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TAPD Values

We Exist To Serve The Community

Service is the foundation of the value system for the Texarkana Police Department. The highest form of service is to protect the lives and property of our citizens and make Texarkana a Safe Place to Live, Work, & Raise a family.

How We Get The Job Done Is As Important As Getting The Job Done

We have a continuing commitment to operational excellence that recognizes the process is as important as the product. We are refining the traditional role of the police officer to instill an attitude and behavior that focuses on people in a constructive positive way.

We Are Proactive

Stopping crime before it occurs is our most important function. Identifying conditions that foster crime in our community and doing something about it is a joint police-community responsibility. Thinking about fighting crime is important, but fighting crime is paramount.

We Are Fair, But Firm

The Texarkana Police Department practices this value within the organization and the community we serve. We are flexible in dealing with issues in an open and sensitive manner; however, we are committed to the consistent application of the law for the common good of all citizens.

Excellence

Delivering the best service possible is the ultimate goal for each police officer. Each officer and civilian staff member is expected to do the best possible job at all times.

Integrity

The Texarkana Police Department demonstrates, through its actions, an uncompromising allegiance to the core principles of the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics. Every officer and employee embraces these ideals: honor, duty, courage, equality, fairness, and dignity.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE



vision of our community.

The Texarkana Police Department is dedicated to excellence in the delivery of law enforcement services to the Texarkana community. We are committed to establishing an environment in which members of the police department and community thrive. We seek to be a catalyst for positive change through persistent, personalized, and cost effective use of public tax dollars. By embracing the values of excellence, innovation, and integrity we remain committed to maintaining the public trust. This department is dedicated to becoming part of the community through improved communication, mutual setting of priorities with a shared

Each year we seek to improve the quality of life for all the residents of Texarkana through a proactive team approach to timely and innovative interventions in community problems and issues. I recognize our employees as our most valuable asset and the cornerstone of the police department's success. This police department encourages the diverse and unique contributions made by officers, civilian staff, residents, and businesses as we pursue a common goal of public safety.

During the next five years, the local policing environment will continue to be a dynamic one. The police profession faces a number of trends and issues that have social, technological, economic, environmental, and political characteristics. Recruitment and retention of personnel that reflect the diverse community we serve has been an especially difficult challenge this year as we compete against larger cities offering higher salaries and fringe benefit packages.

In closing I am especially proud of the fact this police department believes in the personal touch. It reflects a state of mind, and an approach to delivery of police services. In order to be truly effective we must express genuine concern, with conviction, that we are in the business of serving people. We recognize the dignity of all people and treat them accordingly, "The Texarkana Way".

This report is completed each year for the City Manager, Mayor, Board of Directors and Citizens of our community. If you have any questions concerning the content of this report, please don't hesitate to contact me or one of the four division commanders.

Bob Harrison
Chief of Police

2006 ACHIEVEMENTS AND EVENTS

- The following personnel received Officer of the Quarter Awards. SPO Wayne Easley was selected for the 1st Quarter. Cpl. Nick Elrod for the 2nd Quarter. Det. Paul Nall received the award for the 3rd Quarter. Det. James Atchley was the recipient for the 4th Quarter.
- Sgt. Jason Shores and Sgt. Bobby Jordan graduated from the School of Law Enforcement Supervision. This is an advanced four week supervision course sponsored by the FBI and Criminal Justice Institute in Little Rock, Arkansas. The course allows officers to obtain six hours of college credit.
- The Texarkana Police Department completed the process of upgrading communications equipment through the Arkansas Wireless Information Network grant. This was a 3.9 million dollar city/county grant designed for statewide command and control during emergency operations.
- In September, Cpl. John Gibbert stopped a vehicle for numerous driving violations. Further investigation by Cpl. Gibbert led to the driver's arrest on illegal drug and weapon charges. After the driver's arrest, Cpl. Gibbert searched the driver and vehicle which led to the discovery of stolen property. The investigation was then turned over to Det. Paul Nall. Det. Nall was able to subsequently solve 9 burglary cases, and recover thousands of dollars in stolen property.
- The Texarkana Police Department continued work in the College Hill One Block at a Time Program. The Police Department works with the College Hill Development Council, neighborhood citizens, Code Enforcement, and Public Works, in an effort to revitalize and restore pride in older neighborhoods.
- Supporting our community is important to the members of our department. Officers donated their time and money to reach out to our community through the following department sponsored or supported events: Shop with a Cop Christmas shopping spree for underprivileged children, which was partially supported by our charity golf tournament, and the Cops and Kids Christmas with the children at the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage and Watersprings Ranch for Children. Members of the department are also involved with Special Olympics, Race for the Cure, United Way, and many other community focused events.
- The Texarkana Police Department took delivery a new Mobile Command/Blood Alcohol Testing Vehicle. The funding for the purchase was secured through the DWI/CTSP Grant.

TEXARKANA POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE

SERVICES DIVISION



Captain Glenn Greenwell supervised the Administrative Services Division in 2006. The Services Division provides a wide range of administrative, technical, and logistical support to the other police department divisions. This division is staffed with 1 Lieutenant, 1 Sergeant, 4 Police Officers, 5 Civilian Support Personnel, and 2 Animal Services Officers.

The division contains a number of highly skilled officers and civilian staff with advanced training and specialized technical training.

How we get the job done is as important as getting the job done. In this division there is a continuing commitment to operational excellence that recognizes the process is as important as the support provided to the Patrol Division and Criminal Investigation Division providing the resources needed to complete their mission.

The **Computer Services Section** administers the agency computer network, police car mobile data systems, and crime analysis. This section is critical to the operation of the agency's many computers and systems. We are especially proud of our website and the information the community can access from it. Our website updates frequently.



Use of the **Texarkana Police Honor Guard** is coordinated by Services Division. It is made up of officers from all divisions within the department. It is supervised by Sgt. Bobby Jordan, and consists of three parties, the firing party, the color guard party, and the casket guard party. The Honor Guard provides services to local law enforcement, military, and civilians in keeping with the department's public relations philosophy. At the direction of the Chief of Police, or his designee, the Honor Guard will perform at, but not limited to, funerals for officers killed in the line of duty, Memorial Day celebrations, and graduation ceremonies at the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy. We are especially proud of the officers assigned to this unit and their service to the families that have lost a loved one.

The **Public Information/Education Officer** is responsible for coordinating media requests for local, radio, television, and newspapers. This assignment also handles coordinating crime prevention events in the community. The agency is very active in the community with our outreach projects that include Shop with a Cop, Cops & Kids, and the Torch Run to name a few.



The **Personnel Officer** is responsible for the recruitment, selection, testing of applicants in conjunction with the Civil Service Commission, and the Commission on Law Enforcement Training & Standards. The Training Section handles in-service training for all officers and civilian staff.

2006 PERSONNEL ACTIONS:

Retirements: None

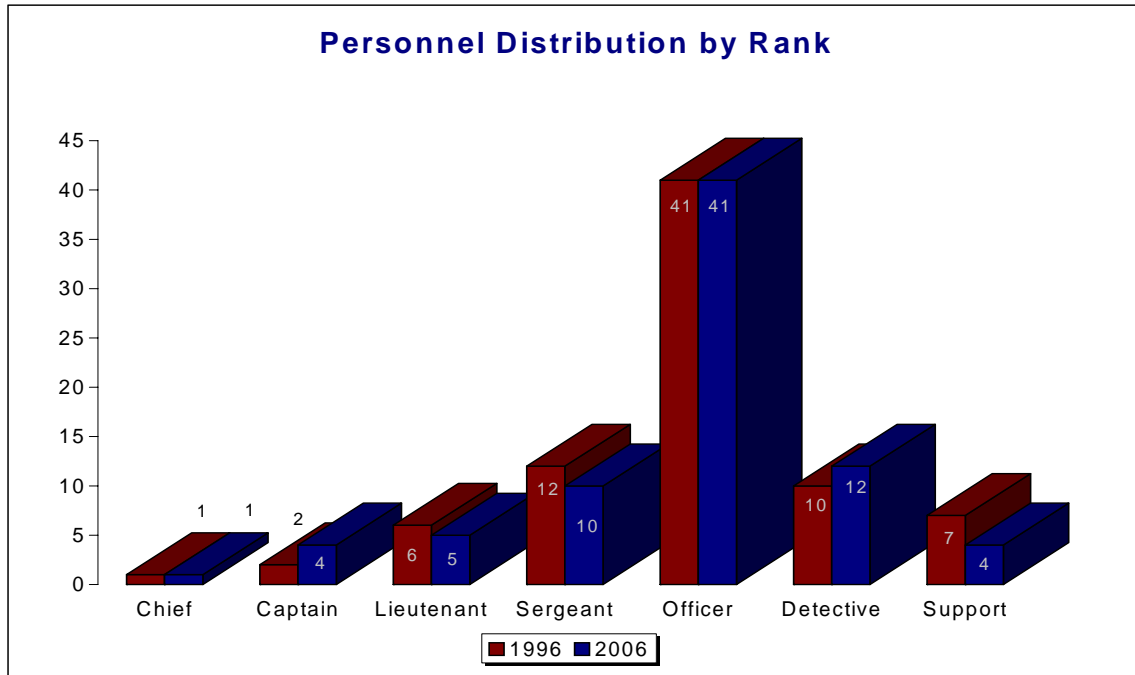
Promotions: None

Resignations:

- Ptl. Chris Miller (Mar 2006)
- Ptl. Justin King (Mar 2006)
- A/S Dennis Bradock (May 2006)
- Ptl. Bart Veal (September 2006)
- Ptl. Joshua Wise (September 2006)
- Ptl. Jeremy Gordon (December 2006)

New Hires:

- Ptl. Ed Sartor (Mar 2006)
- Ptl. Joshua Wise (May 2006)
- Ptl. Chris King (May 2006)
- A/S Lisa Townsend (June 2006)
- Ptl. John Higgingbotham (September 2006)
- Ptl. Kevin Heagwood (September 2006)
- Ptl. Andy Anthony (September 2006)
- Ptl. Joe Rochelle (December 2006)



RECRUITMENT/RETENTION OF OFFICERS

Recruiting police officers has become a national issue with several major metropolitan areas classifying it as a “crisis”. It appears that fewer young people are interested in law enforcement as a career. We and our sister city are experiencing significant barriers to recruiting qualified applicants, a phenomenon that has created a staffing shortage throughout the industry. Police officer candidates have become a commodity that is in short supply. In 2006 six new police officers were hired. Several positions were left vacant for months while the agency advertised and searched for qualified applicants. The competition between police departments for the same candidates has swelled to such a level that many law enforcement agencies have begun implementing substantial benefits to lure the new applicants.

The larger departments are currently offering large cash sign on bonuses, home down payment assistance, lateral transfers, and recruiting bonuses. The norm is hiring professional recruiting and advertising companies to assist in the search for applicants. This year our department has implemented the use of local billboards in both Texarkana and similar sized cities in Southwest Arkansas.

Our agency’s greatest recruiting tool is the leadership and reputation of the agency. This strength is critical for our current and future ability to recruit applicants that are able to meet our high standards of education, physical fitness, moral character, and personal financial responsibility. It is our goal to hire a professional work force with officers that reflect the demographics we serve.

TRAINING



Training is a critical component of maintaining a professional and effective police department, and is a priority with our agency. The Chief of Police and Command Staff agree that continuous training is of paramount importance to the accomplishment of agency goals. Without it, skill levels will decline and services to the public will suffer. The training that is provided by the agency, allows the officers to respond proactively in the community. Texarkana police officers received a total of 8860 hours of in-service training during 2006. Courses covered a wide range of areas, from the basic police academy to highly technical subjects such as forensic analysis. Officers assigned to specialized positions, received frequent advanced training to maintain their skills and expertise at a high level of competency. Two of the highest liability issues officers' face is the use of force and their driving skills. We continue to train on the use of both deadly and non deadly use of force monthly. This year the agency began offering a mandatory driver training course in both low speed and high speed operation of police vehicles to all officers.

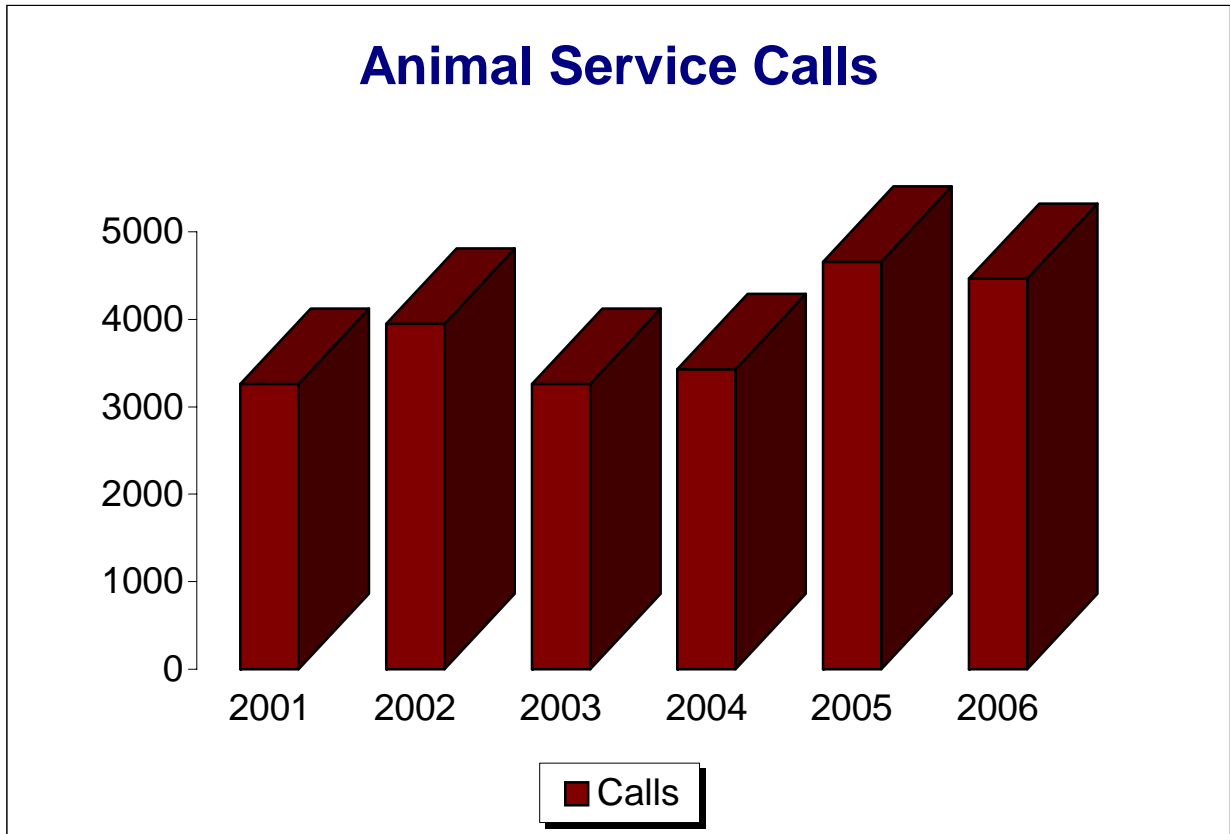
ANIMAL SERVICES



The **Animal Services Section** is staffed by 2 civilians, who are responsible for all calls relating to animals within the city. They work closely with the Texarkana Animal Shelter and Texarkana, Texas Animal Control Section. Animal Services responds calls for service and emergencies 24 hours per day 7 days a week through an interlocal agreement with Texarkana, Texas on scheduling and call-outs.



Pictures from Texarkana Gazette of Officer Perry & Townsend rescuing an injured goose.



POLICE DOCKET COORDINATOR

The District Court Docket Coordinator is responsible for data entry and clerical duties relating to the district court dockets and records. The docket coordinator handles the following responsibilities: data entry tasks relating to arrest and citations, preparation of dockets for district court, and the disposition of district court cases. She also ensures that required jail inmates are present for district court, assists the public and other law enforcement agencies with inquiries concerning warrants or court dispositions, monitors the jail population count, and ensures that the agency does not exceed its allotment of inmates in the jail, as well as coordinating requests for their medical care.

POLICE PROPERTY/EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN

The Property Evidence Technician is responsible for the custody and control of all evidence and property under police control, and the legal disposition of all such property. The property technician is assigned the following responsibilities: researches ownership of items received into police custody, services and maintains the evidence and property lockers to ensure incoming property is safeguarded, and evidence is released, processed or disposed of according to accepted legal practices. She maintains and tracks evidence and property to ensure a legal chain of custody, and that evidence or property is available in a timely manner for court proceedings, crime lab processing, legal release, or other approved activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TECHNICIAN

The Administrative Support Technician is responsible for the agency's financial activities and records. She ensures that accurate records are maintained, assists in the preparation of the agency's yearly budget, and its integration with the city's yearly budget. She maintains payroll documentation for the agency, and screens bills and invoices for validity prior to payment. She prepares requisitions and other financial documents to ensure that the agency's financial needs are met. She also maintains an operating fund for petty cash, as well as preparing billing for the housing of U.S. Marshal Service, Bureau of Prisons, and Immigration and Naturalization Service inmates. The financial affairs technician also handles the purchasing, storage, and issuance of clothing and equipment for the agency.



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POLICE DEPARTMENT GRANTS

2006 Texarkana DOJ/Justice Administration Grant (JAG) Expires 01/01/08

The police department currently uses the DOJ JAG funds to pay for the salary and fringe benefits to continue the employment of our full-time civilian complaint/warrant officer. This position allows for the redeployment of a commissioned police officer to field patrol duties instead of being continually called to headquarters to take walk-in complaints, handle warrants, and subpoenas. In his/her capacity of warrant service officer, calls are made to individuals that have outstanding warrants and arrangements are made for these individuals to come in and turn themselves in. The funds used will amount to \$34,438.00 over a two year period.

