to thank each officer of the Montpelier Police Department for your efforts in 2014. You have made me and the community proud. I want to thank the Montpelier Police Reserve Unit for your tireless dedication in volunteerism. I also want to thank the citizens of Montpelier for their continued support! Together we are making Montpelier a better, safer place to live for all.

In ending, I challenge all to reflect back on 2014. Pick one good thing and one bad thing that affected you. Now figure out a way to improve on that good thing so it doesn't just benefit us as individuals, but that it also benefits those around you. And for that bad thing? Analyze what led up to that and determine how to avoid it in the future. Remember in community service we cannot simply serve ourselves, we must serve for the greater good of all.

In joint sacrifice with you and in His honor,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chief Dan McGee".

Chief Dan McGee

Department Personnel

i. Fulltime Officers and Ranks

501: Chief Dan McGee
502: Lt. Darrell Higbie
503: Sgt. Jennifer Hern
504: Sgt. Stormy Doctor
505: Ptl. Josh Mercer
506: Ptl. Lamar Mercer
507: Ptl. Matthew Zook
508: Ptl. Kevin Krill

ii. Reserve Officers

511: Nathan Miller
512: Brian Myers
513: Jim Brace (Honorary Reserve)
514: Darrin Repp
515: Devin Harter
516: Randy Buehrer
517: Kristin Dolman
518: Deidre Whitman
519: Duaine Cluckey
520: Robert Smith

iii. Department Chaplin

Pastor Richard Blank

iv. Administrative Specialist

Darrin Repp

v. Total Fulltime Officers: 8

vi. Total Reserve Officers: 10

vii. Total Chaplains: 1

viii. Total Administrative Specialist: 1



Community Relations

The below table depicts both specified and non-specified calls for service, for the specified month.

January

DATE: 1/13	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief attended the Montpelier Rotary Club meeting. He spoke about personal defense, mental focus and desire. Risk awareness, avoidance, recognition, and reduction. A small demo of techniques and a pamphlet was provided
DATE: 1/15	OFFICER: A/S Repp	DESCRIPTION: Spoke to youth at River of Life Worship Center about respecting God's Authority and how that translates into respecting others. This was also tied into how he brings my faith into working at the police department.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	1	Total On-Duty Hours: 1.5

February

DATE: 2/26	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief spoke to the K-3 Washington Elementary School in Bryan. He spoke about bullying, what a bully was and how to combat bullying. Chief also highlighted respect and building a legacy of good.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	1	Total On-Duty Hours: .5

March

There were no community events for the month of March.

April

DATE: 4/16	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Attended the Safe Communities Mock Crash. This was presented to high school juniors across Williams Co.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	0	Total On-Duty Hours: 2

May

DATE: 5/1	OFFICER: Chief & Lt. Higbie	DESCRIPTION: Attended the Ohio Peace Officer's Memorial Ceremony in London, OH.
DATE: 5/1	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief was presented Tommy Moose stuffed animals from the Women of the Moose for the department. These stuffed animals are used for children who are involved in traumatic incidents.
DATE: 5/26	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee with RPt. Brian Myers, RPt. Darrin Repp, RPt. Kevin Krill and RPt. Kristin Dolman assisted with the Memorial Day Parade and attended the ceremony after the parade.
DATE: 5/27	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Attended the Montpelier Schools 5th grade Dare graduation. Chief spoke on making good choices.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	4	Total On-Duty Hours: 2

June

DATE: 6/21	OFFICER: Sgt. Doctor	DESCRIPTION: Sgt. Doctor participated in the Special Olympics torch run held in Bryan sponsored by the FOP.
Total Off-Duty Hours: 1.5 Total On-Duty Hours: .5		

