

MONTHLY REPORT



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To: Dr. Kenny Haskin
City Manager

From: Robert Harrison
Chief of Police

Date: April 29, 2016

Re: March 2016 Management Report/Quick Reference

This is a snapshot of significant events, issues and activities that occurred within the Police Department during the month of March. Listed below are some highlights of these items. You may find more in-depth information within the complete management report that accompanies this memorandum. If there are any issues, please contact me or one of the Division Commanders.

- In conjunction with the District Court Clerk’s Office, the Department began efforts to administer the annual warrant amnesty program on January 28th. This program allows those who have outstanding warrants to appear at the Bi State and schedule a court appearance without the need for incarceration in the jail. This program continued through the month of March.
- During the month of March, Sergeant James Atchley was promoted to the rank of lieutenant, and Corporal Scott Megason was promoted to the rank of sergeant. Lieutenant Atchley and Sergeant Megason have both been assigned to the Patrol Division.
- During the month of March, the Police Department participated in active shooter emergency response drills. These drills were conducted on all school campuses in the Texarkana Arkansas School District and allowed the District to evaluate the effective nature of the RAVE alert system that is designed to interface with the Bi State Central Communications Center. Effective interaction of the alert system with the dispatchers helps to ensure a quick response to the police emergency. These tests were successful.
- The police department responded to a report of a stabbing at the Salvation Army center located at 316 Hazel Street. With the help of a witness, the responding officers were able to locate and arrest the individual believed to be responsible for the causing the victim’s injuries. The victim ultimately died as a result of his injuries, and the suspect was charged with homicide.
- The police department responded to a residence located on Cleveland Street in reference to a report of a man lying unresponsive in front of the residence. The responding officers ultimately located a second man in front of the residence as well. The incident was determined to be a murder-suicide, which was based on evidence that showed a male suspect shot a family member followed by the male shooting himself with the weapon.

PERSONNEL ISSUES

The following personnel actions occurred during the month of March:

Retirements	Captain Mark Lewis
Resignations	None
Hiring	None
Promotions	None
Terminations	None

