

CHEYENNE POLICE

Protecting the legend...

2022

ANNUAL REPORT



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2022

A message from the command staff...

The Cheyenne Police Department's 2022 Annual Report is a summary of the outstanding work that the men and women of the Cheyenne Police Department have accomplished during the year. We have a dedicated group of sworn officers, civilian employees and volunteers committed to safeguarding the lives and property of the Cheyenne community. Their delivery of police services to the citizens that live, work, and visit our city has continually resulted in Cheyenne being recognized as an exceptional community.

Our police department, in partnership with the citizens of Cheyenne, recognizes the changing needs of our community and law enforcement's role in addressing those needs. On behalf of our employees and volunteers, thank you for taking the time to learn about our department.

*- Cheyenne Police Department
Command Staff*

MISSION *Protecting the legend...*

The Cheyenne Police Department is "Protecting the Legend" of Cheyenne by working in cooperation with citizens to lead the charge in preventing crime and defending the rights of the community.

PATROL AREA MAP

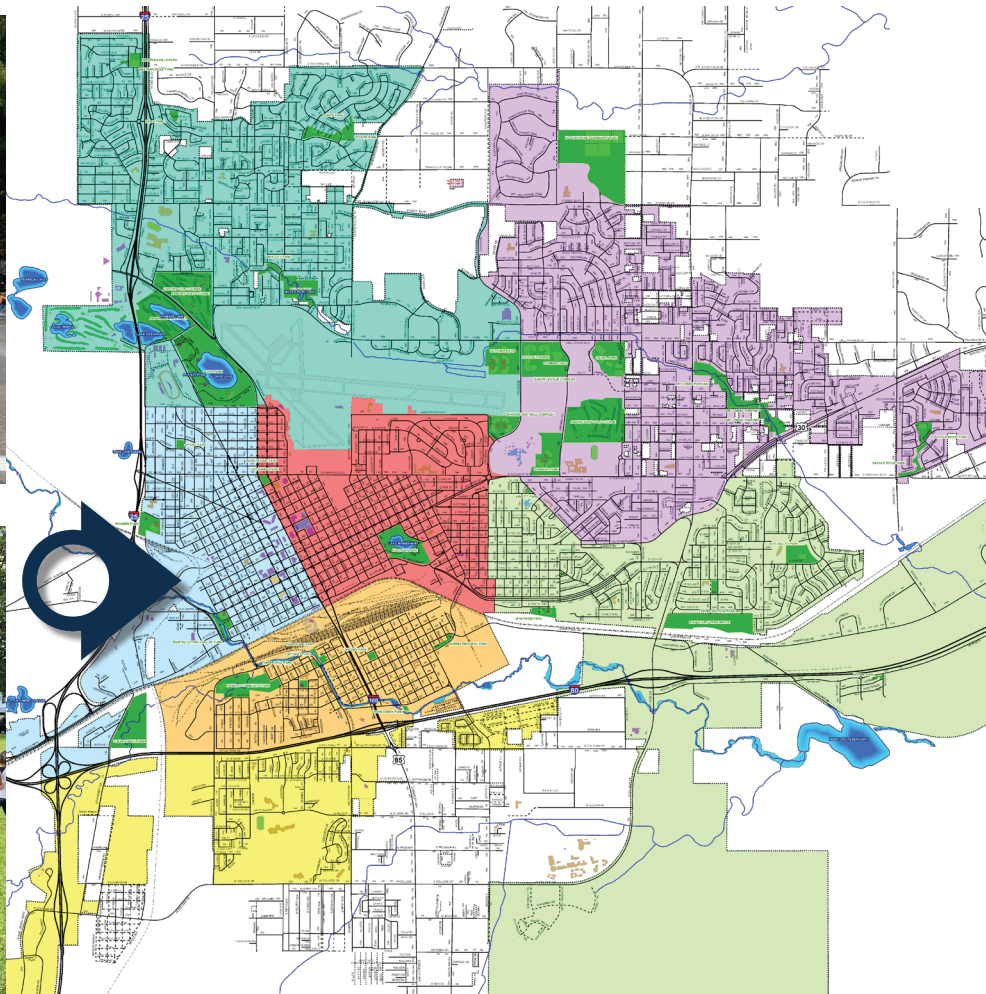
ADAPTING TO GROWTH

During 2019, the Cheyenne Police Department (CPD) recognized the need to re-evaluate the organization of patrol areas, or patrol “beats,” due to the overall growth of the City of Cheyenne.

The CPD used crime data, response times, geographical area, population density, natural/man-made barriers, future growth considerations

and a number of other factors to redesign the patrol area boundaries into seven beats.

The City of Cheyenne continues to grow both geographically and in population, therefore the CPD is working diligently to ensure the highest level of service by adapting to that growth.



**AROUND-THE-CLOCK COVERAGE FOR
THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY**



OUR ORGANIZATION

111 FUNDED FOR 111 SWORN OFFICERS

107 CURRENT STRENGTH

21 NON-SWORN PROFESSIONAL STAFF

**CHIEF OF POLICE
MARK FRANCISCO**



OUR COMMUNITY

POPULATION ESTIMATE (JULY 1, 2021): **65,051**

Age and Sex

Persons under 5 years	▲ 6.0%
Persons under 18 years	▲ 21.6%
Persons 65 years and over, percent	▲ 16.5%
Female persons, percent	▲ 50.2%

Race and Hispanic Origin

White alone, percent	▲ 85.4%
Black or African American Alone, percent (a)	▲ 2.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent (a)	▲ 0.8%
Asian alone, percent (a)	▲ 1.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent (a)	▲ 0.1%
Two or More Races, percent	▲ 6.5%
Hispanic or Latino, percent (b)	▲ 16.2%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent	▲ 76.4%

Fact Notes:

- (a) Includes persons reporting only one race
- (b) Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories.

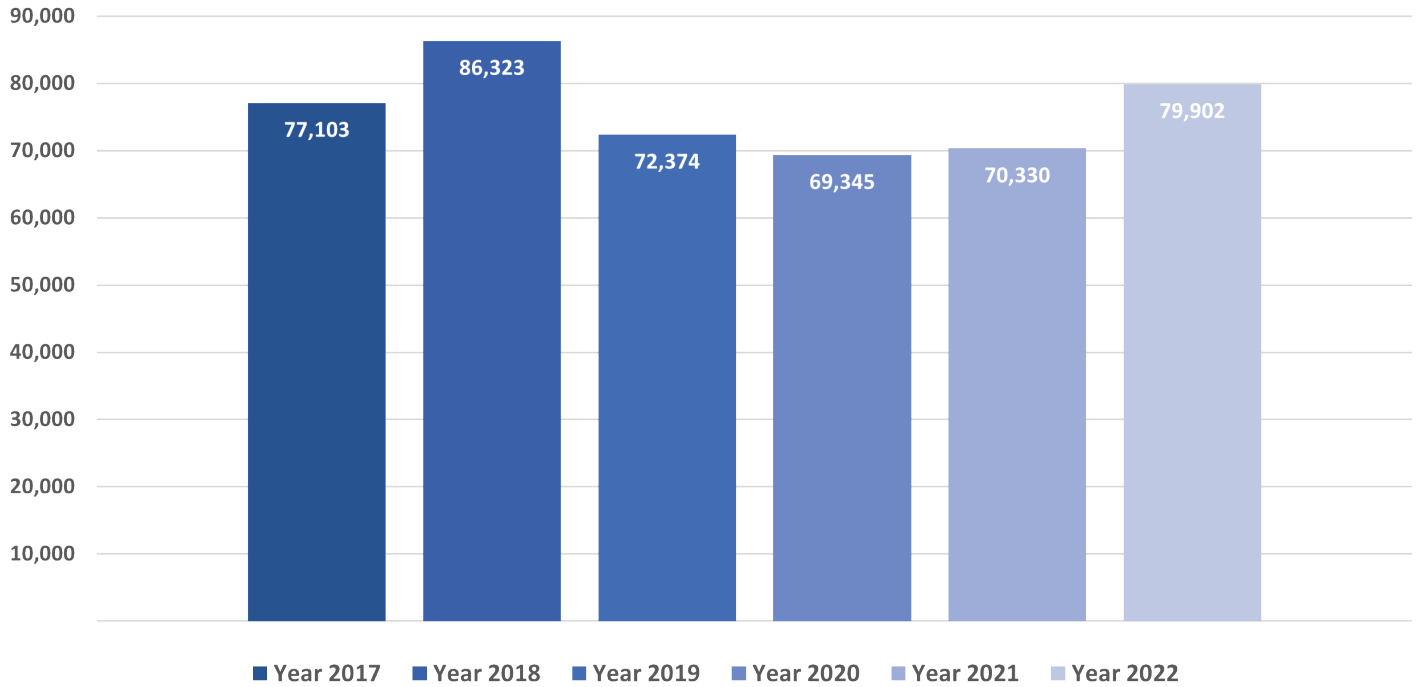
▲ Estimates are not comparable to other geographic levels due to methodology differences that may exist between different data sources.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts

CALLS FOR SERVICE

WHEN YOU CALL

CPD CALLS FOR SERVICE



79,902

In 2022, the CPD received 79,902 calls for service total.

CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WE RESPOND



RECRUITMENT

WELCOMING NEW OFFICERS

In 2022, the Cheyenne Police Department recruited 104 individuals to apply for police officer positions. After extensive testing and background investigations, **12 new police officers were on-boarded.**

12 NEW OFFICERS HIRED

83 PARTICIPATED IN THE CPD'S HIRING PROCESS

104 APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED



NATIONAL OUTREACH

ATTRACTING TALENT

The Cheyenne Police Department continues to expand its recruiting strategy by establishing remote testing procedures to make the job more attractive to outside candidates looking to move west.

The CPD's recruiting efforts have successfully reached candidates across the country, encouraging more applicants to consider a career in Cheyenne.



ACCOUNTABILITY

DEPARTMENT COMPLAINTS

19 INTERNALLY
GENERATED

24 EXTERNALLY
GENERATED

COMPLAINT OUTCOMES

18 EXONERATED

3 NOT SUSTAINED

20 SUSTAINED

2 UNFOUNDED

WATCHING FOR BIAS

ARRESTS

FEMALE (489)

American Indian/Alaskan Native **(11)**

Black **(54)**

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander **(1)**

White **(423)**

MALE (1,264)

American Indian/Alaskan Native **(26)**

Asian/Pacific Islander **(58)**

Black **(147)**

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander **(2)**

White **(1,031)**

TICKETS ISSUED

FEMALE (2,947)

American Indian/Alaskan Native **(26)**

Asian/Pacific Islander **(18)**

Black **(205)**

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander **(1)**

Unknown **(11)**

White **(2,686)**

MALE (5,303)

American Indian/Alaskan Native **(52)**

Asian/Pacific Islander **(28)**

Black **(448)**

Hawaiian/Pacific Islander **(15)**

Unknown **(9)**

White **(4,751)**

GENDER UNIDENTIFIED (2)

White **(2)**

TOTAL 1,753 ARRESTS MADE

TOTAL 8,252 TICKETS ISSUED

USE OF FORCE

In 2022, out of **79,902** total calls for service, **284** incidents had officers use force (0.35% of calls).

SUBJECT RACE

White (169)	American Indian (10)
Hispanic (65)	Pacific Islander (1)
Black (38)	Asian (1)

OFFICER FORCE APPLIED

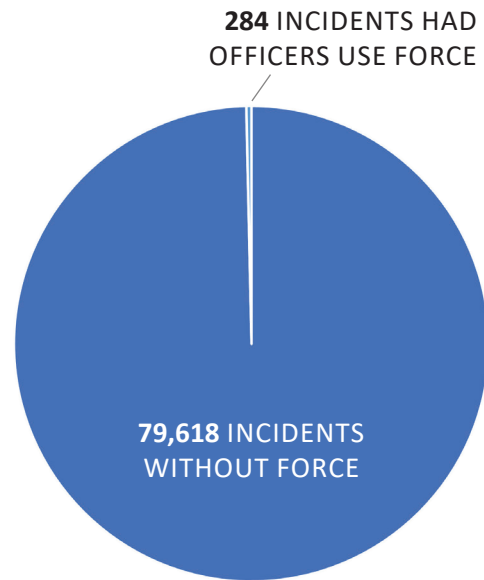
Note: Incidents can include multiple types of force applied

Used Verbal Commands (188)	Displayed Firearm (12)	K9 Deployment - Other (1)
Handcuffed (134)	Used Arm Bar (11)	Deployed K9 for Take Down (1)
Control Hold (105)	Used Arms (10)	Deployed K9 Towards (2)
Used Hands (93)	Impact Weapon - Other (7)	Discharged Chemical (1)
Used Take Down (82)	Used Pressure Points (7)	Displayed Chemical Canister (1)
Wrap (69)	Struck (6)	Displayed Impact Weapon (1)
Physical Action - Other (59)	Taser - Other (6)	Edge Weapon - Other (1)
Pointed Firearm (51)	Probe Mode (5)	Firearm - Other (1)
Displayed Taser (25)	K9 Bit - Apprehension (2)	Observed Firearm (1)
Used Legs (17)	Drive Stun (2)	
Used Taser (15)	Attempted to Strike (1)	

REASONS FOR INTERACTION

Note: Incidents can include multiple reason types

Call for Service (206)	Field Contact (19)
Traffic Stop (47)	Other (7)



POLICE FORCE REVIEW BOARD

CPD IS THE FIRST LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN WYOMING TO INCLUDE CITIZENS ON A POLICE FORCE REVIEW BOARD

In November 2020, three civilians, Stephen Latham, Mike Solis, and Melvin Turner, Jr. were chosen to serve on the Cheyenne Police Department's Police Force Review Board. In 2022, the board continued to meet monthly to review use-of-force incidents involving CPD officers. All board members have attended, and will continue to attend, force related training as a team. The Cheyenne Police Force Review Board is the first board to have citizens reviewing force used by officers in the State of Wyoming.

NATIONAL INCIDENT BASED REPORTING SYSTEM (NIBRS)

CRIME DATA

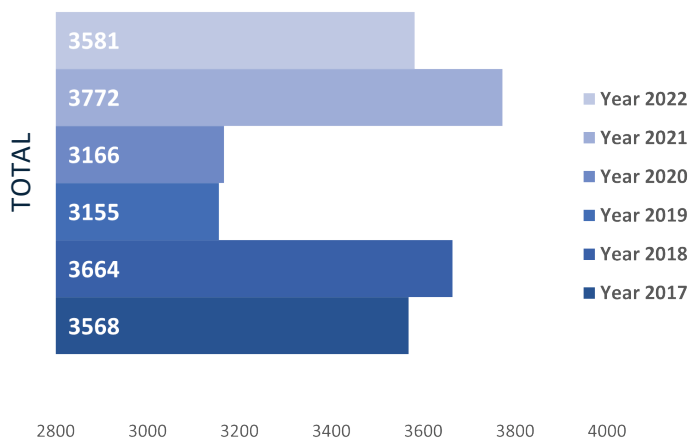
As recommended by the FBI, the CPD's data collection is compliant with the **National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)**. The FBI has made nationwide implementation of NIBRS a top priority for law enforcement agencies to gather more useful statistics - promoting constructive discussion, measured planning, and informed policing. More information on the national transition to NIBRS is available on the FBI's website.

NIBRS compiles detailed reports on two types of offenses: Group "A" and Group "B" offenses. The two groupings are based on the amount of reporting required for each. Group A offenses are categorized by **Crimes Against Property, Crimes Against People,** and **Crimes Against Society.**

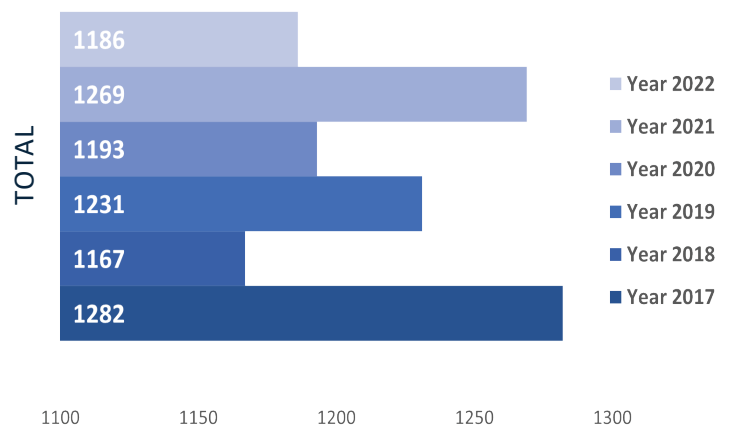
5 YEAR COMPARISON

NIBRS GROUP A & B CATEGORIES

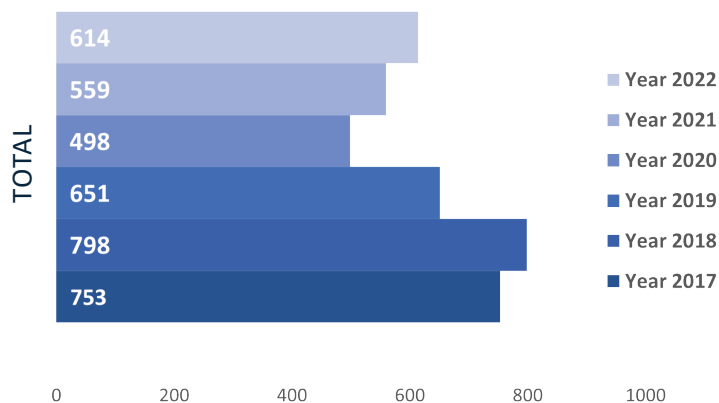
CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY



