

Mattapoisett Police Department
2010 Annual Report

On behalf of the men and women of the Mattapoisett Police Department, it is my honor and privilege to present our 2010 annual report.

The Police Department is comprised of seventeen full time employees and nine part time employees working in the following positions: Chief of Police, Lieutenant, four Sergeants, eleven Patrolman, eight Reserve Police Officers and an Administrative Assistant. There is one unfunded police officer position.

The Police responded to 6,690 calls for service. This figure does not include general telephone calls for information or people coming to the police station for general information. Some examples of our calls for service include:

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Ambulance calls: 425	Assaults: 12
Arrests: 24	Disturbance: 107
Burglary: 23	Domestic Disturbance: 30
Larceny: 99	Motor vehicle crash: 131
Motor vehicle violations: 1515	Child safety seat checks: 42
Restraining order related: 67	Harassment order related: 12
Suspicious Motor vehicles: 199	Threats: 15
Vandalism: 67	

Memorial Day weekend a second floor water pipe burst causing significant water damage throughout the police station. The water damaged all of the electronics including the computer, radio, and telephone system. Fortunately, the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department provided a communication truck which enabled the police to take telephone calls and dispatch from the communication truck. The Department of Fire Service loaned the police department a trailer they acquired as a result of the Katrina floods. This served as a place to meet with the public as needed. Our police officers were resilient and demonstrated extraordinary patients given the working conditions we were forced to function in as a result of the flooding. The primary work area of the police station was closed to the public for the entire summer as contractors replaced the damaged materials. The police station reopened in September with a completely remodeled interior. We now have state of the art electronics. A modern communication center, a new telephone system, and a new computer system.

I want to thank all the members of the Mattapoisett Police Department for their dedication, support and professional work ethic. From their response on Friday night when the emergency all call page went out requesting everyone report to the station, through moving everything out of the building and finally moving back in, everyone was patient and helpful through what proved to be a very challenging time. Officer Matthew Mcgraw, Officer Mitchell Suzan and Officer Russell Chase deserve special recognition for all the time they put into assisting with the clean up and renovation.

Additionally, I want to thank Chief Murray and the fire department, Scott Gauvin from the Water Department, Building Inspector Andy Bobola, Plumber inspector Jim Sullivan who all pitched in the night of the flood to assist in any way they could. We appreciate your help and support.

Lieutenant Paul Silveira and Officer Craig Leblanc conducted several investigation throughout the year. Many of the cases involved the electronic transmission of data, credit card fraud and other computer related crimes. These investigations are very time consuming because they involve other agencies and companies.

Officer Matthew McGraw and Officer Donna Wunschel continue to process the firearms license applications and renewals. The instructions outlining the application process can be found on the Mattapoisett Police Department website. We encourage you to renew your firearms license a few months prior to the expiration as the process at the state level is often slow.

Sgt Robert Dumas and Officer Matthew McGraw conducted firearms qualification at the Sippican Rod and Gun Club. All officers participated in this training.

Officer Justin King is certified in Child Passenger Restraint Systems. Officer King conducted 42 child safety seat checks and installations. It is imperative that your child's safety seat is properly installed in your vehicle. If you would like to have your child safety seat checked or installed, contact Officer King at the police station and make an appointment.

Officer Mitchell Suzan the School Resource Officer for O.R.R. Junior and Senior High School. Sgt. Anthony Days and Officer Justin King participated in the Every 15 Minutes program held at the High School in April.

The Senior Citizen Reassurance Program continues to be a very successful service for our residents. Senior Citizen's living alone call the police station between 6am and 10am to check in. At 10am if a senior on our list has not called in, the police officer calls the senior. If we are unable to contact the senior via the telephone a cruiser is dispatched to the residence to check on the senior. If you are a senior living alone or know someone living alone applications for our senior call in program are available at the police station.

The Department continued to participate in the Southeastern Law Enforcement Council. Officer Craig Leblanc, Officer Mitchell Suzan and Officer Scott Leblanc are members of the SEMLEC SWAT team. Lt. Paul Silveira and Sgt. Robert Dumas are Boat Captains with the Dive team. Chief Lyons is President of SEMLEC and the Control Chief for the SWAT team.

The Department received two message boards purchased with funding from the Southeastern Regional Homeland Security Council. The message boards are available to alert residents of road closures, significant events and emergency notifications.

We appreciate the support that we receive from Town Administrator Michael Gagne, the Board of Selectman, the Finance Committee, the Capitol Planning Committee and all town departments. The support the Police Department receives from our community is outstanding. Thank You.

MATTAPOISETT POLICE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The Mattapoisett Police E.M.S. Consists of the entire police department under the direction of Chief Mary Lyons, Director of EMS. Paramedic Kevin Leblanc is the EMS Manager and Sergeant Anthony

Days is the EMS Coordinator. There are eight paramedics and 14 EMT's.

The EMS service responded to 425 ambulance calls. The service has two ambulances.

Paramedic Kevin Leblanc conducts monthly training with the EMT's and Paramedics. He also oversees the Basic and Paramedic refresher courses, Pediatric Advanced Life Support and Advanced Cardiac Life Support training for the service.

Sgt. Days oversees the license and credentialing process for the service.

The service is affiliated with the Southcoast Hospitals which includes St. Lukes Hospital, Tobey Hospital and Charlton Memorial Hospital. The service is a member of the Cape and Islands Emergency Medical Service and the Region 5 EMS Council.