# Stroud Area Regional Police Department Monthly Report



**June 2021** 

Report to Police Commission

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# **INTRODUCTION**

July 13th, 2021

Stroud Area Regional Police Commission

RE: Month of June Report to Commission

**Dear Commission Member:** 

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

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

Sincerely,

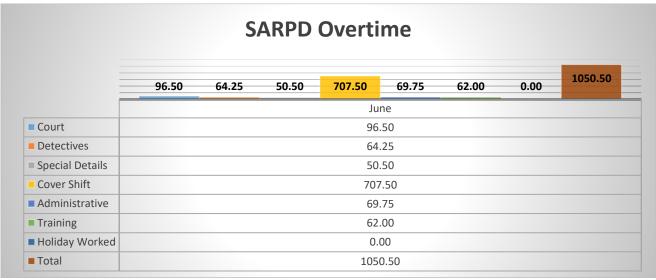
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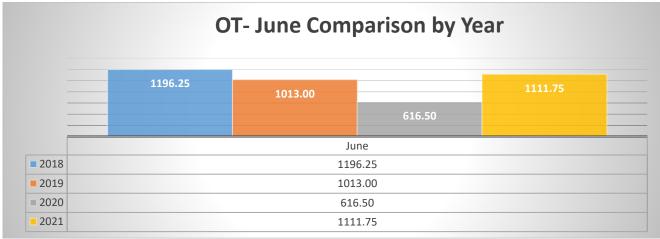
Jennifer Lyon, Chief of Police Stroud Area Regional Police Department



# STATISTICS OVERTIME

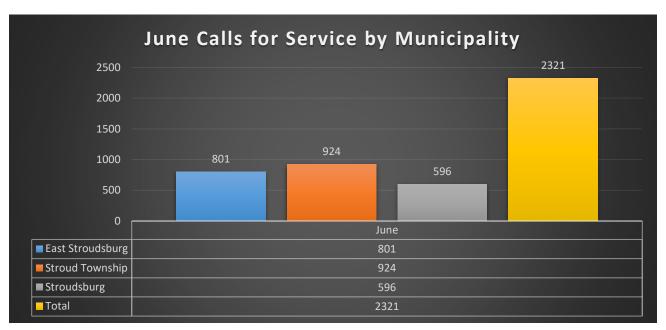
Reimbursed OT	Total:	61.25
DEA Task Force	30.00	
FBI Task Force	18.25	
Monroe County Drug Task Force	5.00	
Housing	8.00	
SARPD OT	Total:	1050.50
Court	93.50	
Detectives	64.25	
Special Details	50.50	
Cover Shift	707.50	
Administrative	69.75	
Training	62.00	
Holiday Worked	0.00	
Total June Overtime		1111.75

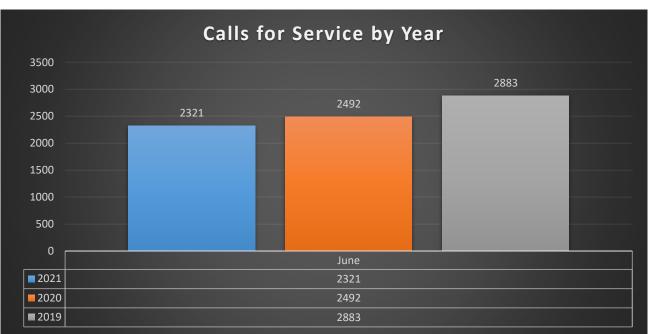




# **CALLS FOR SERVICE**

Calls for Service	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	Total Year to Date
2021	1945	1778	2101	2157	2253	2321	12,555