2006 DOJ Bulletproof Vest Grant: Expires 12/31/2007

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. We anticipate these funds will carry over into the FY 2007 budget year.

2007 DWI Traffic Enforcement Grant: Expires 09/30/07

This grant pays overtime for DWI, speed, and occupant protection enforcement. The Federal amount is \$87,900. The State amount is \$4,000. We have an in-kind local match of \$47,000 from the regular police budget. The FY 2006 DWI Grant ended on 09/30/2006. Local match (in-kind) uses a salary off-set from one of the patrol officers assigned to the Special Operations Traffic Section as match. This program started in 1991 and has been funded for approximately 14 years. This grant overlaps our budget year due to the State of Arkansas having a different fiscal year cycle.



2006 Bi-State Narcotics Task Force Grant: Expires 06/30/07

This grant pays the salaries for TAPD personnel in the Bi-State Narcotics Task Force. This is a multi-jurisdictional task force consisting of TAPD, Texarkana Texas Police & Miller County Sheriff's personnel. This is our longest running grant project. It funds the salaries of five police officers. The federal amount is \$181,113, state amount is \$36,223, and local match is \$169,713. Miller County will contribute \$25,490 to the project in match. Our task force has been one of the more successful in the State of Arkansas. We have heard some rumors from the Office of Intergovernmental Services there will be a reduction in funding of all Narcotic Task Forces in Arkansas for next year. The grant total of \$387,059 for this fiscal year is a revised figure.

2006 STOP Violence Against Women Act Grant: Expires 09/30/07



This grant pays the full salary of a police investigator to investigate all cases involving violent crimes committed against women. The grant also pays the salary for a police liaison position (case coordinator). The state amount is \$75,541, and local match is \$28,073 for a total of \$103,614.

2006 Texarkana Housing Authority Officer Positions: Expires 11/31/06

The THA's share is \$85,000.00 and the city picks up the balance needed for salary and fringe for two officers. THA officers are primarily responsible for Texarkana Housing Authority property. The approximate match is 75% federal and 25% local match. The funds received from THA have been deposited into the regular salary line item to simplify our budget tracking.

2004 AWINS Communications Upgrade Grant: Completed 12/31/06

The City of Texarkana Arkansas and County of Miller received a \$3.9 million dollar radio/communications grant to upgrade city/county radio communications equipment and infrastructure as part of the Arkansas Wireless Information Network over the next two years. This will allow radio communication interoperability between police, fire, emergency medical, sheriff, public works, water department, and other first responders.

This is by far one of the most important grants the city/county has ever received. The major benefit of this project is it will allow the police department and fire department to purchase some new radio equipment and upgrade our infrastructure saving money that can be used for other capital projects. Police radios have a service life of about 15 years. The AWINS radio system infrastructure used by the State of Arkansas will require that we start migrating from analog to digital equipment for interoperability with other state agencies in Arkansas. Upon completion of the project we do not anticipate needing to upgrade the radio infrastructure until FY 2015.

2004 COPS In Schools Grant: Expires 03/31/2007



This three year grant funds two (2) police officers for assignment to the Texarkana Arkansas School District as School Resource Officers. One SRO is assigned to Arkansas High School and one at North Heights Junior High School. The TASD has agreed in principal to continue to fund the positions for an additional two budget

cycles after the federal portion expires, which will in reality fund the two officers through 03/31/09.

2004 COPS Secure Our Schools Grant: Expired 08/01/2006



This is a one year grant that is funded by the COPS Office to provide security upgrades to the new Arkansas Senior High School under construction in the amount of \$89,206.00 dollars. The grant was applied for by the Texarkana Police Department on behalf of Texarkana Arkansas School District Number # 7. This

grant is different from other COPS grants we have applied for with a 50%-50% match being provided by the Texarkana Arkansas School District and the DOJ COPS Office. The grant was applied for in July of 2004 and was to run for 12 months.

FY 2006 POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

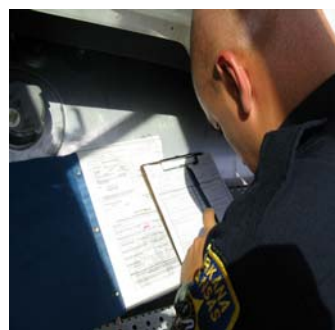
<u>FUND</u>	<u>DEPT</u>	<u>ACCT</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BUDGET 2006</u>	<u>YTD 2006</u>	<u>% USED</u>
101	121	51010	SALARIES - REGULAR	3,338,023.00	3,194,580.65	95.70%
101	121	51014	SALARIES - AIRPORT	65,000.00	-	0.00%
101	121	51020	LONGEVITY PAY	50,913.00	52,283.31	102.69%
101	121	51030	HOLIDAY PAY	119,111.00	121,828.59	102.28%
101	121	51040	EDUCATION PAY	43,488.00	45,894.42	105.53%
101	121	51050	TRAINING PAY	54,240.00	54,660.58	100.78%
101	121	51070	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	18,000.00	17,352.65	96.40%
101	121	51090	OVERTIME	61,000.00	59,510.51	97.56%
101	121	51091	SCHOOL DISTRICT O.T.	90,000.00	52,411.83	58.24%
101	121	51092	D.W.I. OVERTIME	35,000.00	40,140.52	114.69%
101	121	51094	SPEED OVERTIME	25,000.00	24,451.13	97.80%
101	121	51095	AIRPORT SECURITY	(65,000.00)	(90,860.73)	139.79%
101	121	51200	F.I.C.A.	20,000.00	28,512.38	142.56%
101	121	51300	MEDICARE	52,000.00	49,422.70	95.04%
101	121	51400	RETIREMENT	105,093.00	333,532.78	317.37%
101	121	51500	HOSPITALIZATION/LIFE	354,945.00	371,214.00	104.58%
101	121	51600	WORKERS COMPENSATION	57,302.00	80,580.89	140.62%
101	121	51850	TERMINATION PAY	-	4,232.14	
101	121	52010	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	23,800.00	18,741.91	78.75%
101	121	52014	ACCOUNTING SERVICES	-	1,230.37	
101	121	52040	PRINTING & DUPLICATING	4,950.00	1,926.09	38.91%
101	121	52050	MAILING & DELIVERY	3,000.00	3,979.04	132.63%
101	121	52060	UTILITY SERVICES	4,000.00	5,239.90	131.00%
101	121	52070	COMMUNICATIONS	32,000.00	37,650.77	117.66%
101	121	52080	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	2,700.00	5,126.83	189.88%
101	121	52090	ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY	2,700.00	3,551.87	131.55%
101	121	52100	TRAVEL/TRAINING	35,000.00	36,870.22	105.34%
101	121	52120	RENTAL OF LAND & BUILDG	-	525.00	
101	121	52130	RENTAL OF EQUIPMENTS	4,000.00	484.19	12.10%
101	121	52135	LEASE OF EQUIPMENT	500.00	-	0.00%
101	121	52180	MAINTENANCE MACH/EQUIP	5,000.00	11,879.29	237.59%
101	121	52185	MAINTENANCE VEHICLES	95,000.00	120,831.63	127.19%
101	121	52200	CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS	1,000.00	-	0.00%
101	121	53010	OFFICE SUPPLIES	7,500.00	11,733.11	156.44%
101	121	53020	OPERATING SUPPLIES	28,000.00	27,943.51	99.80%
101	121	53024	OPERATING PUB INTOX/DWI	-	3,974.39	
101	121	53030	FOOD	600.00	-	0.00%
101	121	53034	TSA EXPENDITURES	-	13,751.90	
101	121	53050	CLOTHING & LINEN	35,000.00	37,328.43	106.65%
101	121	53060	MINOR TOOLS & EQUIP	2,500.00	2,325.16	93.01%
101	121	53070	MOTOR FUELS & LUBRICANT	145,000.00	214,650.73	148.03%
101	121	53110	MATERIALS MACH/EQUIP	1,350.00	739.24	54.76%
101	121	53130	MATERIALS UNCLASSIFIED	200.00	-	0.00%
101	121	54001	CAPITAL OUTLAY	172,030.00	-	0.00%
101	121	54100	INSURANCE	100.00	-	0.00%
101	121	54215	BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING	-	141,970.17	
101	121	58446	REGIONAL AIRPORT	-	4,500.00	
101	121	58510	COST RECOVERY	-	(1,886.52)	
TOTAL				5,030,045.00	5,144,815.58	102.28%

PATROL DIVISION



Captain Mark Lewis commanded the patrol division in 2006. The Patrol Division provides the uniform police services to our community and is the front line in protecting our citizens and combating crime. As such, Patrol is the largest division, with a staff of 2 lieutenants, 7 sergeants, and 41 patrol officers. The division is divided into three shifts, and the Special Operations Section, providing continuous police service. The Patrol Division operated in 2006 with three positions frozen in 2005. We anticipate they will be filled in the new budget cycle in 2007.

