

Stroud Area Regional Police Department Monthly Report



August 2020

**Report to
Police Commission**

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INTRODUCTION

September 9th, 2020

Stroud Area Regional Police Commission

RE: Month of August Report to Commission

Dear Commission Member:

Please find attached the report to the Stroud Area Regional Police Commission for the month of August 2020.

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

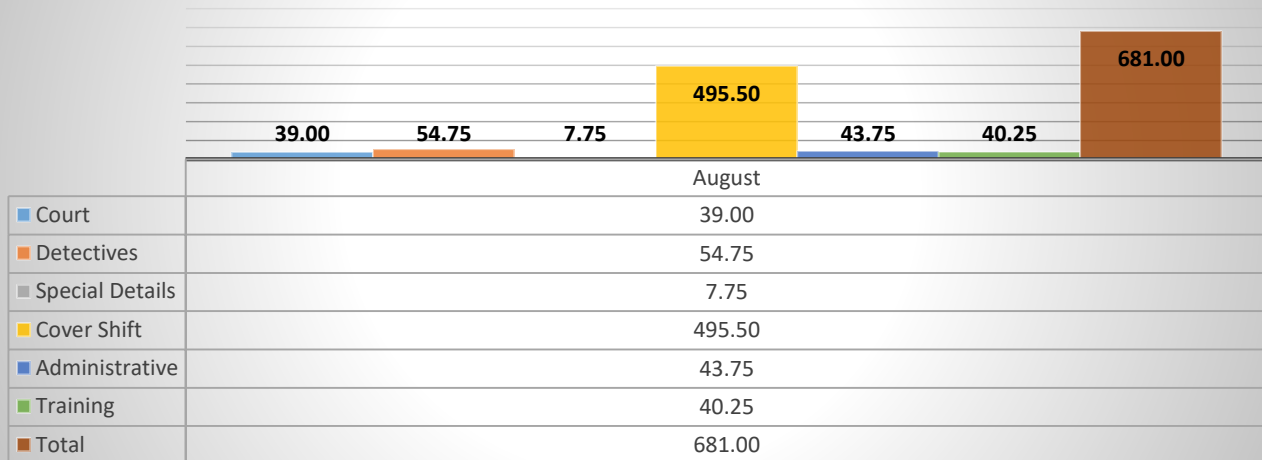


STATISTICS

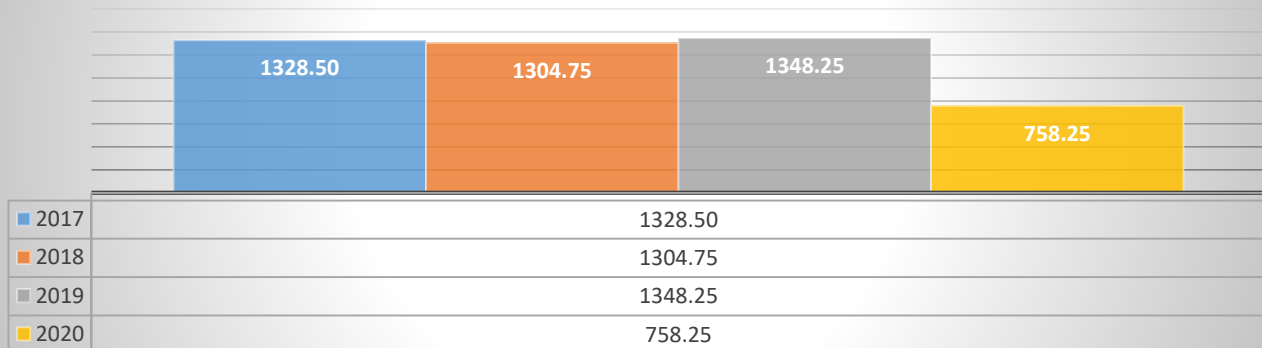
OVERTIME

Reimbursed OT	Total:	77.25
DEA Task Force	24.00	
FBI Task Force	27.25	
Housing Patrol	12.00	
Monroe County Drug Task Force	10.00	
BCRA	4.00	
SARPD OT	Total:	681.00
Court	39.00	
Detectives	54.75	
Special Details	7.75	
Cover Shift	495.50	
Administrative	43.75	
Training	40.25	
Total August Overtime		758.25

