# SMITHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT
2023 - 2024

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# **SMITHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT** ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

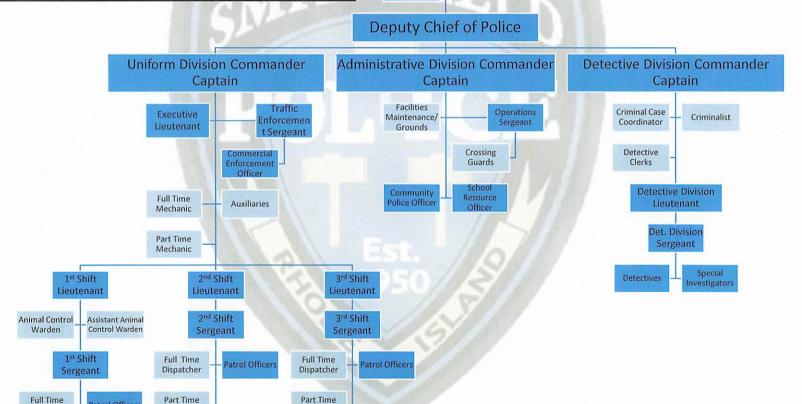
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# **Smithfield Police Department**

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October 1, 2024

Mr. Randy R. Rossi Town Manager Smithfield Town Hall 64 Farnum Pike Smithfield, RI 02917

Dear Town Manager Rossi:

It is my distinct pleasure to submit to you, Smithfield Police Department's Annual Report for FY 2023-2024.

I am pleased with the accomplishments and progress summarized within this publication. Furthermore, I trust that you, along with Town Council members, residents, and business owners of Smithfield, will find this report to be informative and a fair representation of the dedication and commitment to service that the sworn and civilian members of the Smithfield Police Department exhibit on a daily basis.

Sincerely yours,

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Edward E. Dolan Chief of Police

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#### VISION STATEMENT

The vision of the Smithfield Police Department is to be recognized as the most professional, well-respected, highly-trained, proactive, community-oriented law enforcement agency in Rhode Island.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Smithfield Police Department is to establish and maintain a proactive partnership with residents and business owners to work together in solving problems facing our community. The success of this mission depends upon a continuous effort to increase awareness and develop higher levels of trust and understanding among police officers and their community.

In furthering this partnership, we pledge our dedication and diligence in protecting life, liberty and property; preserving the peace; and enforcing laws and ordinances. We are committed to improving all aspects of public safety, reducing the fear and incidence of crime, extending and improving our community programs, and maintaining the highest degree of respect for individual rights and human dignity. We are committed to honoring the sacred public trust by ensuring that the Smithfield Police Department adheres to the highest professional law enforcement standards. We shall continuously strive toward attaining excellence, removing barriers to communication, and providing our employees with effective leadership, supervision and training in a quality work environment.

#### ACCREDITATION



In 1998, the Smithfield Police Department made a voluntary commitment to pursue national accreditation status under the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). Accreditation provides law enforcement agencies an opportunity to demonstrate that they meet a set of nationally recognized, professional standards which help to strengthen crime prevention programs, formalize essential management procedures, and establish fair and nondiscriminatory practices. During this initial accreditation process, the Accreditation Unit was responsible for the development, implementation, and updating of policies and procedures, to meet or exceed CALEA standards. The Department attained national accreditation status in March of 2001 and was reaccredited in 2004, 2007, 2010, 2013, 2016, 2020, and 2024.

To maintain its reaccredited status, and to be eligible for reaccreditation in Spring of 2028, the Department must remain in compliance with all applicable standards, meet any new or revised standards set forth by the Commission, as monitored, documented and reported (to CALEA) by the Department's Accreditation Manager, ensures that the Smithfield Police Department is meeting or exceeding the highest and most current law enforcement standards in the nation.

