



Oshtemo Township Community Police Report December 2018

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Update on Statistics Information Delay

Dear Oshtemo Township Citizens:

As most of you are aware from our November report, on October 30, 2018 we consolidated our county dispatch centers into one authority. At this time The Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Office ended its relationship with our current CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) system provider and are now being dispatched with a new CAD system called New World, hosted by the KCCDA (Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority).

The completely new CAD system also comes with a new reporting system. KCCDA and New World will be implementing the new report system in mid-January, and our agency will receive training on extracting and summarizing the data at that time.

The agencies standardized their event types and other codes, merging some and splitting others, so the new reports will be somewhat different from the previous reports. Because the new CAD system data is stored in a different structure, it will take several weeks to create the new reports and test them to ensure decisions are made on reliable, replicable data. We anticipate that the new reports will be available at the beginning of February.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during the implementation of this new system.

Sincerely,

Lt. Michelle M. Greenlee

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- **December Kalamazoo County Support Group stats:**
 - Requests for FOIA Reports 26
 - Purchase License and Guns registered in Oshtemo 197
 - 160 traffic citation issued in Oshtemo December 2018

Significant December Investigations

Dec. 2, 2018 18-14398- KCSO Deputies responded to a Stabbing at Country Club Apts. - On South Drake.

Upon arrival deputies located the victim in the parking lot sitting in the front seat of a vehicle. The victim had a stab wound at the base of his neck above the collar bone. Deputies immediately administered first aid and called for EMS response. Through further investigation it was found the victim had been involved in a physical altercation earlier with a known associate in the complex involving heavy use of alcohol and it had escalated. The suspect (BYRON PRUDE) fled the scene prior to police arrival and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.
Det. R. Johnson

Dec.4, 2018 18-14494, at 11:19am KCSO Deputies responded to a Shots Fired/Burglary on Crystal Lane. Deputies arriving on scene were met by an apartment renter who said two black males kicked his door in and threatened him with guns for money. Residents in the area said they heard 4 consecutive gun shots during this time and a white Malibu or Impala vehicle had fled the scene. No one was injured during this incident and the victim was not able to identify the suspects. Det. Misner

Dec. 7, 2018 18-14621, at 00:12 KCSO Deputies responded to Danford Creek Apartments in reference to a DV/Home Invasion. Through investigation it was found that the callers ex-boyfriend kicked in her apartment door and assaulted the victim by choking her and smashing her head on the wall. The victim reports passing out and when she came to she saw her boyfriend leaving with another man and had taken her phone. On 12/14/18 a warrant was issued for Suspect DEVON WRIGHT on interfering with a communications device, domestic assault and illegal entry. On 12/16/18 KCSO Deputies located suspect DEVON WRIGHT and took him into custody. Lt. Baker

Dec. 8, 2018 18-14707, at approximately 23:11 hours KCSO Deputies responded to a report of a body lying in the roadway on 9th St near Flesher Filed. Hit & Run Negligent Manslaughter-vehicle Upon arrival to the scene Deputies located a white male later identified as EDWARD HOWELL, laying on the curb of the roadway with his jacket above his head, his shoes were thrown off his body, his backpack thrown approximately 50 feet, ripped open and contents scattered. HOWELL was transported to the hospital and succumbed to his injuries. Through

further investigation it was determined that HOWELL was struck by a vehicle in the roadway. KCSO detectives were able to identify the type of vehicle that struck HOWELL using a passenger side mirror left on scene. After further follow up and assistance from the community the suspect vehicle was located and suspected driver ARIANNA LINSTROM was identified, located and charged with Negligent Manslaughter.

Community Policing Update

In December CPO David Rowe conducted 12 directed patrols in the areas of W. Michigan, Drake Rd, Concord, Copper Beach, Country Club and Evergreen South Complexes. Attended 3 interagency Crime Reduction Team meetings and participated in a select group of Crime Reduction Team members from multiple agencies to target particular individuals in the Oshtemo, Kalamazoo City and Portage area who have been involved in drive by shootings, shootings in general, drug trafficking, robberies and many other violent crimes.

Some of these individuals are known members of what they call the “Grit Gang” who operate in and out of all the above jurisdictions. As a result of this 4 day special operation the CRT members served 3 search warrants, one specifically at Concord Place which resulted in the arrest of an individual associated with the “Grit Gang” who was also in possession of an illegal handgun.

This special Crime Reduction Team operation also resulted in the arrest of 7 individuals directly involved with the crimes listed above or associated with members involved. Multiple probation violation arrests, one 5 count felony warrant, weapons offense charges, aggravated assault charges, a felony UDAA warrant pick up and a new CCW charge.

Dep. Rowe continues to offer Active Assailant presentations to the community. If you are interested in having this presentation given to your group or organization please contact Undersheriff Jim VanDyken at the Kalamazoo County Sheriff’s Office 269-385-6176.



*Weapons taken as evidence during CRT operation.