July

DATE: 7/17	OFFICER: Chief McGee, A/S Repp	DESCRIPTION: Little Lights Daycare visited our department. Chief McGee spoke to group about bullying and a tour was given. We also gave out a little snack while they watch a short video on bullying
DATE: 7/18	OFFICER: Chief, Lt., Sgt. Hern, RPtl. Repp, RPtl. Myers, RPtl. Dolaman, RPtl. Harter, RPtl. Buehrer, RPtl. Krill	DESCRIPTION: Provided traffic control and a rolling road block for the Bean days opening ceremony.
DATE: 7/26	OFFICER: Chief, Lt., Sgt. Doctor, Ptl. J. Mercer, Ptl. Zook, RPtl. Myers, RPtl. Repp	DESCRIPTION: Provided traffic control and rolling road block for McLaughlin Memorial ride from SR 15& 107 to CR 5.
DATE: 7/29	OFFICER: Chief McGee, A/S Repp	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee spoke to Safety Town on a number of safety issues. A/S Repp then gave the group a tour of the department.
Total Off-Duty Hours: 1.5 Total On-Duty Hours: 2		

August

DATE: 8/15	OFFICER: Ptl. L. Mercer, A/S Repp	DESCRIPTION: The House of Prayer incorporated our department into their vacation bible school. They were given a tour of the department and Ptl. L. Mercer and A/S Repp shared a little about there faith and how it is used in their jobs. Sticker badges, workbooks, and pencils were handed out.
Total Off-Duty Hours: 0 Total On-Duty Hours: 1.5		

September

DATE: 9/27	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief along with St. Pauls UMC and others helped roof Charlie Blank's home. St. Paul paid for all the materials.
Total Off-Duty Hours: 9 Total On-Duty Hours: 0		

October

DATE: 10/25	OFFICER: See Description	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee, Lt. Higbie, RPt. Myers, RPt. Harter assisted with the Trick or Treat Parade.
DATE: 10/25	OFFICER: Sgt. Doctor, Ptl. Krill	DESCRIPTION: While on patrol officers passed out candy to those who were trick or treating.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	1	Total On-Duty Hours:
		1

November

There were no community events for the month of November

December

DATE: 12/10	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee gave a presentation on statistics for juvenile trends, related programs to deter poor behavior and led a small workshop. The event took place at NWSCC for Project Respect.
DATE: 12/13	OFFICER: See Descript	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee, Lt. Higbie, Ptl. J. Mercer Ptl. Zook, RPt. Repp, RPt. Dolman, RPt. Smith, RPt. Buehrer took part in the annual Cops with Kids shopping event at WalMart hosted by the FOP. Each child gets \$100 and goes shopping with and officer.
DATE: 12/13	OFFICER: See Descript	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee, Lt. Higbie, RPt. Buehrer attended the Cop with Kids pizza party. After shopping the family's are given a pizza party by the FOP and a visit from Santa. Officers ate and socialized with the families.
DATE: 12/30	OFFICER: Chief McGee	DESCRIPTION: Chief McGee spoke with Ashley Fritsch on various aspects of law enforcement for career guidance.
Total Off-Duty Hours:	10.5	Total On-Duty Hours:
		2



Above Chief McGee shows and explains about the interview room

Community Totals:

Officer	On Duty Hours	Off Duty Hours
Chief Dan McGee	11	24.5
Lt. Darrell Higbie	3	4.5
Sgt. Jennifer Hern	0	1
Ptl. Josh Mercer	.5	1
Ptl. Stormy Doctor	1	1.5
Ptl. Matt Zook	0	1
Ptl. Lamar Mercer	1.5	0
Ptl. Kevin Krill	1	0
A/S Darrin Repp	3.5	3.5
Department Total:	21.5	37
Total On & Off Duty Hours:	58.5	



(L) Pictured is Ptl. L. Mercer with House of Prayer VBS. (R) Pictured is Chief McGee with Little Lights Day Care.

Trainings

The below tables show what trainings each officer participated in throughout the year.

Chief Dan McGee	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	7

Lt. Darrell Higbie	
SFST Instructor Update	Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	12

Sgt. Jennifer Hern	
Deescalating Mental Health Crisis (OHLEG)	Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	5

Sgt. Stormy Doctor	
Career Survival (OHLEG)	Career Survival: Preparedness (OHLEG)
Career Survival: Prof Policing (OHLEG)	Title IX (OHLEG)
Finding Words (OHLEG)	What Does Sex Assault Look Like (OHLEG)
Weather Spotting	Pursuit Driving (OHLEG)
Internet/Technology Enforcement (OHLEG)	Tactical Patrol Considerations (OHLEG)
Narcotics Enforcement (OHLEG)	Firearms Tactics and Night Shoot
Ohio Alerts Update	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	20

Ptl. Josh Mercer	
Graduated Driver's License (OHLEG)	Career Survival (OHLEG)
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	5.5

Ptl. Matthew Zook	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4

Ptl. Lamar Mercer	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Ohio Alerts Update
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	8

Ptl. Kevin Krill	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Ohio Alerts Update
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	8

A/S Darrin Repp	
Career Survival (OHLEG)	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	2



Pictured above is from our night shoot training.

