

ROSEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report

2021



Photo from Special Olympics Polar Plunge

Message from Chief Scheider



Members of the Roseville Community,

The past two years have been full of challenges as the pandemic, and civil unrest impacted our department and community. Despite the adversity, I could not be more proud of how our officers and staff continued to serve with the highest level of professionalism and integrity.

The Roseville Police Department remains committed to police accountability and transparency to build trust and legitimacy. We continue to update our transparency and data sharing webpage to provide meaningful data and information about the department and operations. Over the past 18 months, conversations with our Multicultural Advisory Committee have helped shape and improve our policies and practices, to ensure we are meeting the community's expectations.

In 2021, we responded to or initiated 34,980 calls for service. The increase in catalytic converter thefts and stolen autos resulted in the addition of a grant-funded officer dedicated to holding offenders accountable for these crimes. This last year, we rolled out our Community Action Team, a newly formed group of five officers dedicated to working alongside community partners to find innovative solutions to the problems affecting the quality of life of all community members.

On behalf of all of the members of the Roseville Police Department, I thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to continuing to serve our community.

CHIEF OF POLICE

ERIKA SCHEIDER



HIGHLIGHTS OF 2021:

Community Action Team

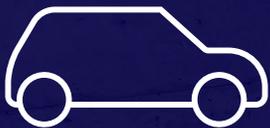
The Community Action Team (CAT) is a 5 member team dedicated to working alongside our community partners in order to find innovative solutions to the problems affecting the quality of life of all members of our community.

2021 CAT STATS

667

POLICE INCIDENTS ASSIGNED TO THE
CAT IN 2021

160+



AUTO THEFT UNIT
ASSIGNED CASES



OVER

60

CASES
ADDRESSING
PROBLEM
PROPERTIES AT
10 LOCATIONS

IDENTIFIED OVER **100** UNSHELTERED
PERSONS AND
PROVIDED
RESOURCES

159

MENTAL HEALTH
REFERRALS

20,000



SEIZED AS A PART OF
ONGOING HUMAN
TRAFFICKING
INVESTIGATIONS

130

CLIENT HOURS
HELPING PERSONS
REDUCE BARRIERS
TOWARDS HOUSING



Additional Notable 2021 Highlights

- Met challenges of operating a full-service police department during a worldwide pandemic and social unrest.
- Commenced Ramsey County Attorney's Office "Start by Believing" grant: sexual assault detective dedicated to sexual assault investigations; all officers trained in victim-centered approach; improved data collection.
- Awarded two MN Department of Commerce Auto Theft Prevention grants, funding specialized equipment and an Auto Theft Specialist with focused efforts on enforcement, investigation, education and outreach.
- Awarded Ramsey County grant to purchase a trailer camera which has been successfully deployed at numerous crime hot spots.
- School Liaison Officer (SLO) organized several Breaking Down Barriers activities with RAHS students to build trust between students and police officers.
- Initiated paid internship program to boost recruitment of non-traditional law enforcement students and enhance victim outreach.
- Received a grant to hire a Housing Navigator to address unsheltered persons of Roseville.



2021 IN NUMBERS

Ramsey County

**Preliminary data provided by MN BCA. Subject to change.

Table 112: Violent Crimes by Agency, Ramsey County, 2019-2021

Agency	Homicide			Rape			Robbery			Agg. Assault		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Ramsey County Sheriff	1	1	0	24	10	27	27	20	19	69	67	160
Maplewood PD	1	0	1	18	10	9	31	42	36	82	68	101
Mounds View PD	0	0	1	4	4	6	4	8	5	15	13	25
New Brighton DPS	1	0	0	2	4	4	7	12	5	17	16	16
North St Paul PD	1	0	0	5	4	5	8	5	5	7	12	13
Roseville PD	0	0	0	14	17	18	34	58	51	35	39	85
St Paul PD	28	32	38	236	234	282	542	724	512	946	1242	1605
White Bear Lake PD	0	0	0	9	8	4	12	5	4	15	21	13
County Total	32	33	40	312	291	355	665	874	637	1186	1478	2018

