

Stroud Area Regional Police Department Monthly Report



January 2021

**Report to
Police Commission**

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INTRODUCTION

February 9th, 2021

Stroud Area Regional Police Commission

RE: Month of January Report to Commission

Dear Commission Member:

Please find attached the report to the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission for the month of January 2021.

If you have specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Lyon

Jennifer Lyon, Chief of Police
Stroud Area Regional Police Department



STATISTICS

OVERTIME

Reimbursed OT	Total:	75.50
DEA Task Force	24.00	
FBI Task Force	20.75	
Housing Patrol	0.00	
Monroe County Drug Task Force	30.75	
SARPD OT	Total:	798.50
Court	54.00	
Detectives	97.25	
Special Details	19.5	
Cover Shift	232.75	
Administrative	48.25	
Training	43.50	
Holiday Worked	303.25	
Total January Overtime		874.00

January SARPD Overtime

	54.00	97.25	19.50	232.75	48.25	43.50	303.25	798.50
	January							
■ Court	54.00							
■ Detectives	97.25							
■ Special Details	19.50							
■ Cover Shift	232.75							
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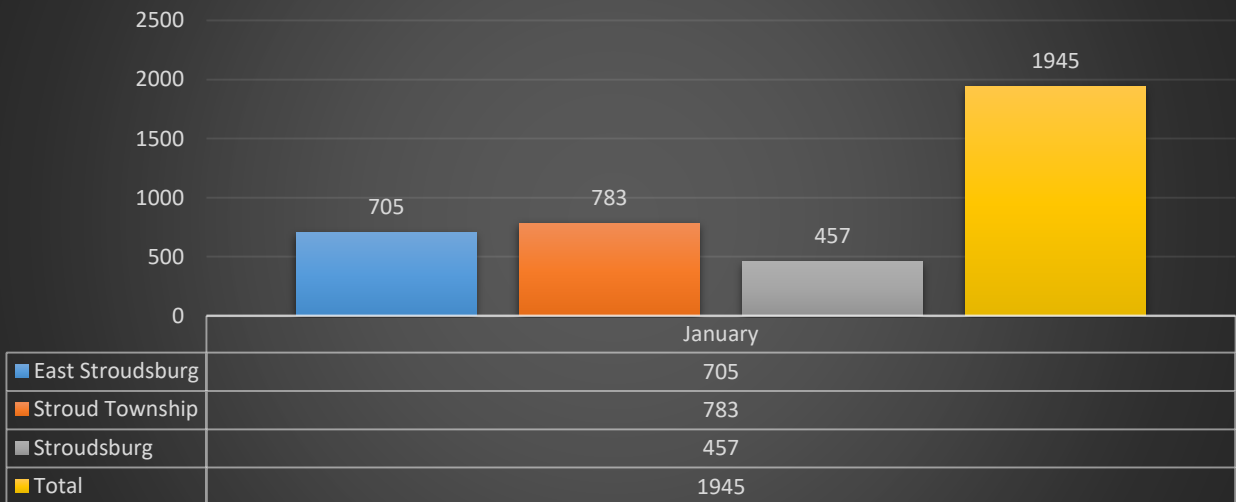
OT- January Comparison by Year

	1567.00	1379.00	1298.00	874.00
	January			
■ 2018	1567.00			
■ 2019	1379.00			
■ 2020	1298.00			
■ 2021	874.00			

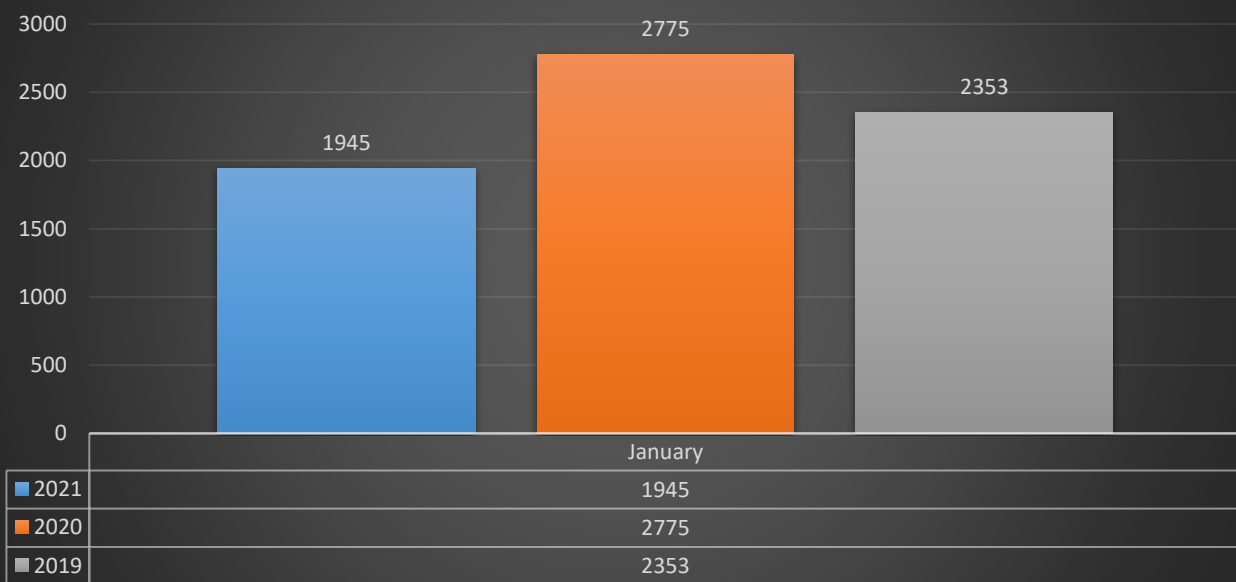
CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	Total Year to Date
2021	1945						1945

