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MISSION STATEMENT

The members of the Plantation Police Department are committed to being responsive to the community in the delivery of quality law enforcement services. We recognize our responsibility to maintain order, while affording dignity and respect to every individual.

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of the City of Plantation through a partnership with the community that promotes safe, secure streets and neighborhoods.

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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF W. HOWARD HARRISON



Welcome to the Plantation Police Department 2019 Annual Report and thank you for taking the time to read about our Department. I am incredibly proud of this agency and the dedicated men and women who serve our community.

Plantation Police Department is recognized both nationally through CALEA as well as on the State level, through the Commission on Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

We are staffed with 172 sworn officers, 94 full-time civilians and 4 part-time civilians, who are all committed to the principles of community policing.

The Plantation Police Department's Mission Statement expresses the goal of the agency to improve the quality of

life for the citizens of Plantation through a partnership with the community which promotes safe and secure streets and neighborhoods. We are committed and dedicated to reducing crime and enhancing relationships within our community so that the City of Plantation continues to prosper as a resilient and vibrant community.

Chief W. Howard Harrison



MAYOR LYNN STONER

Lynn was born in Ohio. Her family moved to Plantation in 1970, where she, her two sisters and brother attended and graduated from Plantation schools. Lynn's three children also attended Plantation schools and now her grandchild is enrolled in a local Plantation high school.

Lynn is a Florida Certified General Contractor and the Owner/President of Stoner Construction, Inc., which is located in Plantation. Stoner Construction participates in a variety of government, commercial and residential projects. She is a licensed real estate broker who consults with national and local owners, developers, lenders and attorneys regarding potential investments and is a Florida title insurance agent.

Lynn's first formal involvement in public service began with her appointment to the County's Small Business Advisory Board in 2004 and she has never looked back. Her advocacy for small businesses is well respected throughout the community. Subsequently, she was appointed to the Broward County School Board's Supplier and Diversity Outreach Council. She also sits on other Boards where her knowledge and expertise in construction, real estate and business are a valuable asset.

She is a member of the Greater Plantation Chamber of Commerce, GFWC Plantation Woman's Club, Plantation Acres Women's Club, Plantation Art Guild, Plantation Historical Society, Kiwanis Club of Plantation and National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC).