Table 113: Violent Crime Percent Change by Agency, Ramsey County, 2019-2021

Agency	Homicide		Rape		Robbery		Agg. Assault	
	2019-2020	2020-2021	2019-2020	2020-2021	2019-2020	2020-2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Ramsey County Sheriff	0%	-100%	-140%	63%	-35%	-5%	-3%	58%
Maplewood PD	-100%	100%	-80%	-11%	26%	-17%	-21%	33%
Mounds View PD	0%	100%	0%	33%	50%	-60%	-15%	48%
New Brighton DPS	-100%	0%	50%	0%	42%	-140%	-6%	0%
North St Paul PD	-100%	0%	-25%	-20%	-60%	0%	42%	8%
Roseville PD	0%	0%	18%	6%	40%	-14%	13%	54%
St Paul PD	13%	16%	-1%	17%	25%	-41%	24%	23%
White Bear Lake PD	0%	0%	-13%	-100%	-140%	-25%	29%	-62%
County Total	3%	18%	-7%	18%	24%	-37%	20%	27%

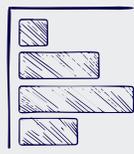
Table 114: Property Crimes by Agency, Ramsey County, 2019-2021

Agency	Burglary			Larceny			Motor Vehicle Theft		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Ramsey County Sheriff	158	168	137	940	1130	1216	169	196	183
Maplewood PD	274	292	266	1672	1387	1587	162	208	245
Mounds View PD	31	23	26	253	150	307	26	23	48
New Brighton DPS	48	75	62	362	490	499	34	52	48
North St Paul PD	36	32	21	241	236	245	37	39	32
Roseville PD	162	283	187	1884	1922	1900	117	164	169
St Paul PD	2038	2146	1710	6751	6834	8212	2419	2818	2709
White Bear Lake PD	93	96	120	461	514	451	56	69	60
County Total	2840	3115	2529	12564	12663	14417	3020	3569	3494

Table 115: Property Crime Percent Change by Agency, Ramsey County, 2019-2021

Agency	Burglary		Larceny		Motor Vehicle Theft	
	2019-2020	2020-2021	2019-2020	2020-2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Ramsey County Sheriff	6%	-23%	17%	7%	14%	-7%
Maplewood PD	6%	-10%	-21%	13%	22%	15%
Mounds View PD	-35%	12%	-69%	51%	-13%	52%
New Brighton DPS	36%	-21%	26%	2%	35%	-8%
North St Paul PD	-13%	-52%	-2%	4%	5%	-22%
Roseville PD	43%	-51%	2%	-1%	29%	3%
St Paul PD	5%	-25%	1%	17%	14%	-4%
White Bear Lake PD	3%	20%	10%	-14%	19%	-15%
County Total	9%	-23%	1%	12%	15%	-2%





TRENDS OF 2021

Motor Vehicle Thefts

The rise of motor vehicle thefts has been seen nationwide. In 2021, the Roseville Police Department had over 160 auto theft cases. In June, Officer Nick Olson was assigned to the CAT as an Auto Theft Specialist. The position is grant funded and is dedicated to investigation and prevention of auto theft crimes. To combat this increase in auto theft, the Roseville Police Department implemented several of the following initiatives:

- RVPD Bait Car Program
- Covert Pole Cameras/Camera Trailers
- "Starchase" Pursuit Intervention Technology-Pending Policy Approval

Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts

The theft of motor vehicle parts has taken the nation by storm. In 2021, the Roseville Police Department had 287 theft of motor vehicle parts. In response to the uptick of theft, we hosted 3 Catalytic Converter etching events to help deter would-be thieves. We also have also launched several social media educational campaigns to share theft prevention tips with the community.

Problem Properties

Problem properties have been a pervasive issue for the city. In 2021, we responded to 1,465 calls for service involving problem properties. In partnership with the city council, our repeat nuisance ordinance was revisited and revised to help alleviate calls for service to high utilizing properties.