## FISCAL YEAR 2023 - 2024 ACHIEVEMENTS

- 1. Provided an average of 34 hours of in-service training to all sworn officers. Training topics included: Spring & Fall Firearms Qualifications, Shotgun & Patrol Rifle Proficiency, Breathalyzer Recertification, Taser Recertification, ALICE, Active Shooter (Full-Scale Exercise), 40mm Launcher, Firearms Simulator, Crime Scene Photography, Civil Liability, Use of Force, Mental Health, and Biased-Based Profiling.
- 2. Pursued and awarded the following grants:

Click It Or Ticket	\$8,335.80
Child Passenger Safety	\$2,888.60
Blue Riptide (Speed)	\$11,114.40
Blue Riptide (DUI)	\$6,946.50
Distracted Driving	\$5,557.20
Commercial Weight Enforcement	\$21,250.00
BHDDH Tobacco Enforcement	\$4,371.84
COPS Hiring	\$125,000.00
Ballistic Vests	\$7,205.00
2018 Byrne Jag Grant	\$11,341.00

- 3. The Department revised the following policies: Agency Jurisdiction & Mutual Aid, Missing Persons (Adult and Children), Criminal Investigations, Hostage/Barricaded Subjects, Automated License Plate Reader, Communications, Station Security, Wellness Room & Promotion of General Health, Use of Naloxone, Use of Tourniquets, Biased Based Profiling, Traffic Enforcement Procedures, and Medication Disposal Box Policy.
- 4. Continued to aggressively identify drunk drivers, making 59 drunk driving arrests.
- 5. Assigned a Special Investigative Officer to the Route 44 (Putnam Pike) corridor to address community and business concerns in that area.
- 6. Continued the Department's Commercial Enforcement Unit to improve roadway safety and address violations associated with large, commercial vehicles. One Hundred Eighty-Two Commercial Driver/ Vehicle violations cited.
- 7. Participated in the DEA National Drug Takeback and collected 166 lbs of unused medications for destruction.

# BUDGET

# Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Ammunition	\$ 7,300		
Annual Leave	\$ 124,033		
Building Maintenance	\$ 39,250		
Building Renovations	\$ 14,000		
Clothing & Cleaning	\$ 106,700		
Community Policing	\$ 10,000		
Compensatory Time	\$ 338,382		
Computer Supplies	\$ 30,000		
Dues & Conferences	\$ 6,180		
Education	\$ 35,500		
Electric	\$ 42,000		
Office Equipment Maintenance	\$ 27,300		
Gas & Oil	\$ 100,000		
Heating Fuel	\$ 8,172		
Holidays	\$ 207,748		
Longevity (FOP)	\$ 309,586		
Longevity (CIV)	\$ 35,374		
Office Supplies/Miscellaneous	\$ 15,000		
Overtime (FOP)	\$ 131,634		
Overtime (CIV)	\$ 45,320		
Part-Time	\$ 38,880		
Police Supplies	\$ 40,556		
Postage	\$ 2,800		
Printing & Reproduction	\$ 3,150		
Radio	\$ 15,500		
Sick Leave	\$ 95,721		
Special Services	\$ 3,000		
Telephone	\$ 36,801		
Tires	\$ 6,500		
Tools	\$ 875		
Training	\$ 30,000		
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 20,000		
Wages & Salary (FOP)	\$ 3,571,352		
Wages & Salary (CIV)	\$ 818,360		
TOTAL	\$ 6,316,974		

#### COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

*D.A.R.E.* ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROGRAM - The Drug Abuse Resistance Education (*D.A.R.E.*) Elementary School Program teaches students about the harmful effects of alcohol, drug abuse, and bullying, and increases their self-esteem by showing positive alternatives of ways to say no to alcohol, drugs and violence. The fifth grade curriculum is a year long program with visitations to other grades.

*D.A.R.E.* MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM - The *D.A.R.E.* Middle School Program reinforces what the students have learned in the fifth grade *D.A.R.E.* Program. It also focuses on how to avoid potentially violent situations and relationships. This program teaches students the six universally accepted characteristics needed to promote a high self-esteem and strong character as they become young adults in the community.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM - In April of 2002, the United States Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services announced the availability of federal funds to deploy sworn School Resource Officers (SRO) as part of an overall plan to address school related crime through community policing. The Smithfield Police Department received a grant award of \$125,000 and selected its first SRO. Following a mandatory training period, the first SRO was assigned to the Smithfield High School in the fall of 2003, and has remained an integral part of the school ever since.