Patrol Officers are on duty seven days a week covering 3 shifts. Our police officer's strive to ensure that Texarkana is a safe place to live, work and raise a family. This requires devoting time during each shift to talking with citizens in their patrol area. Building trust with citizens in their beats allows officers to be alert for issues that may lower the quality of life in a neighborhood. Officers work under the philosophy that the beats they work are their personal responsibility and take pride in keeping our neighborhoods crime free and safe.



The Patrol Division responded to approximately 45,000 calls for service in 2006. This is a substantial increase over the 1999 pre-annexation total. Annual calls for service since 2004 have increased by over 4000. In addition to answering an increasing call load, the geographic area of the city has doubled in size since 1999 to 42 square miles. This has strained our ability to provide a prompt response time to police calls for service to report violent crime or simply ask for information. Even with the increased calls for service in 2006, the agency saw an increase in the number of physical arrests and citations issued for moving violations. Traffic issues continue to increase in Texarkana, Arkansas with new residential development.



During 2006 the Patrol Division continued its cooperative working agreement with the College Hill Development Council (CHDC) in an effort to address quality of life issues in a two square block area of College Hill. Patrol Officers were redirected to those areas, and criminal related issues were addressed and eliminated.

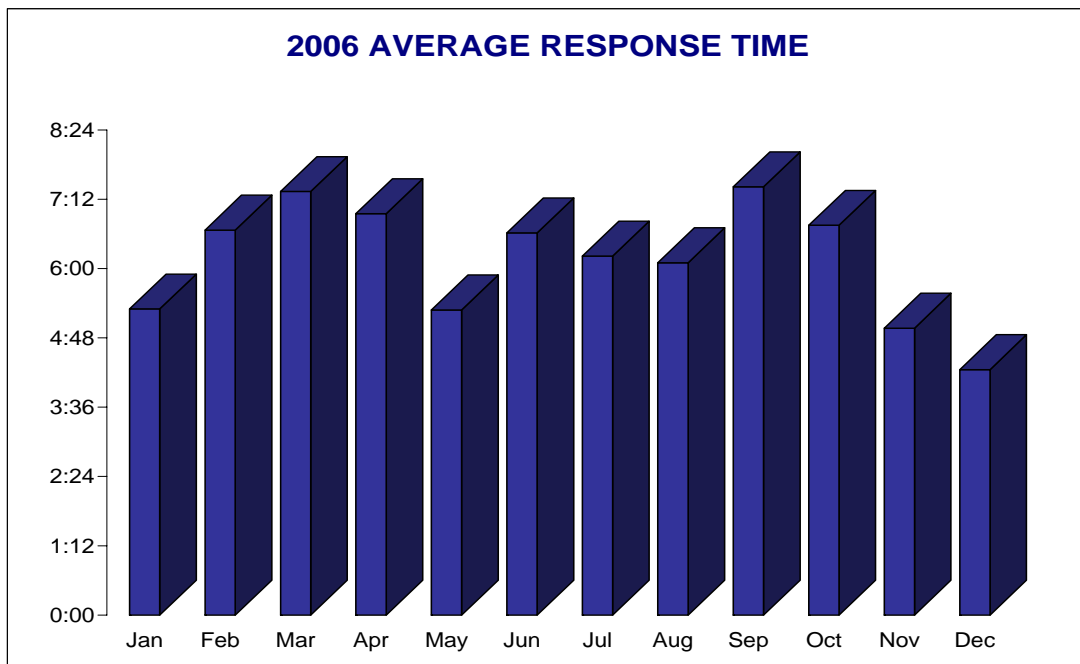
Working closely with the Training Section of the department, in 2006 the Patrol Division began enhanced training in several key areas, including Pursuit Driving, Tactical Firearms, Building Clearing, and Defensive Tactics. All members of the division were

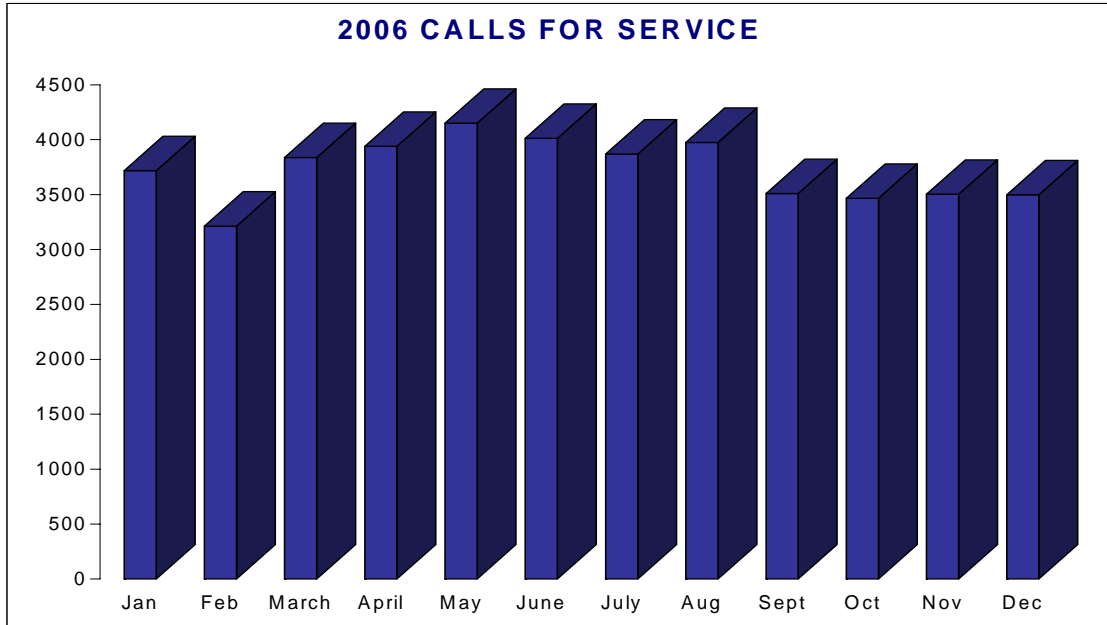
required to participate in the enhanced training in order to provide the officers with the tools necessary to safely accomplish their tasks.

AIRPORT POLICE

The Texarkana, Arkansas Police Department provides full time police services at the Texarkana Regional Airport. A unit consisting of three retired TAPD officers are employed by the department through a contract with the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to provide continuous service during all commercial arrival and departure times.

