



2022

ANNUAL REPORT

### MISSION STATEMENT

"To safeguard life and property by preserving the peace, order and safety of the community while enforcing the law in a fair and impartial manner."



### **CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against abuse or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or abuse and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession . . . law enforcement.

## **CORE VALUES**

#### **PROFESSIONALISM**

We are constantly striving toward ever-rising standards in our actions, conduct and job performance.

#### **RESPECT**

We recognize the authority we hold and will treat others as we would like to be treated. We will faithfully and without bias, honor our obligations to the community.

#### **INTEGRITY**

We are committed to the highest standards of honesty and ethical conduct, which are the cornerstones of our profession. We will uphold the public trust and our commitment to our core values.

#### **DEDICATION**

To the organization, each other, our families, and the citizens we serve, having an unquestionable work ethic.

### **EXCELLENCE**

In everything we do, seeking to improve and excel, always.

## **CITY GOVERNMENT**

### **MAYOR**

**Dan Carlson** 

### **NEKOOSA COMMON COUNCIL**

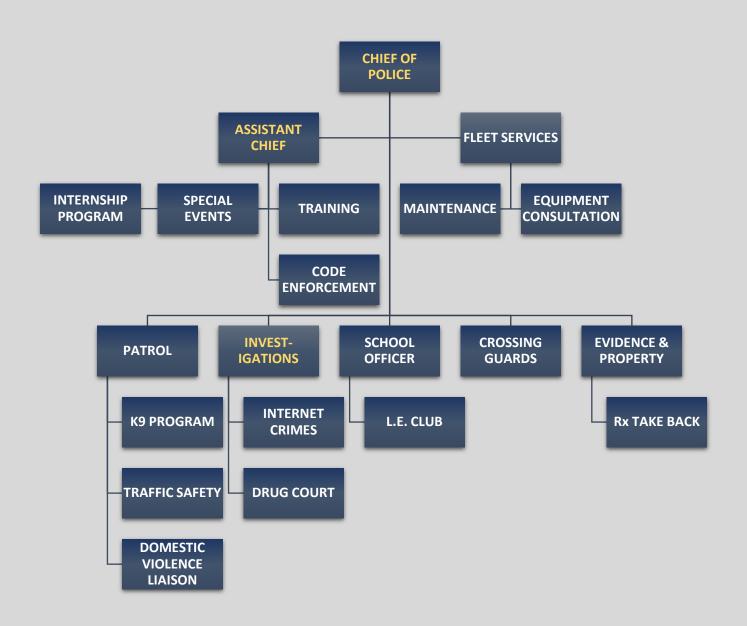
Brian Krubsack, Chairman – Public Safety Committee,
Larry Krubsack, Adam Buehring, Brad Hamilton, Dan Downing,
Garett Kuhn, Tony Carlson, Mike Kumm

### **POLICE COMMITTEE**

Ken Hilgers, John Reimer Sr., George Carlson



### **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



# **DEPARTMENT ROSTER**

FULL-TIME STAFF	POSITION
Shawn Woods	Chief of Police
Josh Kolo	Asst. Chief, School Resource Officer
Brian Machon	Detective
Chris Meyer	Patrolman, Evidence Technician, Field Training Officer
Andrew Berg	Patrolman, K9 Officer
Tim Resheske	Patrolman, Field Training Officer, Domestic Abuse Liaison
Josh Paltz	Patrolman
Luke Maher	Patrolman
PART-TIME STAFF	POSITION
Lonn Radtke	Patrolman
Cory Valiquette	Patrolman

### POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

American law enforcement in 2022 was no stranger to buzzwords like, "supply chain", "labor shortage", "lateral transfer" "risk management", and "emotional intelligence". Expectations to injur no one, offend no one, record everything, memorize an 800 page policy manual, hundreds of statutes and ordinances, hearing "these aren't my pants", and laugh at the phrase, "It wasn't me!" after hearing it for the milionth time are just a fraction of what law enforcement officers are faced with on a daily basis. We are thankful that Nekoosa has a proud tradition of supporting its police department. In return, it is my highest priority that we are a professional, transparent, proficient and dedicated to support a high quality of life for residents.

