

FIRST IN LINE



Mobile Police Department
2009 Annual Report



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Dear Fellow Citizens,

As I reflect back on 2009, I am proud of many accomplishments made, programs implemented, and strategies put in to effect by our department. I also think about Chief Phillip Garrett and the 38 tireless years he spent serving the city and its citizens. Not only was Chief Garrett my boss, but also a mentor and friend. I speak for the entire department when I say he will be greatly missed and we wish him well in his retirement.

In 2009, a program like no other in the state was implemented at the Mobile Police Department. Project CARE (Concerns and Resources for the Elderly) is a unique collaboration between law enforcement agencies, local advocate groups, and faith-based organizations designed to provide elder fraud prevention, crime protection, and victim support. Directed by Sgt. Laura Soulier, the program serves as a single point of access for senior citizens who have fallen victim to crime or who are interested in learning how to better protect themselves. Sgt. Soulier spends countless hours speaking to community groups, counseling victims through the legal process, and simply acting as a friend and advocate to some of our most precious citizens.

In terms of crime prevention and statistics, last year was a stellar year for the Mobile Police Department. Violent crime was down more than 2.5 percent and we made crime prevention a top priority within the department and saw phenomenal results in community involvement. Our Community Action Groups (CAG) have grown by leaps and bounds totaling 111 groups throughout the city. Precinct Captains and Enhanced Neighborhood Policing officers interact with CAG members at meetings almost daily—further strengthening the relationship between the department and the community.

This brings me to my “goals and dreams” per se for our city over the next year. When I was selected as your new Chief, I made a vow to ensure a safe and peaceful existence where everyone is treated equally. I intend to follow through on my promises. I want our officers to be more visible in the community. We need to be walking neighborhoods, talking to people, forming relationships, and earning trust and respect. It is those relationships that lead to crime prevention and crime clearances down the road.

In the coming year, I intend to seek out and apply for funds that will allow us to provide all officers with the technology they need to do their jobs more efficiently, effectively, and safely than ever before.

Additionally, because we all work in a high-stress and physically demanding environment, being strong in mind *and* body could potentially save our lives. It is for that reason that I plan to encourage a physical fitness plan.

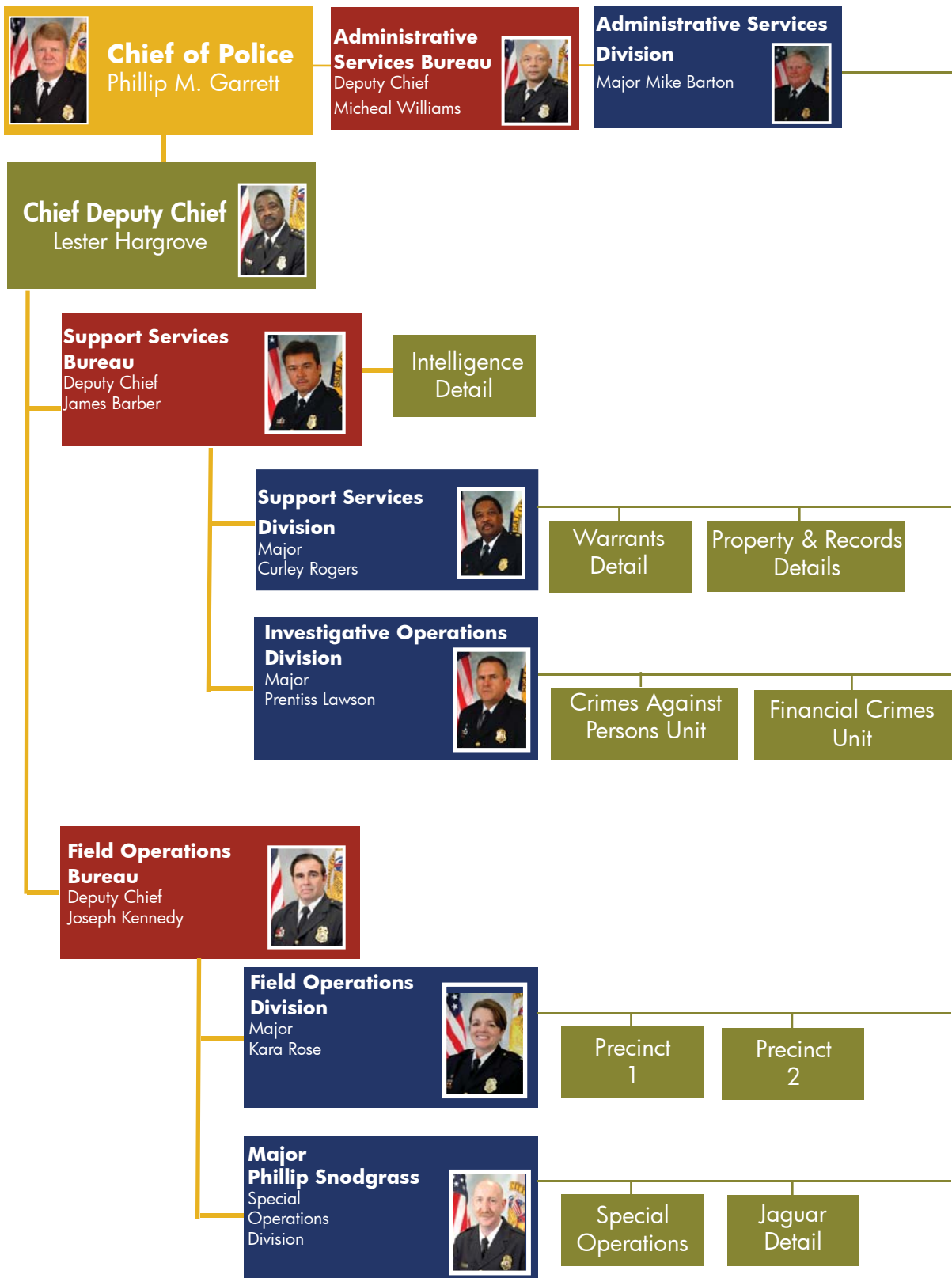
In closing, please know that I am humbled and honored to be your Chief of Police. I am and always have been proud to be a police officer and I am equally as proud of our department. Together, we will honor our mission to “improve the quality of life for all citizens through community partnerships and crime prevention”.

