



Fredericktown Police Department

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Fredericktown Police Department 2019 Annual Report

Message from the Chief

Dear Citizens of Fredericktown, Mayor Jerry Day,
and Village of Fredericktown Council Members,

On behalf of the officers of the Fredericktown Police Department I am pleased to submit our 2019 annual report. The information contained in this report represents who we are as an agency, our commitment to the citizens of Fredericktown, and our continued progress towards crime prevention. Our officers take great pride and ownership in Fredericktown's success and we are humbled by the responsibility given to us by those whom we serve. At the core of our success is the trust of the citizens of Fredericktown. This is a trust that we highly value and strive to maintain each and every day.

The Fredericktown Police Department provides professional police services to approximately 2,500 residents, 70 businesses, 6 churches, a K-12 School District, and hundreds of employees who commute to work daily within the corporation limits. We take great pride in providing outstanding service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year to the citizens who live, visit, work, and travel through the Village of Fredericktown.

I encourage you to take a few moments and review our annual report. If questions come from your review, please do not hesitate to ask. We need your input, perspective, feedback, and ideas to continually improve. I truly thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Chief of Police.



-Kyle Johnson, Chief of Police



Staff

Command / Administration - Kyle Johnson, Chief of Police

School Resource Officer - Patrolman Ronny Flynn

Patrolman -
Patrolman Joshua Jones
Patrolman Justin Duvall
Patrolman Rene Joris

Part Time Patrolman - Patrolman Brandon Jacobson



K. Johnson



R. Flynn



J. Jones



J. Duvall



R. Joris



B. Jacobson

What is a School Resource Officer (SRO)?

Many people know that a SRO is deployed in a school system to provide a safe learning environment for students and staff, but did you know that this position provides a multitude of other services and benefits beyond just security?

Fredericktown Police Department Chief of Police Kyle Johnson is a strong proponent of the "triad concept" to define the three main roles of a school resource officer: educator (i.e. guest lecturer), informal counselor/mentor, and law enforcement officer.

Fredericktown Police Department Officer Ronny Flynn is deployed at the Fredericktown Local Schools (FLS) as a School Resource Officer. Chief Johnson recently remarked that, "SRO Ronny Flynn does a tremendous job of balancing all of these roles on a daily basis at Fredericktown Local Schools." Chief Johnson went on to say that he frequently visits the school to monitor SRO Flynn in the performance of his duties and it is clear to him that Flynn is making a positive impact as evidenced by the positive interactions that he observes between SRO Flynn and FLS students and staff. Chief Johnson stated that he is, "Confident that the SRO position is making a positive impact, not only at FLS, but the Fredericktown community as a whole. If we are building a positive law enforcement relationship with our youth population now, just imagine how valuable that will be as they become the adults of our community."

2019 Cruiser Report

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|------------|-----------------------|
| 36,372 | Miles Traveled |
| \$6,293.79 | Maintenance & Repairs |
| \$9,999.15 | Fuel Costs |
| 3,536.17 | Fuel Gallons |

Current Vehicle Fleet:

2019 Ford Explorer Utility Interceptor, AWD
2016 Ford Explorer Utility Interceptor, AWD
2012 Chevrolet Tahoe, 2x4
2 - Police Mountain Bikes

Calls for Service

| | |
|--------------|--------------|
| 2019 – 1,699 | 2014 – 1,304 |
| 2018 – 1,747 | 2013 – 1,144 |
| 2017 – 1,921 | 2012 – 997 |
| 2016 – 1,607 | 2011 – 888 |
| 2015 – 1,275 | |

Fredericktown Police officers are dispatched by the Knox County, Ohio 911 Dispatch Center to calls and complaints received from within the Village of Fredericktown. Occasionally, officers are dispatched to provide assistance / mutual aid outside the Village limits to the Knox County Sheriff's Office, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Mount Vernon Police Department, and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Our dispatch center can be reached by calling (740)397-3333 and as always if there is an emergency please call 911.