PATROL OPERATIONS

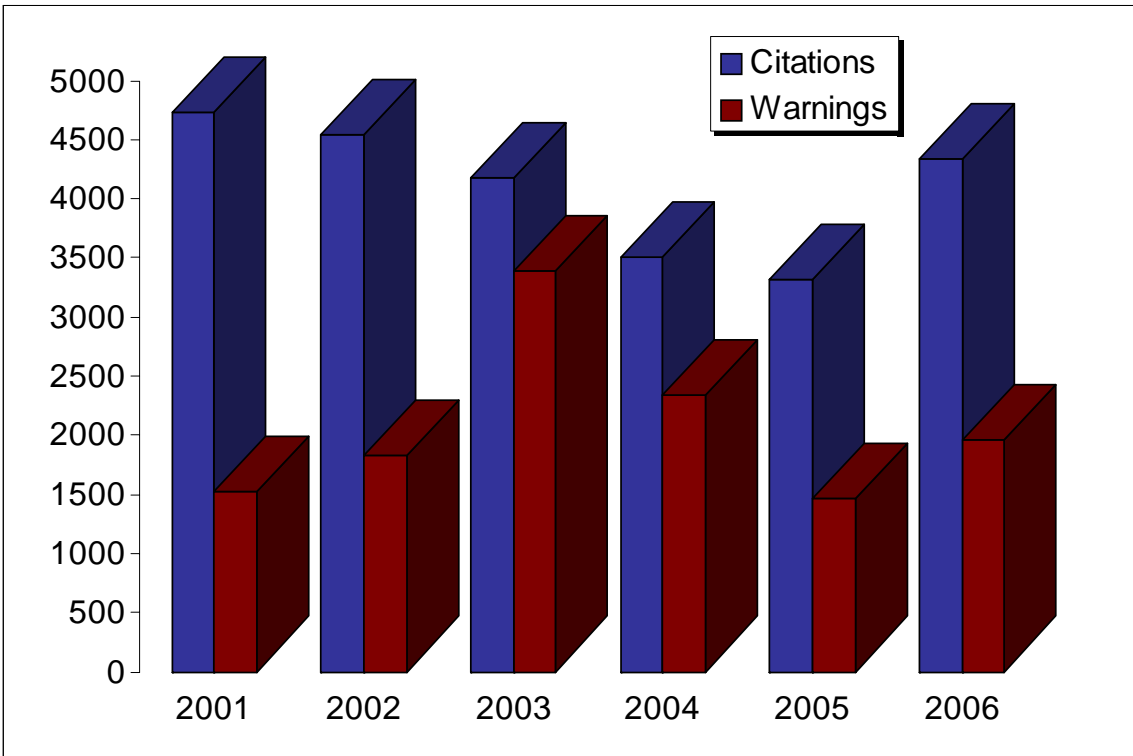
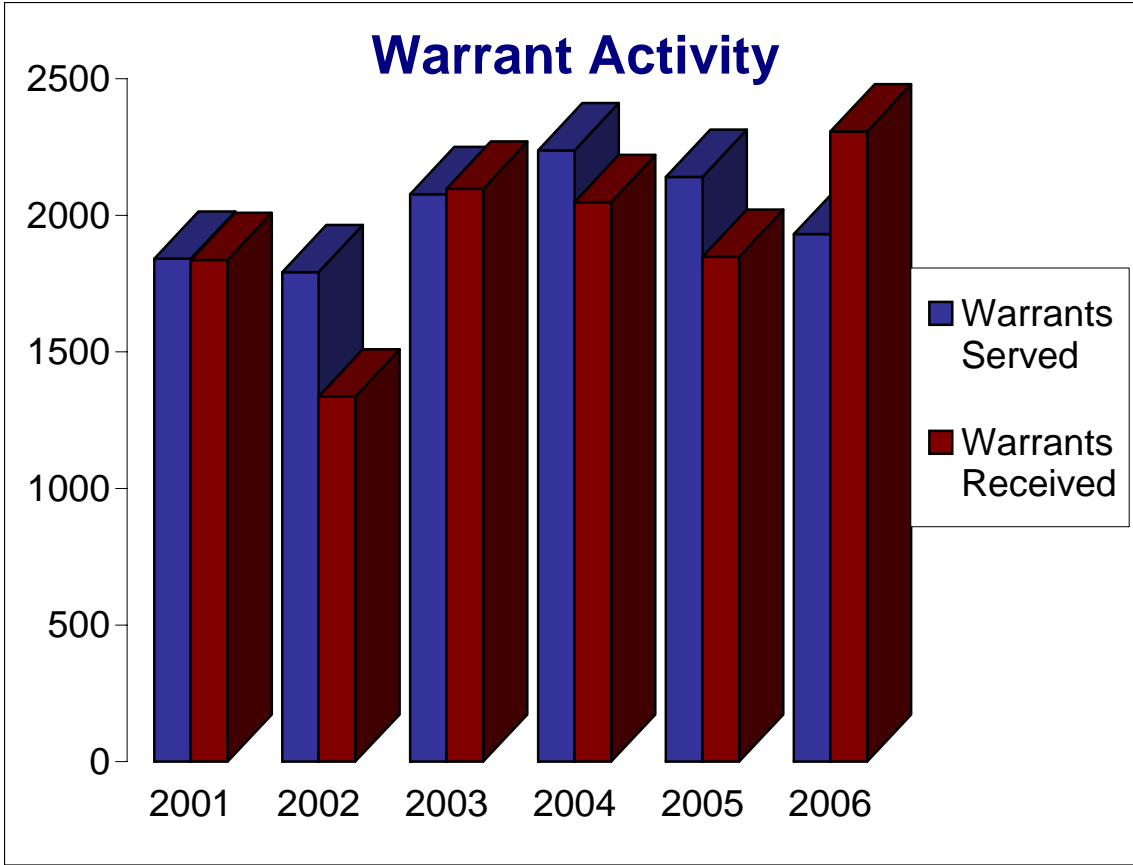




Call Priority	2004 YTD Number of Calls	2005 YTD Number of Calls	2006 YTD Number of Calls
1	115	143	116
2	1,359	1,482	1,402
3	10,680	11,791	11,626
4	2,880	2,863	2,880
5	21,572	21,656	23,847
6	3,970	5,236	4,796
Totals	40,576	43,171	44,667
Average Response Times	6:23	6:36	6:09

Examples of calls associated with each priority level:

- Priority 1** – Urgent Requests for assistance from Fire, EMS, or Police
- Priority 2** – Accident with Injuries, Bank Robbery, Burglary in progress, Homicide, Suicide, House Fire
- Priority 3** – Accident without Injuries, Intrusion Alarms, DOA, Disturbance in progress, DWI, Prowler
- Priority 4** – Funeral Escorts, Curfew Violation, Animal Running Loose, Loud Party, Prostitution
- Priority 5** – Burglary already occurred, Disturbance already occurred, Forgery already occurred
- Priority 6** – Parking complaint, Fireworks complaint, Gas Theft, Loose



METRO SWAT

Texarkana Metro SWAT is a multi-jurisdictional team comprised of members from both the Texarkana, Arkansas and Texarkana, Texas Police Departments. The team has a Commander, who answers directly to the two Chiefs of Police, and specific Section Assistant Commanders, who are responsible for the various disciplines within the team. The unit maintains a total of three (3) entry teams, six (6) police marksmen, and a Hostage Negotiations team. In late 2006, the team introduced Dr. Matt Young as the team physician. “Doc”, has been a regular participant at SWAT training since signing onto the Team. All members train monthly, and respond to specific calls for service ranging from barricade situations to the execution of high risk warrants. The team employs special tactics, and utilizes specialized equipment to accomplish the assigned mission.



SPECIAL OPERATIONS

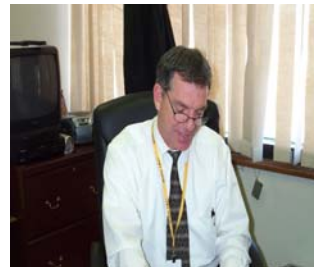
The Special Operations Unit is attached to the Patrol Division for routine operations, but is a valuable resource for additional manpower needed during emergencies. Special Operations is staffed with a Corporal, and five officers. Each officer is assigned a primary assignment, such as traffic enforcement. While on duty, the traffic unit investigates all motor vehicle accidents in order to free up regular patrol assets. Two officers provide services to all properties administered by the Texarkana Housing Authority. Two additional officers who are grant funded provide services at both Arkansas High and North Heights Junior High School as School Resource Officers. Those two officers provide no additional patrol related services due to the nature of their assignments.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION



Captain Ernest Keck commanded this division in 2006. The Criminal Investigation Division is staffed by 2 lieutenants, Lt. Rick Endsley and Lt. Dwight Mowery, 1 sergeant, Sgt. Bobby Jordan, 15 detectives and 3 civilians . The Criminal Investigation Division consists of four units; Crimes Against Persons Section, Property Crimes Section, Crime Scene Section, and the Metro Narcotics Task Force.

The Criminal Investigation Division investigated approximately 2019 UCR Part 1 Offenses in 2006. This included 3 Homicides, 81 Robberies, and 406 Burglaries. The division maintained an average clearance rate of 54%, which is far above the national average.



Det. Les Moody is assigned to the Crimes Against Persons Section and investigates all crimes of violence, including, homicide, rape, robbery and battery. Within this section are two units for investigating crimes involving specific types of victims. The Domestic Violence Unit, Det. Les Hunter and Coordinator Amy Smith who are grant funded investigate all offenses involving domestic violence and assists the victims of these crimes. Our two Juvenile Detectives, Det. Les Munn and Det. Jason Haak specialize in the investigation of offenses involving juvenile victims or offenders.



The Property Crimes Section investigates burglaries, thefts, and other non-violent crimes involving property. This section is led by Sgt. Bobby Jordan and Detectives Alan Fincher, Lonnie Booker, Paul Nall, and John Cowart complete this team of investigators. Det. Cowart who is a Major in the United States Marine Corps had military obligations for several months in 2006 and continues to serve our country in 2007.

Property crimes make up the majority of crimes within our city, and the detectives in this section are responsible for a clearance rate above the national average. Det. John Cochran is assigned to investigate Forgery and Fraud cases. Identity theft continues to be a growing crime.



The General Case Detective, Det. Angel Guzman is assigned to investigate misdemeanor offenses, assists with other investigations, assists victims in filing misdemeanor affidavits in District Court, and follows up with citizen requests made to CID.

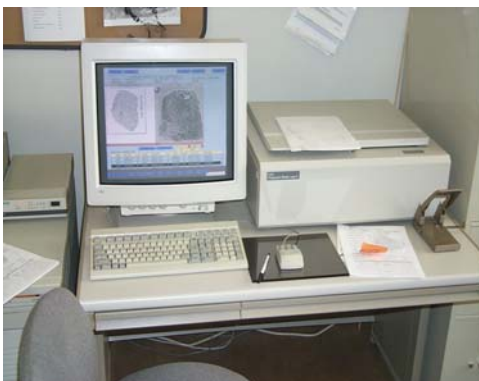
The Sex Offender detective position was created in 2006 and Det. Jeff Gladden was selected as the first detective to fill this badly needed position. Sex Offenders are living in our neighborhoods and are required to register so notifications can be made to residents. Sex Offenders are a group that is always on the move and many fail to remain registered. Det. Gladden is responsible to document paperwork, make notifications and keep tabs on the offenders' home address and employment.

