

DUNWOODY  
POLICE  
DEPARTMENT

# 2014

## *Annual Report*

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## DEAR CITIZENS OF DUNWOODY,

Although 2014 had many challenges, there were also many successes. Part of our success has been the continued development and improvement of the department's relationship with our community. Although we've always had a great relationship with our community, we never want to take that relationship for granted. Instead, we strive to continually improve upon that relationship each and every year. The strength of that relationship has never been more important than it is today.

Police officers across this nation have been disparaged, attacked, and even killed – simply because they are police officers. The actions of a few have resulted in police officers being viewed by many in a negative light. Although our Dunwoody police officers were not physically attacked over this year's high profile incidents, they were verbally assaulted and taunted with references to Ferguson and New York. Fortunately, for every negative word spoken, there have been dozens of positive comments received from our community. I have received numerous letters of encouragement from community members and there have been hundreds of positive comments posted on our social media channels encour-

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aging our officers in the work they do and thanking them for their service to our community. These positive comments from our community provide sustenance for our department each day.

We have been challenged this year with a growing crime rate. Our Part 1 crime, which includes Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny and Motor Vehicle Theft, was up 18.9% for the year. Why has our Part 1 crime increased? There is no easy answer. However, a close look at the details can provide some insight. Shoplifting, which we have no control over, is up 56.4% this year; mainly because several businesses have hired exceptionally efficient Loss Prevention Officers. In addition, suspects continue to target our area to break into vehicles due to the large number of people who leave valuables such as electronics, handbags and brief cases, visible in their cars. In 2015, I will work with our dedicated staff to develop targeted enforcement, policies and crime prevention programs which will help us address our rising crime issue.

Another challenge we faced in 2014 was the proliferation of Commercial Sex Trafficking in Dunwoody. Our Detectives worked a number of cases including a very large, high profile case involving an extensive operation here in Dunwoody which resulted in several arrests. This investigation lasted at least nine months. Although these cases are important, the very nature of these types of investigations drain our limited investigatory resources.

The contribution of our civilian staff is sometimes overlooked when we talk about the police department. We have 10 civilian employees working a variety of jobs within our department. Day in and day out, they do a fantastic job whether they are interacting with the public or supporting our sworn staff. In 2014, our

# CHIEF BILLY GROGAN



Property & Evidence Technician received her certification as a Certified Property & Evidence Specialist and our Crime Analyst received her Crime & Intelligence Analyst Certification.

Your police department stands ready to serve the community as we move forward to 2015 and we look forward to continuing our partnerships and making new ones so Dunwoody remains safe for all who live, work, and play here.

Your Chief,

*Billy Grogan*

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## VISION STATEMENT

The Dunwoody Police Department is committed to being a world-class police department and a leader among police departments by hiring and promoting talented officers and professional staff, employing the highest standards of performance, using the best practices in policing and accountability, and reflecting the values of the city it serves.

The people of our communities and members of the police Department must be united in their commitment to addressing crime, violence, and quality-of-life issues by engaging one another and all city departments in problem-solving partnerships.

The Dunwoody Police Department operates using cutting-edge technology to facilitate effective crime reduction strategies and tactics which are driven by accurate, timely and reliable information which rests on a solid foundation of accountability.

The Police Department strives to maintain the trust of Dunwoody community members by actively engaging with the neighborhood it serves. The Police Department seeks to make its policies and operations as open as possible. When there are complaints involving the police department, both the public and the police are best served by a system of accountability that is expeditious and fair to all involved.

To make this vision a reality, the Dunwoody Police Department must reward the hard work, ingenuity, and resourcefulness demonstrated by its employees, and must offer state-of-the-art training, development and career opportunities for advancement and retention. This will ensure that employees see the Police Department as a lifelong career and strive to become the department's next generation of leaders.



# CORE VALUES

**SERVICE** Providing excellent quality service to the community is our primary duty. We are committed to faithfully and selflessly perform our duties while striving to be responsive, effective, and dependable. We are dedicated to enhancing public safety and reducing the fear and the incidence of crime. We will work in partnership with the people in our community to solve problems that effect public safety and the quality of life in our community. We are dedicated to working in partnership with the public to achieve our goal of making our community a safe and inviting place.

**INTEGRITY** We believe integrity is a cornerstone of our profession. We value ethical conduct, public trust, and commit ourselves to personal and professional excellence. We are people of character and principle. We do what is right, even when no one is looking. We are committed to upholding our position of public trust and to conduct ourselves responsibly by maintaining the highest moral and ethical standards. We are uncompromising in our commitment to truth, honesty, and respect in all relationships. We hold ourselves accountable for our actions and inactions, and are open and honest in our dealings with each other. We have the courage to do what is right and to stand against what is wrong.

**COURAGE** Courage is that quality of mind and spirit that enables us to confront and overcome the challenges of danger and adversity without fear of personal consequences. Courage is bravery, and bravery gives us strength not only to do something, but to do something right. Our courage derives from our commitment to training, education, and trust in one another. We recognize the hazards inherent in our profession and are willing to place the safety of others above that of ourselves. We shall not hesitate to step forward and protect those who cannot protect themselves. We must have the courage to stand up for what we believe is right and to have the courage to admit when we are wrong. We proudly serve with the courage necessary to meet the demands of our profession and the mission for which we are entrusted.

**PROFESSIONALISM** Professional service is embodied in our commitment to proficiency, competency, reliability, and excellence in all aspects of our conduct and performance. We believe in the social value of our work, considering it to be among the most noble of vocations, deriving personal satisfaction from the effective performance of our duties. We reject complacency and are dedicated to continually pursuing the highest levels of knowledge, skills, and expertise. Our actions are guided by the Law Enforcement Code of Conduct. We value the diversity of people in our community and will serve all with equal dedication, respect, fairness, and compassion. We believe in the selfless virtue of placing duty before self with the willingness to accept personal sacrifice for the greater good. We proudly pledge to fulfill our mission by being accountable to our community, our Department, and to each other.

**RESPECT** We are committed to respecting the constitutional rights, liberties, and worth of all members of the community and the Department. We respect the laws which we are required to enforce and the democratic process. We do these things with dignity and honor. Because we are entrusted with private matters of citizens and our peers, we strive to gain and maintain the confidence of those we come into contact with, both professionally and personally. We value life and safety. We are committed to serve and treat all human beings with the utmost sensitivity, compassion and concern. We value the diversity of people in our community and serve all with equal dedication, respect and fairness.

**TEAMWORK** We are committed to providing a work environment that fosters teamwork within our organization which will help facilitate the achievement of shared goals and objections. The concept of teamwork is important to the success of our organization. To that end, we will work together as a team with other City departments, the community we serve and other law enforcement agencies in DeKalb County, in Georgia and across our nation.