I have little to report in regard to equipment purchases for 2022 since the "labor shortage" and "supply chain" delayed or canceled equipment or vehicle purchases. Thankfully, Terry Fancher our very capable city mechanic keeps us rolling.

As 2022 rebounded from Covid-19, calls for service are still lower than usual but starting to trend upward.

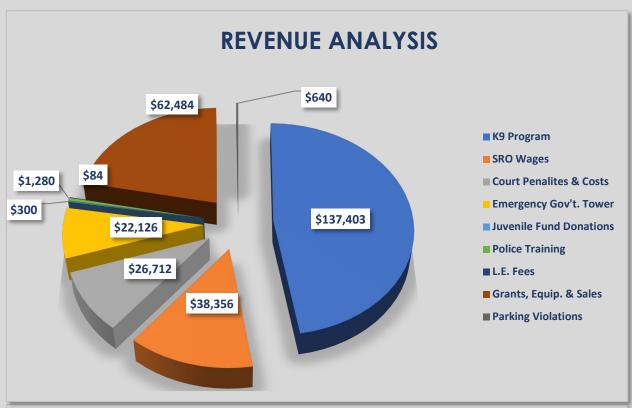
All officers completed required training and continue to work at a high level, each having their own expertiese and specialty. Assistant Chief Kolo does an outstanding job as School Resource Officer. He also is responsible for supervising department training, code enforcement and training defensive tacics and taser. Brian Machon continues his role of Detective and operates at a high level with a passion to curtail drug crimes and investigates other major crimes. He also is the department Vehicle Contacts instructor. Officer Meyer serves as the department property room manager. Evidence integrity is crucial to case management and prosecution. Officer Berg is our K9 Officer and firearms instructor, doing great at both. Officer Tim Resheske is the department traffic safety officer and domestic violence liaison. Officer Luke Maher is fitting in well and gaining valuable experience. In addition to regular patrol, each officer adds an element to the department making it a well-rounded, professional organization.

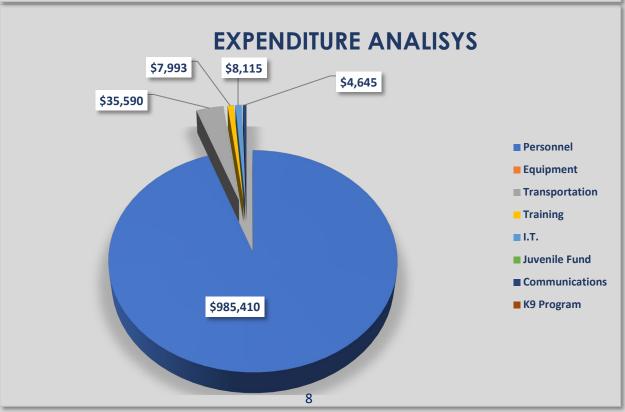
I'm proud to lead such an outstanding department for a great community!

Respectfully,

Hawn Look Chief of Police

### **DEPARTMENT FINANCES**





### PROPERTY & EVIDENCE

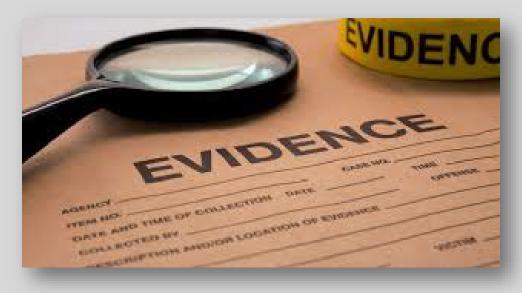
Property and Evidence is a vital segment of the operations of the Nekoosa Police Department. Officer Chris Meyer, the department evidence technician, stays current and accurate with the collection, processing and storage of all items taken into evidence. Officer Meyer's attention to this critical function is vital to prosecution of crimes and custody of property.

In 2022, <u>499</u> items were collected and processed into our evidence storage facilities.