SARPD Overtime



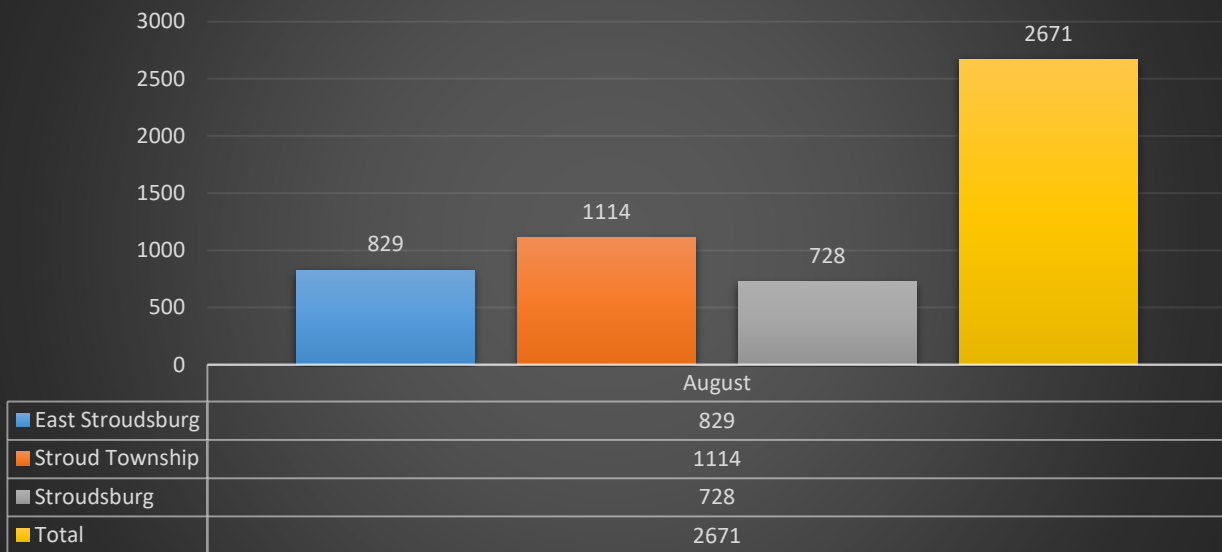
OT- August Comparison by Year



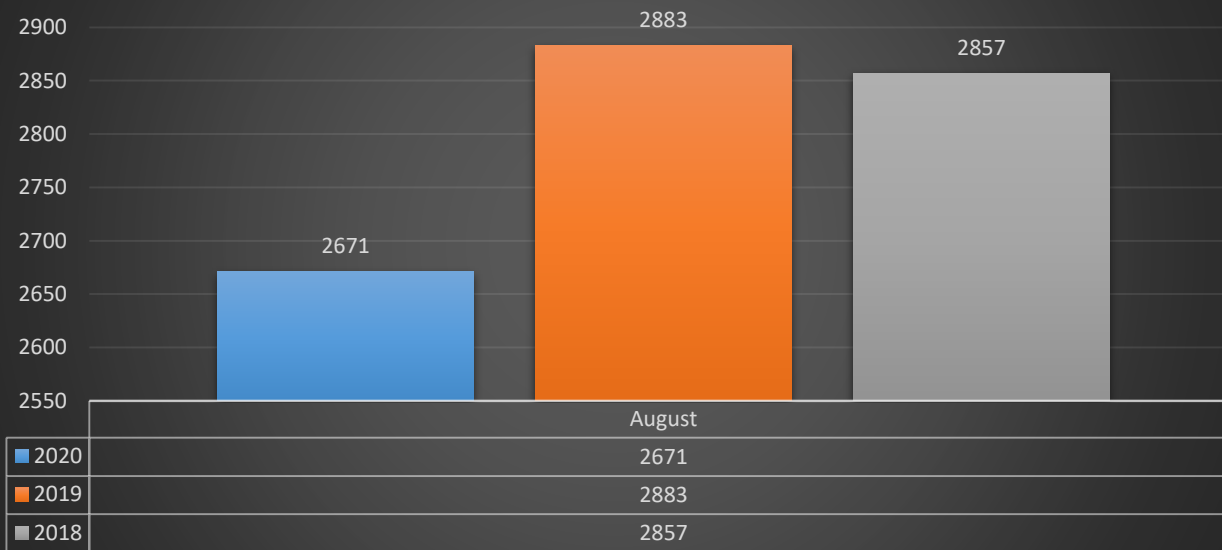
CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calls for Service	March	April	May	June	July	August	Total Year to Date
2020	2559	1806	2231	2492	2802	2671	19,941

August Calls for Service by Municipality



Calls for Service by Year



UNIFORM CRIME REPORT

August - OFFENSES	NUMBER REPORTED	ADULTS ARRESTED	JUVENILES ARRESTED
MURDER	0	0	0
RAPE	1	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0
ASSAULT	17	13	2
BURGLARY	4	3	2
LARCENY/THEFT	50	19	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	0	0	0
FRAUD	17	0	0
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	0
RECEIVING/POSSESSING STOLEN PROPERTY	0	0	0
VANDALISM	22	1	0
WEAPONS CARRYING	5	5	0
PROSTITUTION	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	4	0	2
DRUG ABUSE	24	23	0
GAMBLING	0	0	0
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY/CHILDREN	10	2	6
DUI	16	15	0
LIQUOR LAW	0	0	0
DRUNKENNESS	9	7	0
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	39	10	0
ALL OTHER	28	13	0
TOTAL	246	111	12