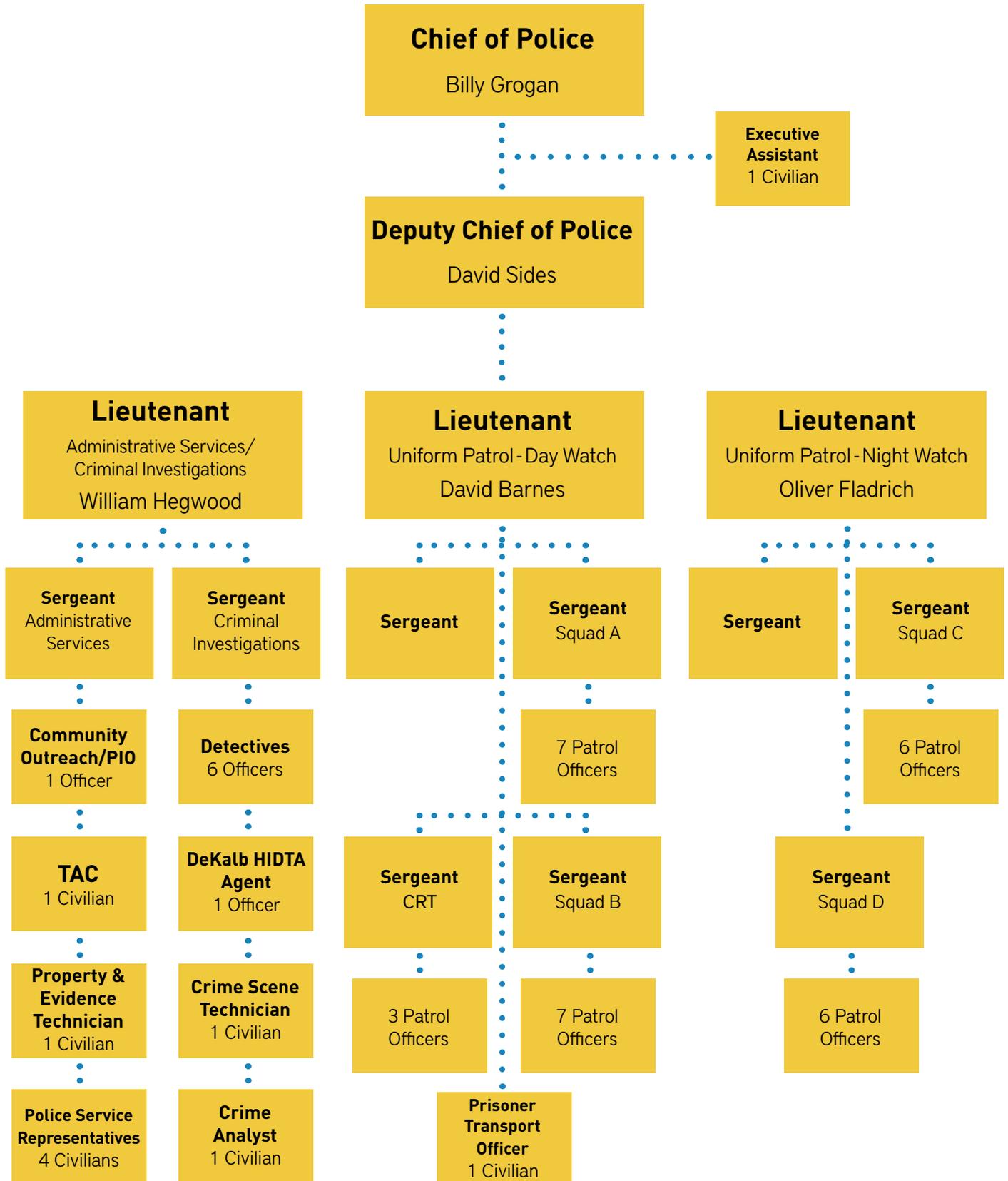
# MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Dunwoody Police Department is to work in partnership with the residents and businesses of Dunwoody to provide a safe and secure environment through the delivery of fair and impartial police services, proactive problem solving, and increased community partnerships.

The Dunwoody Police Department will operate in a transparent manner maintaining the highest level of integrity while working to improve the quality of life for all those who live, work and play in Dunwoody.



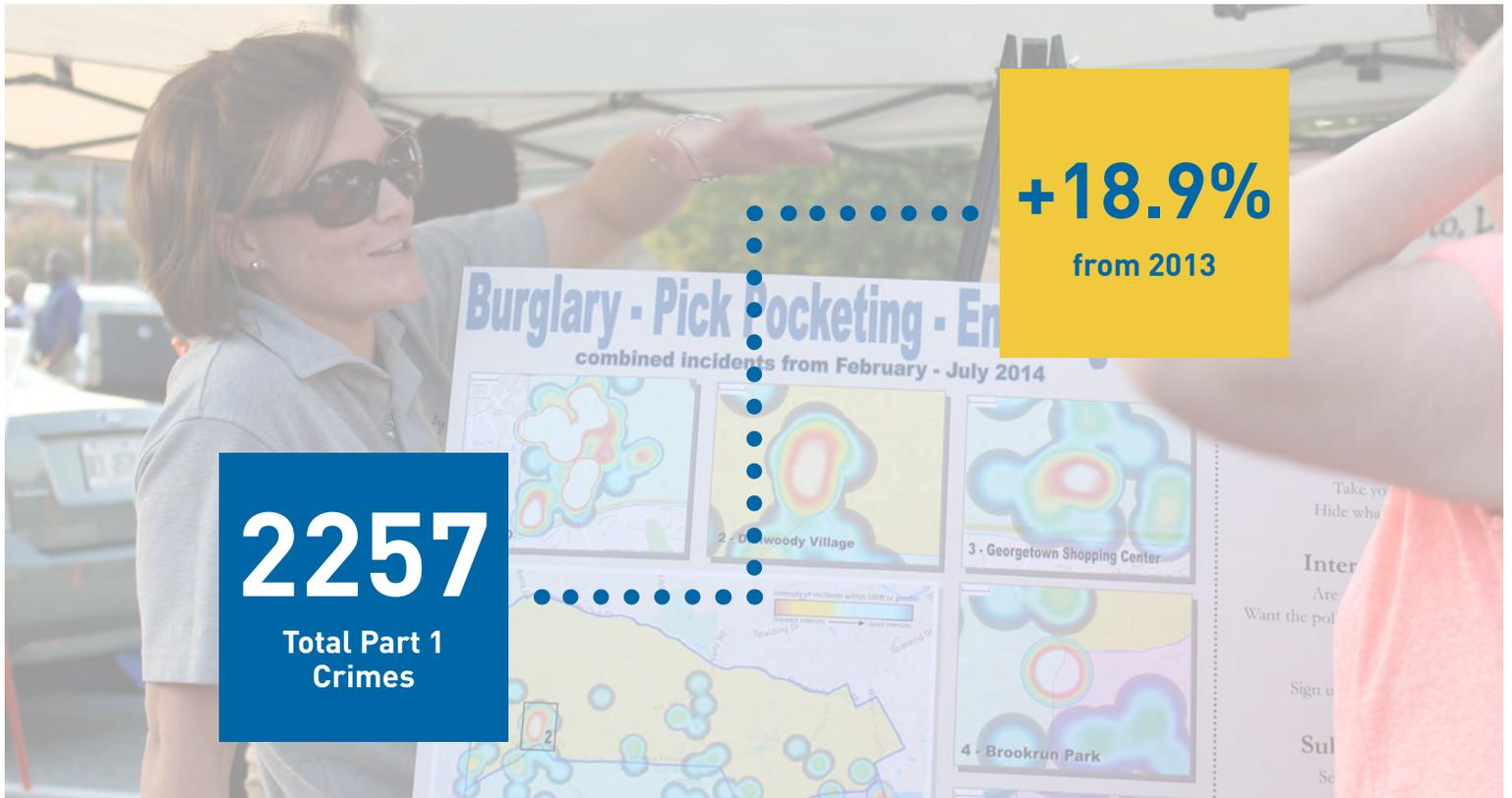
# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



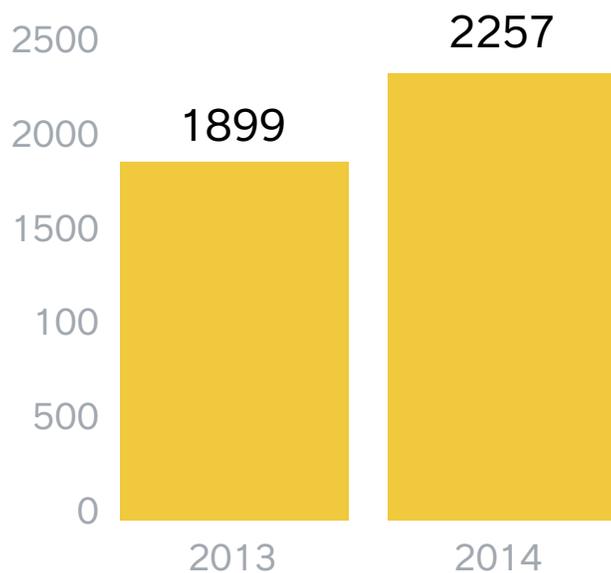
# CRIME STATISTICS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Reporting Program collects data on serious crimes (Part 1 offenses) investigated by local departments across the country. These crimes include: Aggravated Assault, Rape, Murder, Robbery, Arson, Burglary, Larceny-Theft, and Motor Vehicle Theft.