January Calls for Service by Municipality



Calls for Service by Year



UNIFORM CRIME REPORT

January- OFFENSES	NUMBER REPORTED	ADULTS ARRESTED	JUVENILES ARRESTED
MURDER	1	1	0
RAPE	0	0	0
ROBBERY	1	0	0
ASSAULT	11	8	0
BURGLARY	3	1	0
LARCENY/THEFT	45	16	2
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	1	1	0
FRAUD	17	0	0
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	0
RECEIVING/POSSESSING STOLEN PROPERTY	1	0	0
VANDALISM	10	1	0
WEAPONS CARRYING	3	2	0
PROSTITUTION	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	2	1	0
DRUG ABUSE	13	10	0
GAMBLING	0	0	0
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY/CHILDREN	3	0	0
DUI	11	11	0
LIQUOR LAW	0	0	0
DRUNKENNESS	10	10	0
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	35	13	0
ALL OTHER	23	4	0
TOTAL	190	79	2

REPORTED
STOLEN PROPERTY

\$46,624.00

RECOVERED
STOLEN PROPERTY

\$21,919.00

ACCIDENTS

Accidents

EAST STROUDSBURG

STROUD TOWNSHIP

STROUDSBURG

TOTAL

January 2021	2020	2019	2018
22	22	21	28
46	63	19	56
7	13	24	22
75	98	94	106

NUMBER INJURED

10

3

12

12

FATALITIES

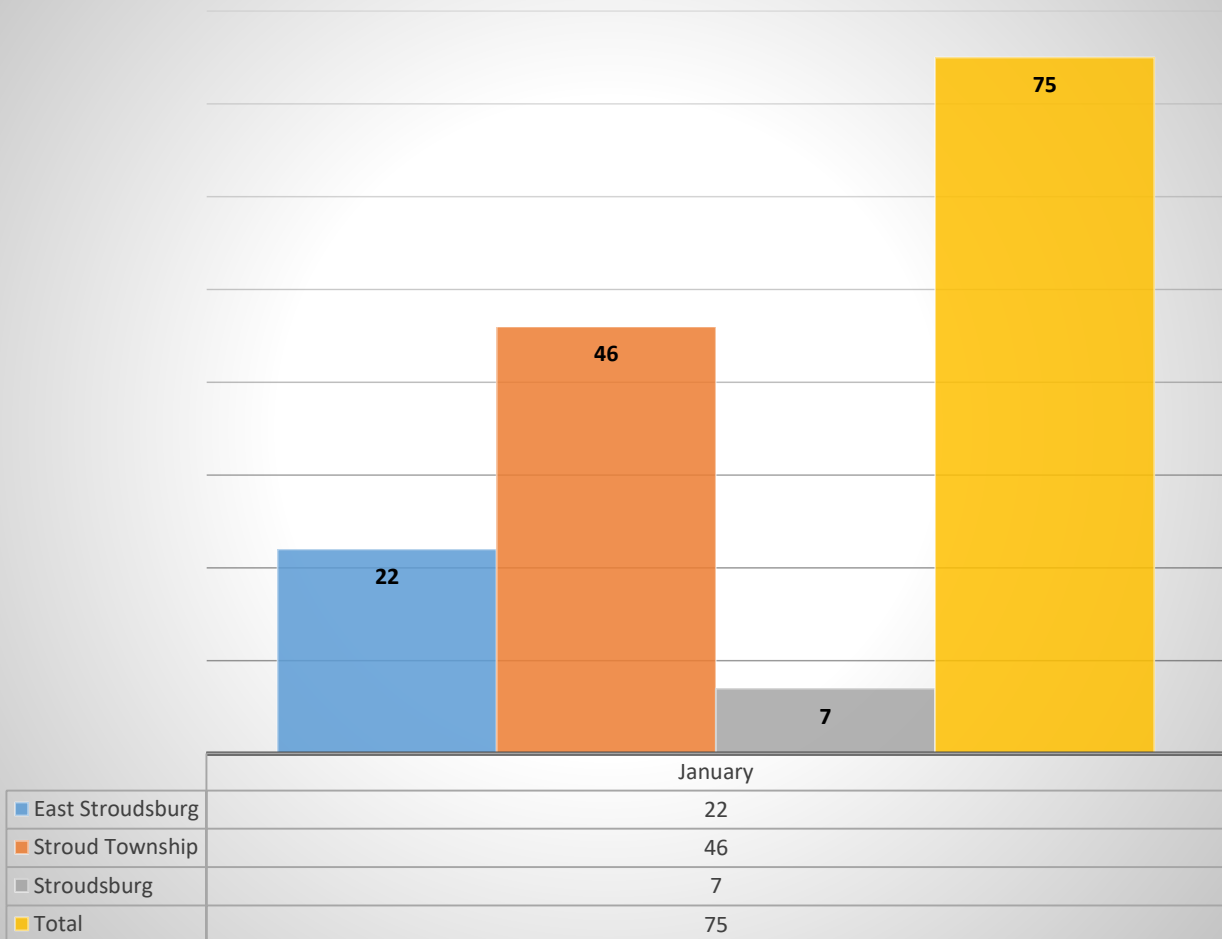
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January Accidents by Municipality