# **UNIFORM CRIME REPORT**

June- OFFENSES	NUMBER REPORTED	ADULTS ARRESTED	JUVENILES ARRESTED
MURDER	0	0	0
RAPE	0	0	0
ROBBERY	2	0	0
ASSAULT	12	7	1
BURGLARY	3	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT	45	16	2
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	1	0	0
FRAUD	28	1	0
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	0
RECEIVING/POSSESSING STOLEN PROPERTY	2	1	0
VANDALISM	14	1	0
WEAPONS CARRYING	2	1	0
PROSTITUTION	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	1	0	0
DRUG ABUSE	25	23	0
GAMBLING	0	0	0
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY/CHILDREN	5	1	0
DUI	21	17	0
LIQUOR LAW	0	0	0
DRUNKENNESS	14	13	0
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	46	16	0
ALL OTHER	50	9	0
TOTAL	271	106	3

REPORTED STOLEN PROPERTY

\$221,506.00

RECOVERED STOLEN PROPERTY

\$13,464.00

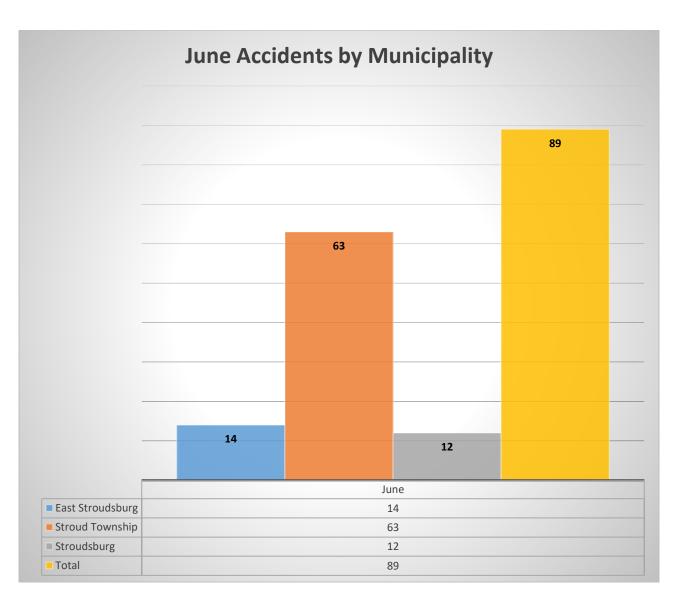
# **ACCIDENTS**

Accidents

EAST STROUDSBURG STROUD TOWNSHIP STROUDSBURG TOTAL

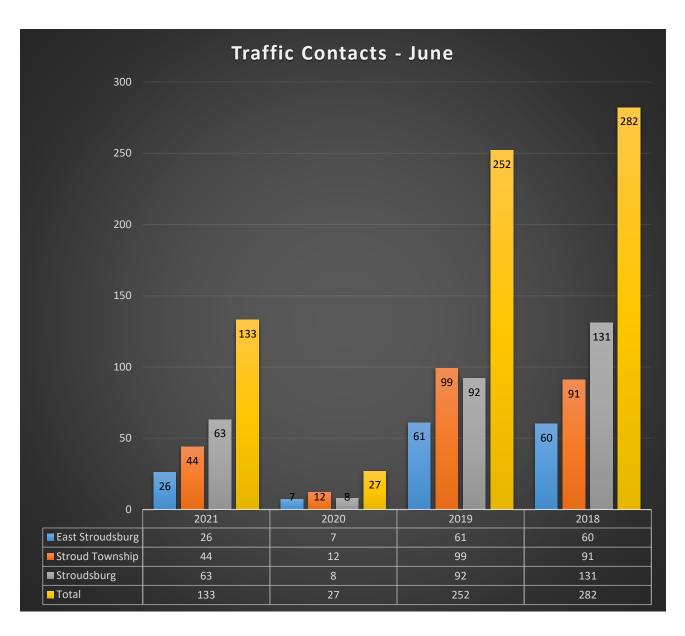
June 2021	2020	2019	2018
14	10	19	32
63	27	63	47
12	12	26	27
89	49	108	106