Humbly Yours,



Chief Micheal T. Williams







OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

The Administrative Services Section assists the Chief of Police in setting the priorities and strategies of the department, as well as managing the \$45,214,779 annual budget (FY2009).

Planning & Research Unit

The Planning and Research Unit serves a vital function in the development of all departmental policies. Critical data gathering and research out of this office helps determine the direction of the Mobile Police Department based on a forecast of future trends and the availability of resources.

The Department leads the effort every three years to document compliance with 459 standards governing policy, procedures, management, operations and support services. The accrediting agency, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), follows up with an on-site inspection.

The Planning and Research Unit is composed of Budgeting and Purchasing, Inspections, Payroll, Accreditation, Grant Administration, Crime Analysis, a Fleet Coordinator and a Taxi License Compliance Officer.

Public Relations Coordinator

The Public Relations Coordinator works with the Chief of Police and the Public Information Office to keep the news media and the public in general apprised of police services and activities. The position is filled by a civilian employee who produces the Department's publications and updates the Web site which was totally revamped in 2009. All long-range public relations campaigns for the Department are also based out of the Public Relations Office.

Public Information Office

The Public Information Office, staffed by two sworn officers, coordinates the release of breaking news to the public. Hundreds of media inquiries flow through the Public Information Office each month, often requiring quick and accurate responses to breaking crime stories. Frequently, the Public Information Officer is available at the scene of a crime to answer questions for the news media.

Internal Affairs Unit

The Internal Affairs Unit undertakes the critical mission of assuring that the Mobile Police Department maintains the highest levels of professional conduct and discipline. The unit operates as the investigative arm of the Chief of Police to identify and eliminate corruption or other employee behavior that would compromise

the integrity of the Department. The work of Internal Affairs is especially important to the Chief of Police as a means of sustaining public confidence in the Mobile Police Department. Internal Affairs officers investigate both citizen-initiated and internally generated complaints.

Recruiting Unit

The Mobile Police Department is comprised of approximately 565 sworn officers in addition to 290 civilians. In an effort to attract and retain the most qualified candidates, the Recruiting Unit touts the Department's training program, exciting work environment, and excellent benefits through job fairs and community outreach/speaking engagements. The Recruiter, a Lieutenant, shares office space with the Fire-Rescue Department in Toulminville.



Legal Advocate

The law frequently changes, both locally and nationally. The Mobile Police Department believes it is essential to stay abreast of these changes to provide efficient and proper police services to the public we serve.

The Legal Advocate keeps the Department apprised of changes in city ordinances, state and national law, and court decisions that directly affect law enforcement. In addition, the Department receives requests every year under the Freedom of Information Act. The Legal Advocate reviews each request to ensure the requested information is not prematurely released.

Cadet Program

The Cadet Program is a training program for men and women interested in a law enforcement career, but too young to be a sworn officers. Open to individuals 17 to 20 years old, the Cadet Program offers opportunity for individuals with a high school diploma or its equivalent to earn a starting salary of more than \$24,096, along with excellent benefits, including college tuition reimbursement.

A wide range of policing experiences are offered to cadets. They learn some of the fundamentals of law enforcement and get on-the-job training that can include patrol, traffic enforcement, record-keeping, weapons orientation, fingerprinting, crime prevention, court testimony and undercover work.

Chaplain Corps

The chaplain's job is a tough one that reflects the life and death situations and high-stress incidents that are common in police work. These incidents impact a broad cross-section of the community and include victims and offenders, along with their extended families and friends. The officers who respond to these difficult situations also are impacted, along with their

families and friends. Employees and their families may call on the Mobile Police Department chaplain and other volunteer clergy for spiritual and emotional support.

Community Services Section

Police personnel in the Community Services Section are problem-solvers. They work with the public to address specific concerns about crime or blight. More than 111 neighborhood and business groups are organized under the MPD's Enhanced Neighborhood Policing (ENP) Program. In many cases, the Police Department brings other city resources to these citizen groups. Together, they tackle problems as varied as lighting and traffic control and crime and blight.

Computerized crime mapping brings a new level of sophistication to these crime-fighting efforts by pinpointing areas of crime throughout the city.

Training Unit

As the premier teaching academy for all of southeast Alabama, more than a dozen outside agencies benefit from the rigorous training curriculum offered at the Mobile Police Academy.

Three classes were held during the year, readying 48 new officers for positions at the Mobile Police Department and another 24 for outside law enforcement agencies.

Instruction covers the gamut of law enforcement subjects: civil and criminal laws, traffic law, weapons training, combat training, driving instruction and more. A full 80 hours is devoted to officer survival, including domestic violence with weapons, difficult traffic stops and foot pursuits in unusual terrain. Ground fighting, defensive tactics and driving each require extensive training.