TRAFFIC CONTACTS

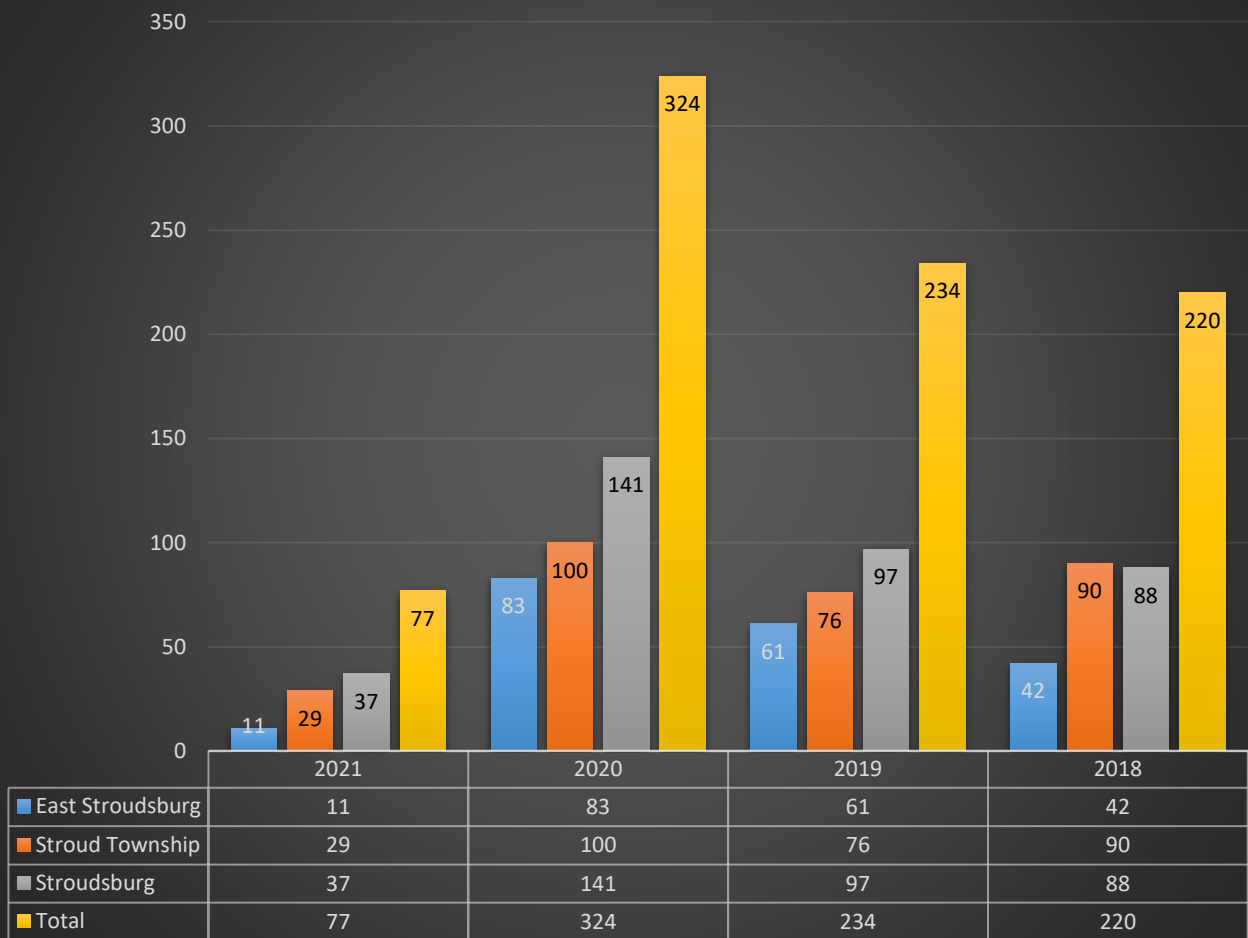
January Traffic Contacts

EAST STROUDSBURG**STROUD TOWNSHIP****STROUDSBURG****TOTAL**

2021	2020	2019	2018
11	83	61	42
29	100	76	90
37	141	97	88
77	234	220	192

Parking**166****185****165****73**

Traffic Contacts - January



NON TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Non-Traffic Citations

EAST STROUDSBURG**STROUD TOWNSHIP****STROUDSBURG****TOTAL****January**

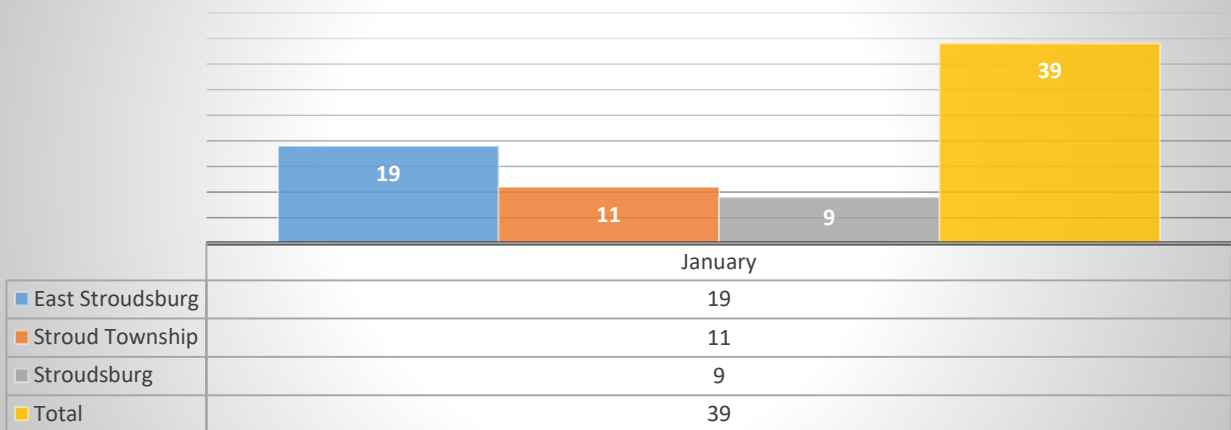
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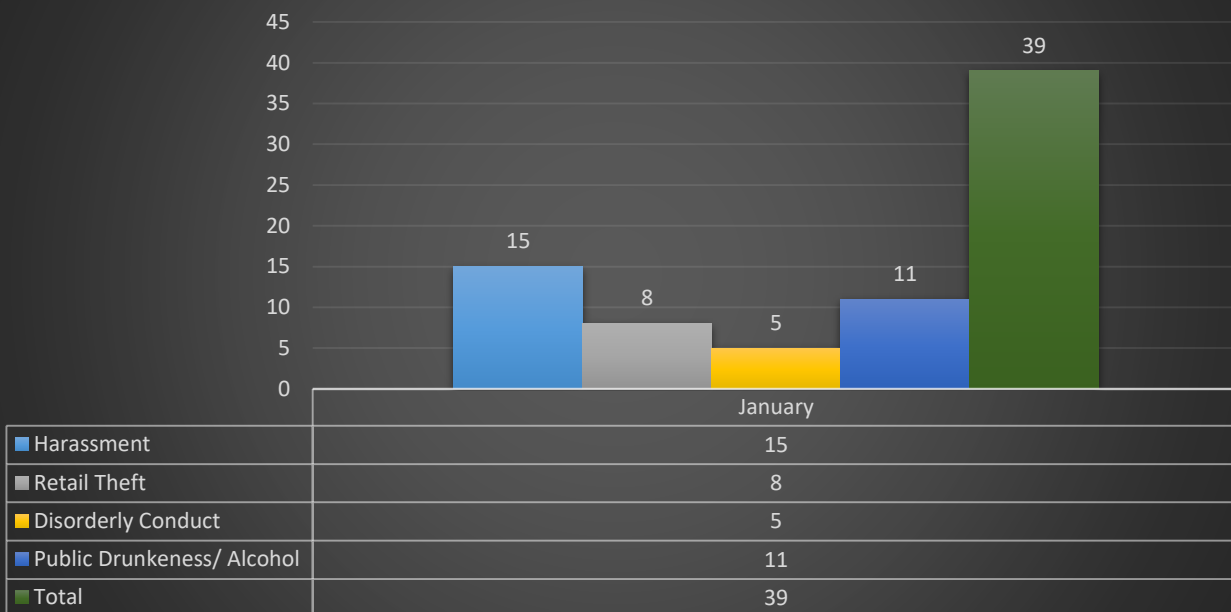
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Non-Traffic Citations



Non-Traffic Citations by Offense



SUPPORT STAFF

SUPPORT STAFF JANUARY 2021

Phone Calls Total	1036	Administrative Assists	19
Personal Contacts Total	61	Officer Assists	42
Right to Know Requests	12	Warrants In/Out	3
Reports Requested (Subpoena/Gov Agencies)	20	Dissemination Log	112
Accident Reports Requested	62	Gun Permits Look Up & Entries	65
Background Lookup & Entries	44	Expungements	1
Filing Case Files	17	Validations	7
Chits Total	5	Property Releases	0
ALERT Superperson Corrections	115	Fingerprints Entered	57
PFA's - New & Removed	17	MCCF Corrections	34
Parking Tickets Total	166	Children & Youth 104s	9
		Evidence Attachments in Alert	0