NUMBER INJURED	9	5	13	15
FATALITIES	0	0	0	0



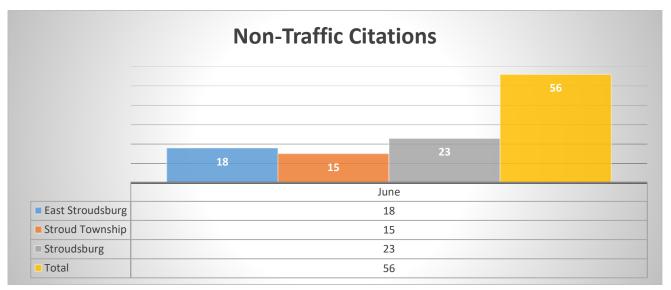
TRAFFIC CONTACTS

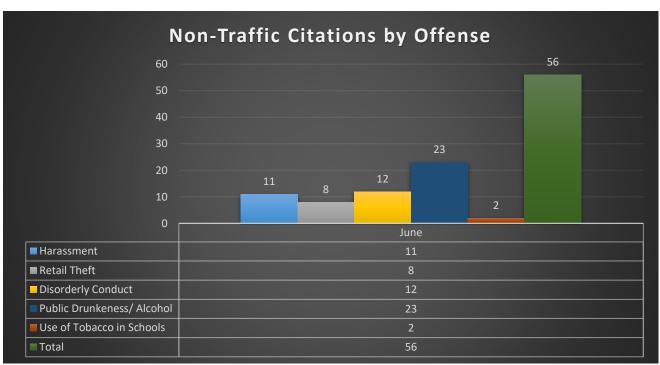
June Traffic Contacts	2021	2020	2019	2018
EAST STROUDSBURG	26	7	61	60
STROUD TOWNSHIP	44	12	99	91
STROUDSBURG	63	8	92	131
TOTAL	133	27	252	282
Parking	127	171	127	162



# **NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS**

Non-Traffic Citations	June
EAST STROUDSBURG	18
STROUD TOWNSHIP	15
STROUDSBURG	23
TOTAL	56





# SUPPORT STAFF SUPPORT STAFF JUNE 2021

Phone Calls Total	1018	Administrative Assists	21
Personal Contacts Total	267	Officer Assists	49
Right to Know Requests	21	Warrants In/Out	4
Reports Requested (Subpoena/Gov Agencies)	49	Dissemination Log	113
Accident Reports Requested	36	Gun Permits Look Up & Entries	49
Background Lookup & Entries	36	Expungements	9
Filing Case Files	76	Validations	7
Chits Total	3	Property Releases	3
ALERT Superperson Corrections	545	Fingerprints Entered	104
PFA's - New & Removed	55	MCCF Corrections	130
Parking Tickets Total	127	Children & Youth 104s	13
Other	12	Evidence Attachments in Alert	892

## TRAINING REPORT



# Training Report June 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**

**June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**, members of the SARPD Hiring Board administered oral exams for the position of Probationary Police Officer. 5 Candidates participated in the exam, and the list was officially certified by the police commission on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021**, Cpl. John Miller attended SWAT Command Decision Making and Leadership I Course in Yonkers, NY.

**June 14<sup>th</sup> - June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021**, Officer Ralphie Ortega attended Level 1, On-Scene Collision Investigation training at the Northeast Training Center.

June 14th, 2021, Officer Robert Cohowicz attended TASER Instructor Training in Wayne, NJ.

**June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021**, Cpl. John Miller attended Social Media and Open Source Investigation Training. This course was an online training.

June 16th, 2021, Chief Jennifer Lyon attended Advanced Leadership for a "Police Reform" Era.

**June 17**th, **2021**, Officer Steve Cohen attended a Street Cop Seminar titled "Survival Tactics for Police Officers". The class was held in Windsor, NJ.

**June 21, 2021**, Lt. Scott Raymond attended "Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety" training. The training will assist the command staff in data collection and analysis to help identify "Hot Spots", and provide that information to officers on the street so that they can focus their enforcement in these particular areas.