REPORTED
STOLEN PROPERTY

\$20,104.00

RECOVERED
STOLEN PROPERTY

\$5,980.00

ACCIDENTS

Accidents

EAST STROUDSBURG

STROUD TOWNSHIP

STROUDSBURG

TOTAL

August 2020	2019	2018	2017
10	29	27	26
53	68	58	31
13	25	25	21
76	122	110	78

NUMBER INJURED

9

9

20

7

FATALITIES

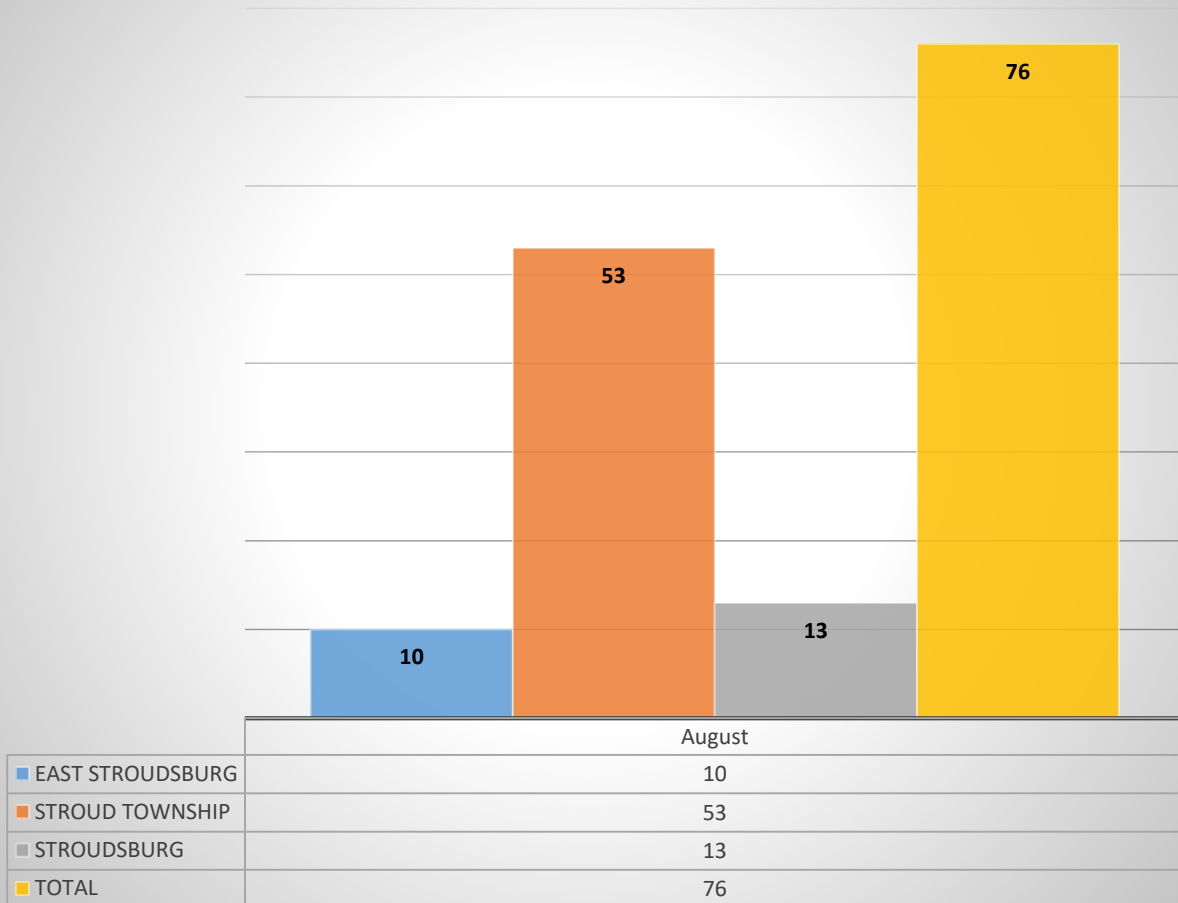
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August Accidents by Municipality