SENIOR CITIZEN ADVOCACY - The Community Police Officers serve as the Department's Senior Citizen Advocates. They work closely with the Smithfield Senior Center, Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA) and senior citizens in the community. They assist in the investigations of elderly abuse and elderly self-neglect. They also alert senior citizens of on-going scams and distribute literature explaining ways to protect themselves from crimes.

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORERS, SMITHFIELD POST 17 - The Law Enforcement Explorer Post is a program for young men and women, ages 14 - 21. The purpose of the Explorer program is to educate and involve youths in police operations and to interest them in a future career in law enforcement. The Smithfield Explorers meet monthly, are very involved in community service projects, and give back many hours of their time to the town.

SMITHFIELD SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION COALITION - The Police Department works closely with the *Smithfield Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition*. The coalition conducts substance abuse prevention programs and meets monthly at the Smithfield High School. The Department assigns members of the community policing unit to serve on the coalition. The department has greatly benefited from this partnership and has received several grants, which are administered by *Tri-Town Community Action*.

CAR SEAT INSTALLATION CLINICS - The Department's Community Policing Division frequently holds instructional clinics for parents, grandparents, and other caregivers on the proper installation of child restraint systems. These individualized clinics are by appointment only, grant-funded, and offered at no cost to residents. Our police department has four (4) certified car seat technicians, including one *Instructor Trainer* who teaches other technicians throughout the state.

K9 GRACE - K9 Grace is an Australian Labradoodle who is an AKC-certified Therapy Dog. K9 Grace is a sworn police dog with the Smithfield Police Department and is assigned to the Community Police Unit along with her handler, Patrol Officer Ryan Perry. K9 Grace serves her work days at Smithfield High School, where she aids students in dealing with stress or other issues. K9 Grace is vital in maintaining a strong, positive relationship with the community and the Police Department.

#### COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK- The Police Department participated in *National Prescription Drug Take Back Day*. The purpose of National Take Back Day is to provide a venue for persons who want to dispose of unwanted and unused prescription drugs. This effort was a huge success in removing potentially dangerous prescription drugs, particularly controlled substances, from our nation's medicine cabinets. This year our agency collected 166 lbs for destruction.

TRICK-OR-TREAT PARADE - The Community Policing Unit, along with many other Department members, held a special, Trick-or-Treat Parade for all of the young children in Town. Numerous officers dressed up in Halloween costumes and treated an endless line of goblin filled cars with Halloween candy. This event was held at the Smithfield Senior Center, and much of the candy was donated by *Target* and WalMart.

SPECIALTY PATCH PROGRAM-The Police Department in conjunction with the Smithfield FOP, added to its Specialty Patch Program the Halloween, St. Patrick's Day, and Thin Blue Line patches. The sale of these patches to the general public afforded the Department the opportunity to donate Thousands of dollars to worthy organizations.

Female Self Defense Program –This 4 week program educates participants on how to avoid being targeted and what action to take if victimized. The program is conducted in partnership with American Martial Arts Smithfield.

Faith & Blue - The Department participated in Faith & Blue, a program designed to facilitate safer and stronger communities by engaging law enforcement officers and local residents through the connections of faith-based organizations. This event was held at St. Michael's Church with a Mass and reception in the Parish Center immediately following.

Coffee With A Cop - The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve. In October 2022, the Smithfield Police Department hosted a Coffee with a Cop event at the Coffee Connection. During this event department members met and spoke with several community members, and were able to discuss some of their concerns and answer questions.

Dare Skating Party – Members of the Department have been teaching *DARE* in the Smithfield School system since 1989. As a result of a school year's worth of hard work, the students are treated to an ice skating evening hosted at the Smithfield Ice Rink. All 5th grade *DARE* students are invited, free of charge, for fun and skating with their classmates and participating Smithfield Police Officers.

To learn more about any of these programs, please contact the Community Policing Unit at 231-2500, ext. 202, check us out at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/smithfieldpolice">www.facebook.com/smithfieldpolice</a> or visit <a href="https://www.smithfieldpd.com">www.smithfieldpd.com</a>.