CAT officer Haivy Vang is the Community Action Team's Problem Property Liason and coordinates with City Code Enforcement and Fire Department personnel to find effective solutions in reducing quality of life problems at locations assigned to. In 2021, CAT assisted RV Code and Fire with numerous Hotel/Motel life and safety inspections throughout the year. These inspections have led to the Fire and Code Departments taking enforcement measures to improve life and safety for guests staying in the hotels.

Mental Health

Mental health calls continue to rise, and we are always looking for better solutions to reduce the high utilization of police services for these calls. In 2021, due to the high number of mental health related calls, we began a partnership with Ramsey County Crisis to implement an Embedded Social Worker Program to develop a long term strategy to assist community members with mental health crises navigate the healthcare system and reduce the impact on police services. We currently have one full time social worker, Nicole Paradise, in house who handles all mental health referrals. In the Spring of 2022, we are expecting to have another join our team full time in the very near future. We also continue to maintain a strong relationship with Northeast Youth & Family Services to provide community-based and trauma informed mental health resources. Additionally, the department was selected as a site to host an AmeriCorps Housing Resource Navigator, Cari McCollor, who has been supporting individuals and families experiencing homelessness since August 2021.



RPD WELCOMES 2 PATROL K9S

Longtime friends, Hugh and Julie Thibodeau, donated \$18,000 to the Roseville Police Foundation to support the Roseville Police Department's police K-9 program. The police department received unanticipated news both police K-9 officers, Jagr and Ragnar, needed to retire by the end of November 2020. The Roseville Police Foundation and Thibodeau family agreed to use the \$18,000 donation to cover the cost of purchasing two police canines. The Roseville Police Foundation donated an additional \$1,000 to support the purchase of the canines. Thank you to the Thibodeau family and Roseville Police Foundation for your generous donation. We are incredibly grateful for the tremendous community support of a vital program.



OFFICER MITCH CHRISTENSEN AND K9 CAL

Cal is a Belgian Malinois from the Netherlands. He was born in May of 2019 and loves being at work and playing fetch.

Cal is incredibly agile and athletic. He jumps high and runs extremely fast! Cal is not a fan of his days off, having downtime in his kennel, or taking baths.

Cal's handler is Officer Mitch Christensen. Officer Christensen has been with the Roseville Police Department since 2010, when he joined RPD as a Reserve Officer. In 2012 he began serving as a Community Service Officer, and in 2014 he became a sworn Police Officer.

OFFICER MITCH DICKENS AND K9 SOYER

Soyer is a Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd from Hungary. He was born in January of 2020 and came to Roseville when he was just nine months old.

Soyer is a high-drive, high-energy dog that is very social. Being so young when he arrived to begin training, he still has plenty of puppy energy and loves to play and socialize with people.

Soyer's handler is Officer Mitchell Dickens. Officer Dickens has been with the Roseville Police Department as a sworn officer since October 2015.



NEW FACES, NEW PLACES



Hello everyone!

My name is Tim Hunt, and I am the new Community Relations Specialist here at the RPD. You may recognize me from the Review in 2 on the city's YouTube page, or 12 years ago as the guy who bagged your groceries at the Byerly's off Snelling and County Rd C. I am really excited to join the RPD and continue to build on the great work that is already being done.

A little bit about myself:

- I was raised in a small town in Mississippi and moved to St. Paul, MN at age 16. I graduated from Como Park High School in 2012.
- I received my Bachelor's degree in Communication, Relational Studies in the spring of 2016.
- After spending a couple of years in corporate America, I decided to become a police officer, where I was for 3 years prior to joining the RPD.
- I've been married to an incredible woman for 5 years and we welcomed our first child to the world this past year.
- I am a Graduate student at Concordia University studying Communication. I am set to graduate in the winter of 2023.
- I am a lover of all music genres. Literally I can be listening to Whitney Houston one second and Chris Stapleton the next.

All that to say, I'm thrilled to be given the opportunity to serve this wonderful community, and I can't wait to meet you all soon. I'll see you out there.

