

**MONONA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY REPORT**



**SEPTEMBER 2021**

## **OPERATIONS DIVISION**

In September of 2021, the Operations Division handled 60 vehicle crashes and issued 30 traffic warnings, 52 traffic citations, and 21 parking tickets. Our calls total for September was 1,101 calls for service.

### **Training**

All Officers attended an 8-hour In-Service training which included the State mandated annual State Handgun qualification.

### **Security Checks**

Officers performed 42 security checks in the month of September. A security check is when an officer goes into a business and walks around to meet with staff to discuss any problems that the businesses are aware of. This also serves as a deterrent for theft. For the overnight shift, this entails checking the perimeter of the business and pulling on doors to make sure the businesses are secure.

### **Retail Thefts**

There were 31 retail theft cases in September, up a few from the 25 cases in August. Around 40 cases are typical in a month. These cases can be time consuming if the suspect flees and follow-up outside the City is necessary.

### **Use of Force Incidents**

On September 23, 2021 at 11:33 a.m. a High School administrator called for an officer to assist the SRO at the High School reference an out of control student who had struck the SRO several times, and a parent was already notified to respond. Due to multiple de-escalation techniques not being successful, the SRO did need to hold onto the female to stop her from striking him further. School admin was present. Eventually the female calmed down enough to exit the building and wait for her mother. As this was a mental health issue, no charges were filed. In the spirit of continuous improvement, the SRO coordinated a meeting with school administration and the staff involved to review the incident. The meeting was productive.  
(MO21-08277) F/U 16

### **Citizen Complaints**

There were no citizen complaints in September.

**1<sup>st</sup> Shift Monthly Report** (Highlighted events)

On September 10, 2021, at 8:14 a.m. an officer was dispatched to take a report of an overnight burglary on Birch Haven Circle. Someone entered a vehicle parked outside the residence from a door which might have been unlocked, and used the garage door opener to enter the garage and then the home. The home had some security features which time stamped the entry at 5am. Ultimately nothing was taken but the house was occupied at the time of this event, so it was extremely upsetting for the victims. (MO21-07805)

On September 27, 2021 at 1:29 p.m. an officer was dispatched to a residence on Femrite Drive to take a report of a stolen vehicle. The vehicle was entered into the system and was located two days later on the west side of Madison. (MO21-08411)

### Officer Overtime Analysis

<b>2021</b>	MAY Hrs	JUN Hrs	JUL Hrs	AUG Hrs	SEPT Hrs	TOTAL HRS To Date	APPROX COST To Date
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (In-Service)	24	8	-	-	60	172.5	\$9,596
TRAINING CONSORTIUM (Instructors for In-Service)	8	-	-	-	32	56.5	\$3,143
OTHER REQUIRED TRAINING (ECIR/Radar/CPR/K9)	24	-	24	-	-	135	\$7,510
OPTIONAL OFFICER TRAINING	-	-	-	-	-	33	\$1,836
SICK LEAVE Coverage	24	-	24	41.5	42	213.5	\$11,877
VACATION Coverage	32	48	90	56	30.5	352.5	\$19,610
FLOATING HOLIDAY Coverage	8	16	4	12	4	64	\$3,560
FMLA Coverage (Work injury, baby leave, etc)	-	24	72	8	56	160	\$8,901
COURT	13	10	8.5	7	2.5	130.25	\$7,246
LATE/EARLY CALL or SERIOUS INCIDENT	3.25	23.75	21.75	15.25	13	156.5	\$8,706
Special Event (Meeting, Parade, Festival, Drug Work)	9.5	24	104	39	6.5	213.75	\$11,891
Mental Health Case	-	0.5	23.5	2.5	15	49.5	\$2,754
Officer Dispatch Coverage	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0
MG High School OT (Reimbursed)	-	-	-	3.75	4	7.75	\$431
TRAFFIC GRANT (Reimbursed)	36	40	28	24	28	323.5	\$17,996
TASK FORCE (Reimbursed)	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0
TOTAL HRS	181.75	194.25	399.75	209.00	293.50	2068.25	
Expense Per Month @ average OT rate \$55.63 / HR	\$10,111	\$10,806	\$22,238	\$11,627	\$16,327		\$115,057

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## **Second Shift Monthly Report**

During the month of September second shift officers had 20 retail thefts. Officers responded to 37 crashes and conducted 38 traffic stops. Officers provided directed patrol in areas where we have received traffic complaints. The following are some cases that were handled.