# CRIME STATISTICS (2023)

Offense	Reported in 2023	Reported in 2022	Percent Change	Offenses Cleared	Percent Cleared	Percent Of Category	Rate Per 100,000*
Murder	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:	30000						
Rape	2	5	-60.00%	1	50.00%	2.22%	9.09
Sodomy	0	2	-100.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Sexual Assault with Object	1	1	0.00%	0	0.00%	1.11%	4.55
Fondling	4	3	33.33%	3	75.00%	4.44%	18.18
Aggravated Assault	5	1	400.00%	5	100.00%	5.56%	22.73
Simple Assault	74	50	48.00%	68	91.89%	82.22%	336.41
Intimidation	4	6	-33.33%	2	50.00%	4.44%	18.18
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Consensual Sex Offenses:							
Incest	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Statutory Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Crimes Against Persons Total	90	68	32.35%	79	87.78%	23.32%	409.15
Robbery	3	0	NA	3	100.00%	1.07%	13.64
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	18	7	157.14%	2	11.11%	6.43%	81.83
Larceny/Theft Offenses	137	103	33.01%	42	30.66%	48.93%	622.81
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	8	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.86%	36.37
Arson	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Destruction Of Property	58	47	23.40%	31	53.45%	20.71%	263.67
Counterfeiting/Forgery	10	9	11.11%	4	40.00%	3.57%	45.46
Fraud Offense	39	45	-13.33%	2	5.13%	13.93%	177.30
Embezzlement	3	4	-25.00%	1	33.33%	1.07%	13.64
Extortion/Blackmail	1	6	-83.33%	0	0.00%	0.36%	4.55
Bribery	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Stolen Property Offenses	3	1	200.00%	1	33.33%	1.07%	13.64
Crimes Against Property Total	280	230	21.74%	86	30.71%	72.54%	1272.9
Drug/Narcotic Violations	12	31	-61.29%	11	91.67%	75.00%	54.55
Drug Equipment Violations	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	3	-100.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Prostitution	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Weapons Law Violation	4	5	-20.00%	4	100.00%	25.00%	18.18
Animal Cruelty	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Crimes Against Society Total	16	39	-58.97%	15	93.75%	4.15%	72.74
Total Group "A" Offenses	386	337	14.54%	180	46.63%	100%	1754.78

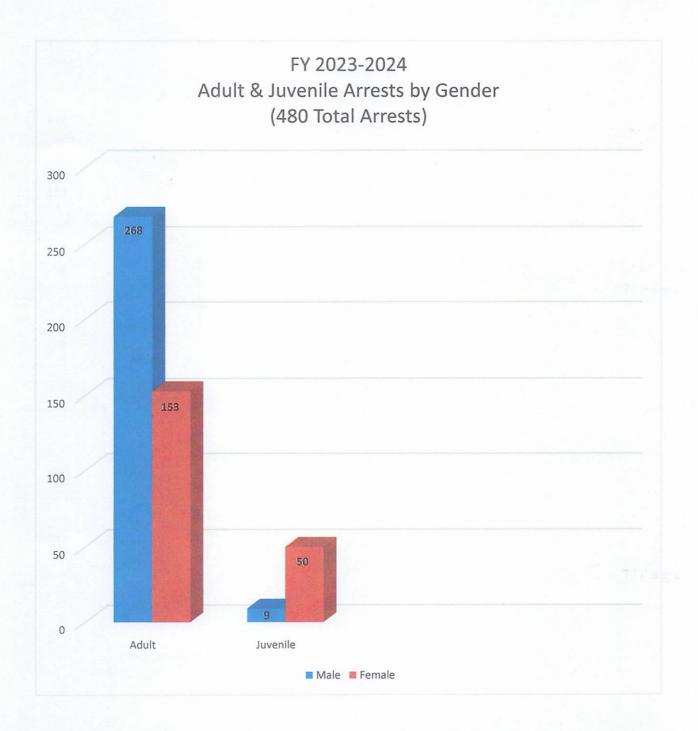
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Statewide Crime Profile