**DENISE
HORLAND**



**RON
JACOBS**



**MARK
HYATT**



**ERIC
ANDERSON**



**NICK
SORTAL**



**CITY COUNCIL
MEMBERS**

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CSA CRYSTAL REIDY



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DEPUTY CHIEFS



**DEPUTY CHIEF
DAREN BRODSKY
ADMINISTRATION BUREAU**

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DEPUTY CHIEFS



**DEPUTY CHIEF
JIM DOURVETAKIS
OPERATIONS BUREAU**

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CAPTAINS



JEFFREY SCHLEGEL
SUPPORT SERVICES



CRAIG STALKER
GENERAL SERVICES



ROBERT JUSKIEWICZ
CID



SEYMOUR COUNCIL
PATROL



DOUG POWELL
SPECIAL OPS

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LIEUTENANTS



JESSICA RYAN



CHAD FOWLER



DAVE KHALEEL



SCOTT LUSTIGMAN

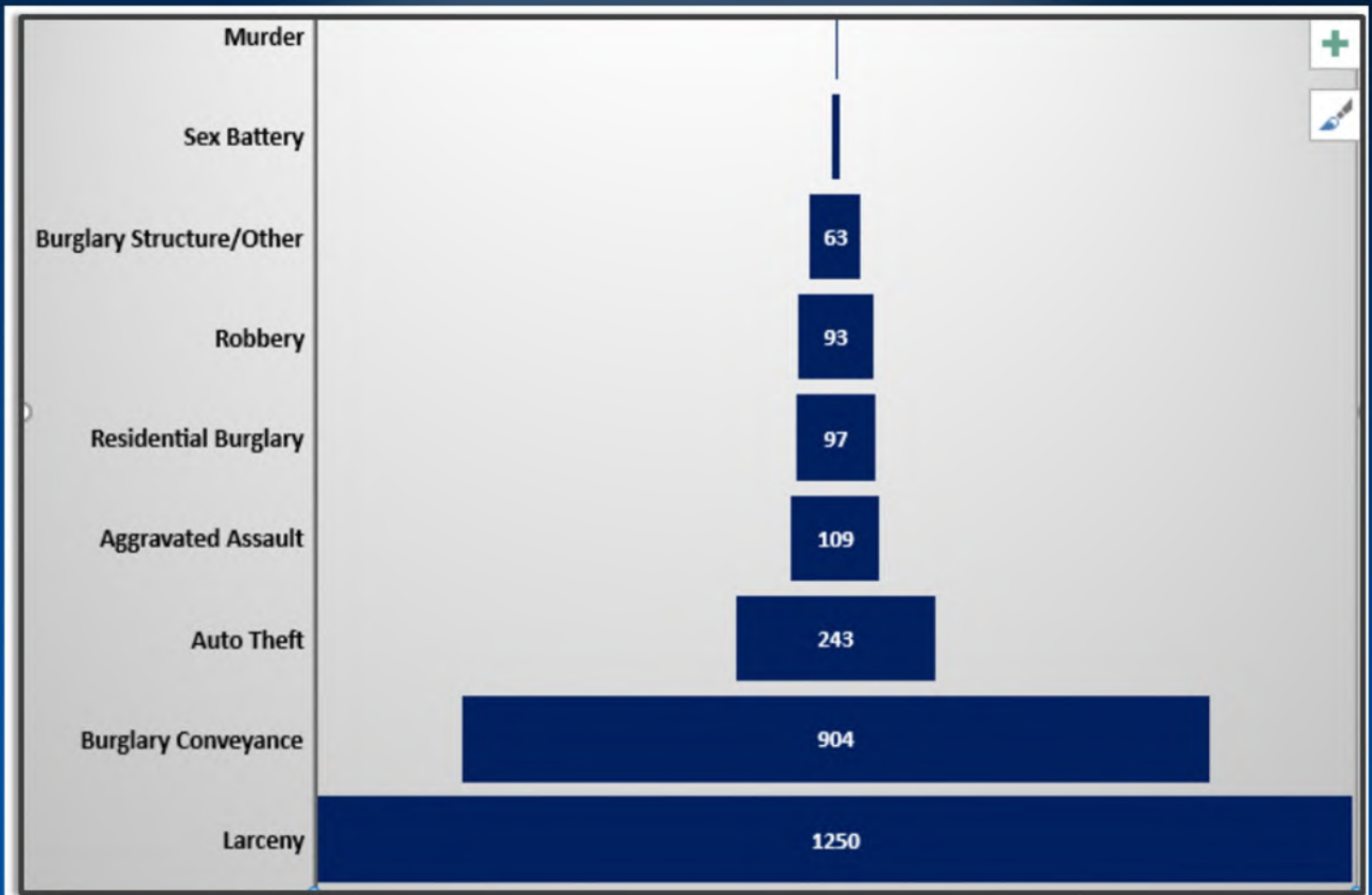


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2019 CRIME STATISTICS

Crime Type	2018	% CHANGE	2019
Murder	1	100.00%	2
Sex Battery	8	37.50%	11
Burglary Structure/Other	83	-24.10%	63
Robbery	82	13.41%	93
Residential Burglary	181	-46.41%	97
Aggravated Assault	90	21.11%	109
Auto Theft	251	-3.19%	243
Burglary Conveyance	947	-4.54%	904
Larceny	1231	1.54%	1250
Total	2874	-3.55%	2772



