PITTSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2018-2019





The members of the
Pittsburg Police Department
are committed to improving life in this city through
PROFESSIONALISM · EXCELLENCE · TRUST

TO SERVE & PROTECT



March 2018, Pittsburg officers were summoned to a vacant property for the report of people living inside the building. Pittsburg officers found a couple inside who had fallen on hard times and had taken refuge within the safety of the building. Although it was a challenging day for involved, it shed incredible light on humanity and left every one of our officers humbled beyond words.

This painting, which was gifted to the Pittsburg Police Department, was created by the very man who had to be removed from the building. He gave it to the Pittsburg Police Department as a symbol of his gratitude and respect for how professionally Pittsburg officers handled the difficult situation.

This amazing piece of art now graces a wall at the Pittsburg Police Department where it serves as a continual reminder that our role within the community can, and should, have a positive effect, even during the darkest of days.





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CHIEF'S MESSAGE



It is my privilege to present the 2019 Pittsburg Police Department Annual Report. In this report, we will provide details regarding services provided by our organization, a number of year-end statistics, and information highlighting the great work of our team and our partnership with the community. We truly appreciate the strong support this department receives from our community, City staff and our elected officials. Our department is made up of highly skilled, motivated and committed professionals who enjoy, and take pride in, serving our community. I am extremely proud of the men and women of the Pittsburg Police Department and I am honored to work alongside them.

A great sense of community exists here in Pittsburg and it is from this perspective that we work to focus our law enforcement activities. A solid community partnership is the most effective way of making our community safer for all of us, and the cooperative working relationship between our department and the people we serve is the strongest it has ever been. Our highly trained and motivated officers and staff

employ the latest in innovations and technology to provide this community with law enforcement service that is second to none.

This report documents the outstanding effort and commitment to service demonstrated by our staff every day. Over the past year the Pittsburg Police Department has worked to maximize efficiency and have supplemented various units in the department to provide resources and education to help our community with crime prevention awareness. With the authorized staffing of 85 sworn law enforcement officers to serve our City of approximately 72,000 residents, the Police Department relies on community awareness and the early reporting of suspicious activity to help identify and report criminal concerns.

Over the years, the Police Department has fostered strong cooperative partnerships with the various community groups, organizations, schools, and businesses that we serve and deeply appreciate the trust and support that we enjoy. We are committed to maintaining and further enhancing these community relationships.

It is with great pride that I present this 2019 Annual Report to highlight the tremendous work of the dedicated men and women of the Pittsburg Police Department.

Chief Brian Addington





THE CITY

PITTSBURG DEMOGRAPHICS

City Founded: 1839

Current Population of Pittsburg: 72,319

Square Miles of Pittsburg: 19.15

Pittsburg Police Dept. Established: 1903

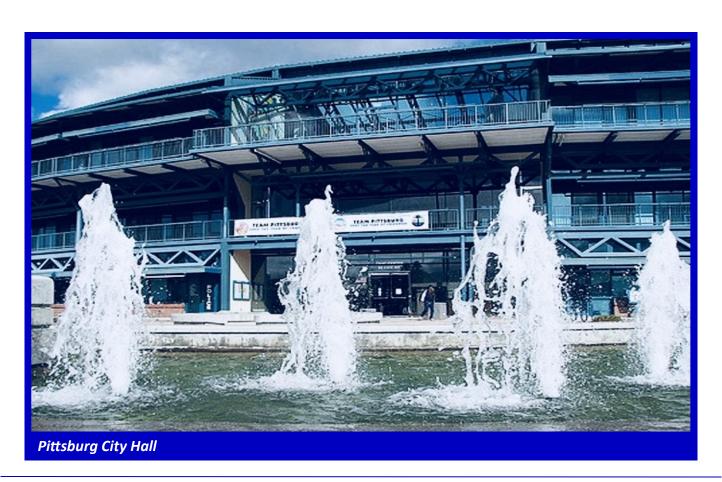
Sworn Police Officers: 85

LANDMARKS

Old Town Pittsburg: Pittsburg's redeveloped business district has become a place to find fine food and beverages, unique shopping and professional services.