The Metro Crime Scene Section is a combined unit with the Texarkana Texas Police Department. Det. Marc Sullivan and Det. Shawna Yonts from TAPD and Det. Steve Womack and Det. Will Buttram from TTPD make up the unit. Detectives in this section are highly trained and make use of advanced technology in the collection and preservation of evidence, fingerprint comparison, crime scene diagramming, and case preparation.



The multi-jurisdictional Metro Narcotics Task Force is made up of investigators from Texarkana Arkansas, Texarkana Texas, and the Miller County Sheriff's Department. The task force focuses enforcement efforts on the manufacture and sale of illicit drugs and narcotics. Methamphetamine, including ICE, Crack Cocaine, and Marijuana are common available drugs and are challenges confronting our narcotics enforcement efforts. In 2006, this unit made 204 drug related arrests and seized over \$1,362,495.40 in illegal drugs.

Secretaries Pauletta Sims, Ty Underwood, and Jewell Johnson play a vital role in answering phones, making copies, transcribing tapes, conducting research and performing all other duties that support the operations of CID.



The year 2006 involved a lot of hard work, extra effort, and long hours to investigate cases and maintain a solve rate above fifty four percent. In addition to the normal case load some highlights of 2006 are the three homicides that were investigated. The Cheryl Parker case was initially a missing person case, but Det. Moody and the other detectives involved continued investigating until her remains were found and a suspect was in custody. The 2nd and 3rd homicides were a double

homicide and arson fire in the 1900 block of Pecan. The victims were Jamie and Carolyn Ellenburg.

Sgt. Bobby Jordan led the first use of a Civil Nuisance Abatement at 104 Charles Street to deal with drug dealing and gang shootings. The house and property were seized after a case was made that occupants of the house were involved in ongoing criminal activity.

Property Crimes continue to be a problem but Det. Paul Nall was able to solve a string of burglaries from several storage buildings recovering a truck load of property.

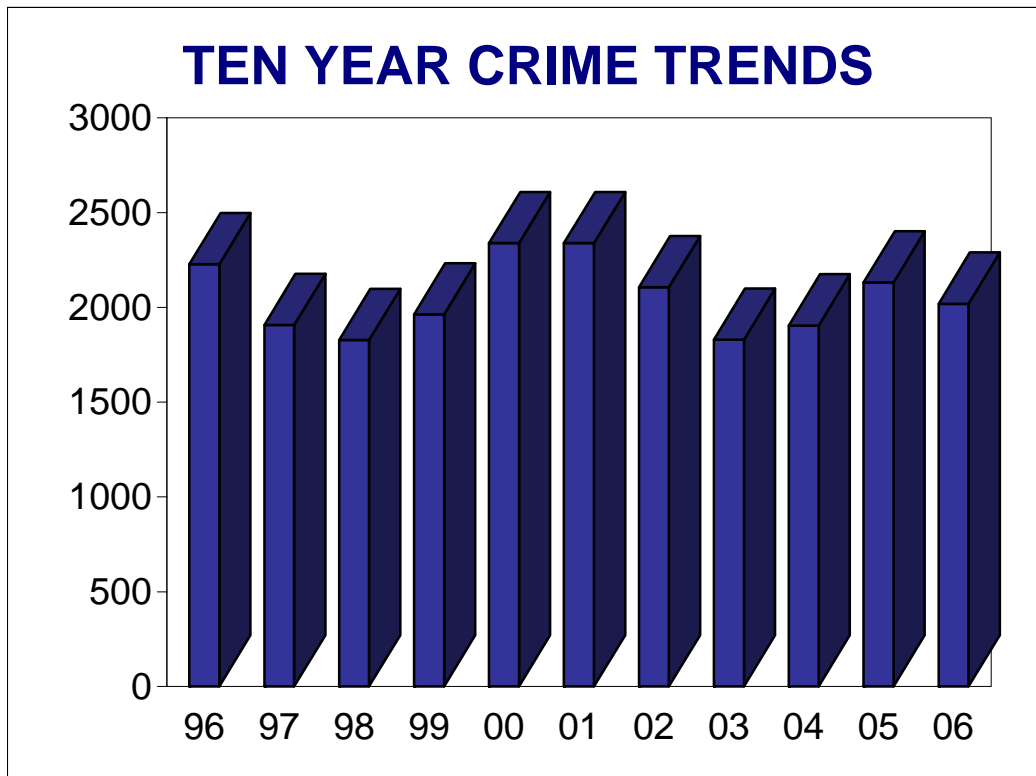
The best indicator of a job well done is when all the paperwork is complete, and the file is sent to the Prosecuting Attorney's office, and we never go to trial because of accurate and complete investigations. Many cases were pleaded with satisfactory results.

2006 INDEX CRIME

One of the many functions of the Texarkana Police Department is tracking and reporting is crime trends within the city. These trends are reported to the FBI in the form of a Uniform Crime Report, usually referred to as the UCR. The term "trend" is used because we are actually comparing incidents of crime that occurred during a particular year to those reported in previous years to see if the trend for each crime goes up or down. During 2006, we experienced a 7.6% decrease in our total crime index.

Many factors can influence crime rates. Large areas of annexations, without an increase in manpower, require officers to patrol a larger geographical area. The local economy and employment rates also impact on criminal activity in the community.

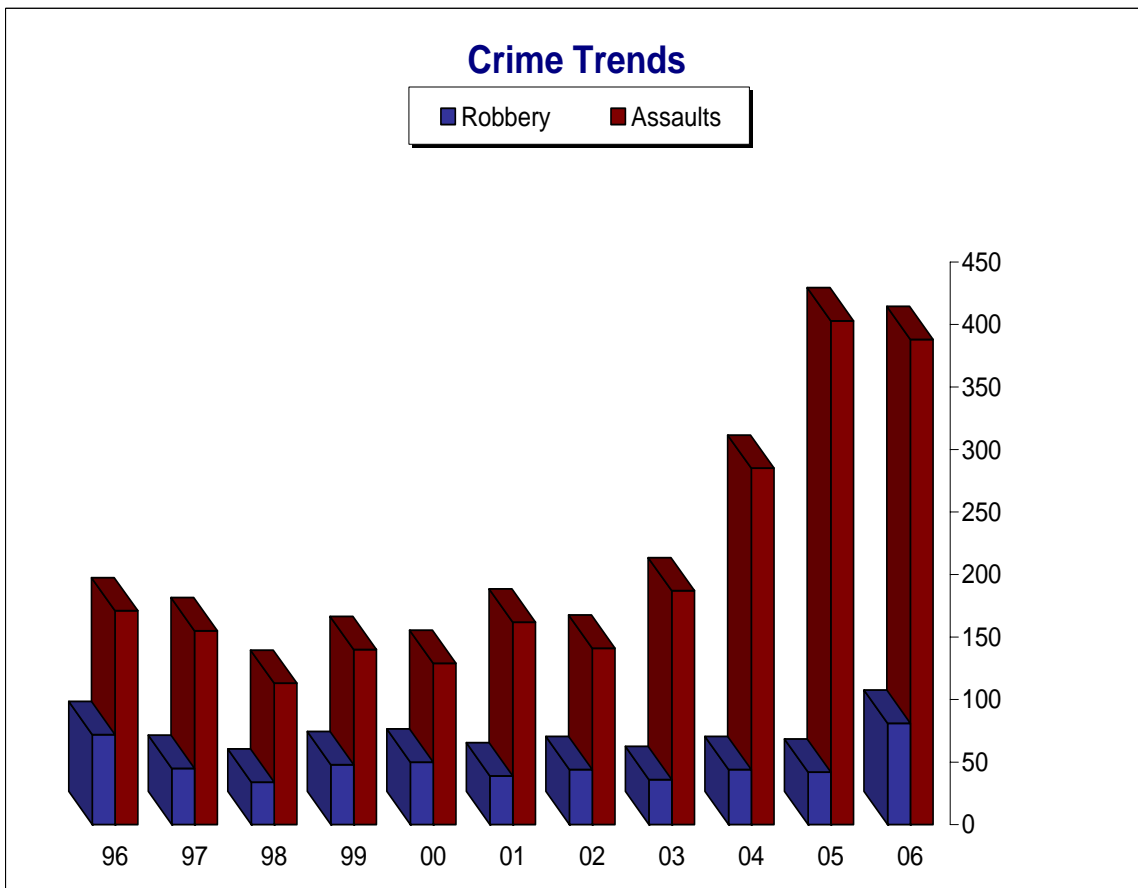
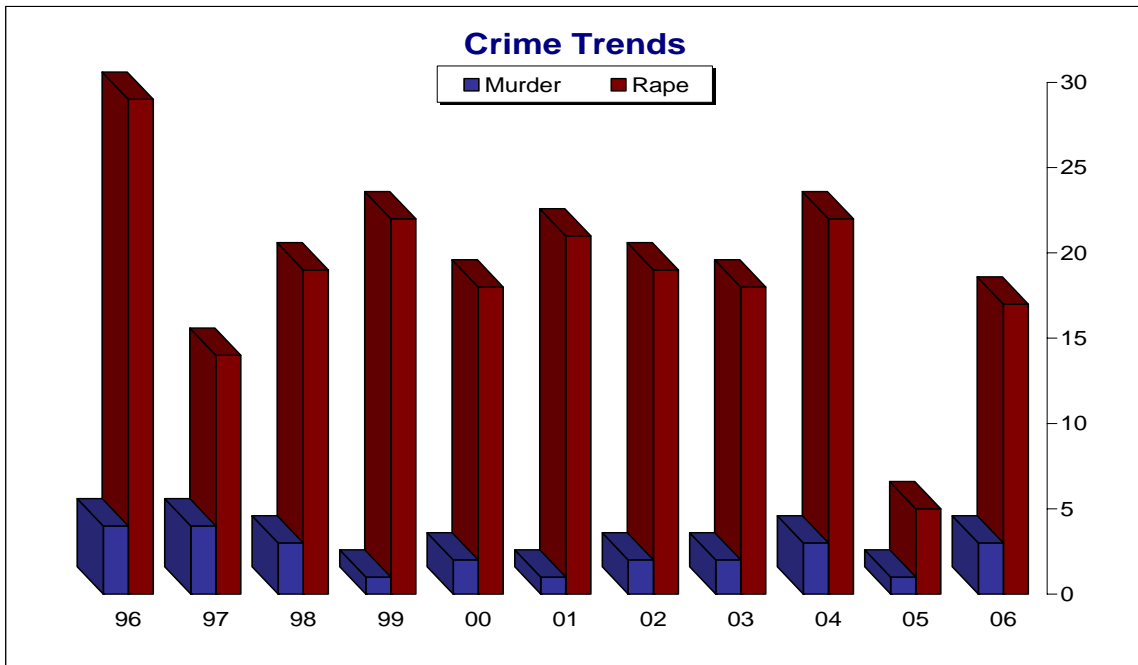