Within the Dunwoody area, Arson is usually investigated by DeKalb County Fire and Rescue. All other crimes are considered Part 2 offenses, or traffic related, and are not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



# TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES



+18.9% from 2013

## UCR PART I REPORTED CRIMES

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was established in 1930 and is used by over 17,000 law enforcement agencies nationwide. Uniform Crime Reporting is a collective effort on the part of city, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies to present a nationwide view of crime. For practical purposes, the reporting of offenses known is limited to specific crime classifications that are the most serious and most commonly reported crimes occurring in all areas of the United States. Together they serve as a gauge of the level and scope of crimes occurring across the country.

UCR statistics are not a complete tally of crime. UCR supplies a 150-page manual of guidelines and rules for classifying and scoring crime activity. Crimes committed with other crimes in the same incident create a multiple offense situation. When this occurs, the Hierarchy Rule requires that only the crime highest on the UCR Hierarchy

list be counted and not the other offense(s). The Hierarchy Rule applies only to UCR crime reporting and does not affect the number of charges for which the defendant may be prosecuted in the courts.

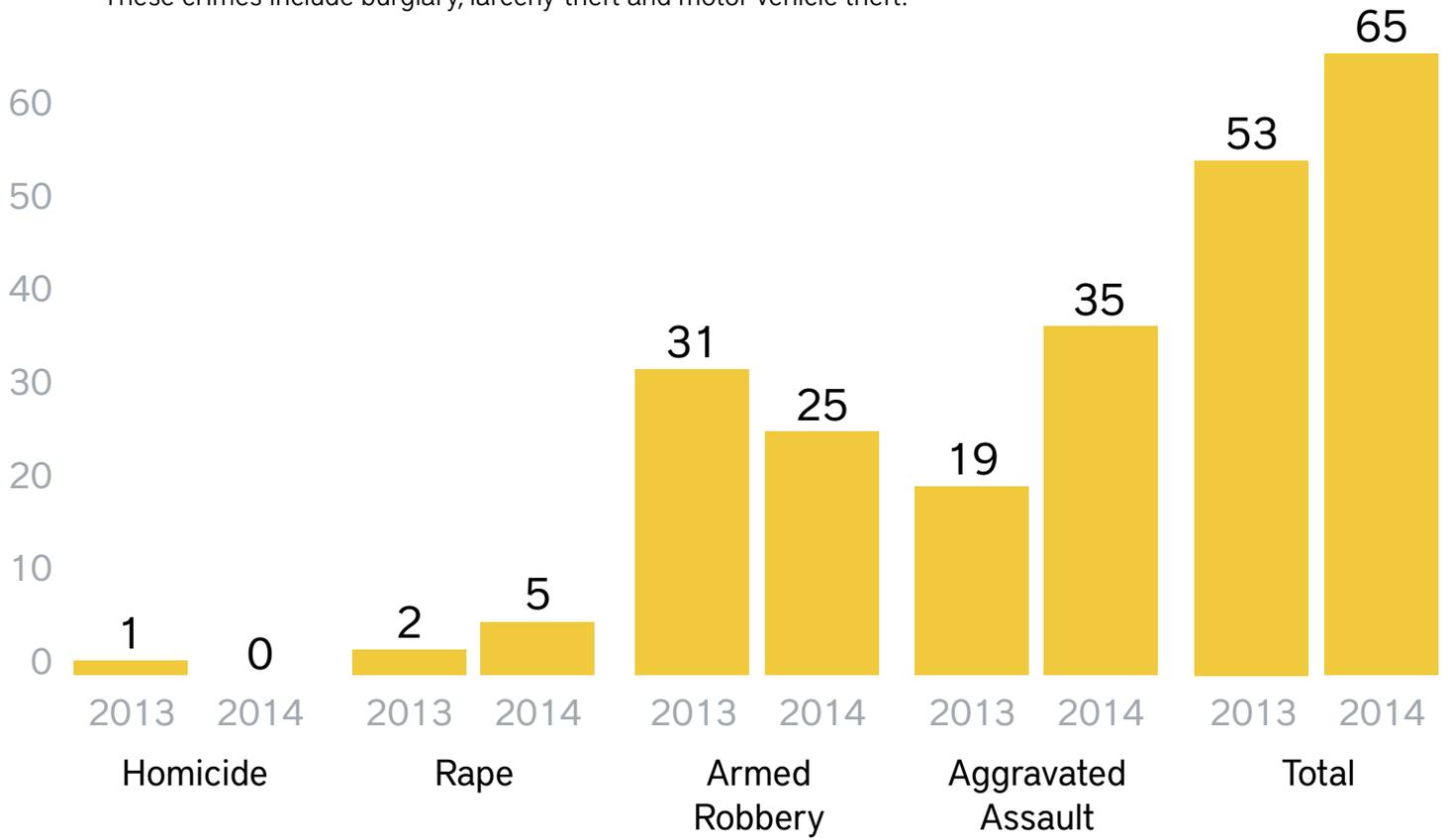
The FBI's UCR publication, Crime in the United States, is publicly accessible at <http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm>.



# CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS AND PROPERTY

**CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS** are crimes that are physical, violent, and often high profile. Murder, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault are crimes contained within this category.

**CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY** are crimes that involve the intruding, taking, or destroying of another person's property. Property crimes do not involve force or threats toward the owner. These crimes include burglary, larceny-theft and motor vehicle theft.