California Theatre: Opened in 1920 as a premiere venue for live vaudeville and silent films. Painstakingly restored to its original beauty in 2009, the theatre now hosts a variety of special events for the public.

Pittsburg Marina: A 575 slip municipal marina located at the "Gateway to the Delta", the Pittsburg Marina offers boaters easy access to the Delta and San Francisco Bay.







ADMINISTRATION



STEVEN ALBANESE OPERATIONS CAPTAIN



BRIAN ADDINGTON
CHIEF OF POLICE



PATRICK WENTZ SUPPORT SERVICES CAPTAIN



LIEUTENANT PHILIP GALER RECRUITMENT & TRAINING





LIEUTENANT ADAM DEPLITCH PATROL WATCH COMMANDER

LIEUTENANT LESTER GALER INVESTIGATIONS



LIEUTENANT BRIAN MATHEWS PATROL WATCH COMMANDER

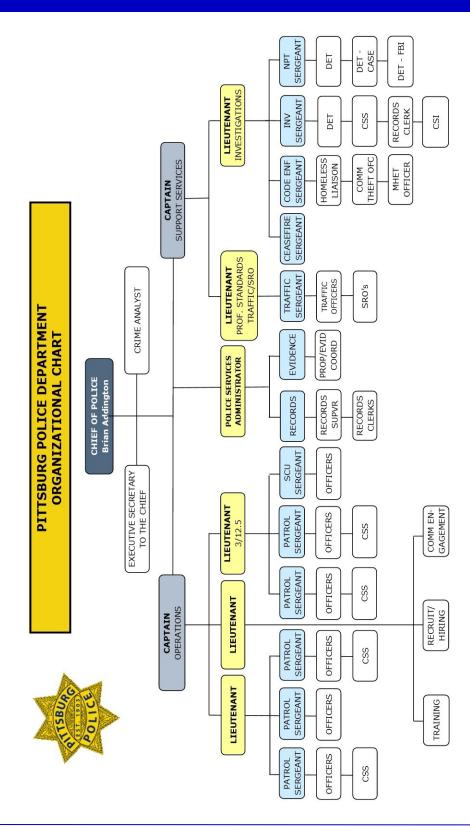
JOYCE LOWE POLICE SERVICES MANAGER







THE DEPARTMENT





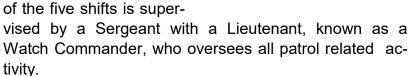




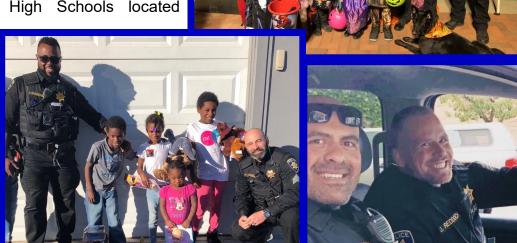
PATROL DIVISION

The Pittsburg Police Department's Patrol Division is a 24/7 operation with more than 35 officers assigned to one of five patrol shifts. Pittsburg is broken up into five separate beats to provide equal police coverage to the entire city. The Patrol Division is supported by the Traffic Division, which encompasses three officers plus a supervisor, five School Resource Officers assigned to Pittsburg High School and the Junior High Schools located

throughout the City, a Community Response Team that focuses on providing outreach services to our homeless population, as well as five Community Service Specialists who assist parking enforcewith ment, booking of incustody suspects investigating certain misdemeanor crimes. Each



In 2018, the Pittsburg Police Department responded to 80,133 Calls for Service, which resulted in more than 2,800 arrests.