Most items are stored in our secure police department facility and large items such as bicycles, vehicles and furniture are stored off-site. Currently there are 1,131 pieces of property stored by the Nekoosa Police Department.

2022 PROPERTY ACTIVITY	FREQUENCY
Items Collected	499
Sent to Crime Lab	26
Items Returned to Owner	52
Items Destroyed	509
Items Retained for Dept. Use	88
Items Transferred to Other Agency	10

In an effort to combat prescription drug abuse, the department continues to provide the drug-drop box in the city office lobby. We also participate in bi-annual DEA sponsored prescription drug "take back" events. In 2022, over 100 pounds of unused prescription drugs and medications were collected by the Nekoosa Police Department through the drop box and events to reduce abuse and harmful environmental impact on our groundwater.



### **K9 PROGRAM**

K9 Ivo had 98 deployments and successfully located more than 3 grams of fentanyl, approximately 1 pound 4 ounces of THC, 13.2 grams of Meth, and over 1 gram of heroin. Numerous medications were located during the searches including Xanax and other controlled substances. Items of paraphernalia were located including digital scales, syringes, cut straws, glass pipes and gem baggies.

K9 Ivo was utilized during search warrants executed by the Nekoosa Police Department and Wood County Sheriff's Department.

K9 Ivo was used to conduct school sniffs at Nekoosa High School, Port Edwards and Wisconsin Rapids Schools, including the alternative school in Grand Rapids.

Some notable achievements for K9 Ivo:

 On April 30, 2022 K9 Ivo was used for a free air sniff in the Town of Saratoga on a traffic stop conducted by the Wood County Sheriff's Department. More than 1.12 pounds of THC wax/butter was located as well as over 1.5 ounces of raw marijuana. Paraphernalia items were also located.



- On July 29, 2022 K9 Ivo was by the Port Edwards Police Department to conduct a track behind the old Port Mill. K9 Ivo tracked to a suspected marijuana grow located along the rivers edge.
- K9 Ivo was used a community presentation tool during both days of Nekoosa Pumpkinfest.
- On January 24, 2022 K9 Ivo was used after a suspect crashed their car in the town of Saratoga and fled the scene. K9 Ivo indicated on the vehicle which led to over an ounce of marijuana being located inside the vehicle.
- His best: K9 Ivo was requested by the GRPD Police Department on November 6, 2022. K9 Ivo was asked to track a female juvenile runaway who was believed to be in Nepco Park. K9 Ivo successfully located the track and followed it for approximately 1 mile to where she was hiding. K9 Ivo is believed to have

### K9 PROGRAM

possibly saved her life due to an extreme drop in temperatures and her location in the deep wooded area and lack of resources.

The Nekoosa K9 Unit trains monthly with members of the Wood County Sheriff's Department, Wisconsin Rapids Police Department and occasionally Marshfield Police Department and Sentry Insurance Security. K9 Ivo trains for 12 hours monthly to keep his abilities sharp.

K9 Ivo successfully completed his recertification in May 2022. He is currently certified in narcotics, handler protection, tracking, obedience and aggression. He is certified by Jessiffany Canine Services, the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Canine Handlers Association and the American Police Canine Association.



### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Assistant Chief Kolo continues to serve the department and school district as School Resource Officer. His support to the district administrative team is quite unique. Most SRO's do not engage in day-to-day operations like Josh does. His connection with students is such a valuable asset as he fills roles as officer, teacher, counselor and friend.

The 2021 - 2022 returned to a more normal setting following Covid-19. The Law Enforcement Club returned as well.