\*Adjusted population base: 21,997

2023 Crime in Rhode Island

# ARRESTS



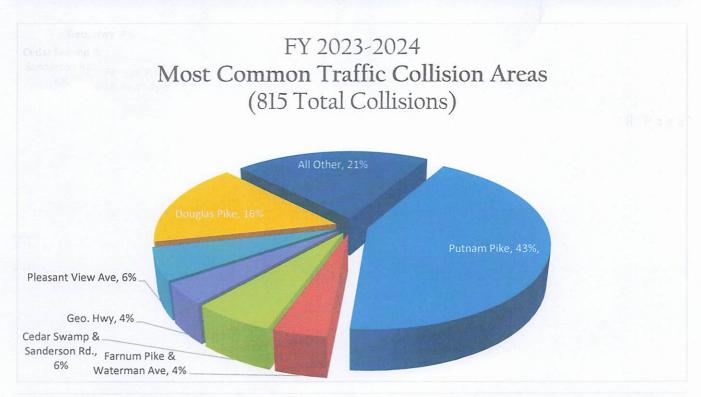
## **DELIVERY OF TRAFFIC SERVICES**

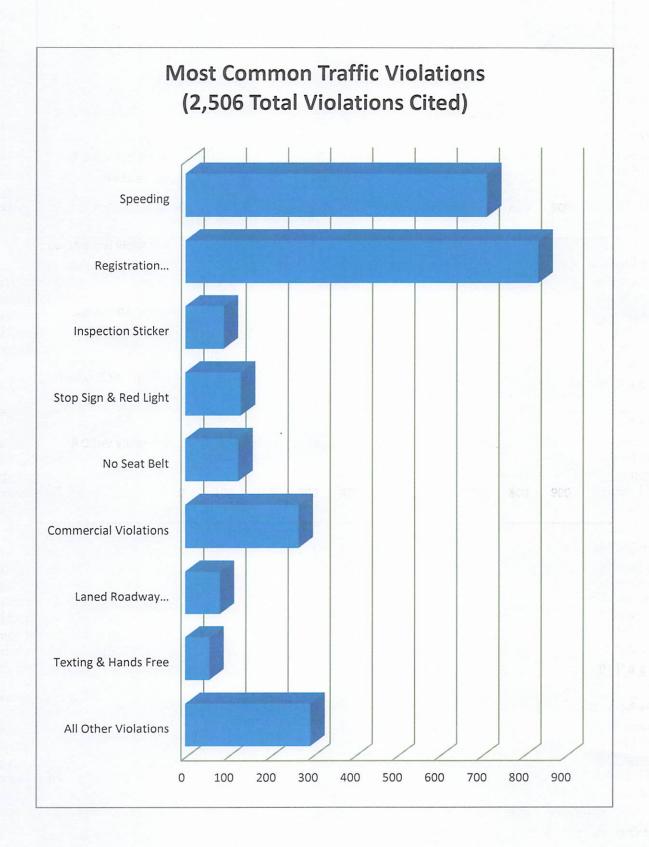
The goal of the Smithfield Police Department's Traffic Services Program is to promote the safe, orderly and expeditious flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and deliver traffic-related services designed to reduce the number of traffic collisions. The Department's Uniform Division enforces traffic laws in a consistent and courteous manner to foster a positive public image, while providing all necessary police traffic-related services. Additionally, the Department enjoys a close working relationship with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation and the State Traffic Safety Commission, along with the Smithfield Department of Public Works and the Town Traffic Safety Commission. These relationships promote close coordination and cooperation, which are essential to the maintenance of a safe and effective highway system.

The Smithfield Town Traffic Safety Commission was established pursuant to Section 13-16 of the Smithfield Code of Ordinances. The Commission consists of a member of the Smithfield Town Council, a member selected by the Town Council, as well as designees from the Police Department, the Fire Department, and the Department of Public Works. The Commission handles complaints and suggestions concerning traffic control devices, parking regulations and deficiencies in the town roadways located within the Town of Smithfield. The Commission also makes referrals to the State Traffic Commission relating to the State roadways within the Town of Smithfield. Department members provided testimony at public hearings during the past fiscal year.

The Department continues to use its Speed Monitoring Radar Trailer and Variable Messaging Signs to raise motorists' awareness of their speed and to convey other important safety messages. The Department deploys these units on a daily basis in various areas of the town. The Department maintains ongoing covert traffic enforcement operations with its unmarked police cruiser, and continues to participate in regional and national campaigns that specifically target speeding, drunk-driving, safety belts usage, and texting while driving.

# TRAFFIC COLLISIONS & ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS





# FY 2023-2024 DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE (DUI) ARRESTS BY MONTH

(59 Total Arrests)