TRAINING REPORT



Training Report January 2021



According to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, police are expected to be more proactive and strive to prevent crime, while building relationships within the community. This is a delicate balance that is difficult to achieve and maintain. To that end, police training involves more than knowing how to pat down someone that's detained, or how to shoot a gun, it's also about listening to people, watching for trends, and preparing for outcomes. SARPD Officers maintain a high level of moral and ethical values, and will continue to achieve this through training and education.

Training

January 13, 2021, members of the SARPD Special Response Team attended shooting drills at the Brushy Mountain range.

January 18th through January 21st, 2021, Corporal K. Palmer and Lt. Raymond attended Cultural Humility/Implicit Bias Virtual Training, which was sponsored by the United Way.

January 25th through January 28th, 2021, Chief Lyon, Captain Gasper, Lt. Charles, Sgt. Lemond, Officer Taylor and Officer Cohowicz attended Cultural Humility/Implicit Bias Virtual Training, which was sponsored by the United Way.

January 27th, 2021, members of the SARPD Special Response Team attended search warrant and active shooter movement training at the Clearview School.

Officers have already begun to complete their yearly mandatory updates online.

2020 presented several dilemmas for agencies attempting to keep up with the training needs of their departments. 2021 shall not be any different with limited in person training due to Covid-19 restrictions and precautions, however SARPD is committed to maintain as much training as necessary to meet the expectations and professional standards that our community has been accustomed to. Cultural Diversity Training and Mental Health Training will continue to be one of our main priorities, while still combating Domestic Violence and Active Shooter incidents. Necessary Training will be met by attendance to virtual/online classes to accomplish this mission.

*Submitted by:
Lieutenant Scott Raymond*

DETECTIVE UNIT REPORT

January 2021

*Acting Lieutenant Susan Charles
Detective Corporal Emily Raymond
Detective Corporal John Miller
Detectives: Dan Munch, Robert Transue,
Joseph Susinskas and Dan Knowles*

For the Month of January 2021, the Detective Unit was involved in several activities within the member municipalities of Stroud Township and the Boroughs of Stroudsburg and East Stroudsburg.

Details of some of these activities follow;

MAJOR CRIMES

ASSAULTS

For the month of January, 2021 there were 2 aggravated assaults reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department. Of these assaults:

- 1 occurred in Stroudsburg Borough
- 1 occurred in Stroud Township
- 0 occurred in East Stroudsburg Borough

January 19, 2021 at approximately 5:30 p.m., the Stroud Area Regional Police Department was dispatched to 2040 Paradise Trail in Stroud Township for a report of shots fired within the residence.

When responding officers arrived, they made contact with the homeowner and 911 caller, Randy Halterman. Officers commanded him to put down the weapon and exit the premises. Halterman complied and was escorted from the residence and placed in a patrol vehicle.

During a canvass of the residence, officers found a female who was lying on her back and claiming to have been shot in the stomach. She was calling out a name and the officers located a male nearby lying face down with no signs of life.

The male was pronounced dead at the scene with multiple gunshot wounds. He was identified as 20-year-old Adam Schultz from East Stroudsburg. The female was transported to a local hospital via helicopter. The female suffered two gunshot wounds, one to the upper chest and one to the abdomen.

Halterman stated that he was in his home on the second floor and had heard a noise which he thought was an animal. Approximately a half hour later, he heard another sound which he believed was people talking inside his home. Halterman stated that he heard a male's voice talking to someone and mentioning items that were in the home. Halterman retrieved his .22 caliber handgun and pointed it in the direction of the voices. Halterman proceeded to move a curtain that he uses as a divider and he saw two persons that were approximately 10 feet from where he was. He stated that both were holding flashlights so he fired one shot at each. He then stated that the two had fled and were going towards the stairs that lead to the first floor exit. Halterman saw the two on the bottom of the stairs and fired approximately four more shots. Halterman then called 911.

Randy Halterman, a 66-year-old white male from East Stroudsburg, was arrested and charged with the following crimes:

- Criminal Homicide- Felony 1
- Attempted Criminal Homicide- Felony 1
- Aggravated Assault- Felony 1

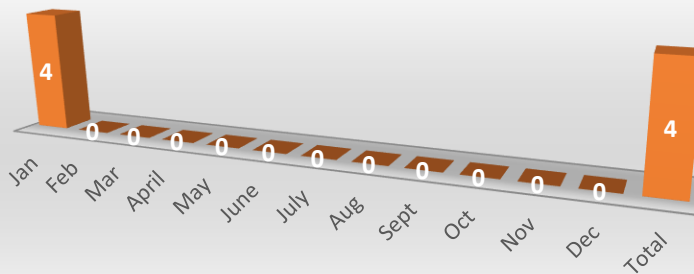
He was arraigned this morning by District Justice Germano. Bail was denied. He is currently incarcerated at the Monroe County Correction Facility.