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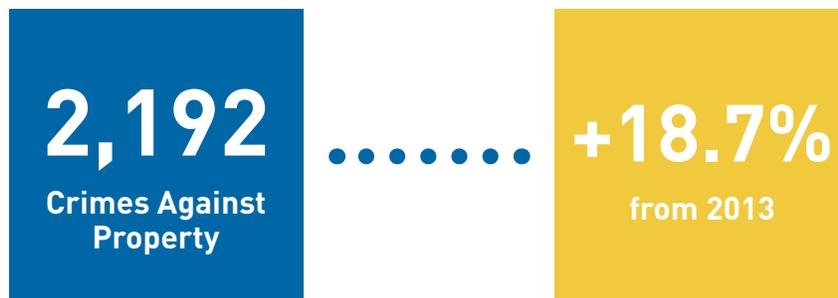
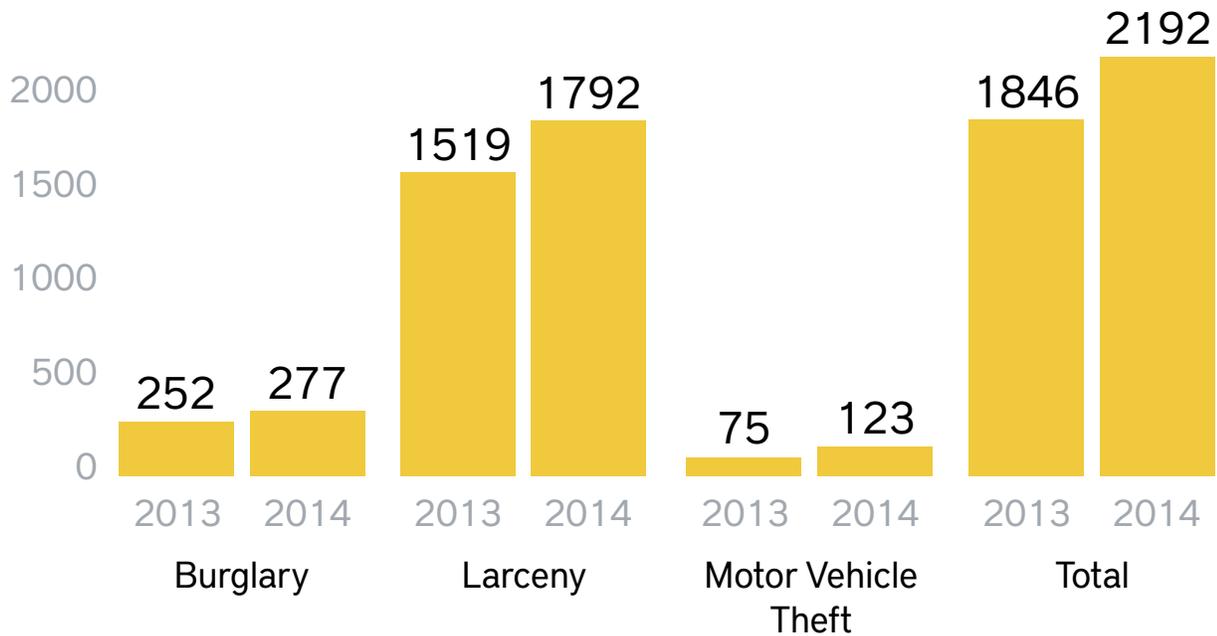
Crimes Against  
Persons

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## +22.6%

from 2013

# CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS AND PROPERTY



## Crime Clearance Rates

Crime	2013	2014
Murder	100%	N/A
Rape	100%	50%
Armed Robbery	42%	43%
Aggravated Assault	68%	52%
Burglary	27%	11%
Larceny	38%	38%
Motor Vehicle Theft	36%	14%

# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Dunwoody Police Department Criminal Investigations Division is comprised of one Sergeant, six Detectives, one Crime Scene Technician, one Crime Analyst and one HIDTA Task Force agent (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area).

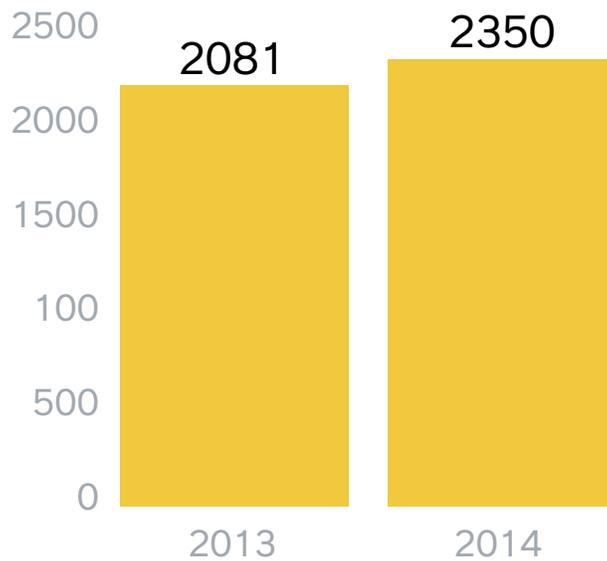
The detectives are responsible for investigating serious crimes against persons as well as property crimes – normally referred to as Part 1 Crimes. In addition, detectives are responsible for the investigation of other crimes including credit card fraud, “Peeping Tom”, simple battery, fraudulent checks, and various other crimes. The department also provides on-call detective services around the clock to assist the Uniform Division when requested.



**2329**  
Cases Assigned  
in 2014

Secured  
**602**  
Arrest Warrants

# EVIDENCE PROCESSED



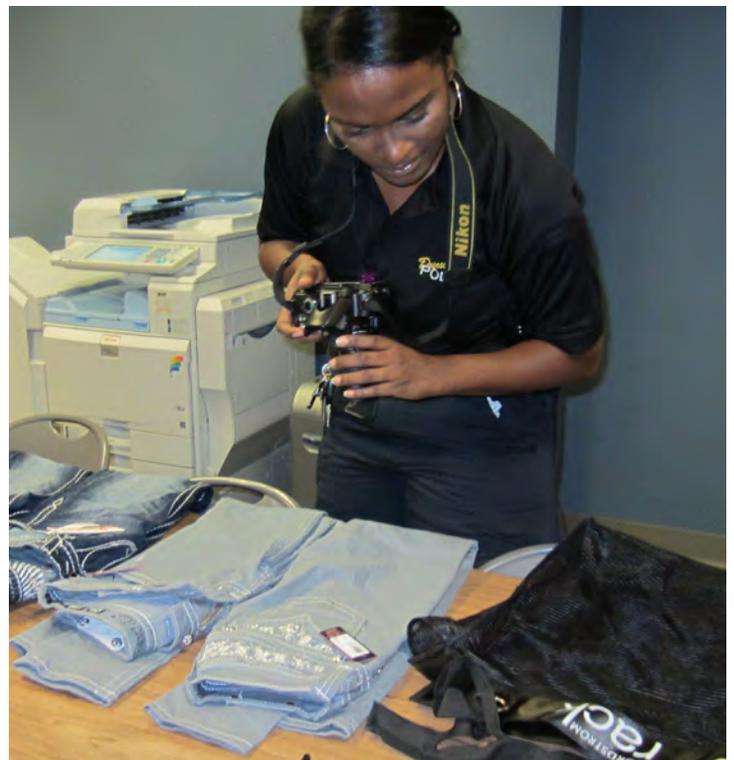
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The department's Crime Scene Technician is responsible for the recovery of evidence and the methodical processing of crime scenes.

The department's Crime Analyst is responsible for the identification of crime trends, series, and patterns for the deployment of resources.