The Training Unit also oversees an in-service training program designed to keep Mobile Police officers as prepared and current as possible on relevant enforcement and service issues. All sworn officers receive 24 hours of continuing education each year and supervisors receive 40 hours.



OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

Firearms and Range Detail

Every sworn officer must meet minimum but stringent qualifications to carry a firearm. Officers in training do not graduate if they fail to meet these standards. Once hired onto the force, officers must return to the firearms range yearly for a re-qualification test. Generally, the test requires the officer to score at a certain level on various targets in a limited amount of time.



The \$1.2 million state-of-the-art Metro Firearms Training Facility, located near Big Creek Lake, features computer-driven target systems. It also offers training on a Firearms Training Simulator (FATS), which creates life-like images on a screen. Using a laser gun, officers interact with the images that duplicate the kinds of scenarios that might occur on the streets.

Instruction from the Firearms Detail includes everything from standard target practice to combat shooting, identification of weaponry, and night firing.

Police Explorers

More than 170 area children participated in the Explorers Program in 2009. A priority of the Police Department, the Explorer program partners youths and police officers in a wide range of exciting activities that include training in policing skills, trips to other parts of the country, camping and leadership development. The Explorer program introduces youths ages 14 through 20 to a career in law enforcement while building skills and developing character traits that will serve them in any career path. The Explorer Program is an entity of the Boy Scouts of America.

In 2009, the Explorers cumulatively participated in 24 projects. They included numerous crowd control and traffic details for community events, sports games and parades. The group also takes on service projects in the community each year, such as feeding the homeless during the holidays and fingerprinting children.

Crime Prevention Detail

The Crime Prevention Detail presents programs during the year to schools, civic organizations and various other groups. This detail plays an important role in educating citizens about crime and how to minimize the prospects of becoming a victim of crime. McGruff the Crime Dog is continuously the most popular of the outreach tools.

The CrimeStoppers program is also an important element of the Crime Prevention Detail. Governed by an independent board of directors, CrimeStoppers pays up to \$1,000 in cash rewards for tips leading to the arrest of felony suspects.

Frequently, crime stories are aired on local television news shows and viewers are encouraged to call in tips to CrimeStoppers at 208-7000. All callers are guaranteed anonymity.

Citizens are encouraged to take advantage of the wide array of safety programs offered by the Mobile Police Department. Some of the most popular program topics include bicycle safety, business security, children's fingerprinting, drug education, gun safety, and personal (street) safety.



Family Intervention Team

Started 10 years ago with a federal grant, the Family Intervention Team (FIT) program targets youths and families in turmoil and on the brink of trouble with the law. Team specialists offer resource referral and case tracking, often making the difference between a lockup and a last chance.

FIT specialists receive referrals, most often from the schools. But they also get referrals from patrol officers, family members and clergy. Anyone may call a FIT specialist to arrange for a case review.



Family Intervention Team

Underage Drinking Coordinator

The Underage Drinking Coordinator was created as part of a grass-roots effort in the community to curb the number of youths hurt or killed while under the influence of alcohol.

The Coordinator randomly checks businesses for compliance with the laws, and also acts on tips through the MPD Web site where citizens can report underage drinking through e-mail, anonymously if desired.

Youth/Citizens' Academy

Both the Youth Academy, open to Mobile residents ages 16 to 20, and the adult Citizens' Academy, offer participants a chance to see some of the real work of policing and crime scene investigation. In each Academy, police create a mock crime scene and participants use some of the tools of the trade to try and make sense of the scene. Classes are set up amidst a tactical operations scenario and participants are familiarized

with some of the equipment and tools used for specialized operations.

The classes are taught by police officials with expertise in the given areas of instruction. All aspects of police work are covered including patrol functions, tactical operations, narcotics and youth crimes, officer training, community policing, and crime scene investigation.

Participants also have the option, on a voluntary basis, to ride with a patrol officer and visit several law enforcement facilities, including Metro Jail and Communications. In addition, they are trained to handle firearms at the Metro Firearms Training Facility.

The program is free and open to residents of the City of Mobile. Anyone interested in applying for the programs should call the Training Academy at 208-2730, or download an application form from the MPD web site at www.mobilepd.org. Background checks are required for participation.



Citizen's Academy Class 10



FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

First Precinct

The First Precinct operates out of two stations: the main precinct station at 850 Virginia St., and the downtown substation at 320 Dauphin St., known as Central Events. The Central Events substation focuses on the downtown business and entertainment district. A state-of-the-art camera system feeds continuous video images to a bank of monitors under observation in the lobby of the substation.

Besides housing the camera monitors and the officers of Central Events, the downtown substation is home to the Mobile Police Museum. The 920-square foot treasury of historical artifacts and documents chronicles the history of the Department from its earliest days.

The population of the First Precinct is 59,347. In 2009, officers answered 67,035 calls for service.

Second Precinct

In 2009, officers in the Second Precinct responded to 46,335 calls for service from the 66,314 residents of the area.

Located in the southwest region of Mobile, the Second Precinct includes the Tillman's Corner area of Highway 90, The Festival Center and a busy stretch of Airport Blvd., where commercial business is concentrated.

Third Precinct

The Third Precinct is home to very diverse neighborhoods. The precinct includes the Springdale Mall, the Alabama State Docks and a large residential area of Midtown. Bordering on the city of Prichard, the Third Precinct gets a fair amount of crime that crosses jurisdictional boundaries.

The 48,467 residents of the area made more than 49,969 calls for service in 2009.