On September 4, 2021 around 9:09 p.m., officers responded to a weapons offense in the 300 block of Owen Road. The caller advised that she was attacked by a male with swords. The victim stated that it she believed the suspect was still in the building. Officers arrived on scene and located the victim in the hall. Officers and residents provided medical attention to the victim while waiting for EMS. A short time later, the suspect was located outside and taken into custody without incident. The suspect is awaiting trial on charges for Attempted 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Intentional Homicide with a Deadly Weapon.

On September 15, 2021 around 5:00 p.m., officers were sent to Planet Fitness in 2300 block of West Broadway for a person who had their vehicle stolen. Officers arrived on scene and met with the victim. The victim placed their keys in a locker inside their backpack. At some point during their workout, an unknown person entered the locker and took the persons belongings. The suspect then went to the parking lot and drove off in the vehicle. The vehicle was recovered abandoned on October 3, 2021, in the Town of Madison.

On September 22, 2021, at 7:52 p.m., officers were dispatched to the area of Nichols Road and McKenna Road for a vehicle on Nichols, shooting while driving. While officers were in the area, the Police Department received more calls about the same vehicle southbound on Monona Dr. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle. While canvassing the neighborhoods for evidence of a shooting, Officers spoke to witnesses. In doing so, they were advised that the vehicle appeared to be intentionally backfiring making a popping sound. After a thorough search, no evidence was found that a firearm was actually fired.

### **3rd Shift September 2021 Monthly Report**

During the month of September third shift officers for the Monona Police Department conducted 16 traffic stops, resulting in 6 citations and 10 warnings. This month Officers saw an uptick in stolen automobile reports and increased patrol in residential areas.

On September 7, 2021 at 3:04 a.m., officers responded to a burglary in progress at Walmart. Staff advised they observed via store surveillance cameras two individuals pull open the sliding doors and enter the business while closed. They proceeded to steal jewelry before leaving. As officers arrived into the area, they observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed away from Walmart. Officers attempted to catch up to the vehicle but located it abandoned in a nearby parking lot. During a search of the area, officers located and arrested one of the suspects. The second suspect has also since been identified.

On September 9, 2021 at 2:57 a.m., officers responded to an attempted armed robbery at Kwik Trip. The suspect entered the store demanding money. The staff refused and the suspect left the area. The investigation is ongoing.

On September 16, 2021 at 1:30 a.m., an officer observed a minivan traveling at 77 mph in a 30 mph southbound on Monona Dr. During this time officers received a call about a minivan that just had been stolen from a garage on the 600 block of Dean Avenue. Officers attempted to catch up to the vehicle but lost visual. The stolen vehicle was later located in the Lake Point Drive area.

On September 19, 2021 at 12:21 a.m., officers responded to an active burglary in progress on Outlook Street. When the responding officers arrived, they located an occupied stolen automobile in the immediate area. Officers attempted to make a traffic stop on the vehicle, however it eluded officers. Officers investigated and learned that multiple firearms were taken from the garage the suspects entered. Multiple other vehicles in the area had also been rifled through. The investigation is ongoing. Chief Chaney Austin dedicated additional directed patrols and overtime officer resources in an effort to curb the unlawful behavior and hold responsible those who may be attempting to commit future acts.

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## INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

### Detective Unit

During the month of September 82 cases were reviewed for possible referral to the Investigative Division.