TRAFFIC CONTACTS

August Traffic Contacts

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

2020	2019	2018	2017
32	59	78	67
55	103	141	61
58	96	137	75
145	258	356	203

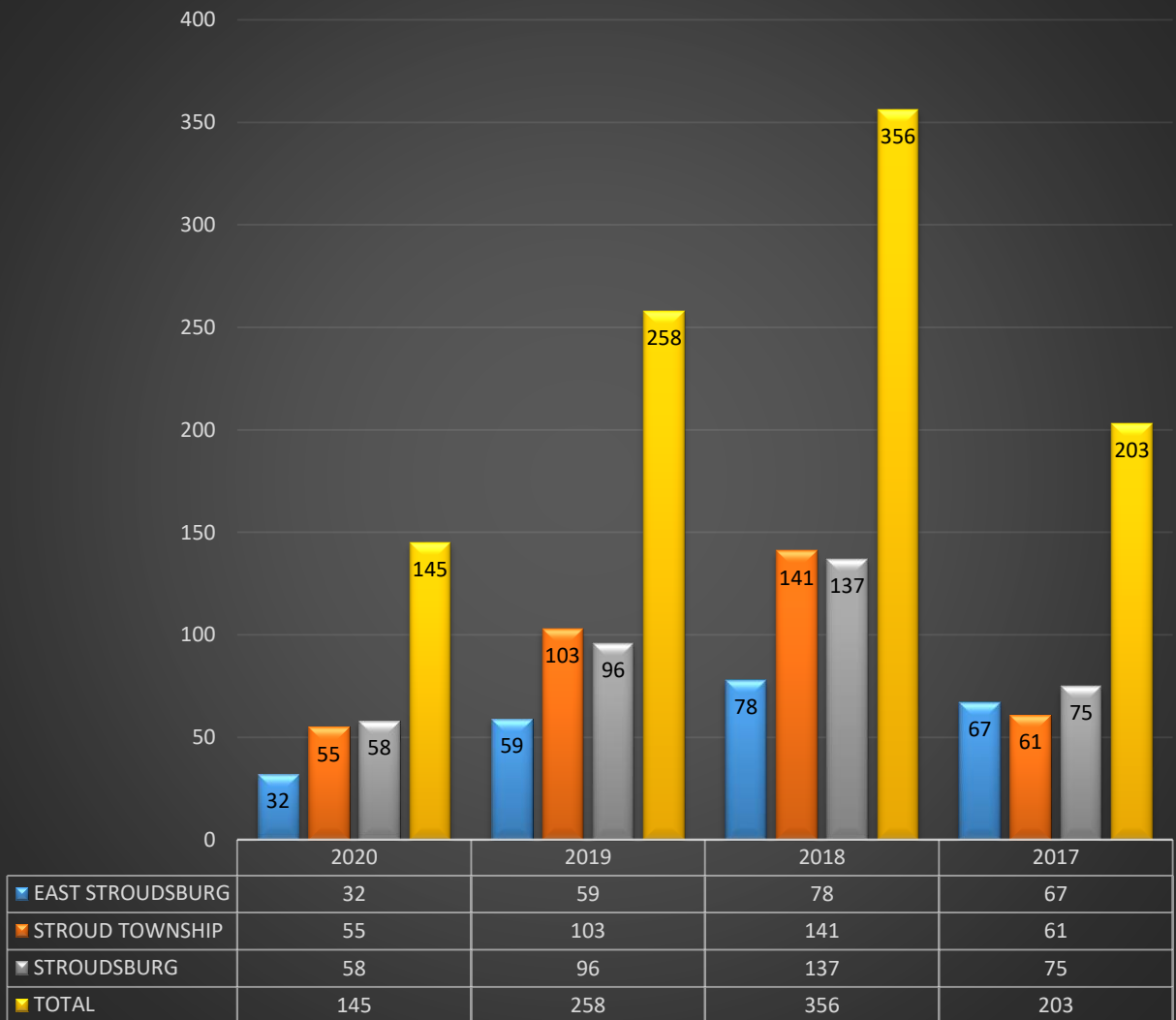
Parking**183**

194

78

195

Traffic Contacts - August

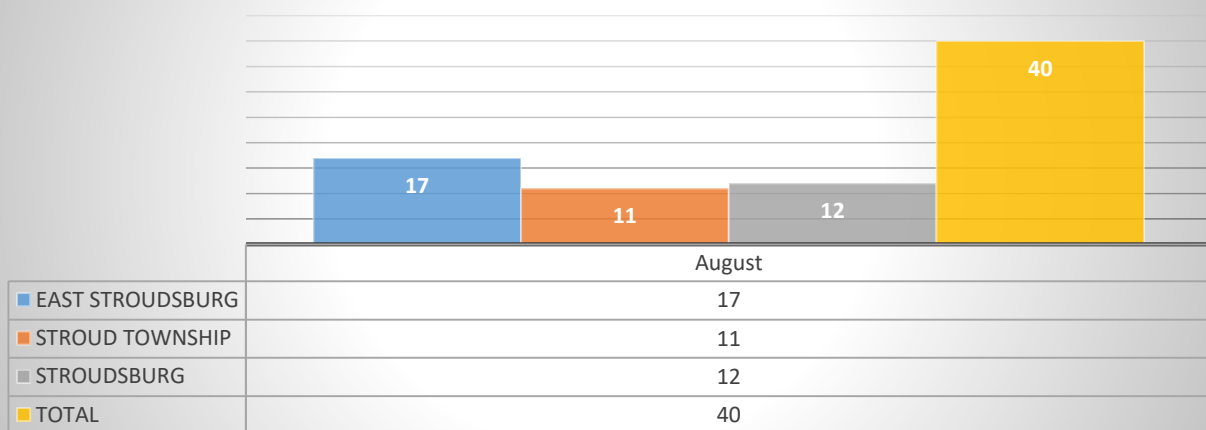


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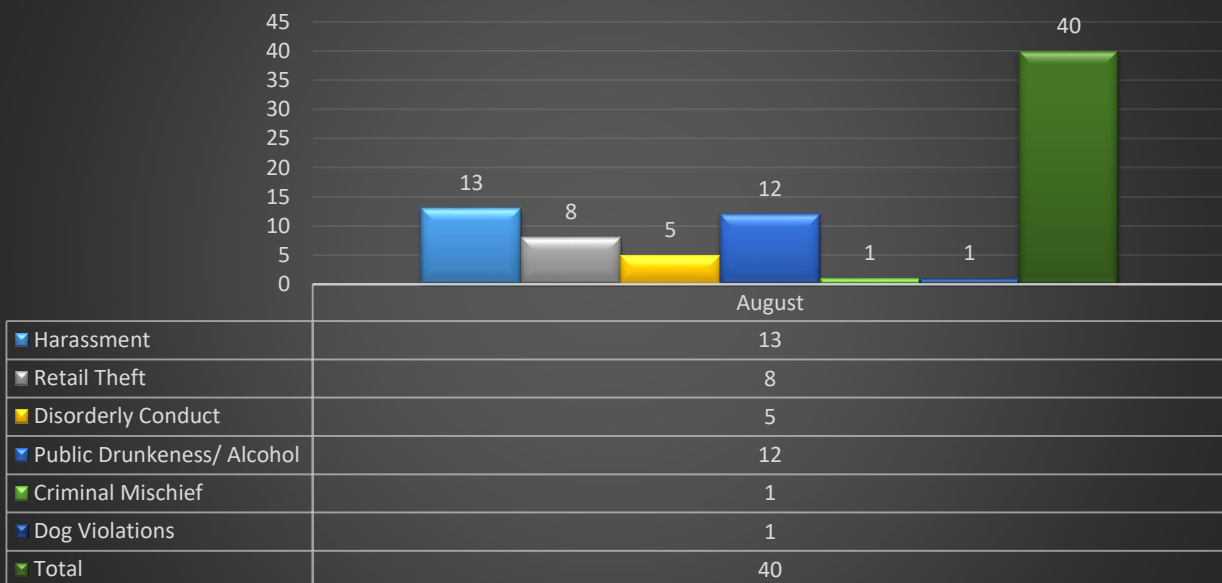
Non-Traffic Citations

EAST STROUDSBURG**STROUD TOWNSHIP****STROUDSBURG****TOTAL****August****17****11****12****40**

Non-Traffic Citations- August



Non-Traffic Citations by Offense



SUPPORT STAFF

SUPPORT STAFF August 2020

Phone Calls Total	1233	Administrative Assists	18
Personal Contacts Total	331	Officer Assists	49
Right to Know Requests	73	Warrants In/Out	2
Reports Requested (Subpoena/Gov Agencies)	54	Dissemination Log	161
Accident Reports Requested	59	Gun Permits Look Up & Entries	142
Background Lookup & Entries	63	Expungements	7
Filing Case Files	15	Validations	17
Chits Total	9	Property Releases	1
ALERT Supersperson Corrections	276	Fingerprints Entered	72
PFA's - New & Removed	44	MCCF Corrections	70
Parking Tickets Total	183	Children & Youth 104s	10
Other	5	Evidence Attachments in Alert	202

TRAINING REPORT



Training Report August 2020



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

August 3rd, Sgt. Wielgus attended the online "Officer Involved Shooting" training through the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

August 4th, K-9 Officers Sampere and Britt attended their bi-weekly training in Stroudsburg, PA. This training focused on tracking, building searches, article searches and narcotic searches.

August 7th-9th, Officer Rui Macedo attended the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing training at the Lehigh Twp. Police Department.