Fourth Precinct

The Fourth Precinct is primarily residential and located in the northwest region of Mobile. For 2009, there were slightly more than 31,500 calls for service. The Fourth Precinct includes 53,190 residents in the The University of South Alabama, Spring Hill College, and Mobile Municipal Park areas.



Fifth Precinct

Stretching from Zeigler Blvd. in the north to Hitt Road in the south and Mobile Regional Airport to the west, the Fifth Precinct encompasses the high-traffic Schillinger Rd. commercial district. Area residents are very pleased with increased patrols

in the newly annexed area. In 2009, Fifth Precinct officers fielded 28,499 calls for service from a population of 38,816.

General Investigations Detail

Each precinct is staffed with detectives who make up the General Investigations Detail. They are tasked with investigating and solving property crimes within the boundaries of their precinct jurisdiction.

COMSTAT

The COMSTAT Unit is tasked with managing the process of crime data collection, analysis and outcomes. They assure the accurate collection of the data that is used in weekly meetings to identify emerging patterns and trends in crime. Investigators and patrol officers incorporate the data into an overall picture of crime and then are assigned to problem-solve for targeted hot spots and crime trends.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

Police must be able to respond to a wide variety of situations under varying levels of stress. The Special Operations Section is called into service when circumstances are particularly difficult or when specialized skills are required. These are the officers who address hostage situations, bomb threats, barricaded individuals, and other unusual situations.

Tactical Response Unit

The Tactical Response Unit receives specialized training in weapons and tactics. It is charged with the task of responding to what are usually complex and dangerous police actions, including high-risk arrests and search warrants. Because of the difficult nature of the tasks assigned to this unit, each "TAC" officer is required to pass a rigorous physical fitness test and demonstrate firearm proficiency under stressful conditions. The Tactical Response Unit is supported by four specialized details: Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detail, Canine Detail, Underwater Search and Rescue Detail and Hostage Negotiation Detail.



Mounted Patrol Detail

The Mounted Patrol is a specially trained team of officers who patrol on horseback. They are an effective unit for separating or moving crowds of people and have the advantage of a top-down perspective over a large area. The Mounted Patrol is a weekly presence in downtown's entertainment district and for the massive crowds attending the weeks-long Mardi Gras celebration each year. Training for the Unit focuses on acclimating the horses and riders to the high stress situations of urban riding. The Unit is

known nationally for the yearly Mardi Gras training it offers to outside law enforcement agencies in conjunction with the yearly festival.



Homeland Security Unit

Special Operations also encompasses the Homeland Security Unit. This unit is charged with preventing homeland threats by working with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, the Mobile County Health Department, the Mobile Fire Department and other public and private agencies.

The Unit has been instrumental in acquiring the equipment and training for response to catastrophic events. It also operates a Marine Unit Detail that is responsible for security and law enforcement in the Mobile harbor and other navigable waters within the 45 square-miles of water within the police jurisdiction. To this end, it coordinates with the Underwater Search and Rescue Detail and local military units to secure docking areas at the port.

Traffic Safety Unit

The enforcement of traffic laws is vital to the reduction of vehicle collisions and fatalities. The department's Traffic Safety Unit plays an integral part in the safety of our roadways and citizens. Throughout the year, officers make stops for traffic violations and periodically set up safety checkpoints to monitor driver compliance (current driver's licenses, insurance, registration, and seat belts). Safety checkpoints also commonly result in arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol.

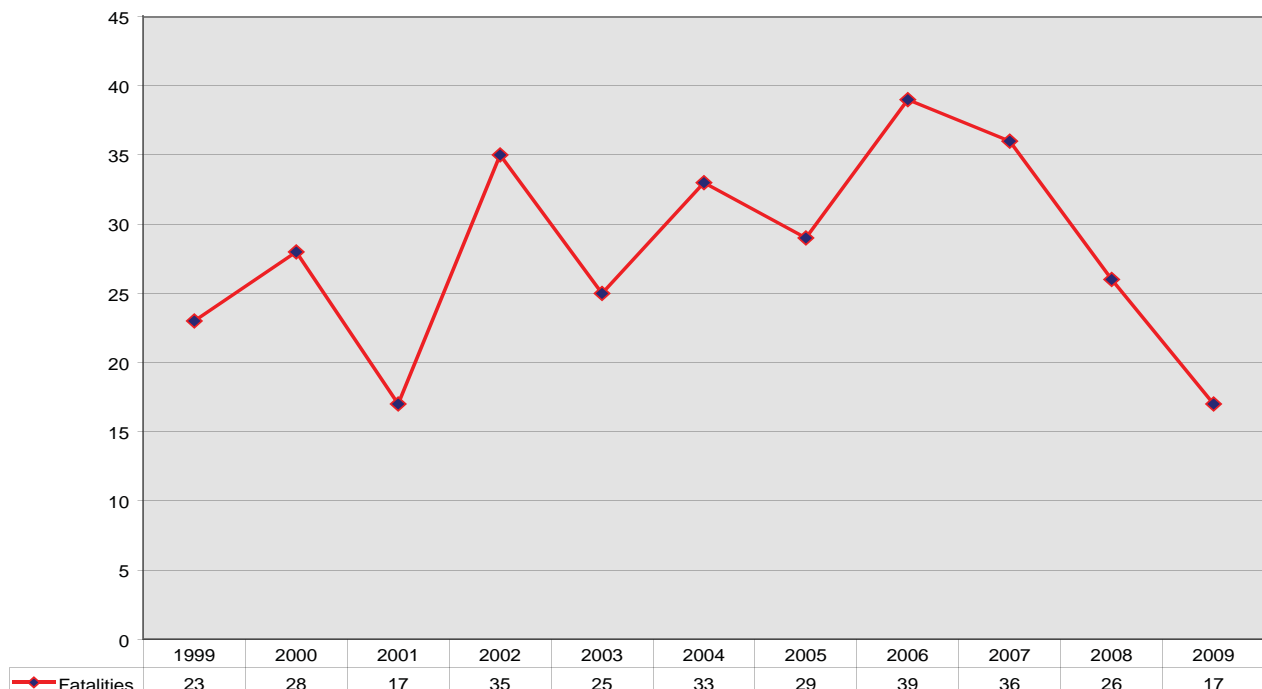
The Traffic Unit answered 3,066 calls for service in 2009 compared to 5,113 in 2008. The Unit consists of the following specialty details:

The **Traffic Accident Investigators (TAI)** are specially trained and certified in traffic accident investigations. TAs are responsible for investigating all traffic fatalities, accidents with injuries involving city vehicles and for follow-up investigations of all hit-and-run accidents. The detail investigated 17 traffic fatalities in 2009 compared to 26 in 2008.

The **Hazardous Materials Detail** is charged with enforcing laws governing the safe transportation of hazardous substances through the city limits of Mobile. Their duties include inspecting hazardous material carriers to ensure their compliance with applicable laws; monitoring highways and tunnels for violations; and investigating all incidents involving spills, leaks, etc.



10-Year Traffic Accident Comparison



SUPPORT SERVICES

INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS DIVISION

The officers responding to real-time crime on the streets are backed by hundreds of employees who handle the on-going criminal investigations and sort through the volumes of information collected. These support personnel make up the Support Services Bureau. They are the officers and civilians in the detective units, training, records, communications and warrants.

Criminal Investigation Section

Once the patrol officer has made his or her best effort to take a criminal off the streets, the work of tracking the offender and making the case falls to the police detective.

The Criminal Investigation Section is responsible for investigating all crimes against people and crimes against property, and for the documentation and preservation of evidence.

Homicide Unit

Homicides in Mobile dropped dramatically to 24 in 2009. Most homicides were between acquaintances and involved handguns. Illegal drug trade was frequently at the heart of the conflicts, although domestic violence also claimed many of the victims. Nineteen of the homicide cases were cleared, a rate of 75 percent compared to a national average of 63.6 percent.

Robbery Unit

Detectives in this unit investigate all robberies including residential, commercial and vehicle. Investigators cleared 34.9 percent of the 857 robbery cases in 2009, compared to the national average of 26.8 percent.

Assaults, Sex Crimes, and Domestic Violence Unit

The Assaults and Sex Crimes Unit encompasses all crimes against persons which include assault, domestic violence, and sex crimes. Aggravated assaults rose slightly from 261 in 2008 to 262 in 2009.

Domestic Violence is one of the most frequent calls to the Department and are investigated by the Domestic Violence Unit. These incidents are potentially the most dangerous calls for law enforcement officers. Some of these calls are resolved by the answering patrol unit. But often they are assigned to the Criminal Investigation Section for follow-up.

Financial Crimes Unit

The Financial Crimes Unit investigates crimes involving check fraud, credit card fraud, forgery, counterfeiting and computer crimes. The Unit investigated 1,479 cases during the year.

Regulatory Compliance Detail

The Regulatory Compliance Detail is responsible for monitoring the pawn shops and secondary metals recycling yards to ensure they follow the state laws and city ordinances. They ensure that information from the pawn shops and auto recyclers is entered into a city-wide database so that it is readily available to the investigators. They also act as a liaison between the investigators and buyers and maintain communications with businesses that have been robbed of precious metals and advise them on measures that can be taken to reduce thefts.

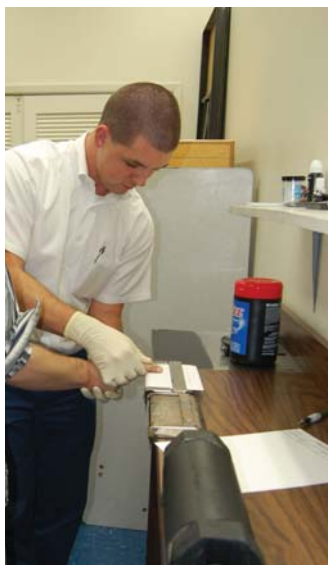
SUPPORT SERVICES

Identification Unit

The primary purpose of the Identification Unit ("ID") is to document, collect and preserve physical evidence at crime scenes - work that is essential to the successful apprehension and prosecution of subjects.

When a crime occurs, ID is called to the scene to secure the crime site. Officers in ID help document the case through photography, notes, measurements, sketches and the search and collection of physical evidence.

The Identification Unit conducted 2,386 crime scene investigations in 2009. They also executed 4,867 fingerprint exams that yielded 458 matches, 120 of which were identified through the statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System.



More than 217 cases have been prosecuted through the ICE program since its inception in April 2002.

MCSSENT (Mobile County Street Enforcement Narcotics Team) tackles the problems of gun crimes from the side of drug trafficking. Because drug trafficking is so fluid and

pervasive on the streets of communities today, various law enforcement agencies work together as a multi-jurisdictional team through MCSSENT.

Undercover operations target the illegal selling and distribution of narcotics, with a focus on large-scale drug organizations that contribute to a large portion of street-level crime. MCSSENT was responsible for seizing 58 weapons in 2009.