The following are some safety topics that are continued to be taught:

- Internet Safety
- Bike Safety
- Stranger Danger
- Alcohol/Drug awareness
- Crosswalk Safety
- ALICE





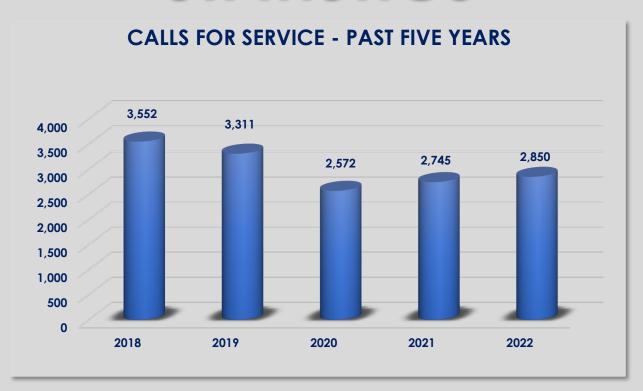
## CODE ENFORCEMENT

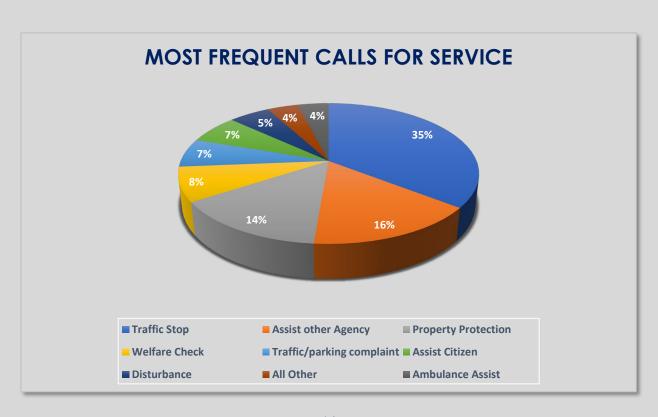
Assistant Chief Kolo fills another very important role within the department as code enforcement officer. Largely during spring break and summer, there is an increased focus on city beautification. Ordinance enforcement primarily includes junk, unlicensed and/or unregistered vehicles and recreation equipment, long weeds and grass and dilapidated structures.

Assistant Chief Kolo reports the following activity:

#### 2022 CODE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

Dilapidated Building letters issued	8
Dilapidated Building Citations	2
Vehicle notices	39
Vehicle Citations	3
Junk Notices	27
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Long grass/noxious weed notices	88
Properties mowed/billed by the City	15





### **Calls For Service**

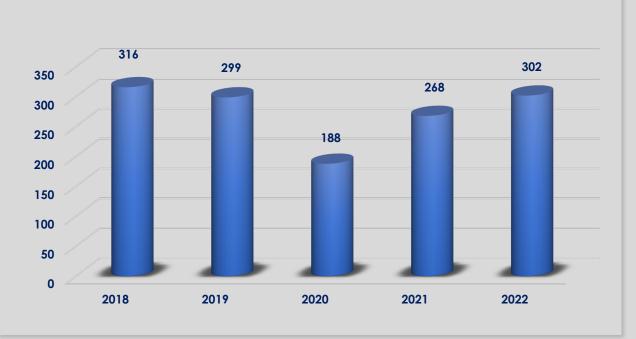
Alarms	30
All Other	96
Ambulance Call	72
Animal Complaint	64
Assist Citizen	131
Assist Motorist	29
Assist Other Agency	344
Attempt To Locate	2
Battery/assault	1
Burglary	3
Civil Matter	15
Computer Crimes	6
Court	6
Criminal Damage	17
Death/suicide	1
Disturbances	125
Domestic Problem	2
Drugs-sale/manufacture/possess	17
Escort	52
Escort - Funeral	7
Extra Patrol	4
Fire Call	14
Follow Up	68
Injured/dead Animal	1
Liquor/Tobacco Violation	7
Lost & Found	18
Lost or Found Animals	21
Mental/Alcohol Problem	4
Missing Person	9
Motor Vehicle Theft	2
Off-Road Vehicle Complaint	1
Ordinance Enforcement	22
Paper Service	2
Property Protection	299
Prowler - Suspicious Person/Vehicle	30