August 8th, Cpl. Miller conducted training for members of the SARPD SWAT Team. This training focused on High Risk Warrant Planning and Movement Techniques. Those members that were in attendance included Sgt. Brown, Officer Petruzzi, Officer Taylor, Cpl. Petrosino, Cpl. Eilber, Officer Labar, Det. Knowles, and Officer Capone as a role player.

August 12th, Lt. Raymond attended “Mental Health and Wellness” online training, “Recognizing Pre-Incident Indicators and Behaviors” online training and the “Foot Pursuits” online training class.

August 18th, K-9 Officers Sampere and Britt attended their bi-weekly training in Scranton, PA. This training focused on tracking, building searches, article searches and narcotic searches.

August 19th, Officer Petruzzi conducted training for the members of the SARPD SWAT Team. This training focused on the team’s handgun shooting skills. Officers that were in attendance, included: Cpl. Miller, Sgt. Brown, Cpl. Petrosino, Det. Knowles, Officer Labar, Officer Taylor and Cpl. Eilber

August 19th, Sgt. Wielgus attended “Beyond the Obvious: Identifying and Investigating Asphyxiation Cases through Fox Valley Technical College.

August 20th and 21st, Sgt. Brown, Cpl. Miller, Officer Petruzzi and Officer Cohowicz attended the Pepperball Armorer and Instructor course. The class was conducted at the Monroe County Public Safety Center.

August 31st, Officer Petruzzi conducted remedial training for officers that failed to qualify at their yearly firearms qualification course.



During August, All SARPD Officers were re-certified in First Aid and CPR, as required by the Municipal Police Officers Training and Education Commission requires.