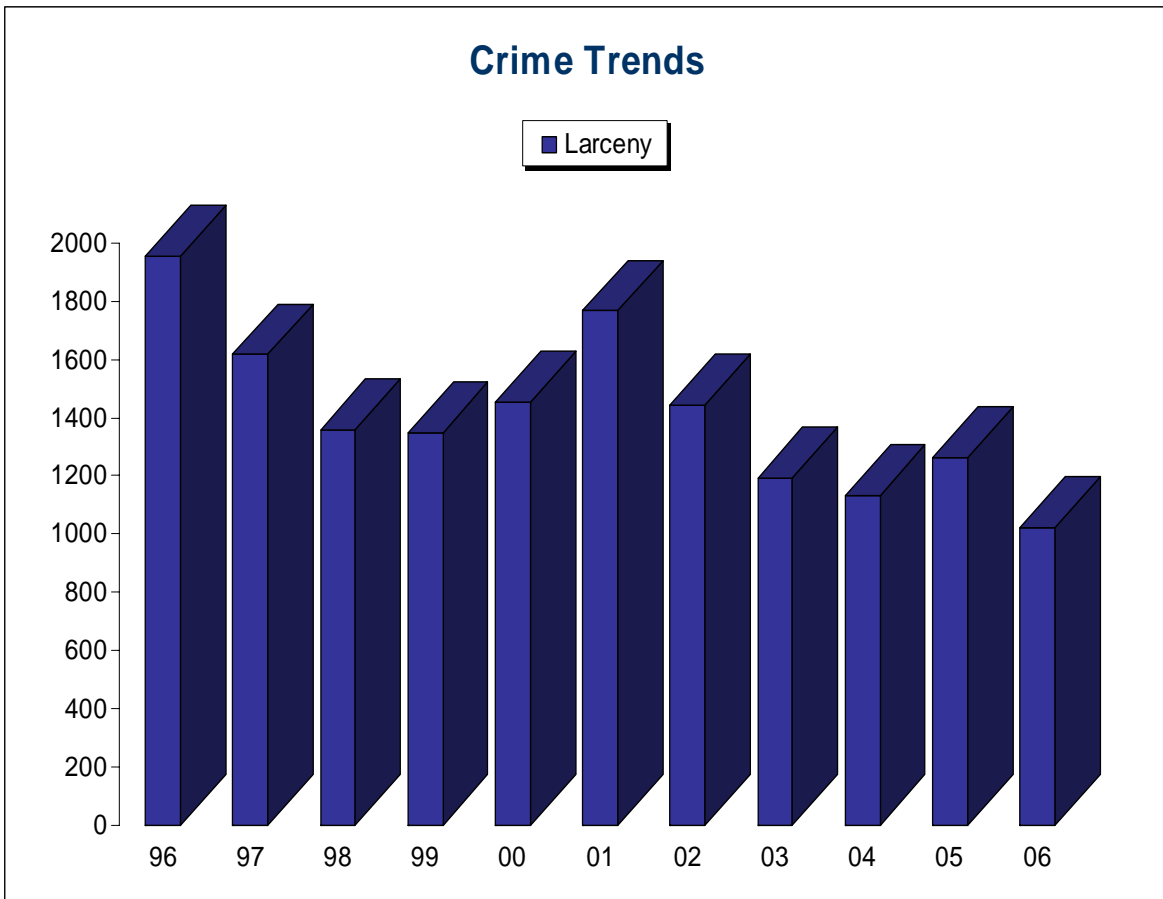
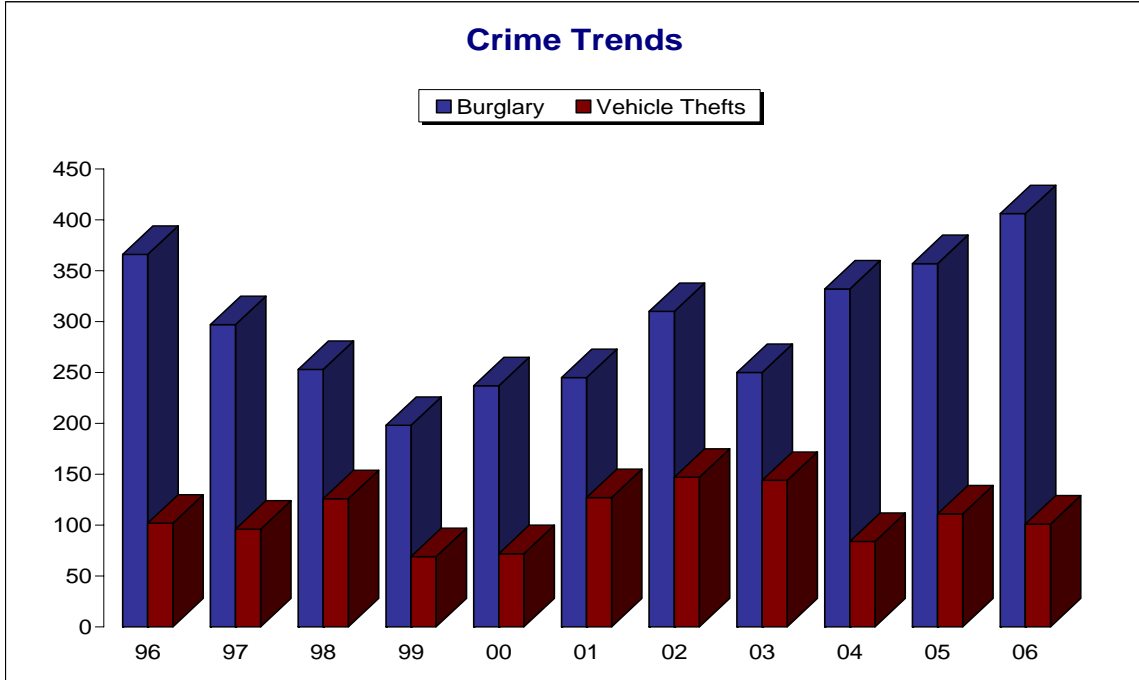


2006 UNIFORM CRIME REPORT Reported Crimes

Offenses	2005	2006	Crime Trends
Criminal Homicide	1	3	+200%
Forcible Rape	5	17	+240%
Robbery	42	81	+92.9%
Aggravated Assault	403	388	-3.7%
<i>Violent Crime Index</i>	446	489	+9.6%
Burglary	357	406	+13.7%
Larceny-Theft	1264	1023	-19.1%
Motor Vehicle Theft	111	101	-9.0%
<i>Property Crime Index</i>	1732	1530	-11.7%
Total Crime Index	2183	2019	-7.5%
Simple Assaults	1170	1065	-9.0%
2006 Clearance Rate	54%		

CRIME TRENDS





NARCOTICS

2006 Narcotics Stats			
Drugs Seized	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Street Value
Assorted	35	DU	\$76
Cocaine	7854.7	Grams	\$665,750
Codeine	712	DU	\$1,698
Crack	260.67	Grams	\$59,730
Dolophine	13	DU	\$39
Ecstasy	57.5	DU	\$1,471
Heroin	2240	Grams	\$240,000
Hydrocodone	134	DU	\$403
Marijuana	15957.6	Grams	\$89,126
MDMA	6	DU	\$160
Meth	74	Grams	\$300,542
Oxycontin	74	DU	\$222
RedP Meth Lab	3		\$840
Unknown	81	DU	\$243
Viagra	4	DU	\$12
Vicodin	5	DU	\$15
Xanax	372	DU	\$2,904
Total street value of narcotics seized:			\$1,362,495
Arrests and cases files by investigators:			204
Search warrants executed:			36

Investigators with the Bi-State Narcotics Task Force (N.T.F.) are continuing to gather intelligence concerning the ever-increasing traffic of methamphetamine, cocaine and other illicit drugs in Texarkana, and the surrounding areas. Arrests concerning methamphetamine and cocaine have increased with a concentrated effort in the area of mid level distributors. The Bi-State N.T.F. is continuing to expand interagency cooperation with other local, federal and state agencies. Combating the drug problem continues to be an important priority of the department, with a focus on working with other departments to expand our ability to fight the war on drugs.