The High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Unit, or HIDTA, is an initiative of The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). The local HIDTA team is known as the Mobile/Baldwin Street Enforcement Task Force and is responsible for investigating drug activity within Mobile and Baldwin counties. The Mobile Police Department serves as the fiduciary for the unit and spearheads investigations of low-to mid-level drug dealers and performing highway interdiction—primarily on Interstates 10 and 65. The HIDTA Unit employs two Canine Officers.

The HITDA Unit and MCSSENT Detail arrested a total of 611 people on drug-related charges and seized \$65,130 in currency and \$290,151 in property in 2009.

Gun Crimes Unit

MCSSENT Detail/ICE Detail/HIDTA Unit

The Gun Crimes Unit is comprised of two very important details: the Mobile County Street Enforcement Narcotics Team, or MCSSENT, and the Isolating the Criminal Element or ICE Detail, a gun crime control operation.

ICE works with the local ATF field office and is responsible for reducing gun crimes by pursuing federal gun crime charges. A federal charge carries much harsher penalties than state violations and doesn't offer a probation option. Hundreds of individuals have been prosecuted under the ICE program and are serving time in federal penitentiaries. Information on these individuals is available at the MPD Web site: www.mobilepd.org.



Narcotics and Vice Unit

Narcotics officers removed \$1,280,331 worth of illegal drugs from the streets of Mobile in 2009. The Narcotics Unit encompasses two teams: investigative and undercover officers and the Street Level Interdiction Drug Enforcement team, known as SLIDE. The SLIDE Detail works year-round to target "hot spots" where illegal drug activity occurs and made more than 3,060 arrests last year.

The Narcotics and Vice Unit also enforces laws pertaining to gambling, prostitution and the licensing of establishments that sell alcohol or provide adult entertainment.

Youth Services Unit

The Youth Services Unit investigates crimes committed by juveniles, as well as crimes against juveniles. Allegations of child abuse are investigated in coordination with the District Attorney and the Department of Human Resources. The Unit also works with United States Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and its Internet Crimes

Against Children Task Force in order to curb the exploitation of children via the World Wide Web. Runaway and missing juveniles also fall under the jurisdiction of Youth Services. Few of these cases are publicized because the department protects the identities of the youths involved. In 2009, the Unit made 581 arrests.

SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

Communications Unit

Located in a secure building with neighboring 911 emergency personnel, the Communications dispatchers keep up a quiet buzz of conversation between citizens, the 911 staff, and the hundreds of police officers responding to calls.

Police dispatchers have a high-stress job that requires precision and attentiveness. This unit fields calls from citizens 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week for matters covering the

full range of law enforcement services, from the dispatch of an automobile wrecker to life and death emergencies.

Calls for service, including emergency and non-emergency complaints, in 2009 totaled more than 230,000.

Calls for service also are routed to the Communications Unit through non-emergency lines of the Police Department at 208-7211. These administrative lines relay the majority of calls for service, which are processed either by the dispatch of a police officer or by referral to the appropriate authority.

Warrants, Property, Records & Maintenance Units

In 2009, the **Warrants Unit** conducted several sweeps to arrest individuals with outstanding warrants who had failed

to pay fines or appear in court. A different set of circumstances surrounds each warrant, and officers must be prepared to encounter volatile situations when serving them. If the service of warrants is expected to be particularly difficult, tactical officers may be called into service. In total, almost 15,000 warrants were served during the year.

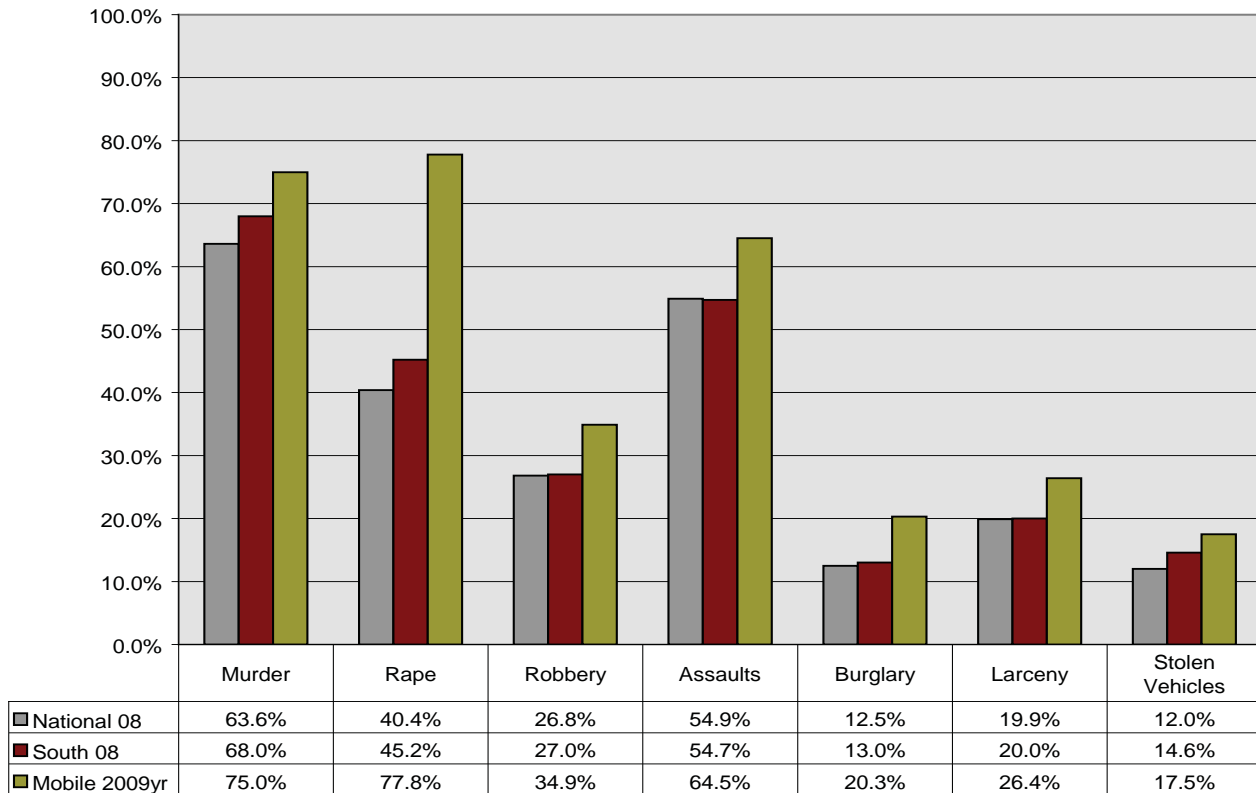
The **Property Unit** oversees a huge storehouse of evidence and personal property. It also stores and distributes police equipment. In order to aid citizens in the return of stolen property and the prosecution of offenders, the Mobile Police Department offers a downloadable property form on its Web site at www.mobilepd.org.