January 20, 2021, Patrol units were dispatched for a report of a male in the street displaying a firearm. Multiple Units responded to the location on Main Street located in the Borough of Stroudsburg. Upon arrival Patrol Units located multiple people in the street and found the original male with the firearm went back into the residence. While Patrol Units were speaking to the people in the street a male exited the apartment with a head injury. The on call Detective was contacted to assist in the investigation. The scene was processed and multiple interviews were conducted. An arrest was made by the on call Detective for assault and firearm not to be possessed by a convict.

SEX & FAMILY CRIMES

For the month of January 2021, 4 new sex crimes and possible child abuse cases were reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department, 3 cases were referred to the Detective Unit for further investigation.

Sex Crimes/ Child Abuse



	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
■	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

In relation to the above assigned cases 1 was a sex crime, 2 were suspected child abuse cases.

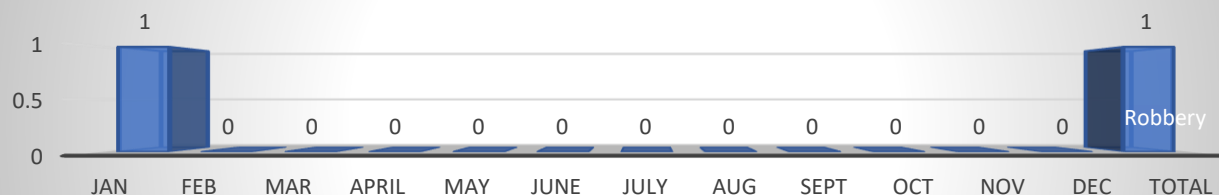
Of the 3 cases that were assigned all subsequently remain under investigation.

In the majority of these open cases, the alleged perpetrators are known or have been identified through investigation. The investigations are still ongoing to determine if an actual crime was committed and if so to establish enough probable cause to make an arrest. Due to the nature of these crimes and/or the age of the victims no further information can be released at this time.

ROBBERY

For the month of January 2021, the Stroud Area Regional Police Department received one report of robbery.

Robbery



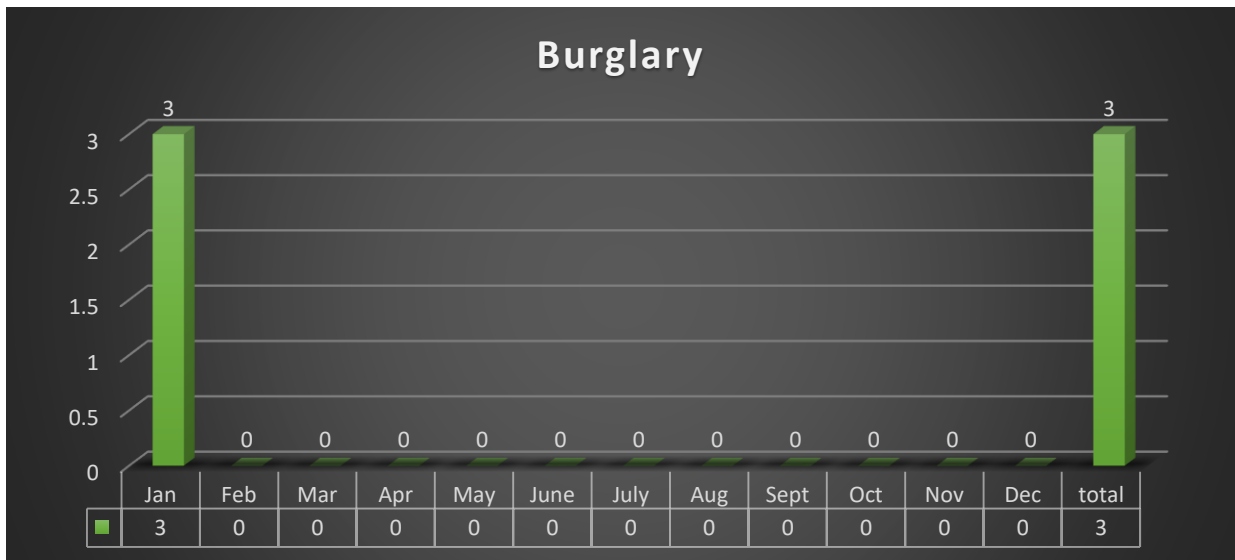
	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
■ Robbery	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

On January 1, 2021 Patrol Units were dispatched to a residence located in Stroud Township regarding a robbery with an assault. Patrol Units arrived and as a result of the initial investigation learned that a physical assault to include strangulation had occurred. During the physical assault the male stole the victims cell phone and tied the victim up while threatening her. Patrol made an arrest for felony robbery with assault. The Detective Unit was not contacted to assist in the investigation.