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OFFICER JOSHUA SLATTERY



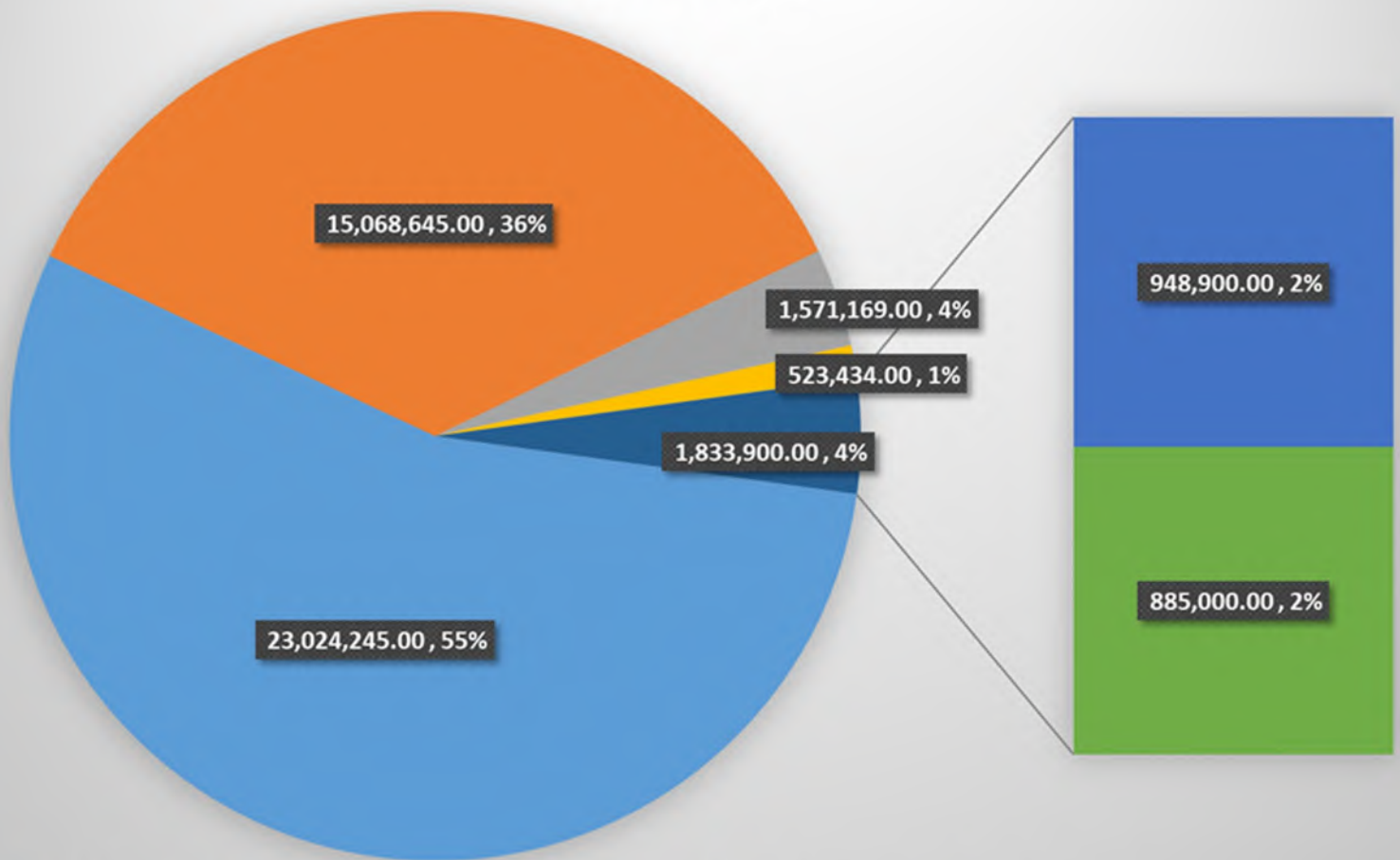


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FY 2019 BUDGET

2019 Budget



■ Salary and Wages

■ Employee Benefits

■ Services

■ Materials & Supplies

■ Capital

■ Debt Service

**CRIME SCENE UNIT MANAGER
PATTI PATRUNO**

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CAUTION
Hazardous and Corrosive
Chemical Reagents
Toxic and Irritant to Skin
Respiratory Irritant
Eye Irritant

PRINT POWDER
LORICHE
REGULAR BLACK

MIX POWDER

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

SERGEANT JOSEPH SANTONASTASO



OFFICER OF THE YEAR

SERGEANT JOSEPH SANTONASTASO



It is an honor and a privilege to present Sergeant Joseph Santonastaso with the 2019 Officer of The Year award.