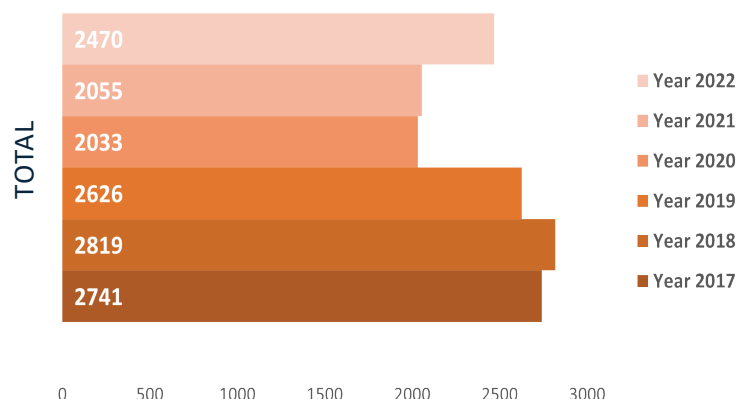
CRIMES AGAINST PEOPLE



CRIMES AGAINST SOCIETY



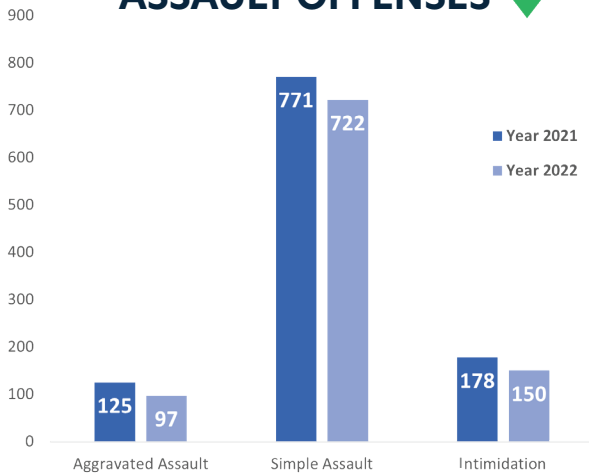
NIBRS GROUP B OFFENSES



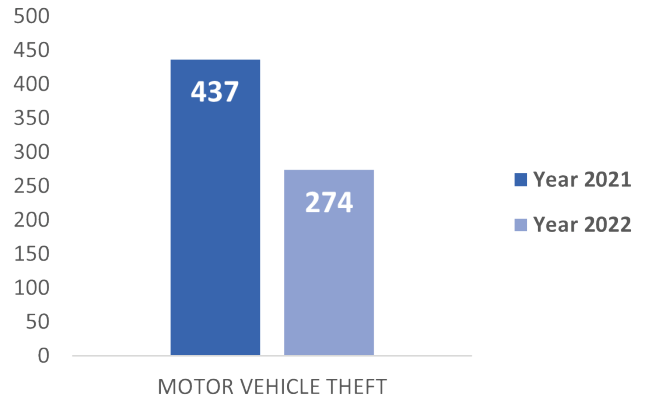
ANNUAL COMPARISON

NIBRS GROUP A OFFENSE HIGHLIGHTS

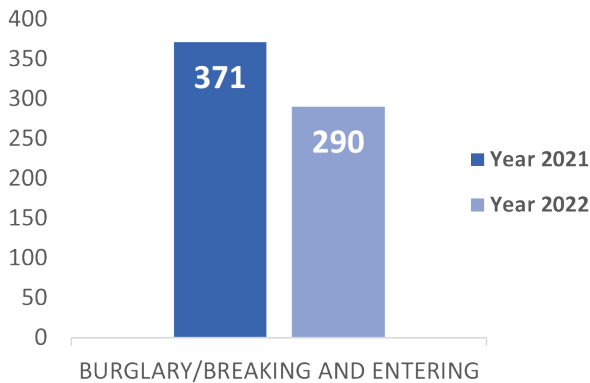
ASSAULT OFFENSES ↓



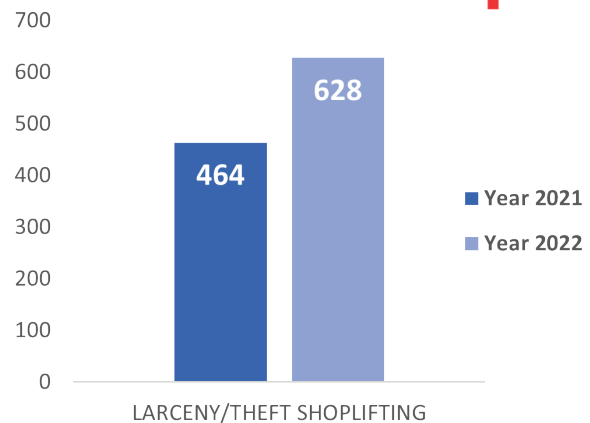
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ↓



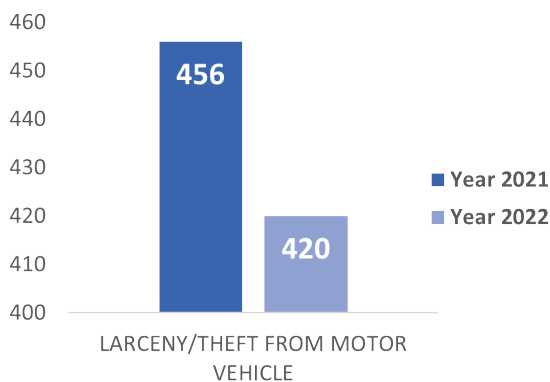
BURGLARY ↓



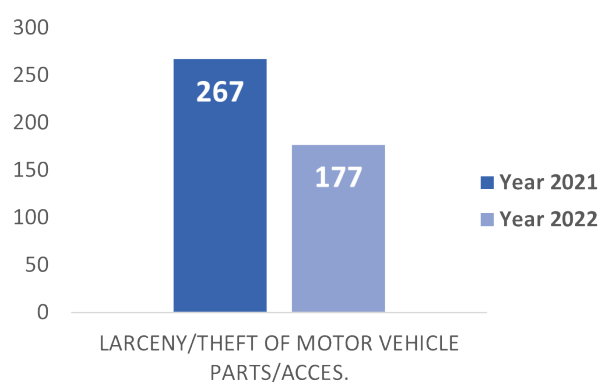
SHOPLIFTING ↑



THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE ↓



THEFT OF VEHICLE PARTS ↓



NATIONAL INCIDENT BASED REPORTING SYSTEM (NIBRS)

CRIME DATA

MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

NIBRS GROUP A OFFENSES IN 2021 AND 2022

2021

Group A Offenses	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	August	Sept	Oct
ASSAULT-AGGRAVATED	8	14	8	14	12	13	24	16	4	13
ASSAULT-SIMPLE	59	65	56	73	74	69	89	77	63	86
BURGLARY/BREAKING AND ENTERING	33	20	23	32	51	49	19	33	25	32
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	8	6	5	2	1	0	3	7	3	3
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM OF PROPERTY	82	41	56	49	83	96	73	105	79	57
DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS	28	40	38	78	55	51	58	42	46	59
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0
FRAUD-CREDIT CARD/AUTOMATIC TELLER MACHINE	4	7	1	5	5	9	12	11	3	6
FRAUD-FALSE PRETENSES/SWINDLE/CONFIDENCE GAME	3	3	5	6	8	10	3	7	3	7
FRAUD-IMPERSONATION	0	1	0	0	1	4	0	3	1	2
FRAUD-WELFARE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HOMICIDE-MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
HUMAN TRAFFICKING - COMMERCIAL SEX ACTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HUMAN TRAFFICKING - INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	2
LARCENY/THEFT ALL OTHER	46	38	38	55	64	53	62	65	43	57
LARCENY/THEFT FROM BUILDING	4	3	3	2	2	4	1	0	4	4
LARCENY/THEFT FROM COIN OPERATED DEVICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	27	26	26	22	46	45	64	36	39	54
LARCENY/THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS/ACCES.	20	15	32	26	35	44	27	21	20	13
LARCENY/THEFT POCKET-PICKING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT PURSE SNATCHING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY/THEFT SHOPLIFTING	45	44	34	43	29	39	63	22	27	57
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	32	22	22	35	36	37	48	40	36	47
PORNOGRAPHY/OBSCENE MATERIAL	0	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1
PROSTITUTION	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
PROSTITUTION-ASSISTING OR PROMOTING	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	2	5	2	1	1	3	1	3	2	2
SEX OFFENSE NONFORCEABLE - STATUTORY RAPE	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE NONFORCIBLE - INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES- RAPE	2	4	1	4	3	4	4	2	7	4
SEX OFFENSES- SODOMY	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
SEX OFFENSES-FONDLING/MOLEST/INDECENT LIBERTIES	2	4	0	6	1	4	1	3	0	3
SEX OFFENSES-SA W/OBJECT	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	1	1
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	3	3	2	7	4	3	7	3	4	4
Grand Total	415	366	354	465	515	542	568	504	414	514

NIBRS GROUP A CATEGORIES

% CHANGE BETWEEN 2021 AND 2022

Crimes Against Property		
2021	2022	% Change
3786	3605	-5%

Crimes Against People		
2021	2022	% Change
1088	994	-9%

Crimes Against Society		
2021	2022	% Change
686	718	5%

Grand Total		
2021	2022	% Change
5560	5317	-4%

4% crime decrease

CRIME DECREASED 4% OVERALL FROM 2021 TO 2022

Crimes against property decreased 5% and crimes against people decreased 9%, while crimes against society increased 5%.