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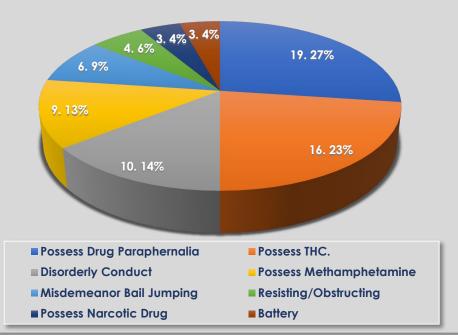
School Zones	41
Search Warrant	8
Sexual Offense	6
Special Detail	24
Telephone Abuse	16
Theft	34
Traffic Accident - deer	7
Traffic Accident - hit & run	12
Traffic Accident - personal injury	7
Traffic Accident - property damage	34
Traffic Complaints	1
Traffic Inquiry	15
Traffic Stop	1
Traffic Stop	770
Traffic/Parking Complaint	148
Training	1
Trespassing	1
Trespassing	6
Utility Problems	14
Walking the Beat	1
Wanted Person Check	4
Warrant Pick-up	16
Welfare Check	157
Total	2,850











#### 2022 Arrests & Citations

10.05(7) DILAPIDATED BUILDING	2
10.06(3) STORAGE OF INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLE	0
10.06(4) STORAGE OF UNLICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES	2
10.06(5) STORAGE OF JUNK & REFUSE	2
118.15 Habitual School Truancy	1
118.15(1) Habitual School Truancy	10
118.16 Truancy	4
118-163(2) HABITUAL TRUANCY	1
12.02(1) JUVENILE ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS	1
12.02(14) UNDERAGE-POSSESS OR CONSUME ALCOHOL VIOL	1
12.09(1) Elections Law Violation	2
12.09(2) UNLICENSED DOG	2
12.09(7)(B) DOG/MOLEST/ATTACK/ASSAULT PERSON	0
12.09(7)(C) PERMITTING DOG/CAT TO RUN LOOSE	8
174.042(1)(a) Dog Running at Large	6
23.33 ATV VIOLATION	1
23.33(3)(A) Operate ATV or UTV in Careless Way	0
23.33(3)(ht) Operate ATV or UTV improperly on routes/trails/lands/roadway	0
254.92(2) Minor Possesses or Purchases Tobacco	1
341.03(1) Operate After Rev/Susp Of Registration	1
341.04(1) Non-Registration of Vehicle, Etc	14
341.04(2) Improper Registration of Vehicle	2
341.61(2) Display Unauth. Veh. Registration Plate	1
341.62 Display False Vehicle Registration Plate	4
342.15(5) Failure to Transfer Vehicle Title	1
343.05(3)(A) Operate without Valid License	13
343.05(3)(B) Operate Motorcycle w/o Valid License	2
343.43(1)(D) Violate Driving License Restrictions	5
343.44(1)(A) Operating While Suspended	59
343.44(1)(B) Operating While Revoked	31
343.45(2) Permit Unauthorized Person to Drive	2
344.62(1) Operating a motor vehicle w/o insurance	26
344.62(2) Operating motor vehicle w/o proof of insurance	22
346.04(1) Fail/Obey Traffic Officer Signal/Order	2
346.04(2) Failure to Obey Traffic Officer/Signal	2
346.04(3) Vehicle Operator Flee/Elude Officer	0
346.05(1) Operating Left of Center Line	4
346.06 Meeting of Vehicle-Wrong Side	1
346.07(3) Failure to Yield to Passing Vehicle	1