Sergeant Santonastaso was born in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He graduated from Deerfield Beach High School in 1998. He attended Wagner College in Staten Island, NY for two years on a dual Football and Track and Field Scholarship. He later graduated from Florida Atlantic University (FAU) in 2003 with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Sergeant Santonastaso's father served in law enforcement at the Broward Sheriffs Office from 1982 to 2016. His father also ran the PAL boxing program.

In 2005, Sergeant Santonastaso was hired by the Plantation Police Department and graduated from the 234th Police Academy Class at the Broward College Institute of Public Safety. He graduated number one (1) in his class with a 97.75 percent combined overall score. Sergeant Santonastaso started on Road Patrol then spent time serving as a Detective in the Criminal Investigation Division where he investigated major crimes to include, but not limited to, sexual battery, robbery, and homicide. In 2019, he ranked number one (1) in the Promotional Assessment for Sergeant and was subsequently promoted.

While serving as a road patrol officer, Sergeant Santonastaso built strong relationships with the community he served and displayed a keen eye for detecting and addressing criminal activity. During his time as a Road Patrol Officer he on viewed 341 felony crimes which is the most by anyone currently employed with the Plantation Police Department. His compassion for vulnerable members of society motivated him to go above and beyond his call of duty when he repeatedly identified underage girls who were possible victims of human sex trafficking. Additionally, he coordinated with Detectives and Federal Agents that were assigned to these types of investigations to make strong cases. As a Sergeant, he continues to coordinate the recovery of underage victims. One case was as recent as November of 2019 which led to the arrest of a 42-year-old adult male who was trafficking the child.

In 2019, Sergeant Santonastaso was involved in numerous major crime investigations as the lead detective, which resulted in eight (8) felony arrests. During this year, four (4) of his cases were resolved by conviction. These convictions were based on Sergeant Santonastaso's ability to uncover evidence, conduct interviews, obtain confessions, and document his results in a clear articulate manner. One of the convicted defendants was sentenced to 15 years in prison and another was sentenced to life in prison. All of his cases are significant due to the scope and nature of these investigations involving violent crimes against persons. The following case exemplifies his investigative efforts:

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

SERGEANT JOSEPH SANTONASTASO



On February 13, 2019, an armed robbery occurred at 210 South State Road 7. A BOLO was issued and the suspect vehicle was later located by law enforcement in Lauderdale Lakes with occupants in it. Sergeant Santonastaso, who was the lead Detective, was able to speak with one of the occupants of the vehicle, and determined that she was not involved in the robbery. This occupant detailed that the other two occupants of the vehicle were involved in the robbery and was able to provide a name for the other outstanding suspect. The interview, conducted by Sergeant Santonastaso, tied the whole case together. Sergeant Santonastaso later interviewed the two arrestees and obtained confessions detailing their participation in the robbery along with the name of the outstanding suspect.

Sergeant Santonastaso also participated in other notable activities including outreach with at-risk youth in partnership with the Broward County Urban League, serving as a role model to the community.

Sergeant Santonastaso's personnel file is a reflection of his professionalism and dedication to his job. He has six (6) officer of the month awards from 2008 to 2016 and was nominated nine (9) times. Additionally, he has two distinguished performance awards and a unit citation award. Throughout his career, he has shown time and time again, his innate ability to look past the surface of the initial complaint or reported call and through his strong investigative skills uncover the true nature of the investigation.

Sergeant Santonastaso's years of dedicated service have proven that he is a great cop and his level of devotion and expertise to this agency is incomparable.

It is a privilege and an honor to present Sergeant Santonastaso with the Plantation Police Department Officer of the Year award for 2019.