2019 Criminal Charges

January

- Domestic Violence - 2, Assault – 1, Aggravated Menacing – 1, Menacing by Stalking – 1, Menacing – 1, Drug Possession - 2

February

- Domestic Violence – 3, Assault – 3, Aggravated Menacing – 1, Criminal Damaging - 1

March

- Domestic Violence – 1, Assault – 1, Theft – 1, Drug Possession – 1, Drug Paraphernalia Possession – 1, Failure to Comply - 1

April

- Drug Possession – 1, Domestic Violence – 1, Menacing - 1

May

- Drug Possession – 1, Receiving Stolen Prop. – 1, Drug Paraphernalia – 1, Obstructing Official Business - 1, Curfew - 1

June

- Drug Possession – 3, Telecommunications Harassment – 1, Menacing – 2, Stalking – 1, Domestic Violence - 1

July

- Burglary – 1, Theft – 1, Protection Order Violation – 1, Forgery – 1, Passing Bad Checks – 1, Assault - 1

August

- Open Container – 1, Drug Paraphernalia – 1, Rape – 1, Curfew - 1

September

- Misuse of Credit Cards – 1, Minor Tobacco Possession - 1, Drug Paraphernalia – 1, Obstructing Official Business – 1, Falsification – 1, Menacing – 1, Domestic Violence - 1

October

- Protection Order Violation – 1, Receiving Stolen Property - 1

November

- Felonious Assault – 1, Drug Possession – 2, Drug Paraphernalia – 1, Open Container - 1

December

- Curfew – 2, Assault – 1

ANNUAL TOTAL: 65

2019 Traffic Offenses

| <u>Description</u> | <u># of Citations</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Speed Offenses | 213 |
| Seatbelt Offenses | 7 |
| OVI Offenses | 3 |
| Other Offenses | 56 |
| TOTAL | 279 |

Municipal Court Fine Revenue

The amounts listed below represent revenue generated by court fines through the Mt. Vernon Municipal Court that were returned to the Village of Fredericktown general fund.

2019 - \$11,836

2018 - \$6,190

2017 - \$5,865

2016 - \$6,025

2015 - \$6,830

Nuisance Ordinance Violations

The Fredericktown Police Department issued 39 Nuisance Ordinance Violation letters to residents throughout the Village in 2019. The violations were related to; high grass, trash, construction debris, furniture, appliances, inoperable vehicles, etc. A large majority of the residents receiving these notices abated the violations immediately.

Visible signs of crime and disorder create an environment that fosters further and more serious crimes. We are committed to enforcing nuisance ordinance violations to not only ensure an improved quality of life in our neighborhoods but to also promote crime prevention efforts.

2019 Training

Fredericktown Police Officers completed 410 hours of training in 2019, at a cost of \$1,565. This equates to approximately 68 hours of continuing professional education per officer.

These training costs are minimal in comparison to the total training hours received and this is due to the police department taking advantage of free training provide by the Ohio Attorney General's Office and other various organizations.

Overview of Training Completed in 2019:

- Domestic Violence Legal Update
- Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program
- Standardized Field Sobriety Testing
- Active Threat Integrated Response
- CEW (Taser) Instructor
- Exercise Design and Development
- CPR and AED Operation
- Firearms
- Public Records
- Evidence Collection and Preservation
- Motorcycle Safety
- Search and Seizure
- Search Warrants
- Crime Victim's Rights
- CJIS Security
- De-Escalation Techniques
- CEW (Taser) Update
- Naloxone Administration
- Biological Evidence Collection
- SFST Instructor



Equipment

Thanks to grant funding from the Ohio Attorney General's Office, the Fredericktown Police Department was able to purchase new body armor vests in 2019. While these vests are an unseen portion of our daily uniform, they play a vital role in providing safety to our officers. Pictured with the new vests is Ptl. Josh Jones.



Also, this year we were able to purchase a radar sign. This is a very effective speed deterrent for our neighborhood streets. Not only does this sign provide immediate feedback to vehicle operators but it will also store traffic data which will allow us the opportunity to analyze traffic flow patterns to aid in speed enforcement.



Capital Improvements

A 3-bay garage was added to the east side of the Fredericktown Police Department building in 2019. This addition will allow for our cruisers to be out of the weather which means a longer life expectancy for each vehicle. This also equates to quicker response times during emergencies in inclement weather, as the cruiser windows will be free of snow and ice.



Drug Task Force

The Fredericktown Police Department continues to be an active member of the METRICH Drug Task Force.

Task Force Purpose and Mission:

- To improve the quality of life for the citizens of the METRICH region by reducing the availability of illegal drugs and weapons through community partnerships; promoting safe, secure neighborhoods.
- Funding
 - Grant funding obtained by the METRICH Task Force provides the Fredericktown Police Department with the opportunity to obtain equipment and funding necessary for drug enforcement investigations.