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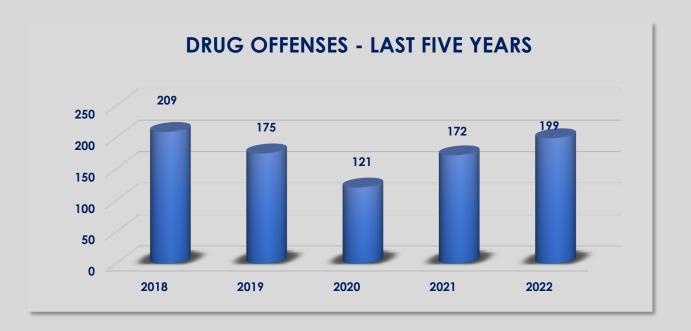
346.09(3) Passing in No-Passing Zone	1
346.13(3) Deviation from Designated Lane	1
346.18(3) Fail/Yield Right/Way from Stop Sign	1
346.31(3) Improper Left Turn	1
346.34(1)(B) Fail to Signal Turn	2
346.37(1)(c)1 Operator Violate Red Traffic Light	1
346.37(1)(c)3 Operator Make Illegal Right Turn on Red	1
346.46(1) Fail/Stop at Stop Sign	7
346.57(2) Unreasonable and Imprudent Speed	6
346.57(3) Driving Too Fast for Conditions	2
346.57(4)(A) Speeding in School Zones	1
346.57(4)(E) Speeding on City Highway	46
346.57(4)(EM) Speeding on City Service Road	1
346.57(4)(F) Speeding in Outlying District	27
346.57(4)(gm)2. Speeding on Freeway	1
346.57(4)(I) Speeding in Public Park/15 MPH Zone	1
346.62(2) Reckless Driving-Endanger Safety	1
346.63 OAWI	3
346.63(1)(A) Operating While under the Influence	33
346.63(1)(AM) Operate with Restricted Controlled Substance	7
346.63(1)(B) Operating with PAC	12
346.67(1) Hit and Run	1
346.675(1) Vehicle Owner's Liability for Failing to Stop at Scene of Accident	1
346.68 Hit and Run-Unattended Vehicle	2
346.69 Hit and Run-Property Adjacent to Highway	1
346.70(1) Failure to Notify Police of Accident	4
346.89(3)(a) Texting While Driving	1
346.93(1) Minor Transporting Intoxicants in MV	1
346.935(2) Possess Open Intoxicants in MV	5
346.935(3) Keep Open Intoxicants in MV	1
347.06(3) Unclean/Defective Lights or Reflectors	2
347.09(1)(A) Operate Motor Vehicle w/o 2 Headlights	3
347.39(1) Operate Motor Veh. w/o Adequate Muffler	1
347.41 Speedometer Violations	1
347.413(1) Ignition Interlock Device Tampering/Failure to Install	8
347.48(2M)(B) Vehicle Operator Fail/Wear Seat Belt	3
347.48(2M)(D) Vehicle Passenger Fail to Wear Seat Belt	1
347.48(4)(AM) Violation of Child Safety Restraint Requirements	1
450 11(7) POSS PRESCRIPTION DRIIG W/O PRESCRIPTION	2

#### 2022 Arrests & Citations cont.

7.10 DISORDERLY CONDUCT/MOTOR VEHICLE	4
9.09NKPD ANIMALS/POULTRY NOT TO RUN AT LARGE	1
9.19(4) MINOR POSSESS/BUYING TOBACCO PROHIBITED	13
9.21(1)NKPD HABITUAL TRUANCY	1
9.21(4)(b) TRUANCY-1ST OFFENSE	3
9.21(5)(G) HABITUAL TRUANCY	1
9.21(9)(A) HABITUAL TRUANCY-PARENTAL 1ST OFFENSE	1
9.22(2)(a) Possession of THC, Synthetic Cannabinoid	1
9.22(2)(b) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	1
9.941.23 CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPON	1
9.943.20 THEFT	3
9.946.41 RESIST/OBSTRUCTING	1
9.947.01 DISORDERLY CONDUCT	3
9.961.41(3g)(e) POSSESSION OF THC	20
9.961.573 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	11
940.19(1) Battery	10
940.19(2) Substantial Battery-Intend Bodily Harm	1
940.225(3M) 4th Degree Sexual Assault	1
940.23(2)(a) 2nd Degree Reckless Injury	1
940.235(1) Strangulation and Suffocation	1
940.45(7) Intimidate Victim/Act Of Domestic Abuse	1
941.23(2) Carry Concealed Weapon	3
941.29(1M) POSSESSION OF FIREARM BY FELON	1
941.29(1m)(b) Possess Firearm-Convicted of Out-of-State Felony	1
941.30(1) 1st-Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety	1
941.30(2) 2nd-Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety	2
941.375(2) Throw/Discharge Bodily Fluid at Public Safety Worker or Prosecutor	1
943.01(1) Criminal Damage to Property	5
943.10(1m)(a) Burglary-Building or Dwelling	1
943.14 CRIMINAL TRESPASS TO DWELLING	1
943.20(1)(A) Theft-Movable Property	4
943.20(3)(D)5 Penalty-Theft if Property is Firearm	1
943.201(2) UNUTH USE OF INDIVIDUALS ID OR DOC/INFO	2
943.23 OPERATE AUTO W/O OWNER'S CONSENT	2
943.41(5)(A)1(A) CREDIT CARD-FRAUDULENT USE	1
946.12(4) Misconduct/Office-Fraud/Record/Statement	1
946.41(1) Resisting or Obstructing an Officer	11
946.49(1)(A) Bail Jumping-Misdemeanor	17
946.49(1)(B) Bail Jumping-Felony	10