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January - June 2019 OFFICER OF THE MONTH



January
Brian McVeigh



February
Adam Mund



March
Natasha King



May
Casey Smith



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June - December 2019

OFFICER OF THE MONTH



August
Thomas Bickham



September
Shane Highfield



November
Ryan McWilliams



December
Amanda Bukata



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2019 AWARDS

COMMENDATION AWARD

**SERGEANT JAMES WALTERS
OFFICER CHRIS POWELL
VICTIM ADVOCATE DEBBIE GELLER
CSA ANGELA BEAMER
OFFICER ROBERT ZARAGOZA**

DISTINGUISHED PERFORMANCE

**OFFICER VENSON MARCELLON
OFFICER LUIS RIVIERA
OFFICER WILL TIGHE
LIEUTENANT JESSICA RYAN
SERGEANT CEJAY HAMMACK
SERGEANT NELSON DIAZ
SERGEANT ED RYAN
SERGEANT CHARLES WATTS**



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2019 AWARDS

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

**MAKENZY SIMEON
OFFICER CHAVEZ GRANT
OFFICER IRIS STAN
OFFICER MIGUEL LOPEZ**

LIFE SAVING AWARD

**OFFICER GARY MOORE
OFFICER EDWARD RYAN
OFFICER CASEY MITTAUER
OFFICER THOMAS BICKHAM**

MERITORIOUS AWARD

**OFFICER DANIEL BUGALLO
OFFICER MICHAEL BARANET
OFFICER SHAYNE HIGHFIELD
OFFICER KATHRYN MAHER
OFFICER MAKENZY SIMEON
OFFICER ZACHARY SILVEY
OFFICER JENNIFER TOFEXIS
OFFICER TYLER STAHL**



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ACCREDITATION



In November 2019, three assessors with the Commission on Florida Accreditation came to the city of Plantation Police department to conduct an on-site audit. The assessors were here for three full days and conducted file review, interviews with both police officers and civilian employees, and participated in a ride along with a police officer on the evening shift. At the conclusion of the assessment, the Team Leader met with members of the administration from the Police department and informed Chief Harrison that we had successfully completed the review. The assessment team's findings and report were then sent to the Florida Commission for Accreditation and the City of Plantation was presented with the reaccreditation certification with Excelsior status at the following commission meeting.



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January - June 2019 COMMUNITY AWARENESS

Denim Day began in 1999 in a small park in downtown LA as a response to the myths and lies prevalent about rape. Initially conceived as a symbolic protest after an Italian Supreme Court Judge overturned a lower court's rape conviction because "the victim was wearing tight jeans," Denim Day grew into a national and international campaign. Denim Day is now recognized as a widespread national and international awareness movement.



The Torch Run began its existence as the S.O.M.E. (Special Olympics Mileage Event) Run, when a handful of officers ran the Flame of Hope™ throughout the state in an exhausting, non-stop run. Yearly, the Plantation Police Department participates in this event raising money for the Special Olympics.





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January - June 2019

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

In June, The City of Plantation participated in the Fill the Truck food drive, which was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who participated in this event!



In May the community was able to participate in Cone with a Cop. Residents were able to meet Plantation Police personnel as well as tour a Plantation Police car and enjoy a cup of ice cream.



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Plantation Police Department hosted the Tip a Cop fundraiser at Bokampers in Plantation, raising \$1700.00 for the Special Olympics.

SRO JEFFREY YOUNG

SCHOOL NEWS

An Officer and A Gentleman

BY BEVERLY PERKINS

Upon returning to school after the holidays, the students at Peters Elementary had another celebration. They took pride in participating in "Law Enforcement Appreciation Day" and honoring their very own "Panda Protector" aka School Resource Officer (SRO) Jeffrey Young.

"Having an officer as dedicated and professional as Officer Young is truly a blessing. His experience and 'law enforcement eyes' add a layer of safety that help us to maintain a safe campus each and every day. The children respect him and see him as a person they can



trust and count on an that is priceless!" explained Principal Deutsch. Students decorated posters and wrote cards expressing

their gratitude to the dedicated SRO. Additionally, a large banner was created to welcome Young, parents, and students at drop-off to let everyone know how appreciative they are of having someone so special on campus keeping them safe. With code drills so often, the children remember very well why Officer Young's job is so important.