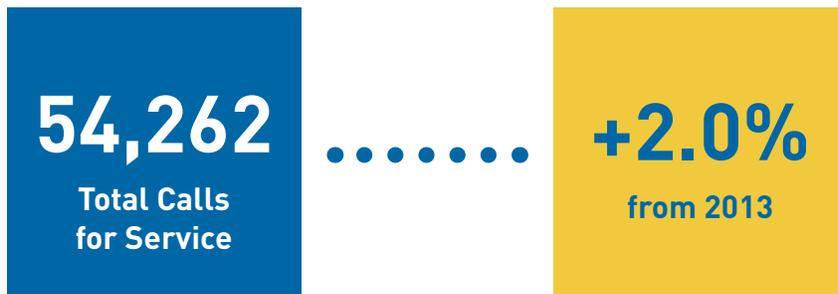
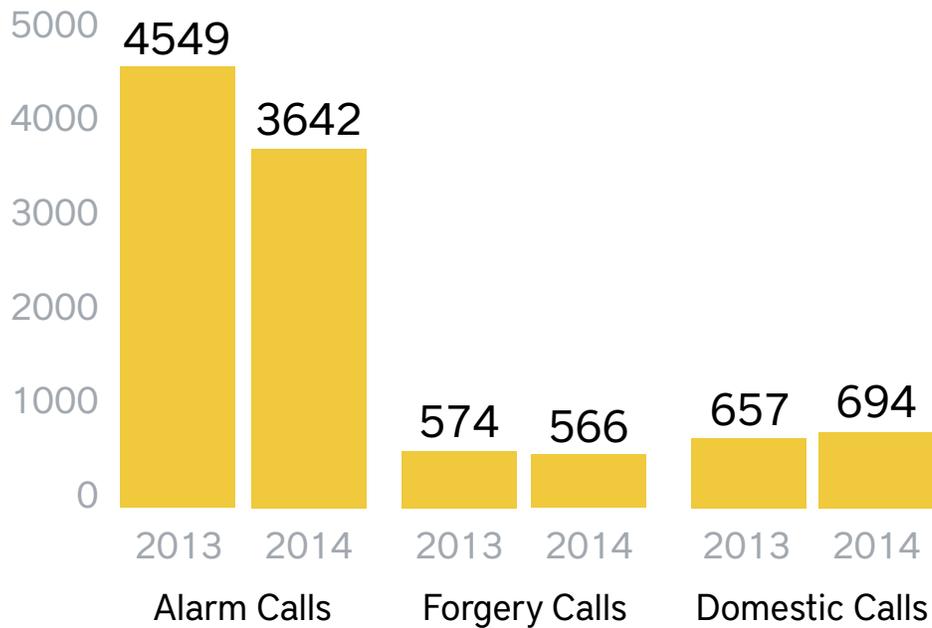
The High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) is a task force of local, state and federal officers charged with assessing drug trafficking problems and design specific initiatives to reduce or eliminate the production, manufacture, transportation, distribution and chronic use of illegal drugs and money laundering.

In 2014, our detectives were assigned 2329 cases. They secured 602 arrest warrants, made 112 physical arrests and executed 102 search warrants.



# UNIFORM PATROL

*A* typical Dunwoody Police Officer spends his shift answering calls for service, conducting traffic enforcement, interacting with the community, writing reports, issuing citations, working accidents, making arrests and a variety of other activities typical of most police departments. Our officers conduct proactive patrols in neighborhoods, apartments and in our business areas to deter crime and improve our visibility.



## TECHNOLOGY

Advancements in technology have provided the Dunwoody Police Department with leading-edge tools to help identify fugitives and provide enhanced services to the community.

In 2014, the department purchased an *Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)* to facilitate criminal investigations. This device will allow for the rapid processing of latent finger prints taken during the investigation of criminal acts.

The department utilizes a *Rapid ID Mobile Fingerprint Scanner* device which provides officers with a tool to assist in identifying suspects who are subject to arrest for criminal behaviors.

*Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR)* assist our officers in identifying persons or vehicles whose license plates are connected to a crime or infraction.

In addition, our website also offers the *Interactive Defense* software system in which users can sign up for vacation watches online and receive real time notices electronically when officers check on their home while they are away.

## DOMESTIC ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM (D.A.R.T.)

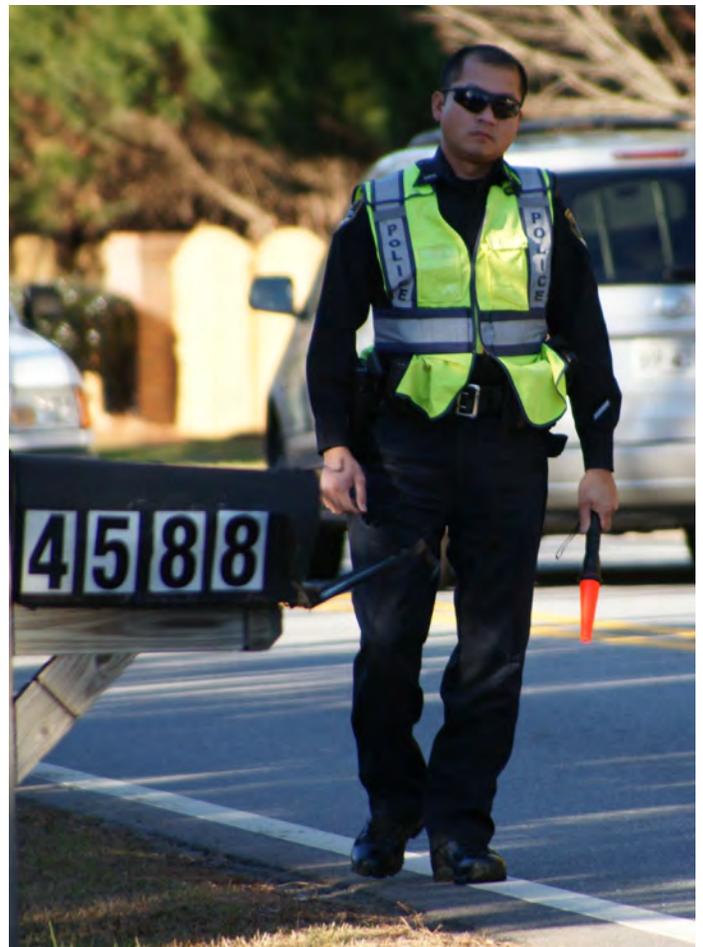
In an effort to further assist victims of domestic violence, the Dunwoody Police Department utilizes its *Domestic Assault Response Team (D.A.R.T.)*. This team of sworn personnel have received 40 hours of training through the Peace Officer's Standards and Training for "Response to Domestic Violence". Their responsibility is to follow up with all victims of domestic violence, collect any additional evidence, verify the charges were appropriate, and ensure victims have been notified of the available resources afforded to them.

## CRIME RESPONSE TEAM (C.R.T.)

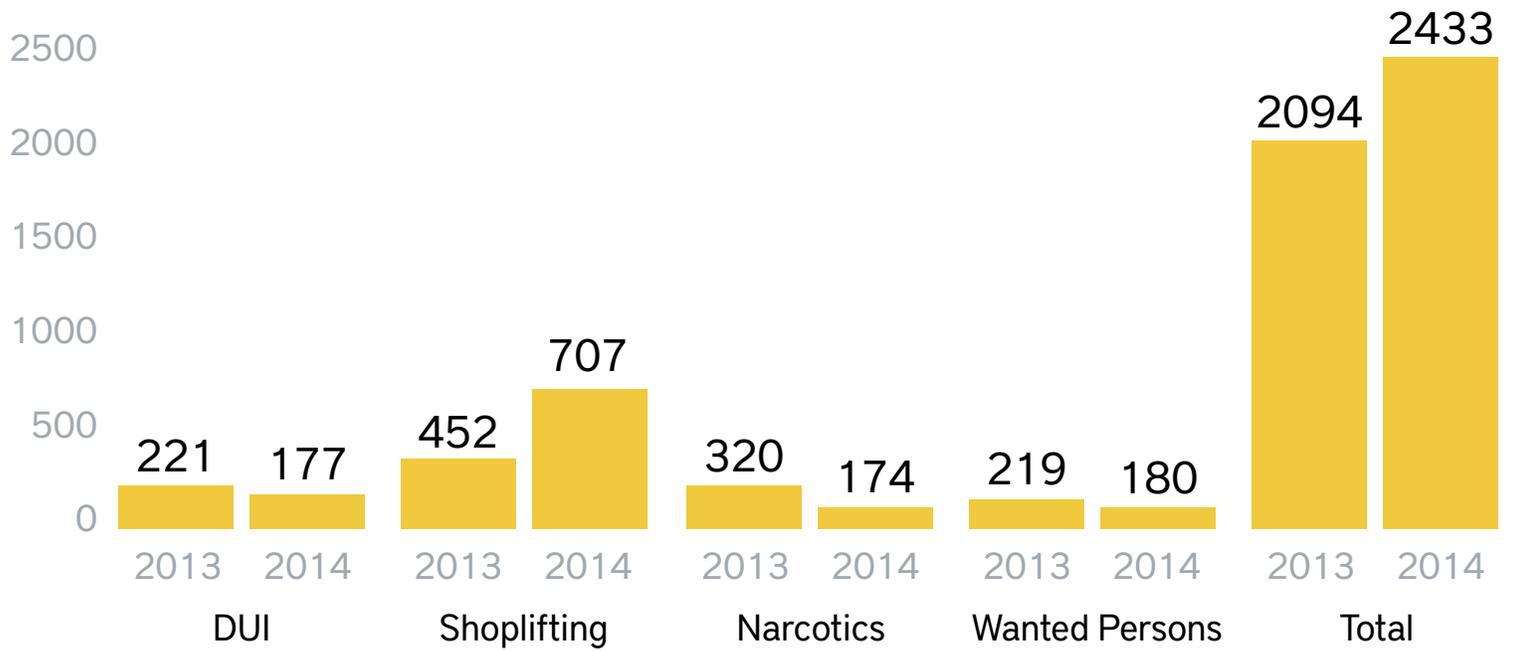
The Crime Response Team provides the Department with the ability to quickly address emerging crime trends and problem areas as well as answer all traffic and criminal complaints. The CRT allows the Department to direct resources to a specific problem without diverting Patrol officers from responding to calls for service.