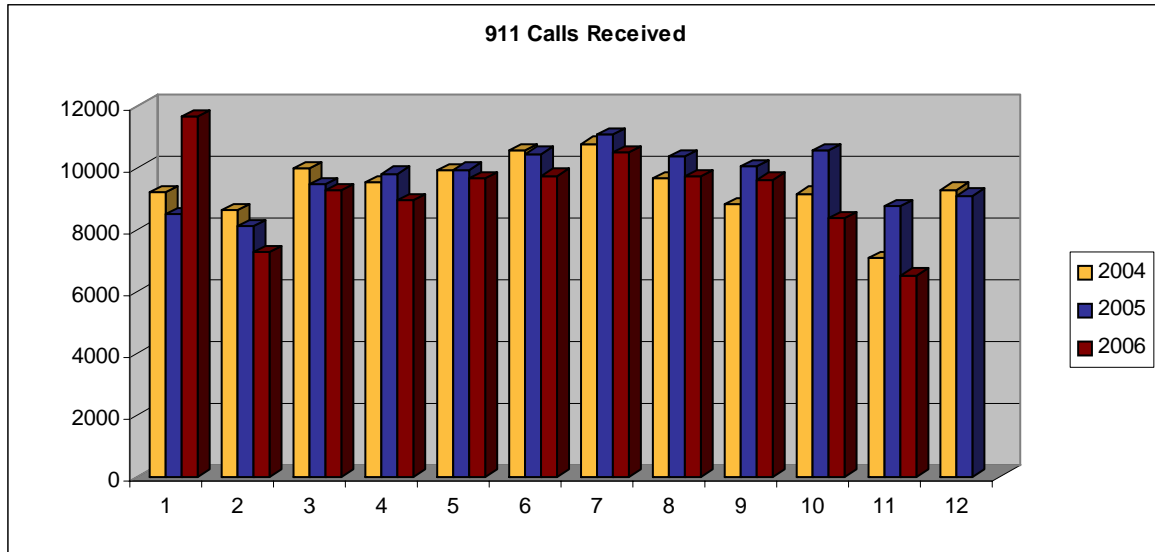
CENTRAL RECORDS & COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION



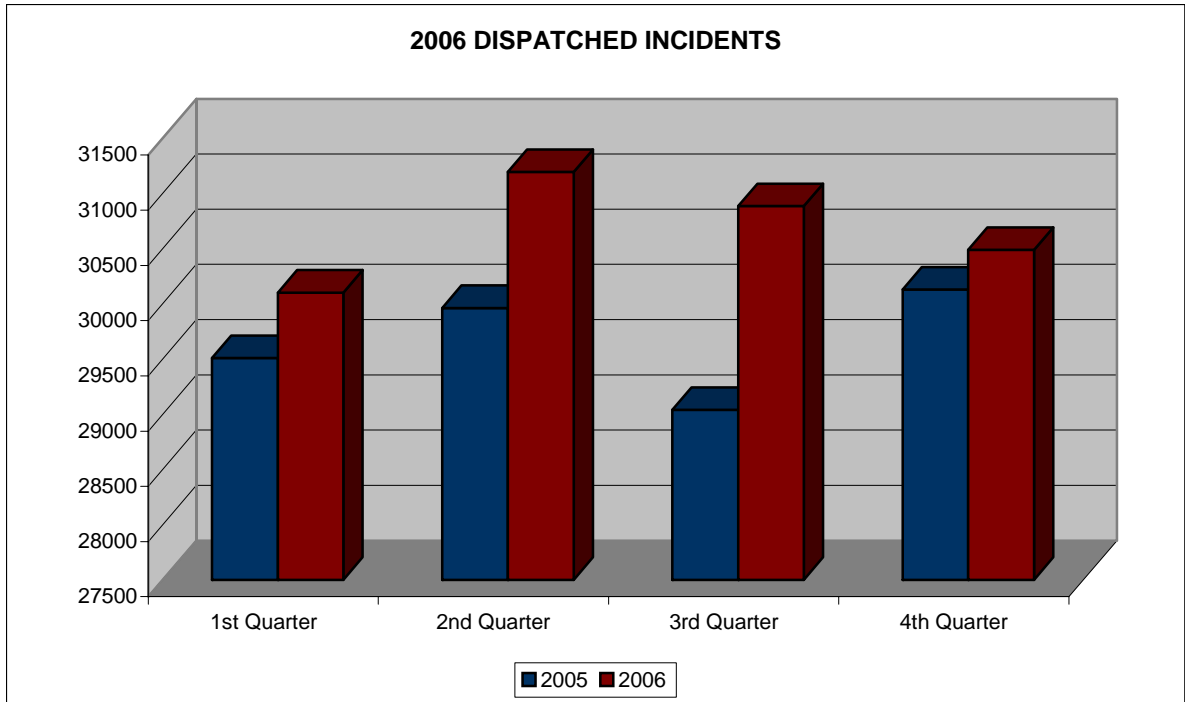
Captain Shawn Vaughn serves as the commander of the Central Records and Communication Division (CRC). The Central Records and Communications Division provides communication and records support to our agency, as well as most of the public safety agencies in Texarkana, Texas and Bowie County. CRC is a joint venture, funded by the Cities of Texarkana Arkansas and Texas, as well as Bowie County, Texas. Central Records & Communications plays a very important role as the life line to our citizens and police officers. The Communications Center is staffed 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Records personnel are available everyday from 6:00 a.m.

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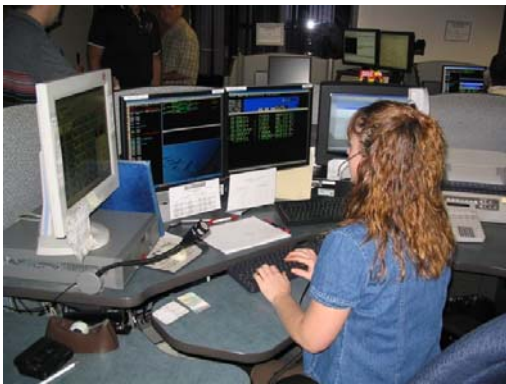
The Law Enforcement Advisory Committee (LEAC) provides direction and establishes policy for the division and supervises the division commander. Texarkana, Texas Lieutenant Joe Walker currently serves in the capacity as an Assistant Commander with primary responsibility for the communications section of Central Records & Communications.



CRC led the initiative to purchase and install the Code RED Emergency Notification System in 2006. Capable of making 60,000 telephone notifications per hour, this system can be used for quickly providing citizens with information in cases such as evacuations, flooding, hazardous material spills, Amber Alerts, etc. By the end of 2006, we had over 66,000 phone numbers of Bowie and Miller County residents in the Code RED system.



The records section serves as the central repository for all law enforcement reports. We processed approximately 155,868 reports in 2006. The communications section is the 9-1-1 answering point for Texarkana & Bowie County, and CRC handled in excess of 110,314 9-1-1 calls in 2006 while dispatching 122,667 incidents. CRC dispatches police and fire calls, but EMS calls are immediately transferred to LifeNet Emergency Ambulance Service communications center for them to dispatch their own personnel.



One of the biggest challenges as we move into 2007 is that of the two mission critical computer systems used in CRC. The Computer Aided Dispatch System was installed in 1993 and Records Management System in 1995. Due to perpetual budget issues, neither system has been updated since their initial installation. We must now seriously consider replacing both these systems before they fail and can not be recovered. Over the last couple of years, we have experienced increased levels of system errors that are likely precursors of such a crash. Failure to address these issues in the immediate future could result in a serious disruption of emergency services to our community.

During 2007, CRC personnel will work on several major projects that include completion of our part of the Arkansas Wireless Information Network (AWIN) and the 800 MHz Rebanding that has been mandated by the FCC.

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