BURGLARY

For the month of January 2021, the Stroud Area Regional Police Department responded to 3 burglary calls that were reported within the member municipalities. Of these Burglary reports;

- 0 occurred in Stroudsburg Borough
- 2 occurred in Stroud Township
- 1 occurred in East Stroudsburg Borough



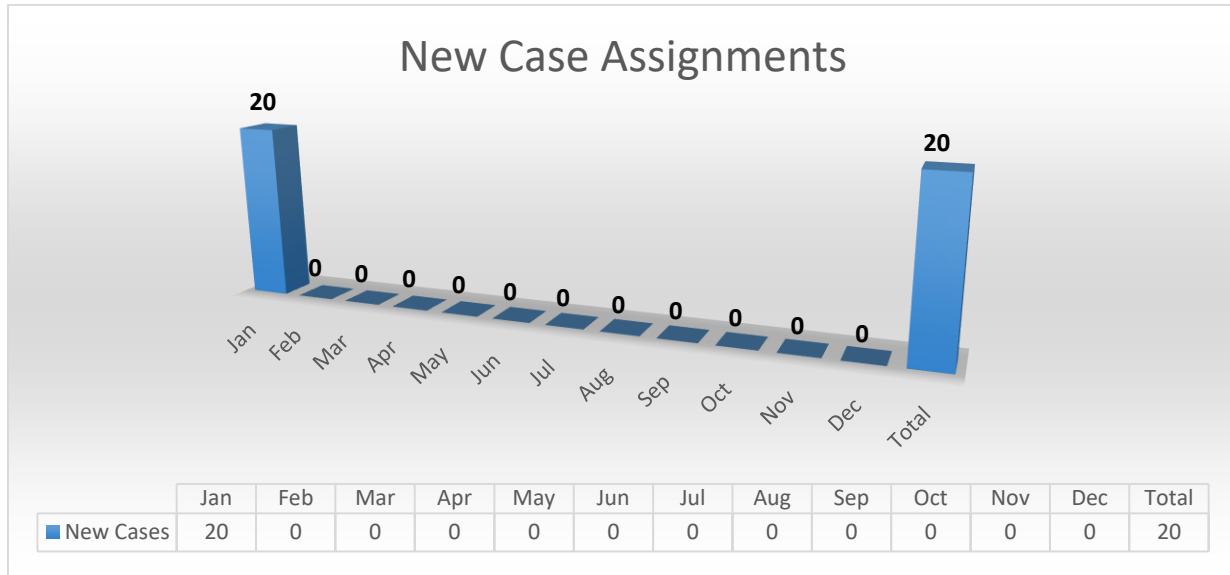
Patrol Officers conducted 3 Burglary investigations. Of the 3 investigations Patrol subsequently arrested 2 actors for Burglary. Patrol Officers requested processing assistance from the Detective Unit. The Burglary investigations were kept with the arresting Officers.

UNATTENDED DEATHS

For the month of January 2021, there were 2 death cases, through investigation 1 case has been closed due to natural/medical conditions. The remaining 1 death investigation is a suspected drug over dose resulting in death cases. The DDRD, (drug delivery resulting in death) are joint investigations with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office and County Detectives as required by the Monroe County death protocols. The investigations include scene processing, multiple search warrants and continued interviews.

The Detective Unit was contacted on all of the above death cases and continues to work the Monroe County District Attorney's Office and Monroe County Coroner's Office as required with equivocal deaths.

NEW CASE ASSIGNMENTS



During the month of January 2021, 20 new cases and assignments were referred to the Detective Unit.

*Submitted by:
Detective Sergeant Susan Charles*

ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

January 2021 Monthly Report

Corporal Kenneth Palmer
Corporal John Miller, Corporal Brandon Fenner, Corporal George Dobson, Officer Steven Cohen

During the month of January:

- Accident Reconstruction members continued to assist SARPD Patrol Officers with accident investigations that required further investigation, but did not rise to the level of a reconstruction investigation.
- SARPD continues to participate with the Highway Safety Network. Lieutenant Scott Raymond and Corporal Kenneth Palmer continue to attend monthly meetings.

*Submitted by:
Corporal K. Palmer*

QUALITY OF LIFE



Stroud Area Regional Police Quality of Life Report (QOL) January 2021



The following report contains data from known quality of life issues that affect our community. SARPD has a "Quality of Life" patrol, to deter and prevent underage and dangerous drinking behaviors. Officers on patrol also contribute to known quality of life issues in our community by providing foot patrols and keeping an eye on known "hot spots" for current violations.

January 2021:

Panhandling Complaints: The SARPD did not receive any complaints for panhandling in the month of January.



COMMUNITY POLICING



Stroud Area Regional Police Community Policing Report January 2021 Monthly Report



Community policing is a philosophy that promotes organizational strategies that support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as crime, social disorder, and fear of crime. In order for a police department to accomplish this, the police need to know their community members and the community member need to know their police officers. The SARPD believes in the community policing approach and strives to know their community on a one to one basis.