## PRISONER TRANSPORT OFFICER

The department's civilian Prisoner Transport Officer is responsible for transporting prisoners from the arrest site to the DeKalb County jail and from the DeKalb County jail to the City of Dunwoody Municipal Court and other assigned locations as needed.



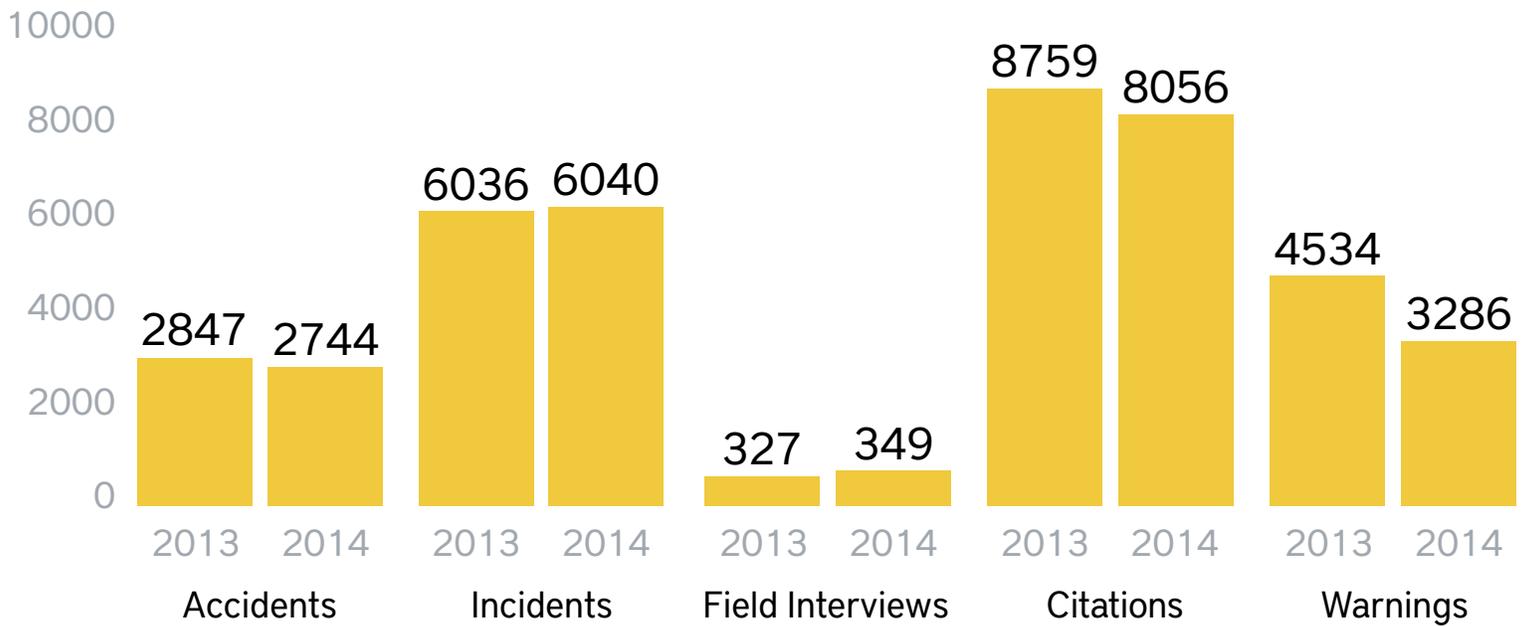
# ARRESTS



**2,433**  
Total Arrests

**+16.2%**  
from 2013

# OFFICER ACTIVITY



# OFFICER TRAINING

## ALWAYS PREPARED

Training is the foundation of the Department's current and future performance. Task-specific and career development training assures the Department maintains performance at the highest professional standards.

Dunwoody Officers are always at the top of their game. The State of Georgia requires that any person employed or appointed as a Peace Officer shall complete 20 hours of training each year. The training provided to our officers greatly exceeds this minimum requirement.



# NORTH METRO S.W.A.T.

The North Metro SWAT unit was established in 2010. This special weapons and tactics unit consists of over 30 officers from the Dunwoody Police Department, Sandy Springs Police Department, Johns Creek Police Department and Brookhaven Police Department.

With the combined strength of four cities, the North Metro SWAT unit allows for swift and complete response to tactical situations as well as high-risk warrant response to over 275,000 of our citizens. The North Metro SWAT officers are cross-sworn in each city and have a working knowledge of each city through extensive combined training.

The North Metro SWAT unit also includes Tactical medics along with a Crisis Negotiation team and Logistics team comprised of officers from each of the four cities.

Equipped with specialized firearms and equipment, the North Metro SWAT unit is able to respond to:

- Hostage rescues
- Counter-terrorism operations
- Service of high-risk arrest and search warrants
- Barricaded suspects
- Engagement of heavily armed criminals
- Dignitary protection

In 2014, the North Metro SWAT unit responded to 7 calls for service. Three calls involved barricaded persons and four high risk search and arrest warrants were served.



# EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

## CHATCOMM AND SMART911 SERVICES

The Chattahoochee River 9-1-1 Authority, otherwise known as ChatComm, is a state of the art and accredited E911 center providing exceptional service and proven performance standards to the cities of Dunwoody, Sandy Springs, and Johns Creek. By joining the ChatComm team, our department inherited added technology including automatic vehicle location devices and silent dispatch capabilities, which has enhanced our overall responsiveness to the community.

In 2014, ChatComm earned national accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), making ChatComm the first private 9-1-1 center to be accredited in the country.



# SMART911 - CODE RED - ALARMS

As an added feature to ChatComm, we provide a free service titled "Smart911". Once you sign up at [www.Smart911.com](http://www.Smart911.com), first responders will be provided important information that will help them address your emergency. This information, including photos, medical issues and other important information, can assist the Police, Fire and EMS in locating and assisting you. This information is entered on a private and secure web-site, and is only used by the 9-1-1 dispatchers and emergency responders in the field.