*Submitted by:
Lieutenant Scott Raymond*

DETECTIVE UNIT REPORT

August 2020

*Detective Sergeant Susan Charles
Detective Corporal Emily Raymond
Detectives: Dan Munch, Robert Transue,
Joseph Susinskas and Dan Knowles*

For the Month of August, 2020 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

During the month of August, 2020 there were 5 aggravated assaults reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department. Of these assaults:

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

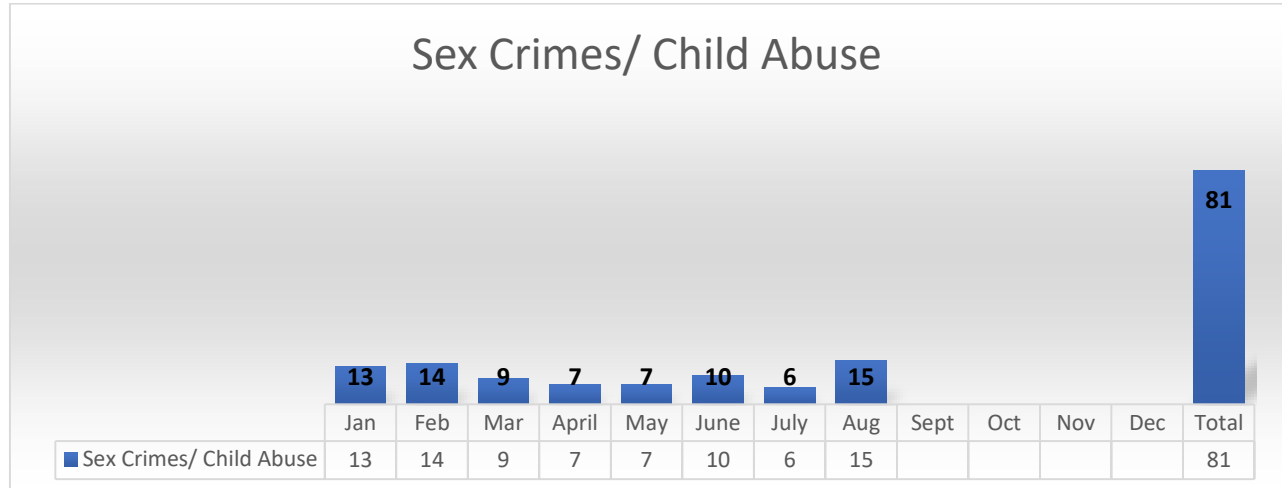
During August 2020, Patrol Units responded to five aggravated assaults. The Detective Unit was contacted and requested to assist on one aggravated assault involving a knife.

On August 20, Patrol Units were dispatched for a report of a domestic. Patrol Units arrived to a residence within the Borough of East Stroudsburg. Monroe County Control Center provided information to the Officers to include a history of domestic disturbances previously reported. Upon the Officers arrival blood was observed outside the front door. As Patrol Officers attempted to make contact with at the residence they were notified by Control Center, a male with a stab wound had just presented at Lehigh Valley Pocono Hospital.

Detective Unit notified and requested to assist with the investigation to include search warrants, processing the scene at the residence and the vehicle the victim was in. Multiple Detectives responded and continued the investigation to include multiple interviews and it was learned the male victim was dropped off by a female believed to be his wife. Conflicting accounts as to how the male sustained his injuries were given by victim and his wife. The investigation is ongoing.

SEX & FAMILY CRIMES

In August, 15 new sex crimes, and possible child abuse cases were reported to the Stroud Area Regional Police Department, 11 cases were referred to the Detective Unit for further investigation

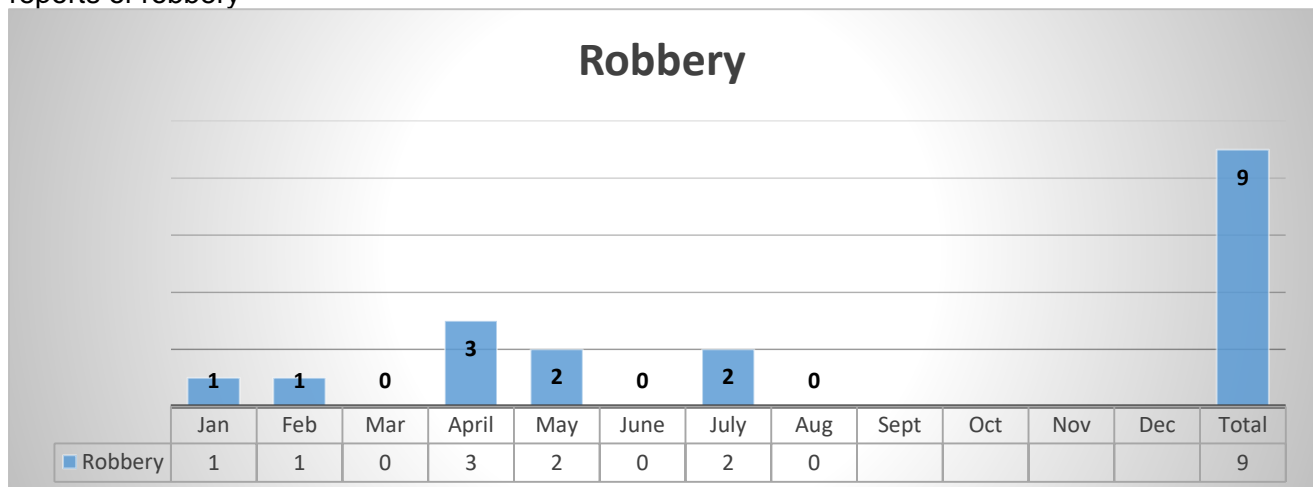


In relation to the above assigned cases 5 were sex crimes, 10 were suspected child abuse cases.

