



BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Paul Fitzgerald · Chief of Police

AUGUST 2016 MONTHLY REPORT

The month of August included incidents 2,710 (19,661 YTD). The most frequent emergency calls for service are ambulance calls with 94 (844 YTD) and alarms with 75 (668 YTD).

During August, officers investigated and reported on several incidents. Some of the incidents that were investigated are called index crimes.

Index crimes include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft. Arson also is included, but is not considered an index crime.

	Aug 2016	YTD 2016	Aug 2015	YTD 2015
Murder	0	0	0	0
Rape	1	2	0	0
Robbery	0	3	2	4
Agg. Assault	0	6	0	2
Burglary	7	26	8	28
Larceny	17	193	22	140
M.V. Theft	2	18	0	8
Arson	0	0	0	1
Adult Criminal Arrests for all types of Criminal Offenses	27	237	29	235

Traffic related incidents are motor vehicle stops, motor vehicle accidents and motor vehicle incidents (typically private property/parking lot mishaps).

	Aug 2016	YTD 2016	Aug 2015	YTD 2015
MV Accident	52	394	37	384
MV Incident	16	134	11	143
MV Stops	653	3997	593	4293
DUI Arrests	0	30	3	27
MV Arrests (Inf/Misd)	352	1891	377	2675
MV Warnings	198	1318	168	1327

Motor Vehicle Accidents

Most crashes occurred on Tuesdays with fifteen (15), followed by nine (9) on Thursdays. The location where most crashes occurred was on the Berlin Turnpike with nine (9) followed by seven (7) on Deming Road. No intersection had more than one (1) crash for the month of August. The top two causative crash factors were Following Too Closely with twenty-three (23) and Fail to Stay in Lane with eight (8).

Employee Recognition

Section I. Employee recognition

On August 25th Officer LoCastro was dispatched to Elwood Road for a report of 42-year-old man having a seizure. Upon arrival Officer LoCastro found him collapsed on the kitchen floor, unconscious, and taking an agonal breath about once every 30 seconds. The man then stopped breathing altogether and went pulseless. Officer LoCastro initiated chest compressions for several minutes and revived him. A follow-up call days later revealed that the man suffered a heart attack and was back home recovering. Great save! BPD Case # 2016-19440.

On August 26th Officers Krzykowski, Monthei, & Flynn, assisted New Britain Police with stopping a vehicle on the Berlin Turnpike. The operator was wanted in connection with a shooting and had an active warrant for Assault 1st Degree. The stop was made without incident. Multiple agencies were present and our officers took the lead when requested to do so, BPD Case #2016-19576.

On August 7th Officer Krzykowski and Titan were dispatched to active burglary at Mickey Finn's Honda. The suspect was successfully tracked and located in woods nearby resulting in his arrest. The suspect had also committed earlier car breaks, BPD Case # 2016-17745 & # 2016-17747.

On August 14th Officer R. Schreiner reached the 39th anniversary of his employment. Sergeant Solek commended Officer R. Schreiner's dedication to our department and the community as he continues into his 40th year of service. In the month of August Officer R. Schreiner had perfect work attendance using zero sick days.

On August 18th Officer LoCastro responded to a report of a cat struck by a vehicle. A citizen that came out to assist later called headquarters to commend Officer LoCastro for being compassionate and helpful while handling this incident. Cromwell ACO had to be contacted to transport the cat for medical attention, BPD Case # 2016-18850.

Officer Griffin received a letter of appreciation from a juvenile that had fallen and hit his head causing a significant abrasion to the scalp. The juvenile thanked Officer Griffin for treating his injury and keeping him and his mother calm on August 12th, BPD Case # 2016-18245.

Last month Sergeant Gallupe received a letter of thanks for assisting an elderly woman who came to headquarters needing assistance with an issue involving the license plate on her vehicle.

On August 29th Officer D. Manning was providing relief for dispatch and had to handle an ambulance call. Sergeant Jobs reported that she confidently and accurately followed our procedures and did a great job dispatching the call and starting services.

Last month Officer Blake led all officers in motor vehicle activity with **(69)** stops. Officers Blake, Doski, LoCastro, & Monthei performed better than 80% of the other officers assigned to patrol in this category. Overall motor vehicle stops this August **(652)** increased 10% as compared to August of 2015 **(592)**.

There were no self-initiated DUI arrests in August and no DUI arrests overall. Officer Cyr and Officer LoCastro led the department in arrests for operating under suspension with **(2)**. Officer LoCastro also led the department with arrests for misuse of plates **(2)**. Officer Doski & Officer Monthei led the department in speed related enforcement with **(24)** & **(22)** respectively. Officer Krzykowski led the department in distracted driving enforcement **(23)**.

Section II. Community Service:

- School was not in session. Only two walk-throughs were conducted in August. Officer LoCastro and Officer DePinto conducted them at Willard and Griswold Schools.
- During the month of August, there were eight days of Special Assignment for bike patrol.
- Last month Sergeant Jobs reported that a new intern applied and was accepted into the program. Vanessa Marchewkav is a student at Tunxis Community College and starts on September 9th.

Section III. Community Activity Request Summary (3 Programs)

1. On August 23rd Chief Fitzgerald, Deputy Chief Klett, and Lieutenant Gosselin met with a group of leaders from a variety of religious institutions that are based in Town. A number of ideas and issues were discussed that will be used to better serve these communities going forward.
2. On August 27th Officer Krzykowski and Titan took part in the Dream Ride festivities and K9 demonstrations that support the Connecticut Special Olympics.
3. Officer Gould provided assistance with a total of one child safety seat install in August.

August Pro Active Contacts

	August 2016	YTD 2016
Building Checks	888	6737
Community Relations Visits	163	1323

Business/School Walkarounds	39	407
Traffic Stops	653	3997