**June 24, 2021**, Detective Knowles attended "DF100 Basic Digital Forensic Analysis: Seizure". The course introduces the information and techniques law enforcement personnel need to safely and methodically collect and preserve digital evidence.

Lieutenant Scott Raymond

#### **DETECTIVE UNIT REPORT**



# Stroud Area Regional Police Detective Unit June 2021



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 June 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 June, 2021 there were 4 aggravated assaults reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department. Of these assaults:

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

Of the assault cases reported, an arrest was made by Patrol Officers in 2 cases due to the immediate nature of the call. Prosecution was declined by the Monroe County District Attorney's Office in regards to one case, as more evidence was needed. One case has been closed. The Detective Unit assisted in 2 of the above assault investigations.

On June 20, 2021, Patrol was dispatched to the Borough of East Stroudsburg for a domestic assault with a weapon involved. The victim caller reported that her children's father had assaulted her by hitting her in the head with a gun. Upon the arrival of multiple Patrol Units, contact was made with the female caller who was still in her vehicle. The victim had sustained a large laceration to the right side of her head and ear, and a smaller laceration to the inside of her left ear. The initial investigation revealed that the victim reported she was meeting the father of her children to pick up her 3-year-old son. Upon arrival to the residence, the father refused to turn the child over to her. The victim again requested the child be put into the car seat stating it was cold outside and this enraged the father. It was at this point the father became agitated and started screaming at the victim, and he struck her multiple times in the head with a black handgun. The victim was able to remove her other child from the vehicle before the male subsequently ran away on foot with the victim's 3-year-old child. The on call Detective was notified. The Monroe County District Attorney's office approved assault charges. The location of the child was not known for several days. Detectives assisted Patrol in regards to coordinating with Monroe County Children and Youth regarding the location of the child. The child was safely returned anonymously 5 days later.

On June 26,2021 Patrol received a report of a physical assault. The victim presented with a laceration to the top of his head in addition to severe swelling to his eyes and nose. The male victim reported he was at Retro Fitness, located in Stroud Township, and subsequently learned his wife was having an affair with a male that also goes to the same fitness center. The victim reported while at the fitness center he saw the male that was having an affair with his wife and decided to confront him verbally. The other male punched him several times with a closed fist in his facial area, he fell and was pushed against the lockers. Criminal charges for assault were approved by the Monroe County District Attorney's office.

#### **SEX & FAMILY CRIMES**

For the month of June, 2021 6 new sex crimes and possible child abuse cases were reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department, 4 cases were referred to the Detective Unit for further investigation.



In relation to the above assigned cases 1 was a sex crime, 5 were suspected child abuse cases and 4 cases were referred to the Detective Unit.

Of the 4 cases referred to the Detective Unit subsequently 3 cases remain under investigation. One case was closed and unfounded.

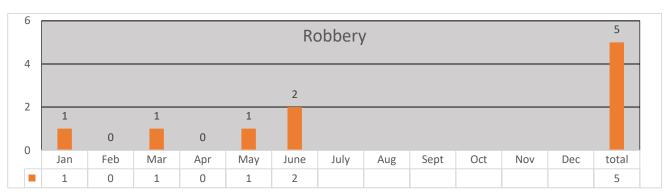
In the majority of these open cases, the alleged perpetrators are known or have been identified through investigation. The investigations are still ongoing to determine if an actual crime was committed and if so to establish enough probable cause to make an arrest. Due to the nature of these crimes and/or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

#### **ROBBERY**

For the month of June, 2021 the Stroud Area Regional Police Department received 2 reports of robbery.

On June 1, 2021, Patrol Units were dispatched for a report of a carjacking in the Borough of East Stroudsburg. The male victim reported that he was in the drive way and two black males approached him and ripped him out of the vehicle and drove off with the vehicle. The vehicle was described as a 2002 Honda Odyssey, green in color. Multiple Patrol Units searched the area and the vehicle was located unoccupied in a parking spot at the JM Hill school. The keys were left in the vehicle and the only item missing was a cell phone. Detective responded to assist with interviews and acquiring video surveillance, which subsequently was located. The owner of the vehicle declined to continue with the investigation and prosecution.