Totals			2022												Totals
Nov	Dec		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
4	16	146	9	6	11	3	5	8	11	10	7	13	6	14	103
56	72	839	57	56	65	69	74	57	72	59	59	73	72	59	772
34	18	369	11	17	21	16	16	28	27	31	26	37	35	24	289
6	5	49	6	4	12	13	8	9	8	6	7	5	7	7	92
54	75	850	47	31	52	50	60	66	83	66	64	97	53	73	742
59	66	620	44	45	55	65	49	61	73	44	44	70	51	51	652
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9	4	76	6	14	3	9	9	5	6	7	7	8	15	2	91
3	7	65	9	5	6	7	3	6	9	3	7	6	4	1	66
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2	1	11	2	0	4	2	3	0	1	2	2	1	0	1	18
47	52	620	34	37	70	64	55	55	51	74	42	66	64	49	661
3	3	33	3	1	5	2	2	6	2	6	5	6	2	5	45
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
56	28	469	18	19	22	14	44	39	22	32	41	58	66	66	441
19	9	281	17	14	15	13	25	7	21	14	10	22	16	23	197
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38	42	483	39	45	42	45	54	46	55	71	64	78	60	63	662
46	41	442	15	18	20	24	27	18	28	23	24	33	19	21	270
1	2	15	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	2	18
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1	2	25	1	0	3	2	1	1	0	2	3	3	1	1	18
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
5	1	41	4	3	4	8	4	3	11	3	4	2	4	1	51
1	0	5	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	6
1	4	29	2	2	3	2	3	5	4	2	0	4	4	3	34
0	0	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	6
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	4	47	4	1	4	3	6	1	2	3	6	7	1	5	43
449	454	5560	336	324	419	419	450	428	494	469	427	593	487	471	5317



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CHEYENNE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



2022

SERVICE & COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

BEYOND THE BADGE

Neighborhood Night Out

Thursday, July 14, community members, law enforcement, and first responders gathered for the 13th Annual Neighborhood Night Out. The community-building event is designed to bring neighbors, businesses, and police together. Block Captains and event sponsors helped make the night possible – 21 parties were collectively hosted across the city of Cheyenne.



Citizen's Police Academy - Fall / Spring Classes

The CPD hosted two five-week long Citizen's Police Academy programs, one in the spring and one in the fall. The academy takes citizens behind the scenes of the department. It is designed to help increase awareness and understanding of how policing is conducted while strengthening the relationship between community members and police officers.



Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 28, the Cheyenne Police Department hosted a Trunk-or-Treat celebration in front of the Cheyenne Public Safety Center. The event was a huge success thanks to our public safety partners, volunteers, and community members.



Superday

Saturday, June 25, the CPD participated in the City of Cheyenne's annual Superday event - the celebration kicks off July as National Parks and Recreation Month.

Guns N' Hoses Blood Drive

Thursday, September 8, the CPD and Cheyenne Fire and Rescue faced off to see which agency could bring in the most lifesaving blood donations. The blood drive, hosted by Vitalant - Rocky Mountain, collected 29 units of blood which is estimated to save 78 lives.



National Law Enforcement Memorial

Friday, May 20, the Cheyenne Police Department joined members of the Wyoming law enforcement community during the Wyoming Fallen Law Enforcement Memorial at the State Capitol Building. The ceremony recognized 68 Wyoming Peace Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. In honor of their service and sacrifice, their names were read with family, state leaders, and members of the community in attendance.



Special Olympics Torch Run

Friday, August 26, the Cheyenne Police Department proudly teamed up with local law enforcement agencies, Air Force cadets, and community members in carrying the Special Olympics Wyoming "Flame of Hope" through Cheyenne. The event helps raise awareness and funding for Special Olympics Wyoming athletes.



Shoot for Sight

Thursday, August 11, the Cheyenne Police Department and Laramie County Sheriff's Office faced off during the Frontier Lions Club's Shoot for Sight event. The BB gun shooting competition raised over \$3,000 in donations, which provides eyeglasses, eye surgeries, and eye exams to those in need.



Shop with a Cop

Friday, December 16, the Cheyenne Police Department participated in the annual Shop with a Cop event. This meaningful program helps build relationships with the community and spread a little holiday cheer to those in need. 31 children were provided a \$100 gift card for the shopping spree and a food basket provided by Jennie Gordon, First Lady of Wyoming's Wyoming Hunger Initiative. The event was organized by the Wyoming Highway Patrol and hosted by Walmart Supercenter - Livingston Avenue.



ROADWAY SAFETY

5,265 TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED

905 SPEEDING (INCLUDING SCHOOL ZONES)

364 DUI CITATIONS

TRAFFIC UNIT

The Cheyenne Police Department's Traffic Unit encourages traffic safety through enforcement of Cheyenne's traffic ordinances. The primary goal of the unit is to modify dangerous driving behavior through **education and enforcement**, while also working to reduce traffic collisions, injuries and fatalities by addressing the factors that cause them.

In 2022, the Traffic Unit continued to address the **top road safety focus areas**: Reducing crashes, school zone safety, cross walk safety, and aggressive driving.

CITATION HIGHLIGHTS

Violation	Department Total	Traffic Team
Driving Under the Influence	364	22
Speeding	744	354
School Zone Speeding	161	145
Careless Driving	141	51
Red Light Violation	179	77
Stop Sign Violation	147	82
Registration Violation	523	220
Insurance Violation	735	270
Total Citations Issued	5265	2162

TOP SPEED HIGHLIGHTS:

Highest Speeding Ticket: 38 MPH over the posted speed limit

Highest Speeding Ticket in a School Zone: 36 MPH over the posted speed limit

CRASHES

In 2022, the Cheyenne Police Department responded to **1,383 reportable crashes** which met the following criteria: Hit and run, DUI, injury, combined property damage of \$1,000 or more, or on a public roadway.

There was a **9% reduction in traffic crashes** from 2021 to 2022, which appears to correlate with the increase in traffic stops conducted in 2022. Of those crashes, 231 had injuries in which one or more parties were injured, a 20% decrease from last year.

CRASH DATA

	2021	2022	% Change
Crash Incidents	2007	1772	-12%
* Reportable Crashes	1513	1383	-9%
Number of Injuries	288	231	-20%

Fact Notes:

* Reportable crashes which meet the following criteria: Hit and run, DUI, injury, combined property damage of \$1,000 or more, or on a public roadway.

HIT AND RUN CRASHES

Hit and Run Crash Total: **421**

Cleared by Citation: **81**

Cleared by Other Means: **89**

9% REDUCTION IN REPORTABLE CRASHES FROM 2021 TO 2022



COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS (CSO)

OVERVIEW

Community Service Officers (CSOs) assist police officers with community care-taking and investigating motor vehicle crashes. These officers are full and part time paid employees of the Cheyenne Police Department.

CSOs are assigned either to patrol or Municipal Security functions. **Patrol CSOs** fill a limited authority uniformed position and are

responsible for handling non-emergency calls for service in support of the Police Department Patrol Division.

Municipal Security Officers (MSOs) fill an armed limited authority uniformed position and ensure the safety of the Cheyenne Municipal Court against unauthorized, illegal, and potentially life-threatening activities.

CSO HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, the CSO squad was comprised of seven officers - two were parking officers and two were MSOs. Each CSO conducted, on average, **77 calls for service per month.**

- ✓ **884** Motor Vehicle Crashes were either investigated or supported by CSOs
- ✓ **394** formal state reports were completed by 4 CSOs
- ✓ **828** Abandoned motor vehicles (AMVs) were contacted. 402 AMVs were moved, 112 updated registrations, 128 were towed and 186 were either noted for follow up or are ready to tow.
- ✓ **8,259** Downtown parking enforcement actions.
- ✓ Provided support for public events throughout the year, including escorting and controlling traffic for 26 parades, and several races, rallies, and protests.

MSO HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Provided courtroom security for 311 adult and juvenile arraignments, criminal trials, and jury trials – over 5,500 defendants were processed.
- ✓ Performed civil process actions, provided courtroom security, and responded to 48 after-hour alarms at the courthouse.

INMATE TRANSPORT

- ✓ MSOs transported 33 inmates between Laramie and Platte County during 2022, driving approximately 4,667 miles.
- ✓ Performed in-town transports between Laramie County Detention Center and Municipal Court for inmate trial appearances.

CITIZENS ON PATROL (COPS)

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

The **Citizens on Patrol (COP)** program is comprised of community volunteers who have a desire to assist the CPD with non-emergent routine patrols and tasks that free-up police officers for more expedited police response. In 2022, **COPs contributed 5,037 volunteer hours** to the CPD.

NOTABLE ACTIVITY

Community Relations: **321.3 hours**

Crosswalk Guard: **198.8 hours**

Regular Patrol: **91 hours**

New Member Training: **93.5 hours**

Victims Assistance: **270 hours**

Records Assistance: **761.3 hours**

Each volunteer member of the COP program is a sworn Community Service Officer (CSO) with the CPD. COP members wear issued uniforms and patrol Cheyenne neighborhoods in a police department vehicle.