Crime	Number of Cases
Battery	3
Burglary	3
Death Investigation	2
Fraud	9
Retail Theft	31
Robbery – Armed	1
Sex Offense	1
Stolen Vehicle	6
Theft	22
Weapons Violation	4

Members of the Investigative Unit were assigned to review and/or assist with many of the current and past incidents.

### Current Investigations

#### **MO21-07497 / MO21-07560 – BATTERY AND ROBBERY / AUTO THEFT**

An individual met a man on a dating app and they spent a couple days together. After a few days, things went bad and the suspect severely beat the victim, stole his cell phone and likely stole his car. The identity of the suspect, who was using a fake name, was determined with the assistance of an outside agency. Detectives requested multiple felony charges, a warrant was issued and the suspect has been arrested. The man faces additional charges resulting from him targeting multiple victims in the Dane County area.

#### **MO21-07766 – ATTEMPTED ROBBERY**

A man walked into a local convenience store and demanded money from the employees. The two employees, who did not think the man was serious, told him to leave, which he did. The suspect matched the description of a serial robber in the Madison area. Detectives contacted local businesses and continue their investigation into the incident.

### **MO21-08167 - ATTEMPTED ROBBERY**

A citizen reported what is believed to be an attempted car-jacking in the parking lot of Walmart. Several car-jackings have occurred recently in the Madison area. The victim reported he parked in the lot to shave when a vehicle pulled up to him and a lone suspect got out. The suspect tried to open the door, which was locked. The victim began to drive his vehicle away and the suspect began pounding on his truck. Monona Detectives are attempting to identify the suspect and suspect vehicle in this case.



### **MO21-08166 – SEXUAL ASSAULT**

A patient of a local clinic reported a sexual assault involving a health care practitioner. This incident is still under investigation.

### **MO21-07619 – ATTEMPTED HOMICIDE**

An adult male living in the 300 block of Owen Road became upset with his mother, who also resided in the same building. The male attacked his mother with small swords and knives causing significant injury. The suspect was located and arrested the night of the incident.

### **Other Activities**

Property Room management

Municipal Court officer duties

Auto theft task force meeting

Monitored one protest that shut down traffic on Monona Drive

If you have information to provide in these or other incidents, please contact:

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### **School Resource Officer**

The 2021-22 school year started on September 1, 2021 without an SRO in the building. The SRO memorandum of understanding was agreed upon between the City and School District before eventually being approved on September 20, 2021. After a long lay-off from Covid-19 and summer break, I returned to the school on September 21, 2021.

On 09/21, a student was caught with a vape pen. I assisted school administration by identifying it as a nicotine vape versus a THC vape. No SRO consequences were issued.

On 09/22, the same student smelled strongly of marijuana as I passed him in the lunchroom. I passed the information onto administration. It was investigated and no marijuana was located, but later in the day the student turned in a small amount of marijuana to a teacher. No SRO consequences were issued.

On 09/23, a female student had recently broken up with her boyfriend and she stopped at my office for some guidance. We chatted about the situation and talked about some coping strategies.

On 09/23, a female student and a teacher stopped by my office to chat. The student has mental health and behavior needs, but I have developed a rapport with her over the years and became a safe place for her when she was struggling. She was having a bad day and started stealing items off my desk. I re-directed her and exited my office, into the lunchroom. The student followed me and punched me in the arm. I told the student her behavior was inappropriate and unacceptable before disengaging from the student. The student became fixated on me even after I walked away and left her eyesight. The student sought me out again in the commons after passing period and tried to hit me numerous times. The student needed to be escorted to the ground before calming down and walking out of the school on her own. The student eventually went home with her mother. No SRO consequences were issued.

On 09/27, a student had a water bottle, which contained alcohol. At the request of school administration, I assessed the student. The student did not appear impaired. No SRO consequences were issued.

On 09/29, I was out of the building for police department in-service, but was informed there was a fight between two students in the gym locker room. The students were mutual combatants and the school did not request SRO consequences.