In the event you happen to call 9-1-1 while in another jurisdiction, your Smart911 profile will automatically be displayed if the responding E911 Center is a Smart911 participant. Many E911 Centers in Georgia and across the United States are Smart911 participants.

## CodeRED

The City of Dunwoody has partnered with CodeRED to send critical communications to you by phone, e-mail, and/or text message. Sign up to be alerted about severe weather warnings, evacuation notices, bio-terrorism alerts, boil water notices, and missing child alerts. CodeRED will automatically send out weather alerts if you are in the path of a storm as designated by the National Weather Service. CodeRED service is offered at no charge to Dunwoody residents.

## ALARM REGISTRATION

The City of Dunwoody requires that before you use or install an alarm system (except fire and medical alarms) you register your alarm. The False Alarm Ordinance can be found in Chapter 24, Article VII of the Code of Ordinances and online at: [www.municode.com/library/ga/dunwoody/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](http://www.municode.com/library/ga/dunwoody/codes/code_of_ordinances)

The Dunwoody Police Department has partnered with CryWolf® to implement and manage our false alarm program.

In 2014, we experienced a **-19.9%** reduction in False Alarm calls.



*"One of the most common calls for service is a security alarm call."*



## PERSONNEL

The most important asset of the Dunwoody Police Department is our staff. Our department is filled with talented, experienced individuals who hold many advanced degrees and certifications. In 2014, 45.9% of the Dunwoody Police Department employees held Bachelor degrees and 8.19% held a Masters Degree.

Our employees are dedicated and loyal. In 2014, only 3 employees left the department. One of which retired from service. This translates into only a 4.9% turnover rate.



# STAFF RECOGNITION

The Dunwoody Police Department places a high value on recognizing good work and outstanding achievements by its officers and employees.

An Awards Committee staffed by officers and civilian employees meets on a regular basis to select an **Officer of the Quarter** based on meritorious service and commendation letters. Those selected become eligible to be voted on by their peers for **Officer of the Year**.

The Department's civilian employees are also voted on by their peers for the **Employee of the Year** award, which is presented to one outstanding civilian employee each year whose efforts go consistently above and beyond the scope of duty.

The **Rising Star of the Year** award was created for the officer who has been with the Department less than two years who best exemplifies the qualities, characteristics, and effectiveness of a new police officer. The nominees are voted on each year by the Department's supervisory staff.

The Department presents a **Marksman of the Year** award each year to an officer for the top-scoring shooter during firearms qualifications.

The **Top Cop** award is earned by the officer who achieves the highest score in a multi-discipline challenge which includes a physical, mental, and firearms related competition.

The **Medal of Meritorious Service** is awarded each year to any staff member of the Department who performs an outstanding act where there is a threat of serious bodily injury or a life saving deed.

At the discretion of the Chief of Police, he may determine that an officer or civilian employee of the department is deserving of special recognition. This recognition may be for leadership or other special efforts in the services provided during the year. We call this the **Chief's Award**.



*Officer W. Yeargin is presented with the Brother in Blue award for his dedication and commitment to the department and our community.*



*P&E Tech K. Tate and Officer J. Tate are awarded with the 2014 Buckle Up America! Award by the Georgia Traffic Injury Prevention Institute (GTIPI) for their efforts towards traffic safety and injury prevention education using our Child Safety Seat Check program.*



*The Dunwoody Police Department is awarded the Patriotic Employer Award by the Office of the Secretary of Defense for employee support of the Guard and Reserve.*

## OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Detective R. Barrett

## EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



TAC K. Adkins

## 2014 OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER



1st Quarter  
Officer D. Tedesco



2nd Quarter  
Detective S. Lenahan



3rd Quarter  
Officer C. Patrick



4th Quarter  
Detective R. Barrett

# STAFF RECOGNITION

## RISING STAR OF THE YEAR



Officer C. Patrick

## MARKSMAN OF THE YEAR



Officer M. Cheek

## TOP COP OF THE YEAR



Sergeant P. Krieg

## CHIEF'S AWARD



Sergeant J. Dove

**Sergeant Jason Dove** earned the 2014 Chief's Award for his outstanding service and dedication towards the department's mission and goals. As a member of the department since its inception, Sgt. Dove is well respected by his peers and throughout the year 2014, he sacrificed much of his own personal time to assist our Patrol unit to function at full service when unforeseen circumstances left our unit short-handed.

Sgt. Dove spearheaded our CarFit® program for seniors and actively participates along with other officers in our new S.A.F.E. program to bolster school/police officer relations. It is not uncommon to see Sgt. Dove sharing his lunch with other students inside one of Dunwoody's elementary school cafeterias or starting a game of kick ball during break time.

Sgt. Dove is a fine example of our six Core Values: **Service, Integrity, Courage, Professionalism, Respect and Teamwork.**

## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

One of the most important activities officers participate in is working with our community to promote safety awareness. The department recognizes that only through a close working relationship with the citizens of Dunwoody can we build a safe community for our citizens and businesses.



# COMMUNITY OUTREACH

In 2014, the department continued to build upon and provide a number of programs and services which have proven to be successful and sought after in previous years. These include our popular *Child Safety Seat Check*, our *Situational Awareness* informational class and the *Ride-Along* experience.

New programs introduced in 2014 included our *Cyber Safety Class*, designed to educate parents on the potential dangers of the cyber world and how to protect children from inappropriate content; and *Coffee with a Cop*, which encourages police and community members to come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues and build relationships.

Working in partnership with Dunwoody businesses, local groups, and neighboring agencies to raise safety awareness is equally important to the department and these efforts continued in 2014. On August 5, 2014, the department partnered with Walmart Supercenter and DeKalb Fire Rescue for the *Annual National Night Out* event. This unique program is designed to: (1) Heighten crime prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Each year, thousands of communities and millions of people nationwide participate in National Night Out.

In March of 2014, the department began utilizing a new communications device for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing and others with communication barriers. This device, called an *UbiDuo*, provides an additional option for communication between visiting patrons and police staff. Dunwoody is the first police department to utilize this device in Georgia.

In 2014, the Department provided a number of *private tours of Dunwoody Police Headquarters* to various groups such as the Boy and Girl Scout Troops of America, the Dunwoody High School Criminal Justice Class and several international agencies who visited our area.

Our officers continuously show their commitment towards our youth by participating in local school events each year such as *Career Day*, *Walk to School Wednesdays* and *Read Across America*. In addition, our *Safety and Friendship in Education (S.A.F.E.)* program allows officers to voluntarily “adopt” an elementary school within the City and drop by at least one time each week just to chat, be seen and interact with the students, teachers and faculty. On occasion, officers have been known to join the students in the cafeteria for lunch.



# VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

## POLICE EXPLORERS

Law Enforcement Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youth.

The Dunwoody Police Department Explorer Post #702 continued to achieve great success in 2014. In addition to their weekly meetings, Post #702 competed in the National Exploring Conference in Indiana, Explorer State Championship, Atlanta Explorer Championship, and the Gwinnett Explorer Competition—bringing home 7 trophies, including the State Championship in Drill and Ceremony categories.



# GET INVOLVED

Our Explorers volunteered more than 500 hours of community service for the various special events conducted in Dunwoody such as the Fourth of July parade, Lemonade Days, Dunwoody Art Festival and the Christmas for Kids program.

In June of 2014, the Dunwoody Police Department and Police Explorer Post #702 hosted the 4th Annual Georgia Law Enforcement Explorer Academy (GLEEA). This intense 6-day training program focuses on fundamentals of law enforcement, team building, leadership skills and character development. 24 recruits from 9 different law enforcement agencies across Georgia graduated from the 2014 GLEEA.