"The banner is just a perfect way to greet the man who greets our kids first thing every morning. He is standing in the rain, or in the cold, or in the sweltering heat waving to children in almost every car while making sure that traffic is moving in the safest possible manner," said PTA President and Parent Jessica Valenzuela. "He's a nice guy, sure, but don't be confused, he'll pull you over and ticket you in a heartbeat if you're speeding or staring down at your phone. The guy means business!"

The students were not the only ones showing their appreciation,



parents took time to decorate Young's office. Many parents have had the privilege of also developing a relationship with the compassionate officer. Children love when he knows their names, walks with them in the hallways, and raises the flag each morning.

"Officer Young is a tremendous asset to Peters Elementary School. He is a great source of comfort for every parent and every child. It's gotten harder to send our babies into schools daily. With Officer Young on campus, we all can breathe a bit easier as we drive away in the morning, or as we wave goodbye to the bus. There is no way that a man who has served 29 years here in Plantation will not know how he is so deeply appreciated. For his many years of service, along with his tremendous impact on our children, this is the very least we can do. We really have the best of the best in Officer Young," added Valenzuela.



PURPLE SHIRT DAY



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

October 25th is Domestic Violence Awareness Day.

The goal of the day is to raise awareness about domestic, spousal, and teen dating violence. People wear purple on the day, a color that has long been used by women seeking justice. Women are the primary victims of domestic violence, but both men and women can be victims.



WESTSIDE REGIONAL HOSPITAL



WESTSIDE REGIONAL HOSPITAL OPENS NEW WING.

Chief Howard Harrison and Officer Darryl Radziwon participated in the opening of a new 3 story Patient Tower at Westside Regional in September.



DEA DRUG TAKE BACK

DEA DRUG TAKE BACK

A record amount of drugs was taken in at the DEA drug take back in October at Plantation Police Department.



BRUNCH WITH A COP OCTOBER



Winn Dixie hosted a Brunch for Police Officers and Community Members. This allows individuals in the community to ask questions and get to know our Police Officers.

TRUNK OR TREAT



Lynn Braden, Daryl Radziwon, Bill O'Brien and Brian Radziwon took part in the Trunk or Treat Event at the Community Center. This is a fun filled event where the community dresses up for a ghoulish night filled with contests, movies, face painting and treats.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY



Plantation Police hosted a free 8 week Citizens Police Academy course. The course includes a K-9 demonstration, firearms safety, tour of the range, information on the Explorer program, gangs and organized crime, crime scene investigation and much more.



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DETECTIVE ANDREW KLEIN





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RECORDS

The City of Plantation has adopted a system for submitting and tracking all Public Records requests. The software will help the City track open records requests across multiple departments, standardize records processing and fulfill requests in a timely manor.

**PUBLIC RECORDS
REQUEST**

**FLORIDA
CRASH PORTAL**

**ALARM PERMIT
APPLICATION**

**FILE A POLICE
REPORT ONLINE**

**ELIZABETH GARCIA - SMITH
RECORDS CUSTODIAN
PLANTATION POLICE DEPARTMENT
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PLANTATION, FL 3317
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HOURS: 8:00am - 5:00pm**