Neighborhood Watch Program

“OUR BEST DEFENSE IS LOOKING OUT FOR EACH OTHER”



Crime prevention is a personal and community responsibility. We strongly encourage our community members to work together, in partnership with the Fredericktown Police Department, to keep our community safe and resistant to criminal activity. The Police cannot be everywhere at all times, so we rely on our community members to assist in reporting suspicious activity in a timely manner, and assist in being a good witness when the need arises.

Please join us at one of our monthly neighborhood watch meetings to learn how you can help make a difference. These meetings are held on the second Tuesday of February, March, May, June, August, September, November, and December at 6:30pm at the Fredericktown Police Department. We also hold a quarterly meeting with a potluck meal available on the third Saturday of January, April, July, and October at 11:00am at the Fredericktown Local Schools High School Commons area. Please join us at one of these meeting to learn more about how you can have an impact on the crime in your neighborhood.

During monthly meetings, residents discuss current events and crime trends. During the quarterly Neighborhood Watch Meetings, keynote speakers are invited to conduct presentations while Neighborhood Watch Members enjoy a potluck lunch and learn about resources throughout Fredericktown and Knox County.



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Community Engagement

Our engagement with the community in which we serve is a core ideology of the Fredericktown Police Department and one of the most vital pieces of the puzzle that is crime prevention. When you see us on patrol please do not hesitate to speak with us and let us know of any concerns that you may have in your neighborhood.



Home and Business Security Assessment

A Home and Business Security Assessment completed by the Fredericktown Police Department is designed to help homeowners, business owners, operators and staff to assess the overall security of their home and business. It covers potential areas of vulnerability, and provides suggestions for adapting your security to reduce the risk of crime and lessen liability.

The security assessment can be tailored to fit the needs of your home or particular business and will be conducted by a Fredericktown PD Officer who is certified by the Ohio Crime Prevention Association as a Crime Prevention Specialist. Below is just a glimpse of the items that can be reviewed and discussed at your home or facility. The success and longevity of your business is vital to the growth and continued development of the Fredericktown area and we are eager to be a strategic partner in your success.

- Exterior Spaces
- Interior Spaces
- Building Access
- Property and Equipment
- General Security Systems
- Sensor and Alarm Systems
- Cash Management
- Bank Deposits
- Opening and Closing of Facility
- Vendors and Contractors
- Employee Training
- Guest Security
- Emergency Procedures

Active Intruder Training

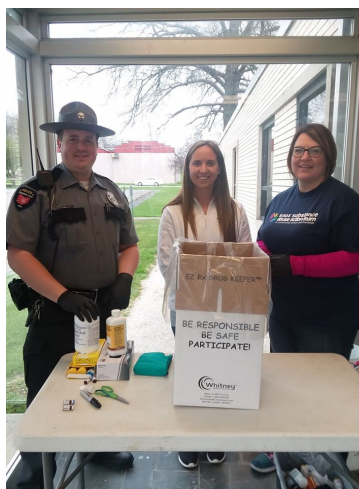
The Fredericktown Police Department currently has 3 officers that are certified to instruct school staff & students on the principles of ALICE, “ALERT, LOCKDOWN, INFORM, COUNTER, EVACUATE”, in the event of an Active Intruder, Active Shooter or Active Killer situation. We collaborate with the Danville & Mt. Vernon Police Departments, Knox County Sheriff’s Office, Knox County Emergency Management Agency, Fredericktown EMS and the Ohio State Highway Patrol to provide ALICE training to all schools throughout Knox County.

Due to the increase in active killer events, Knox County Law Enforcement also provides “Run, Hide, Fight” training for local businesses, group, organization and churches.



National Drug Take Back Days

Annually the Fredericktown Police Department participates in the National Drug Take Back Days in April and October. Each year several pounds of unused, unwanted and/or expired prescription drugs are dropped off at the police department for proper disposal. This initiative greatly lessens the potential for abuse and addiction. We are also equipped with a secure drug drop box in the police department lobby which is available for 24 / 7 / 365 drop off of unwanted medications.



Community Collaboratives

The Fredericktown Police Department is an active member of the following community collaboratives:

Knox County Domestic Violence Collaborative
Knox County Child/Adult Protection Team
Knox County Emergency Management, Emergency Operations Center
Knox Substance Abuse Action Team
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Sexual Assault Response Team
Safe Communities, Knox County



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