Of the 11 cases that were assigned, 10 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 August, 2020 the Stroud Area Regional Police Department did not receive any reports of robbery



BURGLARY

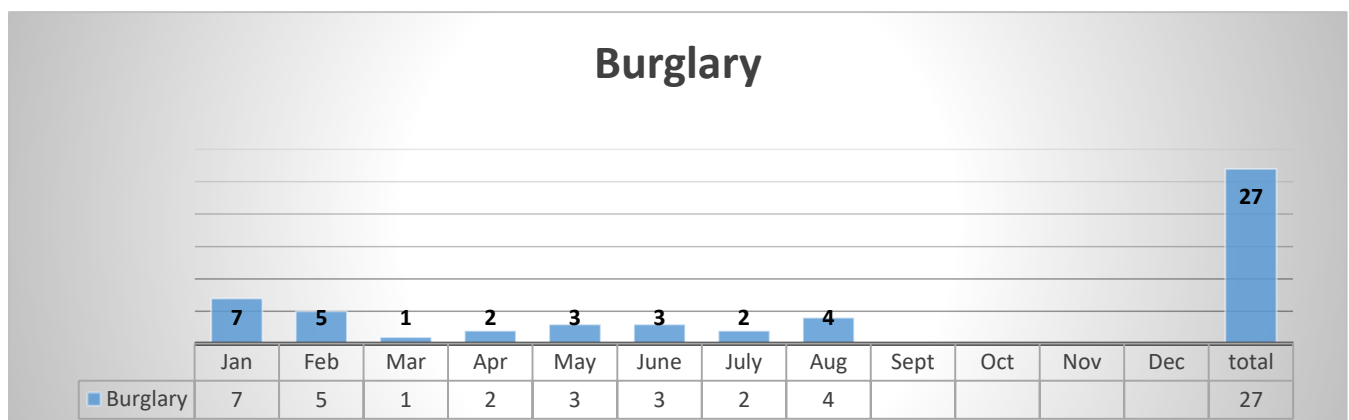
The Stroud Area Regional Police Department responded to 4 burglary calls that were reported within the member municipalities in the month of August, 2020. Of these Burglary reports:

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

On August 31, Stroud Area Regional Patrol Unit dispatched to Stroud Township for a report of a Burglary. Upon Officers arrival the home owner reported an unknown individual entered into his residence through a bedroom window. The home owner reported leaving his residence for an hour and returned to find the bedroom screen open and a bedroom had been “tossed”. The Detective Unit was contacted by the Patrol Sergeant and requested the residence be processed.

Detectives responded, photographed and processed the scene. In addition, the Detective located video footage from a nearby building. Items removed from the home included jewelry, medications, and 2 Glock magazines loaded with 9mm rounds. The investigation is ongoing.

Patrol Units handled the remaining burglary incidents.

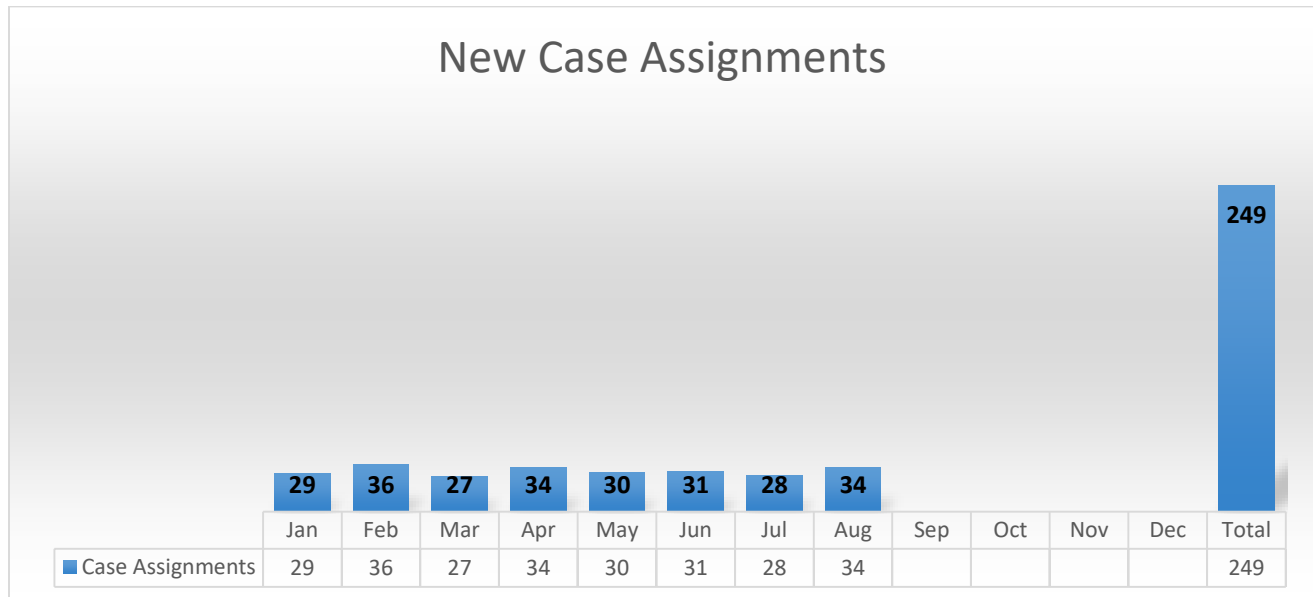


UNATTENDED DEATHS

During the month of August, there were 3 death cases, through investigation the 3 cases have been closed. One case has been determined to be medical. The two remaining deaths have been referred to the Detective Unit as a result of suspected suicide. The Detective Unit was contacted on all of the death cases and subsequently requested to process two scenes, conduct multiple interviews while subsequently working with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office and Monroe County Coroner's Office as required.