On June 16, 2021, Patrol Units were dispatched to North 9<sup>th</sup> Street for a report of an armed robbery. Monroe County Control Center dispatched that a male reported he was waiting to pick someone up and a male came up to him in his vehicle and tried to carjack his vehicle by gunpoint. There was a struggle between the victim and suspect, and then the actor then ran into the woods. The suspect was described as wearing all black to include a hoodie, pants, black boots and a black mask with gloves. Multiple Patrol units and Pennsylvania State Troopers responded and searched the wooded area. The victim was treated by EMS due to being assaulted by the suspect. The victim was transported to headquarters after treatment. The on call Detective was contacted and responded to assist Patrol with the initial investigation and conducted an interview with the reporting victim. The investigation is ongoing.

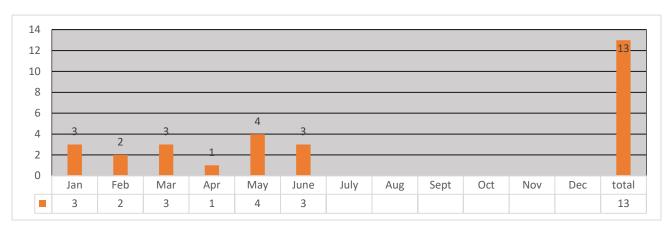


#### **BURGLARY**

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

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

## **BURGLARY**



Of the 3 reports of Burglary, 2 cases were referred to the Detective Unit for further investigation.

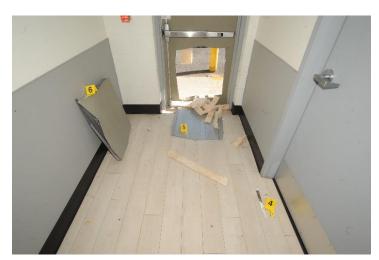
On June 19,2021 Patrol Units responded to Phillips Street for a report of a residential burglary. The victim reported leaving his apartment unlocked to go pick up a friend and when they returned home they found the apartment ransacked. The victim reported that his couch cushions in the living room were removed, \$3000.00 in cash was missing and a watch. There were multiple items of value in plain sight not disturbed and no signs of forced entry. The on call Detective was notified and the case was referred to the Detective Unit and the investigation is ongoing.

On June 30, 2021 Patrol Units responded to Best Buy located in Stroud Township for the report of a burglary. The Manager of the store provided information stating there was a break in overnight and someone had drilled a hole through the back door and forced entry into the building. Patrol Units cleared the building upon arrival and once determined the building was empty. Officers performed a walk through with the manager who found numerous Apple products (iPads) were missing. Patrol requested a response from the Detective Unit. Multiple Detective responded to assist in the investigation to include processing of the scene, acquire video surveillance, and conduct interviews. Through the initial investigation it was determined two suspects entered the building through a rear door. The suspects were wearing black clothing and facemasks.

As a result of viewing surveillance video, the two suspects were found to have entered the store during normal store hours wearing baseball hats and facemasks (Covid type). Both suspects walked to the rear of the store, walked to the area of the bathroom/rear access door, and entered the bathroom. The suspects exited the bathroom, made their way to the back room, and were able

to render the alarm/motion sensors inoperable. The male suspects left the store and returned several hours later to commit the burglary.

The value of electronic stolen was \$200,000.00. Through the course of this investigation it has been learned that similar burglaries have been committed in other states. This investigation is ongoing. The Detectives are working with other Law Enforcement agencies in an attempt to further this investigation.



The pictures portray the result of the two suspects drilling the rear door inside and outside in order to gain access to the interior of the Best Buy building.