The **Records Unit** is a 24-hour-a-day operation assigned custodial responsibility for thousands of reports that flow through the Department. In addition, the Records Unit fields requests by police officers and a steady stream of citizens seeking copies of records. It also processes all entertainer licenses, pistol purchase applications and background checks as well.

The three-man **Building Maintenance Unit** is responsible for general maintenance of the electrical, mechanical, plumbing and safety systems to ensure their proper condition.



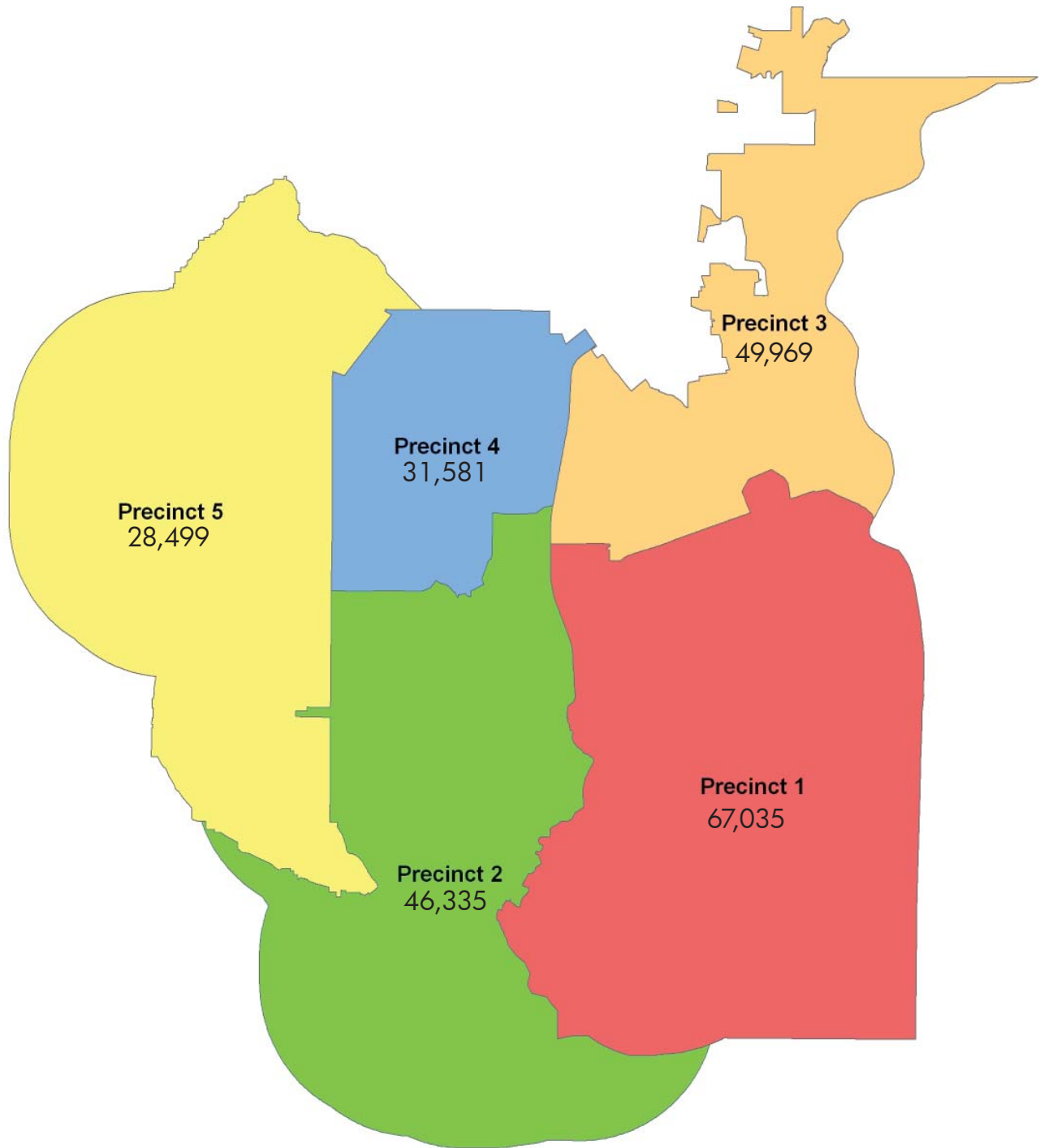
Unified Crime Report Clearance Rates



Part I Crime Comparison

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
HOMICIDE	37	20	42	41	24	29	35	34	40	42	24
RAPE	56	54	97	96	114	87	90	83	23	27	36
ROBBERY	941	895	831	771	703	672	623	685	750	883	857
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	474	521	528	508	427	396	417	365	333	261	262
BURGLARY	4,182	3,607	4,634	3,916	3,908	4,145	3,870	3,662	3,650	3,304	3,720
LARCENY	10,593	10,996	12,256	11,424	10,732	10,659	9,646	10,857	9,361	9,471	9,467
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1,514	1,516	1,476	1,565	1,172	1,335	1,316	1,330	1,125	1,077	954
TOTAL CRIME	17,797	17,609	19,864	18,321	17,080	17,323	15,997	17,016	15,282	15,065	15,320
PERCENT + OR -	-3.00%	-1.06%	12.81%	-7.77%	-6.77%	1.42%	-7.65%	6.37%	-10.19%	-1.42%	1.69%
POPULATION	248,295	254,799	255,054	255,564	256,075	256,587	257,100	257,615	263,243	269,415	266,134

Calls For Service by Precinct





2009 Retirees

	Start Date	Retirement Date
Joseph Benson	April 25, 1977	Jan. 31, 2009
Matthew Brannan	June 2, 1985	Oct. 31, 2009
Gregory Camilleri	Dec. 17, 1977	Aug. 29, 2009
Cynthia Coleman	Nov. 20, 1982	Jan. 3, 2009
Phillip Garrett	Sept. 16, 1971	Oct. 1, 2009
Mary Parker	Feb. 19, 1994	June 1, 2009
David Turppa	July 11, 1983	May 1, 2009

2009 Deceased

	Date of Death	Position	Years of Service
Mary Jordan	Oct. 9, 2009	Community Resource Ofc.	22
Margaret Kroutter	Sept. 28, 2009	Records Specialist	16
Brandon Sigler	June 3, 2009	Police Officer	2

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2009 Promotions

Police Officer to Corporal

Officer Melvin Jones
Officer Jeffrey Robinson
Officer Michael Thomas
Officer Darrell Tucker

Corporal to Sergeant

Corporal Michael Kelley

2009 Award Recipients

Officer of the Year

Officer Dennis Owens

Civilian of the Year

Theretha Walley

Excellent Police Duty

Officer Aaron Atkins
Officer Jeffrey Booth
Sergeant Armand Campbell
Officer Damian Colvin
Officer William Cowart
Captain Christon Dorsey
Captain Jack Dove
Captain Clay Godwin
Officer Rashaud Grayson
Officer Heath Harville
Captain DeWayne Hill
Officer Charles Koger