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

NEW CASE ASSIGNMENTS



For the month of August, 34 new cases and assignments were referred to the Investigators currently staffing the Detective Unit.

Submitted by:
Detective Sergeant Susan Charles

ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

August 2020

Corporal Kenneth Palmer

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

An accident reconstruction is the culmination of the scientific analysis of the data gathering process formulated into a concise and coherent report which is backed by expert testimony.

- 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 attended the Monthly meeting which was held at the Pa State Police Stroudsburg Barracks.

Submitted by:
Corporal K. Palmer

QUALITY OF LIFE



Stroud Area Regional Police Quality of Life Report (QOL)



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.

August 2020:

There were no QOL patrols for the month of August

- **Panhandling Complaints:**

There was one Panhandling complaint for the month of August

- Wednesday 8/16 Walmart- report of a female asking for money in the area of Walmart. Female located and was advised and sent on her way.



COMMUNITY POLICING



Stroud Area Regional Police Community Policing Report *August 2020 Monthly Report*



August 8th -Officer Taylor escorted a save the Children March from Dansbury Park to Children and Youth center.

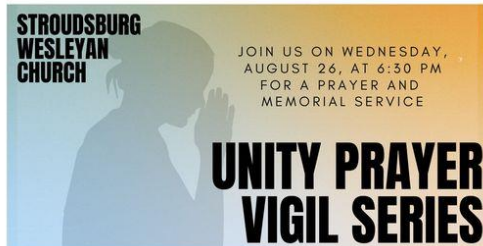
August 10th – Chief Lyon attended an online meeting titled "Spotlight on Law Enforcement Anti-Bias Program". The meeting included leaders from law enforcement and civic organization to discuss the evolution and challenges of anti-bias training, as well as solutions to meet the need for enhanced training regimens in police academies.

August 12th -The SARPD Motorcycle unit assisted with an escort for a funeral detail for Officer Flaherty from East Stroudsburg University Police Department. Officer Shelly and Sergeant Lemond also assisted with traffic control.

August 20th – Chief Lyon, Chief Wagner and Chief Werkheiser all attended a round table meeting with the Monroe County NAACP leaders to strengthen communication in our community and discuss current topics in the media.

August 20th – Chief Lyon attended the Monroe County United Town Hall Forum held at the Dansbury Park from 6pm- 9pm. All the local police chiefs attended along with Pennsylvania State Police and answered questions on policing submitted by community members.

August 20th- Officer Shelly and Sergeant Lemond received a food donation from an anonymous source and then delivered that food to a needy family.



August 26th – Chief Lyon attended the Unity Prayer Vigil held by the Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church. The prayer vigil was held to pray for unity and reconciliation in our streets, community, schools, nation and in the world. Local law enforcement and leaders spoke on the current climate in the nation.

August 30th - Officers Capone, Yosh and Corporal Cohen escorted a parade of cars for Rays of Hope for Addiction from the Wesleyan Church to Phillips Street.

OVERDOSE AWARENESS

Memorial Drive

to Remember Lives Lost

on Sunday, August 30th

Program Starts at 6:00 PM at Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church (SWC)

- Pinwheel Dedication
- Reflection Music
- Prayers for Lives Lost
- County Proclamation Read
- NARCAN Distribution/Training
- Information and Resources
- Memorial Drive from SWC to Agency Offices
- Parking Lot on 724 Phillips Street

Write a Note* to Remember Those Who Lost Their Lives

* Parking lot open at 5:30 and washable car window paint provided

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

School Resource Officer Program

Stroudsburg Area School District

2020/ 2021 School Year

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Officer Robert Cohowicz - Officer Brandon Fenner

August 2020



On March 13, the Stroudsburg Area School District closed their doors due the COVID-19 pandemic which prompted the School Resource Officer's back to patrol duties. This year, Officer Palmer stepped down as the School Resource Officer of the junior high campus. Officer Fenner stepped in and will assume the role of that position. School is now back in session but clearly different from past years. School started on a modified schedule beginning August 25th, with students choosing a hybrid, fully remote, or cyber programs.



This month at the Stroudsburg School District, Officers Cohowicz and Fenner Investigated and took reports on the following:

High School Incidents

- Nothing to report.



Chipperfield Campus Incidents

Chipperfield Elementary School

- Nothing to report



Arlington Elementary School

- Nothing to report

Middle School

- Nothing to report

Stroudsburg Jr. High School

- Nothing to report

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:

- 1 School Board Meeting
- Attended Anti-Defamation League Workshop Zoom training
- Attended Zoom meeting with high school staff
- Attended meeting with school's security

Officer Fenner attended the following:

- Toured district buildings and met staff with Officer Palmer.

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**

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**

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