- Due to Covid19 and weather related issues, there were no community events in January.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

School Resource Officer Program

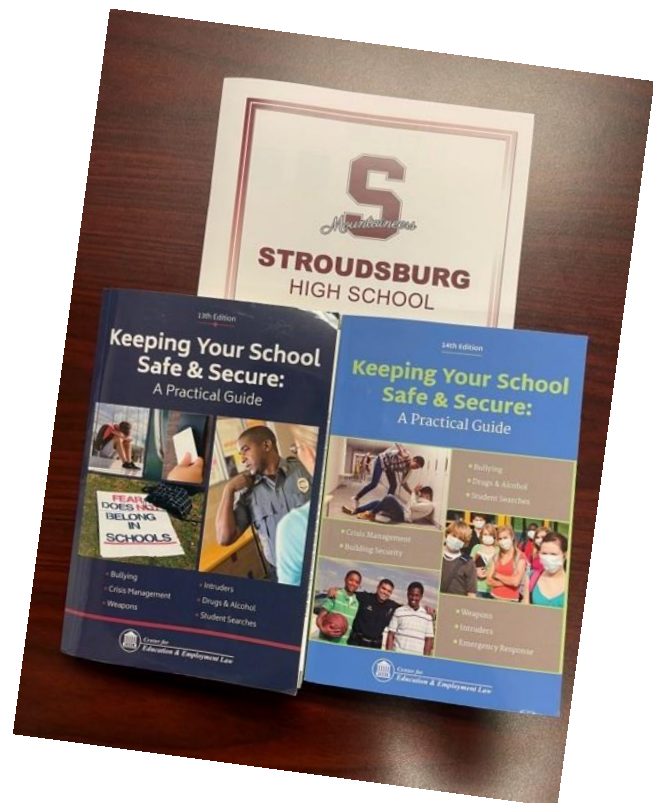
Stroudsburg Area School District

2020/ 2021 School Year

January 2021- Monthly Report

Officer Robert Cohowicz

January 2021



As the 2020/2021 Stroudsburg school year commenced, it was clear the educational environment has changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In lieu of all students attending, the district adopted a hybrid model where students with last name A-M attend Mondays and Tuesdays while remaining students attend Thursdays and Fridays. All students attend virtual on Wednesdays. Students also have the opportunity to attend full remove. This has certainly created a challenge for our teachers to teach both in school and remotely at the same time.

*** During the month of January, school returned to the hybrid model Starting on January 18th, 2021. In addition to the original hybrid models from 2020, the High School, and Junior High School are implementing a 4-day hybrid program bringing more students into the buildings. The Middle School should be following the same model starting in February.***

This month at the Stroudsburg School District, Officer Cohowicz investigated and took reports on the following:



High School Incidents

- Investigated a student who reported to have had a domestic incident with her mother at home.
- Investigated Safe to Say Something tip regarding an individual wanting to remain anonymous. This person reported they were sexually assaulted by a male student. Investigation ongoing.

Chipperfield Campus Incidents

Chipperfield Elementary School
Arlington Elementary School
Middle School

- Nothing to report

Stroudsburg Jr. High School

- Investigated female student who reported her nude photograph was posted all over Snap Chat. Investigation ongoing.

Activities and Law Related Education

This month in the Stroudsburg Area School District School Resource Officers attended the following events:

Officer Cohowicz attended the following:

- Guest Speaker in Mr. Haggerty's 9th grade zoom class regarding racial injustice and other topics. Spoke about issues between society and police.
- Meeting via Zoom with the Heritage Affairs Division of PSP, SHS Student Rep, and SARPD Chief Lyon regarding the formation of a Youth Police Advisory Council.
- Meeting via Zoom with Heritage Affairs Division of PSP regarding Cultural Diversity presentation.
- Met with principals at Chipperfield and Arlington Elementary and walked through the buildings.
- Attended Emergency Operation Planning Committee Zoom meeting
- Attended via Zoom Courageous Conversations about Cultural Awareness training provided by the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley. (8 hours)
- Worked with SASD I.T. department to focus and improve camera system within the high school
- Attended (2) Varsity Boys basketball games at SHS

Arrests

Stroudsburg High School

Numerous investigations resulted in the issuance of **0 Non-Traffic citation, 0 juvenile petitions, and 0 School Bus Red Light Investigations.**

Of the citations issued:

NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS: **0**

(DC cite off property / non-school related)

CRIMINAL ARRESTS/ JUV. PETITIONS: **0**

THEFTS: **0**

0 thefts were reported for a total value of **\$0.00** and **0 items** were entered into NCIC and **\$0.00** in stolen merchandise was recovered .



Chipperfield Campus

Numerous investigations resulted in the issuance of **0 Non-Traffic citations, 0 Written Allegations, and 0 School Bus Red Light Investigations.**

Of the citations issued:

NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS: **0**

CRIMINAL ARRESTS/ Written Allegations:: **0**

THEFTS: **0**

0 thefts were reported for a total value of **\$0.00** and **0 items** were entered into NCIC and **\$0.00** in stolen merchandise



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