MEET RPD
COMMUNITY
RELATIONS
SPECIALIST, TIM HUNT

Follow us on social media!
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2021 NEW OFFICERS:

The RPD welcomed 5 new officers in 2021. They all successfully passed FTO and are on patrol.

Officer Warsame



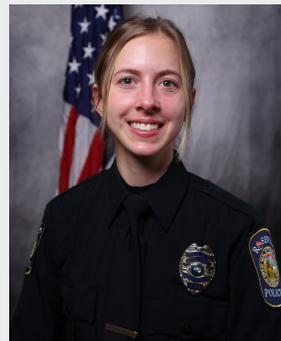
Officer Tanis



Officer Hallgren



Officer Peterson



Officer A. Koehler



Message from Deputy Chief Joe Adams

The Roseville Police Department remains committed to Community Oriented Policing. We strive to establish connections with all community members and rely on positive relationships and innovative programming to solve problems and keep Roseville a safe community. We are excited to see what the future holds and look forward to a healthier, more vibrant Roseville.



APPENDIX A

2021 ROSEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT PART I AND II CRIME TOTALS

Source: NIBRS

Agency: Roseville Police Dept		Population: 36,675					
Offenses and Clearances by Classification							
Offense Classification		Offenses Reported or Known	Offenses Unfounded	Total Actual Offenses	Crime Rate per 100,000	Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Cleared Involving only Under 18 Years Old
Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	Totals	1	0	1	3	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape							
Completed		18	0	18	49	10	0
Attempted		0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	18	0	18	49	10	0
Robbery							
Firearm		16	0	16	44	7	3
Knife or Cutting Instrument		5	0	5	14	2	0
Other Weapon		7	0	7	19	2	0
Strong Arm (hands, fist, feet, etc.)		23	0	23	63	10	1
	Totals	51	0	51	139	21	4
Assault							
Firearm		18	0	18	49	8	0
Knife or Cutting Instrument		17	0	17	46	12	0
Other Weapon		21	0	21	57	11	0
Hands, Fist, Feet, etc. (aggravated injury)		9	0	9	25	5	0
	Totals	65	0	65	177	36	0
Burglary							
Forcible Entry		42	0	42	115	6	0
Unlawful Entry (no force)		122	0	122	333	22	1
Attempted Forcible Entry		23	0	23	63	3	0
	Totals	187	0	187	510	31	1
Larceny-theft	Totals	1,927	0	1,927	5,254	345	24
Motor Vehicle Theft							
Autos		156	0	156	425	9	1
Trucks & Buses		0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Vehicles		4	0	4	11	0	0
	Totals	160	0	160	436	9	1
Arson	Totals	12	0	12	33	3	0
Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts	Totals	4	0	4	11	2	0
Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part I Totals		2,425	0	2,425	6,612	457	30
Part II Offenses							
Other Assaults (simple, not aggravated)		121	0	121	330	37	3
Forgery & Counterfeiting		52	0	52	142	6	1
Fraud		299	0	299	815	26	0
Embezzlement		9	0	9	25	0	0
Stolen Property (buy, receive, possess)		74	0	74	202	50	4
Vandalism		244	0	244	665	26	4
Weapons (carry, possess, etc.)		25	0	25	68	17	1
Prostitution & Commercialized Vice		16	0	16	44	6	0
Sex Offenses (except Rape & Prostitution)		10	0	10	27	4	1
Drug Abuse Violations		39	0	39	106	22	0
Gambling		0	0	0	0	0	0
Family & Children		0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence		38	0	38	104	38	0
Liquor Laws		1	0	1	3	1	0
Drunkenness - MN statute repealed 1971		0	0	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct		40	0	40	109	29	0
Vagrancy		1	0	1	3	1	0
All Other Offenses (except traffic)		99	0	99	270	75	1
Suspicion - not a crime in MN		0	0	0	0	0	0
Part II Totals		1,068	0	1,068	2,912	338	15
Curfew & Loitering (persons under 18)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Runaways (persons under 18)		0	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Totals		3,493	0	3,493	9,524	795	45