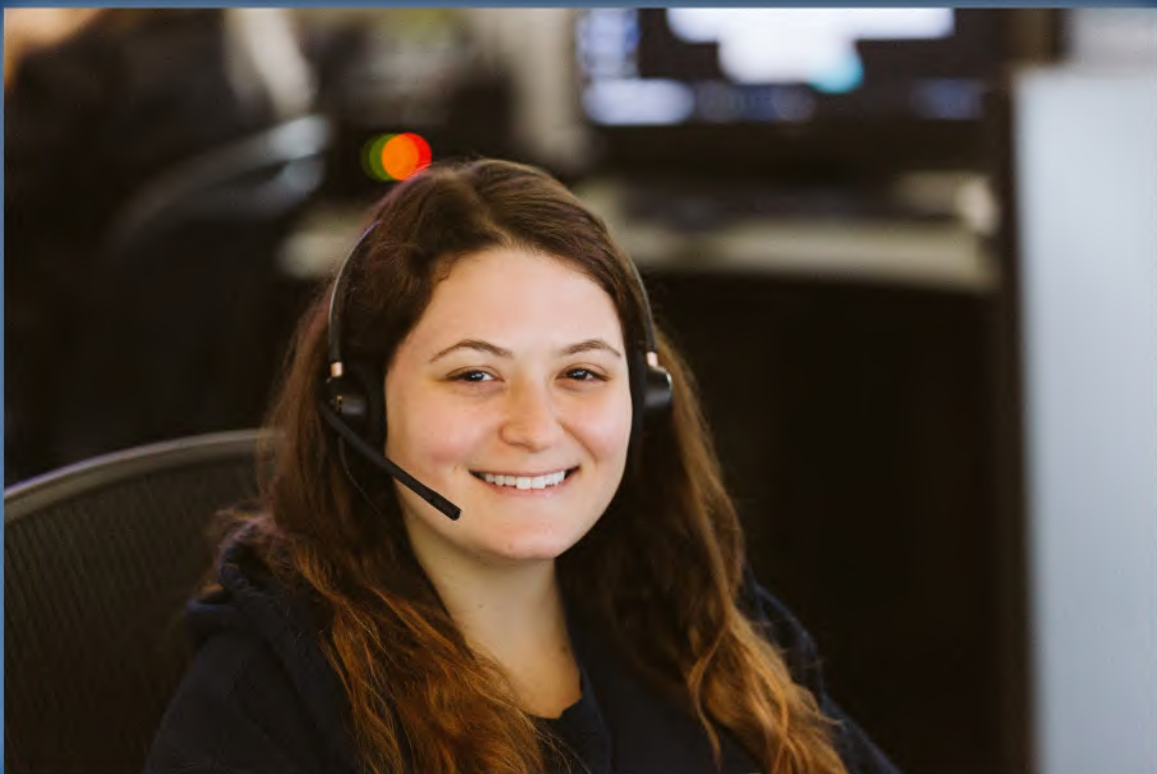
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COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Unit has achieved the following in 2019

- **Received CALEA Reaccreditation**
- **Installed and now has access to the Broward County School Camera System**
- **Implemented RAPIDSOS to track and pin point 911 callers from their exact cellphone position.**
- **Upgraded voice logging and Viper phone system to be ready for Next Generation 911.**
- **Finalized second tier flee-too scenarios with Broward County, should the Coral Springs Police Department be inoperable to facilitate PPD.**