Officer Donald Lee
Corporal Jonathan Lee
Captain Phillip McCrary

Lieutenant Michael Morgan
Captain William E. Patrick
Corporal Donald Pears
Officer Terence Perkins
Corporal Angela Prine
Sergeant Brian Reeher
Sergeant Enas Reidy
Officer Jerald Riviere
Corporal Steve Rocha
Sergeant Billie Rowland
Officer Patrick Sanders
Officer John Seber
Officer Jeffrey Stone
Officer Mona Wade
Officer Christopher Wallace

Civilian Assistance

Mr. Demarcus Brinkley
Mr. John Combs
Mrs. Carol Dawkins
Mr. Wade Dawkins, Sr.
Mr. Donnel Gibson

Life-Saving Award

Officer Ira Bridges
Officer William Cowart
Officer James Cunningham
Lieutenant David Evans
Officer Clifton Holifield
Officer Michael James
Corporal Jonathan Lee
Officer John Lowry

WE WILL NEVER FORGET

Detective Edward McGrath Morris
March 31, 1901

Officer Royce Williams
June 22, 1968

Officer James J. Shaw
December 21, 1924

Officer Joseph P Brunson
May 15, 1975

Officer Chris M. Dean
January 22, 1926

Officer Henry Johnny Booth
August 14, 1979

Officer W.F. Happy Murphy
October 18, 1929

Detective Julius Schulte
April 18, 1985

Officer Edward P Dedford
October 30, 1935

Officer Douglas E. Kountz
May 2, 1992

Officer Cody Bettis
August 3, 1938

Corporal Owen P McClinton
December 13, 1996

Officer Ollie Mason
June 15, 1943

Corporal Matthew Thompson
February 12, 2004

Officer Pierce Lee Rudy Reeves
September 24, 1944

Officer Brandon Sigler
June 3, 2009

**IT IS NOT HOW THEY DIED THAT MADE THEM HEROES,
IT IS HOW THEY LIVED.**

Motto

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Mission Statement

To improve the quality of life for all citizens through community partnerships and crime prevention

Code of Ethics

"As a Law Enforcement Officer, I do solemnly swear that my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official lives, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will not act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately, without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service.

I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession... Law Enforcement.

I do further swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alabama; that I will faithfully enforce the laws of this state and ordinances of the City of Mobile, and perform the duties of a police officer to the best of my ability. I will obey the rules and regulations of the department and carry out all orders that may be lawfully given me by my superior officers.

I do further swear that I accept this oath as a police officer subject to all the limitations, conditions, and restrictions imposed by the City of Mobile, the ordinances of the City of Mobile, and the regulations of the Mobile Police Department."