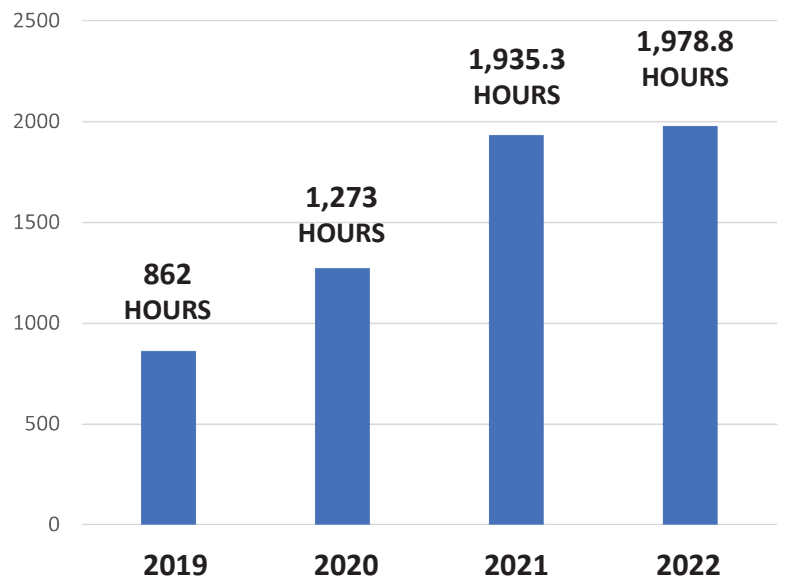


5,037

VOLUNTEER HOURS CONTRIBUTED TO THE CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT DURING 2022



FRONT LOBBY AMBASSADOR HOURS



SPECIALTY UNIT

K9 UNIT

OVERVIEW

In 2022, the Cheyenne Police Department **K9 Unit** was comprised of **four dual-purpose K9 teams**. In each team, a highly skilled handler is partnered with a dog specifically trained for scent-detection and patrol work. Teams undergo continuous training in narcotics detection, patrol work, evidence location, and tracking skills and are **annually certified**.

The dogs are assigned to one handler and live with the officer at home. The handler is responsible for feeding, grooming, and caring for the dog. K9s and handlers complete an extensive **eight week training** upon their assignment. Once the teams are in service,

they must **train individually each day** to maintain their skills and twice **monthly as a full unit**.

The patrol vehicles assigned to handlers are specially equipped to allow a comfortable and secure area for the dog to ride on patrol. Water and climate control devices are in place to ensure the K9 is protected from the environment.

Once the K9 is taken out of active service due to age or medical problems, it is usually adopted by the handler and continues to be a member of the handler's family.

SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS



227 DRUG SEARCHES



43 ASSISTS FOR OUTSIDE AGENCIES

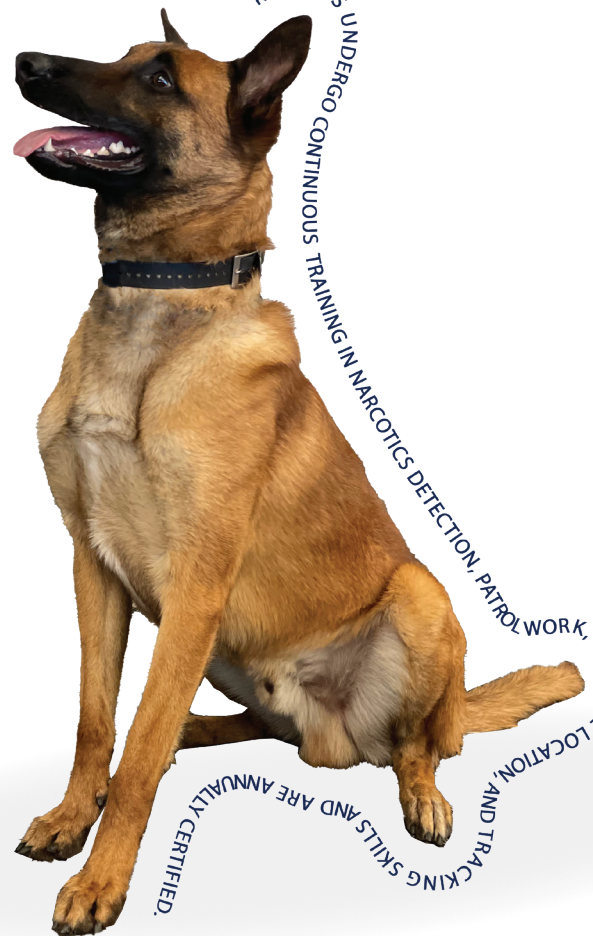


47 BUILDING SEARCHES

19 NON-PHYSICAL APPREHENSIONS



2 PHYSICAL APPREHENSIONS



UNIT ACTIVITY

Demonstrations: **19**
Drug Searches: **227**
School Searches: **20**
Assist Outside Agencies: **43**
Building Searches: **47**
Evidence Searches: **10**
Patrol Route: **7**
Tracking/Open Area Search: **13**
Apprehensions: **21**
Arrests/Summons: **164**

DRUG SEIZURES

Plant Marijuana: **95 lbs 18.43 g**
Liquid Marijuana: **3.29 oz / 12 THC Vapes**
Wax Marijuana: **39.06 g**
Marijuana Edibles: **3.10 oz**
Methamphetamine: **4.16 oz**
Cocaine: **0.30 g**
Heroin: **9 oz 7.50 g**
Fentanyl: **6.15 oz**
Oxycodone: **4 Tablets**
Firearms: **2 Handguns**



ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

In May, K9 teams from across the state gathered in Cheyenne to complete their annual certification through the Wyoming Police Service Dog Association. Four of the 16 certifying teams were from the Cheyenne Police Department.

Throughout the week, training was conducted in narcotics detection, patrol, evidence location, and tracking skills. The K9s were also tested on protecting their handler from an unexpected attack.

Awards were presented to the top performers at the end of the certification. CPD K9 Tyler and her handler, Officer Lisa Koepfel, won two major awards: Top Scoring Overall K9 Team and Top Scoring Patrol K9 Team.

SPECIALTY UNIT

BOMB SQUAD

CITY OF CHEYENNE & LARAMIE COUNTY JOINT TEAM

OVERVIEW

The Cheyenne Police Department's **Bomb Squad** is a joint unit with the Laramie County Sheriff's Office that works to protect the residents of Cheyenne from any type of hazardous device that could be harmful.

The Bomb Squad is dedicated to training and maintaining safe, professional, well-equipped

explosive ordnance technicians. Together, the team provides render safe response capabilities, post blast investigation expertise, and other explosive related aid to the citizens of Cheyenne and surrounding communities, while ensuring the protection of lives and property and the prosecution of explosive or other hazardous device related crimes.

CALLOUT HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 2022

In September, the Bomb Squad was called to assist during a standoff between a wanted suspect and the Laramie County Sheriff's Office. The suspect was holding a fragmentation grenade and threatening to harm people with it. After the LCSO arrested the man, the Bomb Squad analyzed the grenade for explosive threats, and collected it for evidence in the criminal case.

SEPTEMBER 2022

In September, the Bomb Squad responded to Saratoga, Wyoming to assist with a call. Law enforcement in Saratoga arrested a man who intentionally made an explosive device and left it in his residence. Bomb Technicians on scene were able to render the device safe and help collect items for evidence purposes.

TRAINING

During 2022, the Bomb Squad participated in quarterly joint trainings with FE Warren's Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team. FE Warren EOD graciously hosted each training exercise, and provided valuable insight to the CPD/LCSO team.



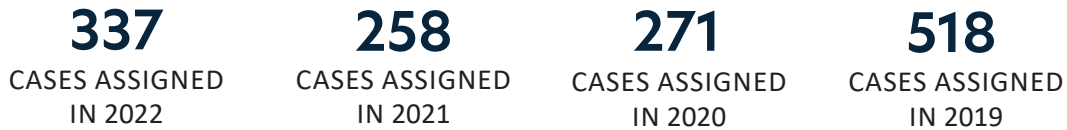
Ofc. Craig Stalo and Ofc. Kurt Hunter performed an explosive demonstration for the CPD's Citizen's Police Academy.