#### **UNATTENDED DEATHS**

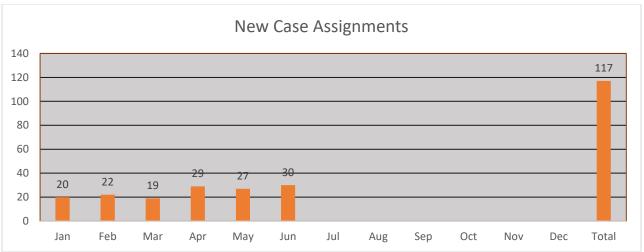
For the month of June, 2021 there were 6 death cases, through investigation 5 cases has been closed due to natural/medical condition. One case continues to be investigated as a suspected suicide. The on call Detective was notified when required.

During the month of June there were 4 medical emergency overdose cases not resulting in death.

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 investigation includes scene processing, multiple search warrants, cell phone analysis, multiple interviews and continued efforts with the County Detective to uncover additional intelligence to locate the individual that sold the narcotics to the decedent. The case is considered homicide investigations and continue to be investigated as such.

The Detective Unit was contacted on all of the above death cases and continues to work with 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 June, 2021, 30 new cases and assignments were referred to the Detective Unit.

Submitted by: Detective Sergeant Susan Charles

# **ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION UNIT**

# June 2021 Monthly Report

#### Corporal Kenneth Palmer

Corporal John Miller, Corporal Brandon Fenner, Corporal George Dobson, Officer Steven Cohen, Officer Ralphie Ortega

#### During the month of June:

- 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**





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.

## June 2021:

<u>Panhandling Complaints:</u> SAPRD did not receive any complaints for panhandling in the month of June.



# **COMMUNITY POLICING**

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# Stroud Area Regional Police Community Policing 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.



 June 26 and June 27 Corporal Palmer and Officers Carfi and Capone assisted at Pocono Raceway with crowd control utilizing SARDP's Motorcycle unit.

# SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

# School Resource Officer Program

Stroudsburg Area School District 2020/ 2021 School Year

**June 2021- Monthly Report** 

Officer Robert Cohowicz

# June 2021



The Stroudsburg Area High School Senior Graduation
June 4, 2021

The 2020/2021 school year came to an end on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A large majority of students returned to school on a 4 day in person school day with all students learning from home on Wednesdays. Next school year the district is planning on having students return five days a week for in-person learning with the only alternative being cyber school.

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



# **High School Incidents**

- Reported red bus violation at the intersection of Mill Creek road and Bonnie Drive.
- Received information just before graduation that a parent of a student who did not have a
  ticket to attend graduation may attempt to attend. Parent was served a protection from
  abuse order by other parent of child. Parent that was served PFA reportedly made threats
  towards other parent. Photo of parent was provided to security. No issues at graduation.
- Non-Traffic citation filed against a summer school student for possession of a Vape device.
- Filed non-traffic citation against a parent of a summer school student for disorderly conduct which occurred in main office of high school.

# **B. F. Morey Elementary**

Nothing to report for the Month of June

# **Chipperfield Campus Incidents**

## **Chipperfield Elementary School**

Nothing to report for the month of June

# **Arlington Elementary School**

Nothing to report for the month of June

### **Middle School**

Nothing to report for month of June

## Stroudsburg Jr. High School

- Investigated a student who was found to be in possession of a vape in school. Student was filed a citation.
- Non-traffic citation filed against student for harassment for incident which occurred during the month of March 2021.

# **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:

- Attended graduation ceremony of Stroudsburg High School
- Attended Emergency Operations Planning Committee meeting

# **Arrests**

# Stroudsburg High School

Numerous investigations resulted in the issuance of 2 Non-Traffic citation, 0 juvenile petitions, and 1 School Bus Red Light Investigations.

#### Of the citations issued:

NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS: (2)

Use of Tobacco product (1)

**Disorderly Conduct (1)** 

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 2 Non-Traffic citations, 0 Written Allegations, and 0 School Bus Red Light Investigations.

#### Of the citations issued:

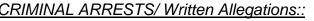
**NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS: 2** 

**Tobacco products in school prohib. (1)** 

Harassment (1)\*

\*From incident on 3/18





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