On 09/29, the student from 09/21 and 09/22, was in possession of a marijuana blunt. He received additional school consequences. No SRO consequences were issued.

On 09/30, a student was out of control in a classroom and started punching himself. He left the classroom, and was wandering the halls. I was requested by school staff and eventually school administration to assist with checking on the welfare of the student. The student fled the high school grounds into the community. I requested assistance from patrol and we were able to contact the student and calm him down enough for school administration to talk about what happened. The student was eventually picked up by his mother. No SRO consequences issued.

On 09/30, Patrol Officers stopped out with two high school students a block from school that were smoking marijuana. Drug paraphernalia was confiscated from them and I escorted them back to school. School consequences were issued. No SRO consequences issued.

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## **Community Relations Officer September '21 Notable Activities**

09/02- Hosted Criminal Intelligence Meeting at Monona Police Department

09/07- Social Media Release at WPS Monona reference their Ahearn Event Donation

09/08 & 09/09- Went door to door on Bridge Road to Winnequah Road investigating recent vandalism complaint (over 5 hours total)

09/10- Held over for Protest Detail on Monona Drive

09/14- Attended Alcohol License Review Committee Meeting at Monona City Hall

09/14- Updated Sunny Massage's Employee Roster w/on-site visit per their request

09/16- Attended MAPD PRIDE meeting via Zoom

09/17- Prepped for Ahearn Event/Held Pre-Event Registration at Buck & Honey's in Monona

09/18- Hosted Ahearn Run/Walk Event at Winnequah Park (Raised \$17,314 to date)

09/25- Volunteered at C'zar's Promise Walk at Winnequah Park

\*Fielded/Shared Good Neighbor Project Concerns with Patrol throughout September

\*Placed Speed Trailers on 6200blk of Bridge Road, 4900blk of Roigan Terrace, 5300 block of Winnequah Road, 500blk of Femrite Drive and 600blk of Owen Road

\*Continued to Update Emergency Key Holder Directory reference Monona Businesses

\*Reviewed License/Application Requests throughout September

## **Citation and Arrest Statistics**

During the month of September, the Monona Police issued numerous traffic citations, municipal ordinance (non-traffic) citations, parking citations and warnings. In addition, there were many referrals for charges. See the detail below.

Traffic Citations	55
Municipal Ordinance Citations	14
Parking Citations	39
Traffic Warnings	35
Adult Arrests & Referrals	9
Juvenile Arrests & Referrals	3
Warrant Arrest	2
Eligible CRC Referrals	2

Each of the adult and juvenile arrests and referrals take at least an hour of the Dispatchers' time to complete the reports and intake paperwork for the Dane County District Attorney's Office. Once completed these forms and reports are reviewed by the Investigations Lieutenant before submitting them to the DA's Office. Each of these submissions is reviewed for referral to the Dane County Community Restorative Court (CRC). CRC is a program to address youthful offenders, age 17 – 25, with little or no Criminal History in a restorative justice model as an alternative to formal criminal charges. The CRC Referrals line above shows the number of Adult Arrests & Referrals who qualified to participate in CRC. Offenders who fail to complete CRC are referred back to the DA's Office for formal charging.

### **Dispatch**

The Monona Communications Center answers business line calls for Police, Fire, and EMS incidents. Calls for service for Fire and EMS are transferred to the Dane County Communications Center for dispatching of Monona Fire and EMS personnel. The Monona Communications Center advises Police of high priority Fire and EMS calls in the event Officer Response is required. Many of the business line calls include routine phone calls from citizens who are not only seeking police assistance, but also assistance with processing citation payments, requesting police records and general assistance. The dispatchers are also responsible for preparing and filing Officer reports, citations, accidents, parking, UCR reporting and many other routine daily duties.

During the month of September, Dispatchers handled 1,101 calls for service. Most of these calls for service were received on the non-emergency lines, via personal reporting at the Police Department, transfers from the Dane County Communications Center or as self-initiated calls directly from Monona Officers.

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