#### 2022 Arrests & Citations cont.

946.65(1) Obstructing Justice	1
947.01 DISORDERLY CONDUCT	8
947.01(1) Disorderly Conduct	23
947.013(1R)(A) Harassment-Threat of Fear of Death	1
948.02(1)(e) 1st Degree Child Sex Assault - under Age of 13	2
948.03(2)(B) Child Abuse-Intentionally Cause Harm	2
948.03(5)(a)3 "Physical Abuse of a Child, Repeated Acts - Great Bodily Harm"	1
948.07(1) Child Enticement-Sexual Contact	1
948.11(2)(A) Expose Child to Harmful Material	1
948.21(1)(A) Neglecting a Child	2
948.21(2)(g) NEGLECTING A CHILD (Exposure Drug Abuse)	7
948.40(1) Intention. Contribute/Delinquency Child	1
948.61(2)(A) Possess Dangerous Weapon at School	1
951.02 Mistreatment of Animals	1
951.18(1) Penalty-Crimes Against Animals	1
961.41(1)(A) "Manufacture/Deliver Schedule I, II Narcotics"	3
961.41(1M)(A) Possess w/Intent/Deliver Narcotics	1
961.41(1M)(CM)4 Possess w/Intent-Cocaine (>40g)	2
961.41(1M)(D)3. POSSESS W/INTENT-HEROIN(	2
961.41(1m)(h)1 Possess w/Intent-THC (<=200 grams)	4
961.41(3G)(AM) Possession of Narcotic Drugs	10
961.41(3G)(B) Possession of Controlled Substance	1
961.41(3G)(C) Possession of Cocaine/Coca	5
961.41(3G)(E) Possession of THC	48
961.41(3G)(G) Possession of Methamphetamine	28
961.42(1) Maintain Drug Trafficking Place	8
961.573(1) Possess Drug Paraphernalia	55
961.573(2) Possess Drug Paraphernalia-Under 17	1
968.075(5)(a)1 Contact after Domestic Abuse Arrest	1
TR305.30(2) Vehicle Tires w/Less than 2/32 In Tread	1
Total	805



### 2022 Drug Offenses

9.961.41(3g)(e) Possession of THC	20
9.961.573 Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	11
961.41(1)(A) "Manufacture/Deliver Schedule I, II Narcotics"	3
961.41(1M)(A) Possess w/Intent/Deliver Narcotics	1
961.41(1M)(CM)4 Possess w/Intent-Cocaine (>40g)	2
961.41(1M)(D)3. Possess W/ Intent - Heroin	2
961.41(1m)(h)1 Possess w/Intent-THC (<=200 grams)	4
961.41(3G)(AM) Possession of Narcotic Drugs	10
961.41(3G)(B) Possession of Controlled Substance	1
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961.42(1) Maintain Drug Trafficking Place	8
961.573(1) Possess Drug Paraphernalia	55
961.573(2) Possess Drug Paraphernalia-Under 17	1
Total	199