The knowledge and training received by cadets of Explorer Post #702 and the GLEEA have proven to be invaluable to four of our Explorers to date, who have each been hired by various local police departments.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Neighborhood Watch program is one of the oldest and best known crime prevention concepts in North America.

The program can be based around a neighborhood, business complex, condominium complex or apartment building. It only requires a few concerned citizens to spearhead a new Neighborhood Watch program. In 2014, there were 78 Dunwoody neighborhoods participating in the Neighborhood Watch program. This is up 2.63% from 2013.

## BAILIFFS

The Dunwoody Police Department is fortunate to have a number of volunteers who assist the Department throughout the year. One of the key volunteer programs of the Department is our Volunteer Bailiff program. Our volunteer bailiffs play an integral role in the successful operation of the Municipal Court of the City of Dunwoody.

In 2014, there were approximately 121 court sessions. In order to make this process run more efficiently, we had seven volunteer bailiffs who assisted the court staff. Collectively, our bailiffs donated approximately 1,566 hours of service to the City of Dunwoody and their community in 2014.

The bailiffs' duties include, but are not limited to, security screening, probation assistance, swearing-in, escorts, seating, processing of essential paperwork, and an overall positive attitude which eases tension during these court sessions.



## CHAPLAINS

Police Chaplains are trained clergy of a recognized religious denomination who serve as confidential counselors, advisors, and consultants to police department employees and the public in matters relating to the clergy or the traditional functions of the clergy.

The Dunwoody Police Department is privileged to have 7 highly qualified and experienced civilian Chaplains who serve in a variety of support roles both within the agency and throughout the community. Police Chaplains are volunteers who donate their time to the Dunwoody community and the police officers who serve it.

# SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

In 2014, the Dunwoody Police Department's use of social media to engage our community continued to grow in content and popularity. Our [Facebook](#) page "Likes" increased to 8234 by the end of the year and [Twitter](#) followers rose to 6906. Our [YouTube](#) channel displays a variety of news stories involving the Dunwoody Police Department as well as Department updates and safety awareness videos. The Department can also be found on [Instagram](#), [Pinterest](#) and [Vine](#).

Our goal in using social media is to educate, engage and inform our community about what we are doing. At the same time, we hope to provide information so residents understand the challenges in our community and to arm them with tools to help them remain safe. We believe a transparent police department is key to building and keeping community trust.



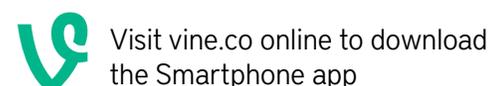
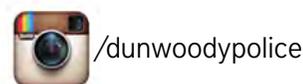
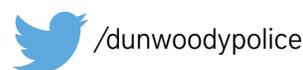
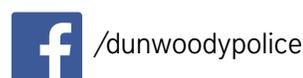
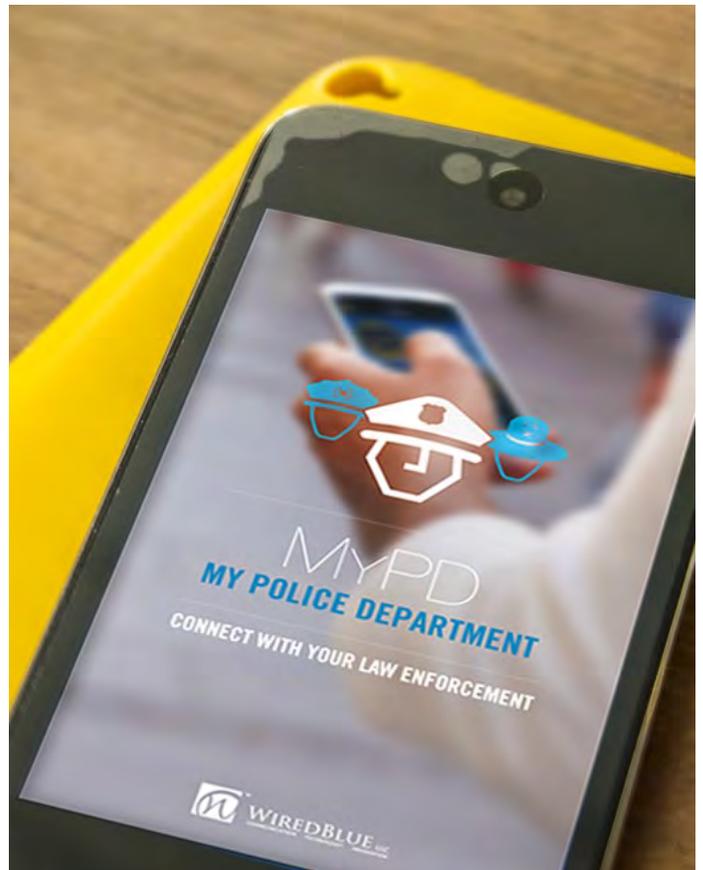
# CONNECTING ONLINE

Due to its enormous popularity, the Dunwoody Police Department conducted another *Tweetathon* in 2014 during the busiest shopping day of the year, Black Friday. For 24 straight hours, the Department tweeted all the action including service calls, arrests, traffic updates and shopping crowd volume.

The Department utilizes a Smart Phone application for the iPhone and Android titled “*MYPD*” or “My Police Department”. The app is currently available online and through our Facebook page as a free download. This robust application by Wired Blue, LLC gives citizens access to our website, FaceBook & Twitter accounts, current news, the ability to submit tips anonymously and the ability to ask questions and submit commendations all in one place. We continue to receive a number of crime tips, questions and commendations through the department’s MYPD app.

The Dunwoody Police Department has a *robust website* which provides updated information for the community. As part of our website, we offer a *Police to Citizen Portal (P2C)*, which gives citizens access to real-time information about the department’s activities including incidents, accidents and citations.

In 2014, the department partnered with *Nextdoor* ([www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com)) to provide a free, private social network in which individual Dunwoody neighborhoods can create their own private website where residents can get to know their neighbors, ask questions, and exchange local advice and recommendations. At this time, there are over 1,000 Dunwoody residents already utilizing this network.



## GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



“The men and women of the Dunwoody Police Department have dedicated their lives in service to others. Working for the Dunwoody Police Department gives them opportunities to serve others every day.”

~ Chief Billy Grogan

# GIVING BACK

The Dunwoody Police Department staff regularly participates in supporting various causes and serving others as we identify needs.

Each year, the department participates in the **Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics Georgia** by raising funds and awareness for the athletes. In 2014, department staff participated in the *Polar Plunge*, *Cuffed for a Cause*, and the *Torch Run* which raised a little over \$20,000.00.

In 2014, the department continued to partner with the Dunwoody Rotary Club and their *RunDunwoody 5k* event, which raises funds for local educational programs as well as first responders inside Dunwoody. In addition, the department participated in the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge to help raise awareness and funds to support ALS research.

On December 13, 2014, officers with the Dunwoody Police Department participated in the annual *Shop With a Cop* program hosted by the DeKalb County FOP. Hundreds of needy children had a very special Christmas as a result of the program.

Of course, our department has become known for our *Christmas for Kids* program, which provides toys and gifts for Dunwoody's children in need during the Christmas season. The CFK program has also benefited several local shelters, hospitals, schools, and churches in time for Christmas. The program's success is a direct result of a great collaboration between the department, local businesses, other City departments, the Dunwoody Chamber of Commerce, Dunwoody community groups and individual community members.



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