Awards

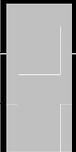
The below tables show what awards each officer received for the past year.

Chief Dan McGee		
4 th Good Conduct		
4 th Safe Driving		
2 nd Special Commendation		
4 th Perfect Attendance		
Physical Fitness		
A.L.E.R.T		

Lt. Darrell Higbie		
Life Saving		

Sgt. Stormy Doctor		
Physical Fitness		
Field Training Officer		
Life Saving		
A.L.E.R.T		

Ptl. Josh Mercer		
2 nd Perfect Attendance		
Physical Fitness		

Ptl. Lamar Mercer		
Physical Fitness		
A.L.E.R.T		
Armed Service		

A/S, RPtl. Darrin Repp		
2 nd Community Service		

RPtl. Nathan Miller	
Community Service	

RPtl. Brian Myers	
Physical Fitness	
Community Service	

RPtl. Kristen Dolman	
Community Service	
Good Conduct	
Safe Driving	
Physical Fitness	

RPtl. Diedre Whitman	
Good Conduct	
Safe Driving	

RPtl. Randy Buehrer	
Physical Fitness	
Safe Driving	
Good Conduct	

RPtl. Devin Harter	
Good Conduct	
Safe Driving	

Criminal Statistics

CALLS FOR SERVICE/EVENTS:

The below table depicts both specified and non-specified calls for service, for the entire year.

Event	No.	Event	No.
Accident	59	Aggravated Menacing	5
Animal Complaints	133	Arson	1
Assault	35	Attempted Suicide	10
B&E	11	Burglary	19
Child Sexual Exploitation Inv.	9	Civil Matter	90
Criminal Damaging	37	Criminal Mischief	10
Criminal Trespass	45	Disorderly Conduct	113
Disturbance - Other Related	8	Domestic Disturbance	69
Drugs	38	Driving Under Suspension	24
Falsification	2	Felonious Assault	0
Fires	10	Fraud and Bad Checks	12
Juvenile	139	Liquor Violations	5
Medical Assists	232	Menacing	13
Menacing by Stalking	4	Mental	23
Miscellaneous	109	Misc. - Assist Other Dept.	45
Misc. - Insurance Report	53	Missing Person	20
Murder	0	Natural Death	5
Nuisance Complaints	77	OVI	18
Parking Ticket	31	Rape	1
Receiving Stolen Property	4	Recovered Property Not Stolen	52
Robbery	1	Sex Offenses	6
Stolen/Recovered Bicycle	17	Suicide	5
Suspicious Activity	73	Telephone Harassment	64
Theft - Felony	22	Theft - Misdemeanor	100
Theft - Motor Vehicle	2	Traffic Citation	52
Traffic Complaint	69	Traffic Warning	315
Unusual Death	0	Vandalism	2
Violation of Protection Order	2	Warrants	32
Weapons	3	Log Reports	1222

Total for 2014	3,581
Total for 2013	3,541

Administrative Report

The below table depicts select administrative requests to our department for the year.

Local Background Checks	48
Report Request's	267
House Checks	37

New for 2014:

In January the department held its first Montpelier Police Department Honor and Awards Banquet. Chief Dan McGee initiated this banquet to recognize officers efforts throughout the year. The banquet is designed to spotlight the officers who have earned ribbons for their accomplishments per our Awards and Recognition Policy, presenting them in a more ceremonious manner. In addition to recognizing our officers the department created the Community Partnership Award, designated to recognize any person or organization who assists the Montpelier Police Department in making Montpelier a safer and quality place to live. This year MPD recognized Williams Co. Job and Family Service Investigator Cindy Brinkman for her efforts.