DETECTIVE BUREAU

CASE ASSIGNMENTS

Felony cases, as determined by Wyoming statute, are forwarded to the **Detective Bureau** for review and assignment. Cases that do not have workable leads are not assigned to a detective, and instead go into an inactive status pending any changes or

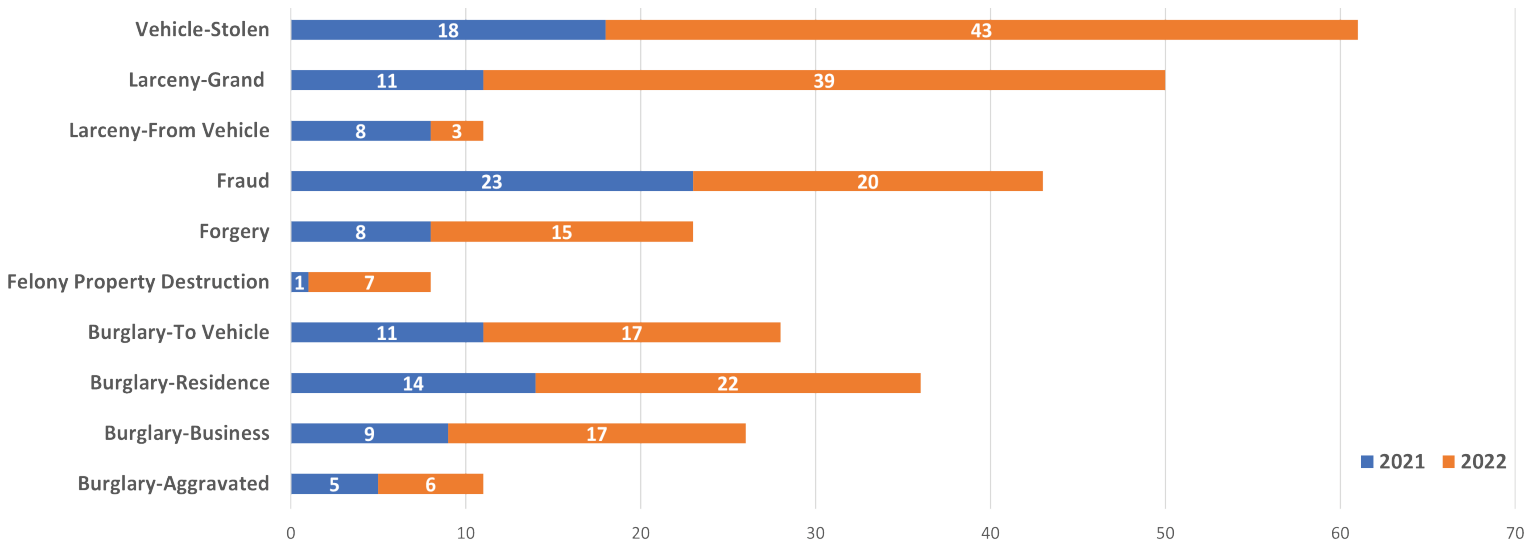
developments. **Each detective is typically working on 25-30 different cases** at any given time and are masters at multi-tasking based on prioritization and current events.



Note: Case decrease from 2019 is mostly attributed to COVID-19

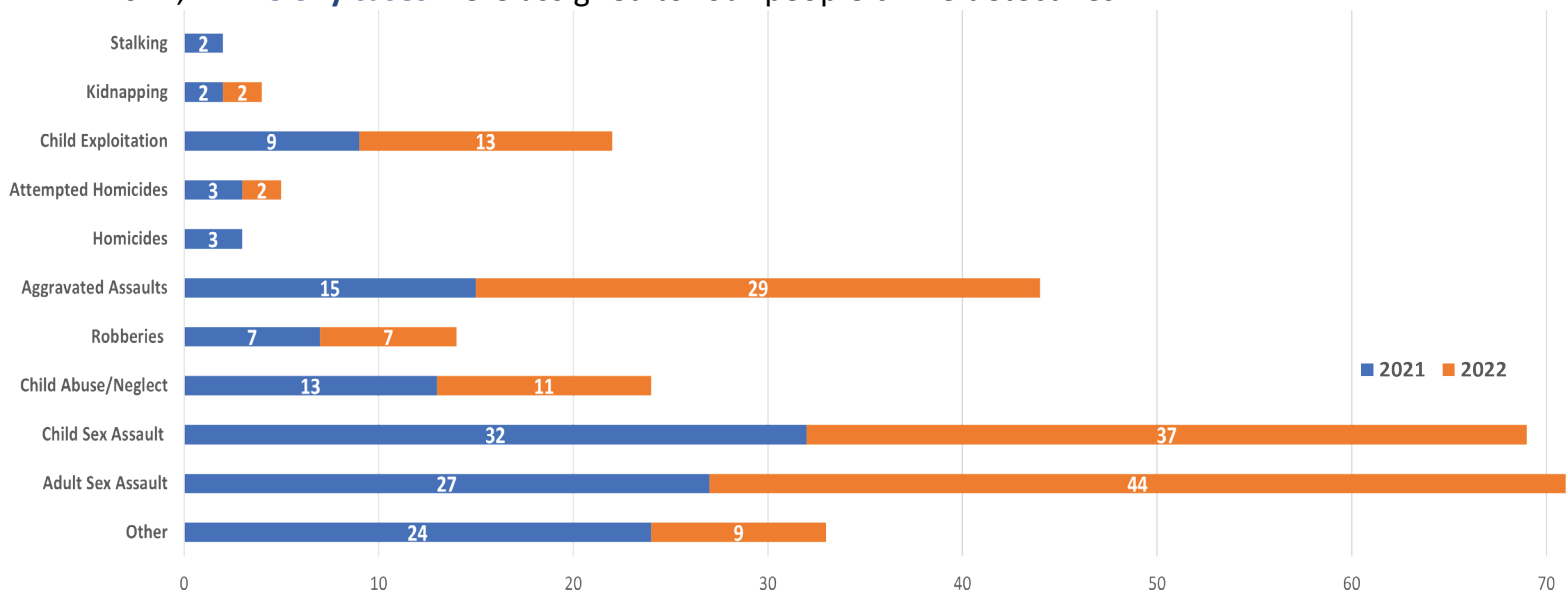
PROPERTY CRIME CASE HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, four property crime detectives worked **193 felony cases**.



PEOPLE CRIME CASE HIGHLIGHTS

In 2022, **144 felony cases** were assigned to four people crime detectives.



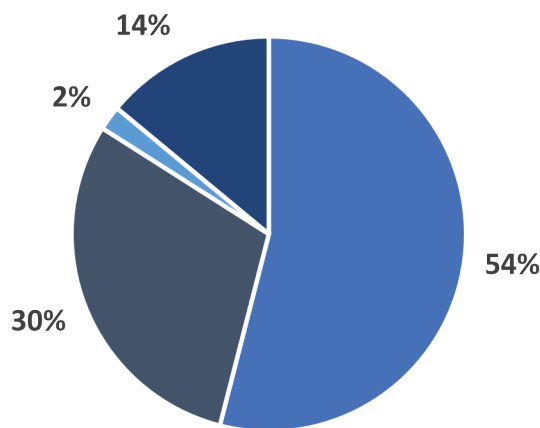
COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM (CAT)

2022 CASE CLOSURES: 52 TOTAL CASES

- ✓ **25** Closed by Arrest (**48%**)
- ✓ **1** Forwarded to Prosecutor (**2%**)
- ✓ **0** Closed by Summons (**0%**)
- ✓ **15** Closed as Inactive (**29%**)
- ✓ **1** Closed as Unfounded (**2%**)
- ✓ **0** Assoc. Case Closure (**0%**)
- ✓ **2** Tot. Outside Agency (**4%**)
- ✓ **8** Remain Open/Active (**15%**)

CASE BREAKDOWN

- Drug Distribution (54%)
- Overdose Deaths (30%)
- Commercial Sex Trafficking (2%)
- Other (14%)



12%

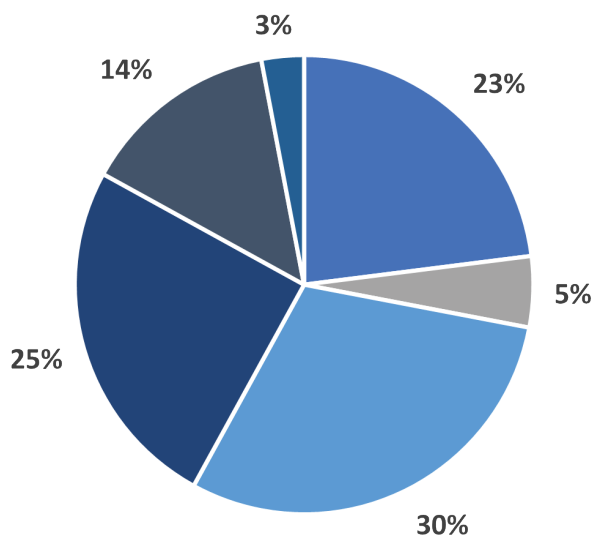
DECREASE IN DRUG DISTRIBUTION CASES

Note: Cases labeled as “Other” are investigations conducted by the Community Action Team (CAT) where drug offenders commit non-drug crimes such as: Child endangerment, larceny/theft/burglary, stolen motor vehicles, and firearms.

DRUG DISTRIBUTION CASES

In 2022, the Community Action Team saw a **12% decrease in drug distribution cases**, however, many cases resulted in multiple arrests.

CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

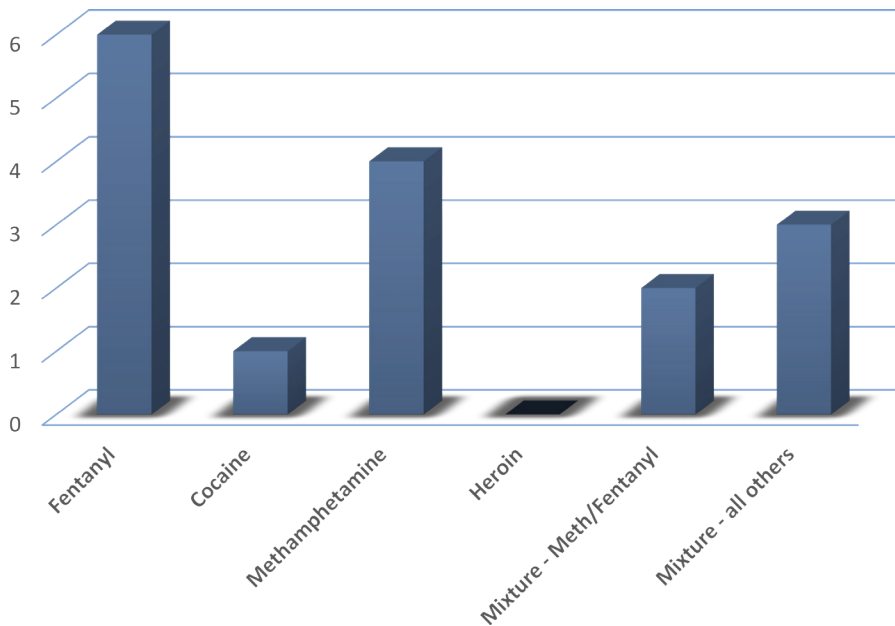


- Methamphetamine (23%)
- Cocaine (5%)
- Meth/Fentanyl (30%)
- Fentanyl (25%)
- Poly Drug (Meth, Heroin, & Fentanyl) (14%)
- Marijuana/Spice (3%)

STRATEGY

In 2021, Cheyenne saw a 133% increase in overdose death investigations. In 2022, CAT developed goals to aggressively target and prosecute fentanyl distributors, with the desired outcome of reducing overdose related deaths. All fentanyl distribution cases investigated by CAT were referred to the United States Attorney’s Office for federal prosecution consideration.

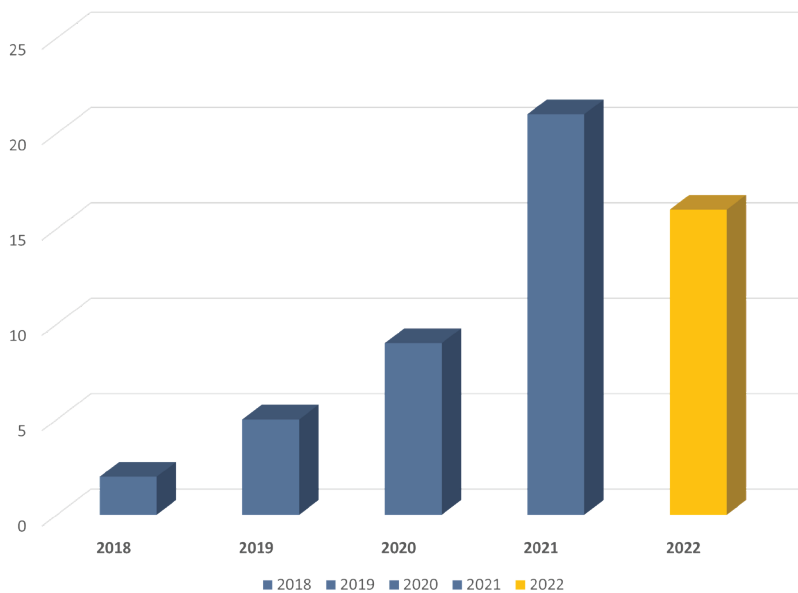
OVERDOSE RELATED DEATHS



30%
OF CAT'S OVERALL CASELOAD WAS INVESTIGATING OVERDOSE RELATED DEATHS

50%
OF ALL OVERDOSE RELATED DEATHS INVESTIGATED BY CAT IN 2022 INVOLVED FENTANYL
NOTE: 2022 DID NOT HAVE AN OVERDOSE OF HEROIN

OVERDOSE DEATH INVESTIGATIONS



24% DECREASE IN OVERDOSE DEATHS BETWEEN 2021 AND 2022
NOTE: 2022 IS THE FIRST YEAR SINCE 2018 TO SEE A DECREASE IN OVERDOSE DEATHS IN CHEYENNE

58%
FENTANYL RELATED INVESTIGATIONS ACCOUNTED FOR 58% OF CAT'S TOTAL CASELOAD IN 2022

FENTANYL RELATED CASES

Fentanyl related investigations accounted for **58% of CAT’s total caseload in 2022**. CAT investigated **8 overdose deaths** related to fentanyl and **22 distribution/other cases** related to fentanyl.

SPECIALTY UNIT

SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

CITY OF CHEYENNE & LARAMIE COUNTY JOINT TEAM

The **Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team** is a joint unit with the Cheyenne Police Department, Laramie County Sheriff's Office and American Medical Response. Members are recruited, trained, and equipped to resolve critical incidents involving a threat to public safety, which would otherwise exceed the capabilities of traditional law enforcement first responders and/or investigative units.

Members of the SWAT Team have other primary assignments within the police department, with SWAT duties being a secondary assignment.

28 MEMBER JOINT TEAM

- 16 CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
- 6 LARAMIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DEPUTIES
- 6 AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE MEDICS

REACTIVE MISSIONS

FEBRUARY 2, 2022

The SWAT team was activated for a hostage incident after an armed gunman kidnapped a female from the Bloomberg Ranch in Rio Blanco County Colorado, then drove her to the Stagecoach Motel in Cheyenne. As the SWAT team was developing a deliberate rescue plan, an unrelated fire erupted in a nearby motel room, forcing the team to conduct an emergency entry of the motel out of fear for her safety. The hostage was rescued, and suspect taken into custody.

OCTOBER 31, 2022

The SWAT team was activated for an officer involved shooting in the 6900 block of Horse Soldier Road, after a Laramie County Sheriff's Deputy was shot. Deputies were in the area serving an arrest warrant when the suspect opened fire. Deputies returned fire as the suspect retreated further into the structure. At the time of SWAT officers' arrival, the suspect's location was unknown. SWAT deployed containment officers around the house and launched an aerial drone to search the surrounding

neighborhood for the suspect. Simultaneously, an entry team slowly and cautiously searched the residence, ultimately finding the suspect deceased in the house.



PLANNED MISSIONS

MAY 28, 2022

The SWAT team responded to a high risk warrant service for an armed homicide suspect out of Scottsbluff, Nebraska. During the warrant service, SWAT surrounded his residence and evacuated the upstairs apartment. Crisis Negotiators then contacted the suspect by phone; ordering him to surrender. The suspect refused and hung up on negotiators. SWAT conducted announcements for over 30 minutes, allowing the suspect additional opportunities to surrender but he still refused. SWAT ported a basement window and inserted chemical agents to force the suspect out of the structure. The suspect appeared from the broken window and pointed a firearm at the team. SWAT operators then fired at the suspect, killing him.

NOVEMBER 29, 2022

The SWAT team assisted the United States Marshal's Service Fugitive Task Force with a high-risk arrest warrant for a violent felon in the 1900 block of Rainbow Road. The suspect was arrested without incident.

NOVEMBER 30, 2022

SWAT was requested by CPD detectives for a search/arrest warrant for a violent felon. Upon

arrival, SWAT breached the front door, announced their presence, and were immediately contacted by multiple occupants who were taken into custody without incident. The target of the arrest warrant however, refused to comply with commands to exit the residence. After approximately one hour, the team was able locate the subject hiding in an attic space, where they introduced chemical munitions; attempting to force the suspect out. The suspect was able to temporarily defeat the chemical munitions by burying himself under insulation and shielding himself from the chemical irritants. The team tore down portions of the ceiling to deploy chemical munitions closer to the suspect and were successful. When the suspect began to run away from the irritants, he fell through the ceiling, right into the hands of SWAT operators. He was arrested and medically treated for minor injuries and chemical exposure.

DECEMBER 20, 2022

SWAT assisted CPD detectives with a high-risk arrest warrant for a violent felon in the 900 block of West Pershing. The suspect was arrested without incident.



In June 2022, the CPD/LCSO Joint SWAT Team conducted training at the Cheyenne Frontier Days arena.

PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE

PHYSICAL PROPERTY

The **Property and Evidence Unit** has **52,214** items of physical evidence in storage. This is An **overall increase of 439 items** from 2021. 2022 saw an 8% increase in physical evidence submission from 2021. Drug paraphernalia accounted for 48% of the drug-related items collected by officers. Of the remaining drug-related items, marijuana and methamphetamine continued the trend of being the most common type of drugs seized at 23% and 15%, respectively. Known and suspected fentanyl product seizures continued to rise with a 185% increase over 2022. Conversely, heroin seizures were reduced by 50%.

DIGITAL EVIDENCE

Regarding digital evidence, there are currently **167,244 digital records**, including photos, video and audio files. This is a **slight reduction of 349 files** from 2021. 76,047 files were uploaded to Caseguard in 2022, a 6% reduction from 2021. Digital files for 1,490 cases were sent to the District Attorney and City Prosecutor's office, which is a 36% increase over 2021.