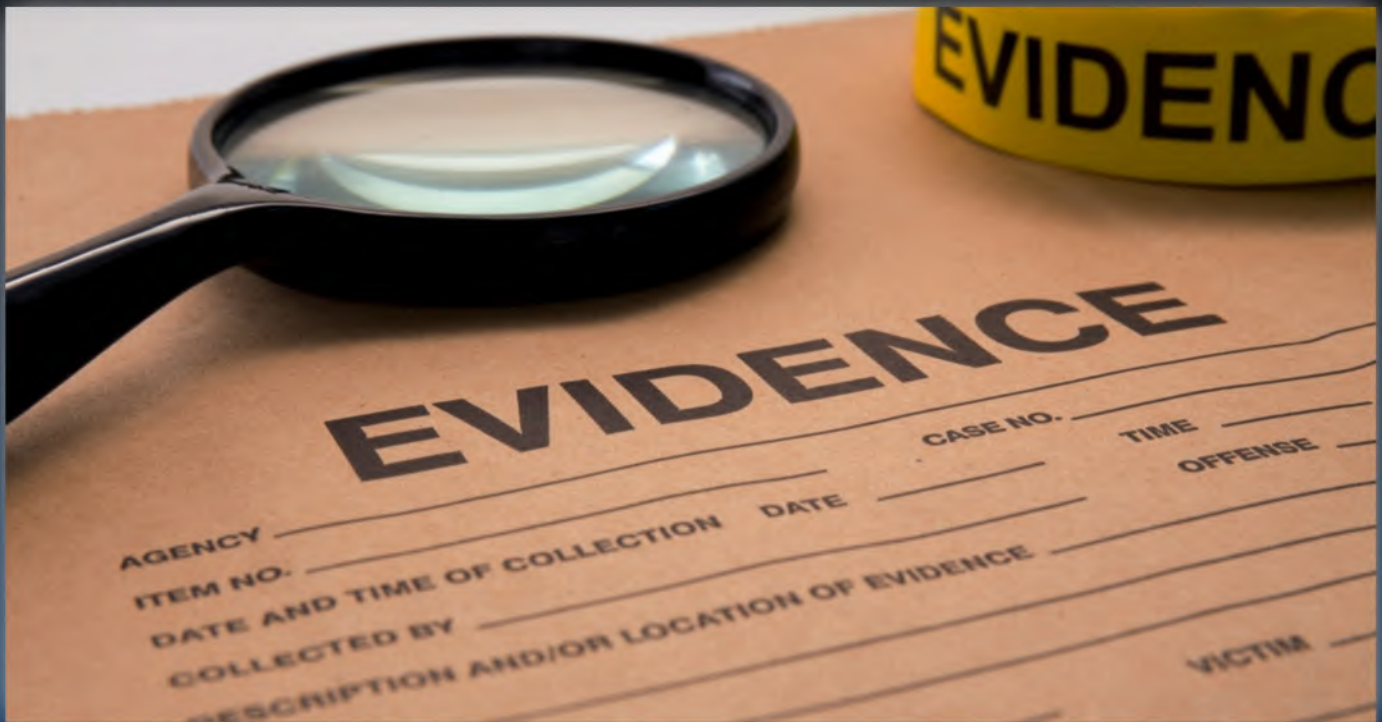




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PROPERTY & EVIDENCE



The Property Unit is responsible for the care, custody and disposal of physical evidence, found property and other items held for safekeeping. The Quartermaster Detail issues Police Uniforms, equipment and supplies department wide. During 2019 The Property Unit had one Large Narcotics Destruction in April and one Weapon Destruction in October. The Property deposited \$ 29,318.28.00 from seized evidence and found property into the City of Plantation general fund. We received and packaged 15,483 evidentiary property including found and safekeeping and destroyed 12,182 from closed cases and returned 1,687 items to citizens. The Property Unit and I.T. continue to provide civilian and sworn personnel updated Technology in File on Q and Web View .

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OFFICER MITCH FRASKA



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CRIME SCENE UNIT



In 2019 the Crime Scene Unit had the following accomplishments:

- **Responded to 1080 calls for service ranging from vehicle burglaries to homicides**
- **Submitted 1229 latent fingerprints to the Latent Print Examiner**
- **147 suspects were identified from the submitted latent fingerprints**
- **Hired a 5th full time Crime Scene Technician making the unit fully staffed**
- **Acquired a UV Decontamination Box which allows us to disinfect equipment and avoid cross contamination of scenes**

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OFFICER MAKENZY SIMEON





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CODE ENFORCEMENT



The Code Enforcement Unit is under the direction of the Police Department. The Unit consists of (1) Supervisor, (1) Administrative Assistant, and (8) Inspectors. In 2019 the unit had 2,716 code cases which was down from the 2,956 cases in 2018.

VIOLATION	2018	2019
BULK VIOLATIONS	371	204
BLACK BAGS	55	80
OVERGROWN GRASS	147	167
UNSCREENED BOATS, TRAILERS, RV's, CAMPERS	163	138
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES	163	142

	2018	2019
TOTAL CASES	2956	2719
COMPLAINTS	1137	1195
ON VIEW	1819	1521

The Code Enforcement Unit is under the direction of the Police Department. Code complaints may be made to the Code Enforcement Unit at any time during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm) by dialing 954-797-2267 or after hours at the Police Department by dialing (954) 797-2100.



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TRAINING



The Plantation Police Department's Training Unit ensures that our agency personnel receive the highest level of training from our instructors who are both department and F.D.L.E. certified. We train on various topics including de-escalation, active shooter response, life saving techniques, ethics, and use of force. New officers are assigned to the training unit for In-House and Field Training. We have a rich curriculum to ensure that each officer is ready.