IN-SERVICE TRAINING

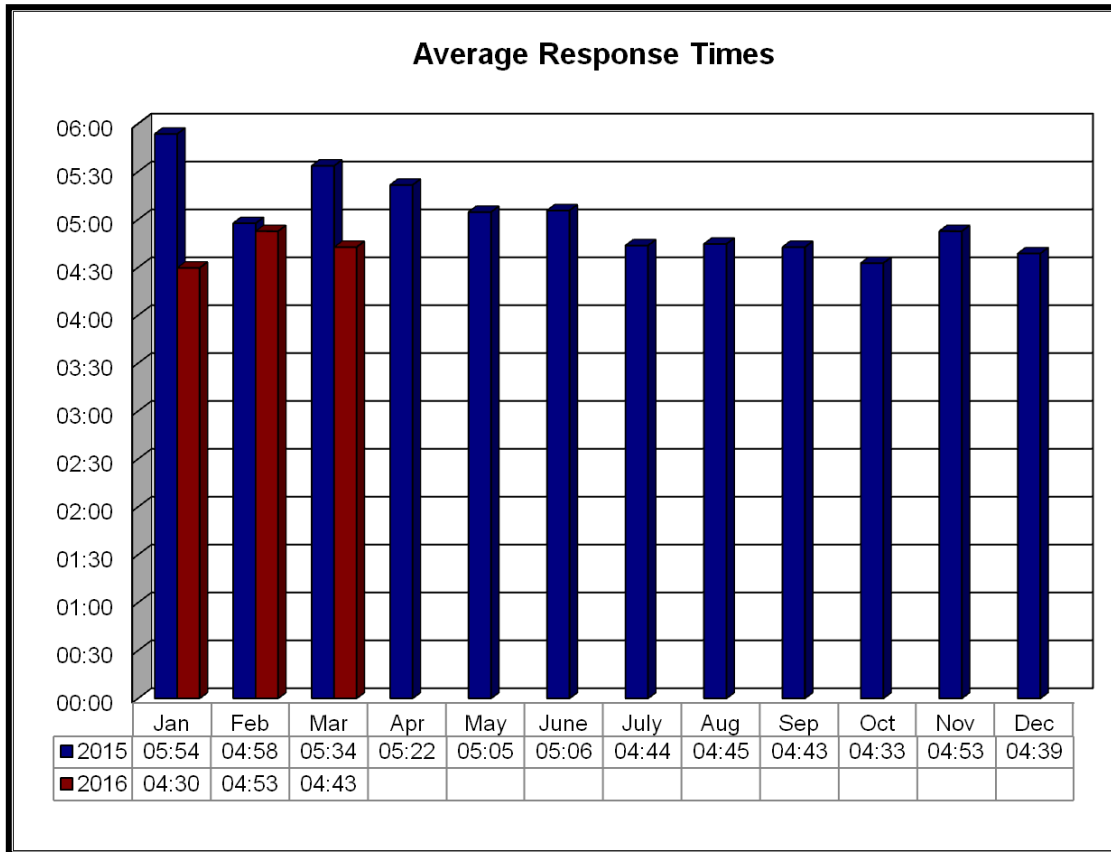


Courses Taken	Hours
Bloodstain Pattern Analysis	40
Latent Fingerprint	40
Surveillance for Rural & Urban Officers	32
Crime Scene Techniques & Investigations	40
March Monthly Total	152
Year to Date Total	326

NARCOTICS TASK FORCE ACTIVITY

2016 March Narcotics Stats			
Drugs Seized	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Street Value
Cocaine (crack)	3.70	Grams	\$480
Cocaine (powder)	1.30	Grams	\$260
Marijuana	1,020.00	Grams	\$9,205
Methamphetamine (ice)	59.40	Grams	\$11,880
Prescription pills	383.00	DU	\$2,118

Calls for Service



Tyler CAD		
Call Priority	March	YTD
1 Critical	12	44
2 High	1,493	4,043
3 Medium	1,821	5,522
4 Low	504	1521
Totals	3,831	11,134
Average Response	04:43	04:44

FEDERAL & STATE GRANT STATUS

2015 JAG Grant: Expires 09/30/2018

In conjunction with Miller County, the Department was awarded the 2015 JAG Grant. The total funding associated with this grant—which is administered through the Department of Justice—is \$27,186. Because the Department of Justice requires the City to split the grant with Miller County, the City received \$18,215. The Department intends to upgrade its computer hardware with the JAG funds by purchasing a larger server and cache controller.

2015 DOJ Bulletproof Vest Grant: Expires 08/31/2016

This grant pays one half of purchase cost of bullet proof body armor for police officers. National Institute of Justice Standards (BJA/NIJ) recommends that body armor be replaced every five years and the agency provides body armor for every officer and replaces it according to NIJ replacement recommendations. This year's grant will cover half of the cost of approximately 20 vests for a total of \$7,489.08.

2015-2016 DWI Traffic Enforcement Grant:

Expires 09/30/16

This grant program, which started in 1991, pays overtime for DWI, speed, and occupant protection enforcement. The Federal amount is \$46,500. We have an in-kind local match of \$46,500 from the regular police budget. Local match (in-kind) uses a salary off-set from one of the patrol officers assigned to the Special Operations Traffic Section, a portion of the DWI / STEP Sergeant's salary and a portion of the Department's vehicle maintenance cost utilizing a calculation based upon mileage.



2015-2016 STOP Violence Against Women Act Grant: Expires 09/30/16

The STOP grant pays the full salary of a police investigator to investigate all cases involving violent crimes committed against women while the VOCA grant pays the salary of a civilian domestic violence case coordinator. The state amount is \$87,814.09, and the local in-kind match is \$28,068.93.



FEDERAL & STATE **GRANT STATUS**

2015-2016 Texarkana Housing Authority (THA) General Fund Officer Positions:

Expires 11/31/16

The Texarkana Housing Authority's (THA) share is \$130,000.00, which covers the costs associated with the salaries and fringe benefits for two police officer positions. The two police officers who are assigned to THA are primarily responsible for police services within the Texarkana Housing Authority property. All compensation to the City will be made on a cost reimbursement basis.

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