This past year we also hired 2 new patrol officers. We welcomed Ptl. Kevin Krill and Ptl. Lamar Mercer. Ptl. Lamar Mercer is through with the field training while Ptl. Kevin Krill is still in the process of completing the training. We also saw the addition of a new department Chaplin. Rev. Richard Blank of St. Paul's United Methodist Church has been called upon for this position.

In November our department sponsored a Family Fun Night along with co-sponsors Valero Main Stop, Cookies on Demand, and Hammer Athletics. Chief Dan McGee developed a Family Fun Night where kids from Montpelier Schools filled out a form to be entered into a drawing for the chance to win. This years Family Fun Night included a trip to see the lights at the Toledo Zoo, a gift card to the Olive Garden, a gift card for cookies at Cookies on Demand, a gas card from Valero, and t-shirts with the Family Fun Night Logo from Hammer Athletics.



Pictured above with Chief McGee is this year's winner, Dexter Kannel, as well as other sponsors

Reserve Unit

Activities for 2014

Parades (A cruiser was taken to the parades listed below)	
West Unity	Bryan Jubilee
Stryker	
Total: 3	

Basketball Games (Security provided)	
Bryan	North Central
Total: 1	

Football Games (Security provided)	
Hilltop	Swanton
Liberty Center	Lakota
Delta	
Total: 5	

Parades (Security provided along side fulltime officer)	
Memorial Day	Bean Days
Football Homecoming	Prep Rally for Mont vs. Bryan Game
Olde Tyme Gathering	
Total: 5	

Donations

The below table shows the organizations the Reserve Unit donated to in 2013.

Park Lunch Program	Park Shelter House Project
Cops and Kids (This includes shopping)	
Total: 3	

Reserve's Trainings

The below tables shows what trainings each officer attended through out the year.

RPlt. Nathan Miller	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4

RPlt. Brian Myers	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4

RPlt. Devin Harter	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4

RPlt. Randy Buehrer	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4

RPlt. Kristin Dolman	
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	1

RPlt. Deidre Whitman	
Domestic Violence And Response	
Total Hours	1

RPlt. Duaine Cluckey	
Firearms Tactics & Night Shoot	Domestic Violence And Response
Total Hours	4



Total Hours

The below table shows the total hours volunteered by the Reserve Unit.

Montpelier Police Reserves 2014 Hours Worked

Unit Reserve	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
510													0.00
511 Nathan Miller	11.50	7.00	12.00	1.00	11.00	0.00	5.00	5.00	7.50	11.50	5.00	1.00	77.50
512 Brian Myers	8.00	8.00	11.50	13.00	11.00	13.00	15.50	13.00	4.50	19.50	3.00	21.00	141.00
513													0.00
514 Darrin Repp	16.00	9.00	10.50	0.00	13.50	9.50	17.00	10.50	12.00	8.00	6.00	13.00	125.00
515 Devin Harter	0.50	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	3.00	14.50	0.00	0.00	4.00	1.50	0.00	27.00
516 Randy Buehrer	7.50	8.50	10.50	0.00	0.00	3.00	15.50	0.00	0.00	18.50	6.50	11.50	81.50
517 Kristin Dolman	26.00	28.00	31.00	17.50	12.50	33.00	30.00	4.00	4.50	18.00	2.00	6.00	212.50
518 Deidre Whitman	10.50	13.50	9.00	8.00	1.00	0.00	0.50	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1.50	48.00
519 Duaine Cluckey	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.50	3.50	8.50	10.00	4.50	30.00
520 Robert Smith											1.00	4.50	5.50
													0.00
* (P) = Part Time Officer & Reserve Officer (H) = Honorary Reserve Officer													0.00
Monthly Total	80.00	77.00	84.50	39.50	49.50	61.50	98.00	38.00	32.00	88.00	37.00	63.00	748.00



Our agency is always mindful of our fallen brethren across the world. In 2014 we paid special recognition to fallen officers due to the turmoil across the U.S. with Ferguson, Cleveland, and New York. We reserve any judgment of the specific cases and choose to simply remember those special people who gave their lives in the name of serving the public. And we pay a special reverence to the families of officers across this world, for we understand that you sacrifice each and every time your hero walks out the door...

121 FALLEN HEROES (2014)





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