

MONTHLY REPORT



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APRIL 2016



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To: Dr. Kenny Haskin
City Manager

From: Robert Harrison
Chief of Police

Date: May 25, 2016

Re: April 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 April. 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.

- During the month of April, the police participated in the Annual Junior League of Texarkana Touch a Truck Family Festival which was held at the Front Street Plaza on April 30th. This community event promotes community activity within the downtown area while also helping the Junior League of Texarkana support its mission and community projects. This event provides families the opportunity to learn about and explore trucks, construction vehicles and public safety equipment. The police department’s participation centered on providing displays of public safety equipment where police officers answered questions while interacting with those who were in attendance.
- During the month of April, Corporal Les Munn received the National Sheep Dog Award. This award, which is sponsored by the Sheep Dog Impact Assistance organization, serves to recognize those employed within the military or first responder professions (law enforcement, fire & rescue, and EMS) who have gone above and beyond their call of duty in the performance and furtherance of their mission. Specifically, these awards are bestowed to Sheep Dogs who have modeled exemplary and/or heroic service during the award period.
- During the month of April, Corporal Kristi Bennett was officially recognized as a national honorable mention finalist in the Top COPS Awards. The Top COPS Awards are sponsored annually by the National Association of Police Organizations, which represents 241,000 sworn officers from over 1,000 agencies and associations nationwide. This year, there were 27 Top COP’s awarded, while each of the remaining states had an officer who qualified for an Honorable Mention award. Corporal Bennett’s hard work as the PRIDE Academy’s Administrator was the principle effort that resulted in her selection to represent the State of Arkansas on a trip to Washington, S.C. to be honored by the President of the United States and the National Association of Police Organizations in May.

PERSONNEL ISSUES

The following personnel actions occurred during this month:

Retirements	None
Resignations	None
Hiring	Recruit Officer Mason Shepherd
Promotions	None
Terminations	None

IN-SERVICE TRAINING

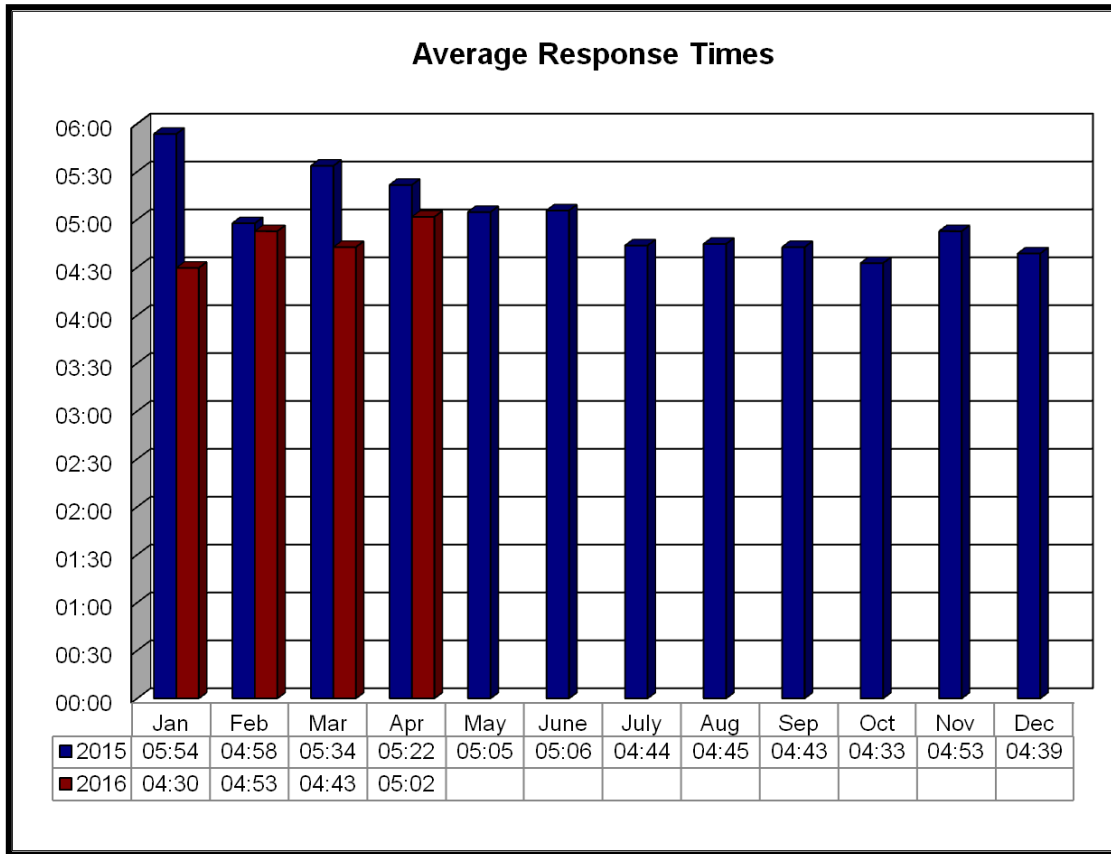


Courses Taken	Hours
Law Enforcement Refresher	40
Crimes Against Women's Conference	40
Crime Scene Technician School	24
SWAT Training	136
Title 19 Training	48
Firearms Instructor	40
April Monthly Total	328
Year to Date Total	654

NARCOTICS TASK FORCE ACTIVITY

2016 April Narcotics Stats			
Drugs Seized	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Street Value
Cocaine	7.20	Grams	\$1,440
Marijuana	139.90	Grams	\$577
Methamphetamine (ice)	74.60	Grams	\$14,920
Prescription pills	12.00	DU	\$285

Calls for Service



Tyler CAD		
Call Priority	April	YTD
1 Critical	24	68
2 High	1,413	5,456
3 Medium	1,833	7,355
4 Low	543	2,064
Totals	3,813	14,947
Average Response	05:02	04:49

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.

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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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