185%

INCREASE IN SEIZED KNOWN AND SUSPECTED FENTANYL PRODUCTS FROM 2021 TO 2022

52,214 PIECES OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE IN STORAGE

167,244 DIGITAL RECORDS

EVIDENCE DISPOSAL

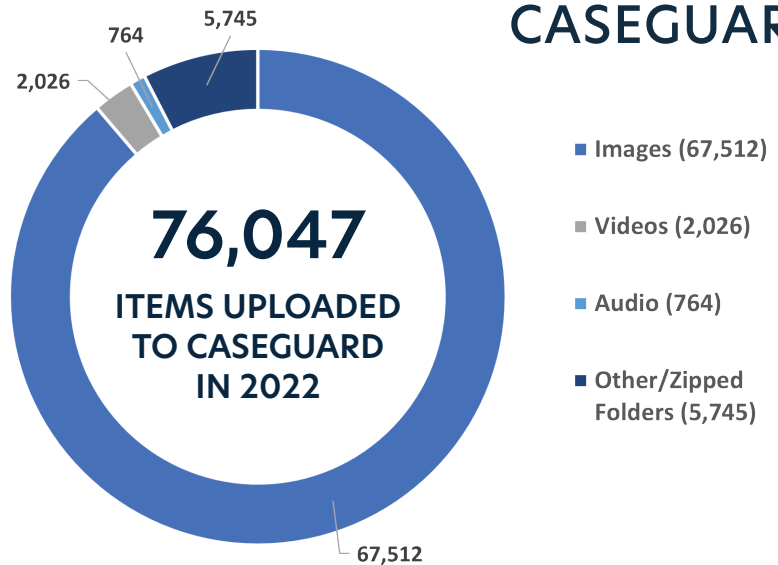
Despite an increase in overall intake for physical evidence, the unit exceeded the "one in-one out" goal set by the **International Association of Property and Evidence (IAPE)** standards for physical property for the second year in a row. 7,109 items were destroyed, while 6,891 were received, **exceeding the goal by 218 items.**

This was accomplished through overtime hours, the addition of a part-time Evidence Technician in August, and the use of four light-duty officers throughout the year who were paramount to completing the case research necessary for destruction.

EVIDENCE RECEIVED / DESTROYED

	Received:	Destroyed:	Average received per week:	Average destroyed per week:	Items remaining:	Percentage remaining:
2022	6,891	7,109	133	137	5,447	79.05%
2021	6,335	6,564	122	126	5,152	81.33%
2020	4,959	3,456	95	66	3,422	69.01%
2019	5,557	3,668	107	71	3,426	61.65%
2018	6,284	5,655	121	109	3,493	55.59%
2017	6,998	3,013	135	58	3,887	55.54%
2016	6,705	3,264	129	63	3,529	52.63%
2015	6,352	1,895	122	36	3,791	59.68%
2014 & prior	61,096				25,075	41.04%

ITEMS UPLOADED TO CASEGUARD



VICTIM ASSISTANCE

OVERVIEW

The **Cheyenne Police Department Victim Assistance Program (CPDVA)** maintains a staff of two full-time advocates and a program coordinator. Staff members regularly attend trainings to build their skills and work with community partners in order to provide comprehensive supportive services to survivors of crime in the City of Cheyenne.

In 2022, the CPDVA served **969 victims of crime** by providing **1,892 instances of service**.

It is the goal of the CPDVA to provide services that facilitate the physical and emotional recovery of victims of crime in our community.

MISSION

To provide emergency assistance and referral services to victims of crime in a proficient and confidential manner

TOP 5 CRIME VICTIMIZATIONS

1. Domestic Violence/Battery **(238)**
2. Adult Physical Assault **(223)**
3. Burglary **(115)**
4. Vehicular Crimes (i.e. Hit and Run) **(73)**
5. Identity Theft/Fraud **(58)**

969

VICTIMS OF CRIME WERE SERVED BY THE CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

328

ON-SCENE RESPONSES
& CRISIS INTERVENTION
CASES

287

VICTIMS REPORTED
MORE THAN ONE CRIME/
VICTIMIZATION

29

INCIDENTS WHERE EMERGENCY
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WAS
PROVIDED

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

KEEPING CLASSROOMS SAFE

School Resource Officers (SROs) serve as an important bridge between police, the school district, students, and the community. SROs are committed to creating safe learning environments, providing valuable resources to school staff members, fostering positive relationships with students, and establishing open lines of communication.

SQUAD ORGANIZATION

The SRO Squad consists of one sergeant and eight officers. Seven officers are assigned to the four high schools and three junior high schools. These seven officers are also responsible for the twenty-three elementary schools in the city limits. The eighth officer is assigned as the juvenile diversion officer, working from office space at the police department.

SRO ACTIVITY

- ✓ **425** Safe2Tell Tips (*Junior High School and High Schools only*)
- ✓ **111** Fighting/Assault Citations
- ✓ **67** Marijuana Citations
- ✓ **33** Tobacco/Nicotine Citations
- ✓ **7** Controlled Substance Citations
- ✓ **3** PC Affidavits, **1** Arrest, and **1** Summons for Runaways
- ✓ **33** Truancy Citations
- ✓ **12** Weapon at School Citations
- ✓ **6** Alcohol Citations

TRAINING

SROs attended Laramie County School District # 1's **Sources of Strength** training program. The goal of the training is to enhance protective factors associated with reducing suicide, such as social connectedness and informal coping resources among high school students.



2022 AWARDS

PRESENTED IN 2023



OFFICER OF THE YEAR
Officer Chad Wellman



**SPECIALTY OFFICER
OF THE YEAR**
Detective Sean Smith



CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR
Julie Anthony

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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
Paul Edner

LIFE-SAVING AWARD
Officer James Womack

CHIEF'S AWARD
Officer Mike Webster

MERITORIOUS SERVICE
Sergeant James Peterson

UNIT CITATIONS

Detective Sean Smith Officer Jonathan Penhale
Officer Mariah Bolkovatz Officer Chad Wellman
Officer Alexander Huff

Lieutenant Brett Durante Officer Mic Sekerka
Officer Mariah Bolkovatz Officer Chad Wellman
Officer Jay Remers

Sergeant Chase Rippy Officer Robert Wingeleth
Sergeant Eric Norris Officer Talmage Peden

Detective John Maule
Officer Benjamin Vapenik
K9 Maverick

Nancy and Charles Cruff Barbara and James Boyd
Paul Edner Craig Nichols
Bill Hickman Shari Bolden
Thomas Heritage

COMMENDATION AWARDS

Sergeant Chase Rippy Officer Reece Federer
Detective James Pendleton Officer Teralyn Alarid
Detective Josh Hedum Officer Ramsey Howe
Officer Abigail Brown Officer Ty Volin
Officer Heather Townsend Officer David Inman
Officer Geff Mims Officer Sam Johnson
Officer Kurt Hunter Officer Mark Ehlman
Officer Alec Wallace CSO Sybryna Schaffer
Officer Audrey McGraw Mark Munari
Officer Emily Taraski



Sergeant James Peterson (left) presented the Meritorious Service Award



Officer Mike Webster (left) awarded the Chief's Award

2022 AWARDS

PRESENTED IN 2023

LONGEVITY AWARDS

Sergeant Zac Bentley (10 years/Field Training Officer)
Officer Mathew Mikesell (5 years/Field Training Officer)
Detective Jeremy Walker (15 years/SWAT)
Sergeant Chase Rippey (10 years/SWAT)
Officer Matthew Ryan (5 years/SWAT)
Bill Hickman (5 years/Citizens on Patrol)

TOP SHOT

Officer Jeremiah Keslar

TOP FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR

Officer Ben Lewis

MARKSMANSHIP AWARDS

Chief Mark Francisco
Captain Jared Keslar
Sergeant Matthew Solberg
Detective Craig Sanne

PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARDS

Sergeant Nick Morgan
Detective Mike Fernandez
Officer David Allen
Officer Jesse Horne
Officer Ian Lohnes
Officer Laramie McAlmond

Officer J Miles
Officer Alberto Perea
Officer Noah Rogers
Officer Kilian Sweet
Officer Micah Veniegas



PROMOTED / RETIRED



SGT. CHASE RIPPY
Promoted
August 9, 2022



SGT. NICHOLAS MORGAN
Promoted
November 4, 2022



DET. JAMES HARPER
Retired
July 7, 1994 –
October 31, 2022



OFC. JOSEPH JOHNSON
Retired
September 4, 2001 –
December 1, 2022



DET. JAMES FAHLING
Retired
December 1, 2003 –
June 1, 2022



SGT. TIMOTHY MEYRICK
Retired
December 1, 2003 –
August 5, 2022

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



CAPT. DAVID JANES
FBINA Graduate
283rd Session

On September 13, 2022, Captain David Janes graduated as a member of the 283rd session of the FBI National Academy. The graduation took place at the National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Nationally, fewer than one percent of officers have the opportunity to attend the program.

The 283rd session consisted of 235 law enforcement officers from 49 states and the District of Columbia. Captain Janes was the sole representative from the state of Wyoming.

Captain Janes has served at the Cheyenne Police Department for 18 years and is the second generation of his family to graduate from the National Academy. On the day he was born, Janes' father was in Quantico, VA attending the 125th session. Chief Billy Janes (retired) served 41 years at the Torrington Police Department and 30 years as Chief of Police. The impact this program had on his father's leadership journey inspired Captain Janes to participate as well.



CHEYENNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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