Pittsburg Police

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
77,569	76,346	72,426	80,631	80,133
Calls for Service				
3,225	3,287	2,805	3,329	2,808
Total Arrests				
3,071	3,146	2,704	3,150	2,687
Adult Arrests				
154	141	101	179	121
Juvenile Arrests				





TRAFFIC DIVISION

The Pittsburg Police Department Traffic Unit is comprised of one sergeant, three officers, and one Community Service Specialist who proactively patrol 346 miles of roadway within the City of Pittsburg. The mission of the Traffic Unit is to ensure the safety of our community who use our roadways by enforcing both the California Vehicle Code and the Pittsburg Municipal Code. Additionally, the Traffic Unit investigates all major collisions that occur in the city. The unit is constantly involved in multi-jurisdictional enforcement operations that occur throughout the year, to include the 4th of July Fireworks Event and the Seafood Festival.

In 2018 the Pittsburg Police Department received a \$100,000 grant from the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). As a result of this grant, (8) officers were able to receive advanced training on identifying individuals under the influence of alcohol and drugs. The grant also provided funding to



conduct (39) separate traffic enforcement operations throughout the year. These operations included DUI checkpoints and saturation patrols, targeted enforcement of problem traffic locations throughout the city, distracted driving enforcement, seatbelt enforcement, pedestrian safety operations and collaborative traffic enforcement with allied agencies.



TRAFFIC COLLISION STATISTICS	2017	2018	% of Change
Total Collisions	456	471	3.3%
Fatal Collisions	7	4	-43%
Injury Collisions	174	194	11.5%
DUI Collisions	62	45	-27.4%
Vehicle vs. Pedestrian Collisions	29	32	10.3%















INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Investigation Division is tasked with thoroughly investigating serious crimes. Detectives evaluate and prepare criminal cases for appropriate clearance and submission to a prosecutor. The division is comprised of one lieutenant, one sergeant, twelve detectives, a CSI investigator, a



records clerk, a community service specialist and a cold case homicide investigator. There are specially trained detectives assigned to homicide. assault. domestic violence. sexual robbery, missing persons and other general crimes. There is a five person Gang/Vice Team specially trained in human trafficking, gangs, and narcotics offenses. Additionally, one detective is assigned to the Contra Costa Anti-Violence Support Effort and a second detective is assigned to the F.B.I. Safe Streets Task Force. In 2018, the division investigated, submitted, or cleared over 2200 cases.









SWAT

The Pittsburg Police Department's SWAT team consists of 15 highly-trained officers who are selected after completing a rigorous testing process designed to physical measure agility, weapons manipulation, marksmanship and overall teamwork aptitude. The SWAT team is most often utilized to safely locate and apprehend wanted fugitives who pose a significant risk to officers and the public, and whose apprehension can only reasonably be achieved through the use of the special tactics and technologies made available to the team operators. The SWAT team's efforts are



coordinated with negotiators of the Department's Crisis Negotiation Team to bring a peaceful resolution to the conflict at hand. The teamwork between these two specialized teams has led to a 100% success rate in suspect apprehension.

CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM



Crisis Negotiators undergo a challenging selection process as well as extensive initial and ongoing training to remain on the team. Negotiators are experts in utilizing de-escalation techniques, establishing rapport with a suspect and are often the ones who convince the suspect or hostage taker to surrender. A peaceful resolution is always their chief objective.





CANINE TEAM



The Pittsburg Police Department K-9 Unit is made up of five officers and their K-9 partners. Prior to working patrol, each K-9 team must pass the rigorous standards set forth by CA POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training), which includes 320 hours of initial training.

Upon successful completion of the POST certification course, our K-9 teams receive an additional 240 hours of training annually to ensure that they continue to excel in their partnership with their K-9 and also pass the strict CA POST annual certification process.

Pittsburg Police Department's K-9 teams are trained in tracking and trailing of subjects, locating children or missing persons and have ability to locate discarded the articles. Canines are particularly effi-



cient in searching large fields or buildings where subjects can easily hide, and can enter small areas that officers would otherwise be unable to access. Three of our K-9s are trained in narcotic detection and can

detect the odor of narcotics inside vehicles buildinas. and open areas. Our other two K9s are trained in ordinance discovery and have the ability to locate firearms, ammunition and explosives. These K-9s are particularly useful during large public events.

Currently, we have one K-9 team assigned to work on each patrol shift: days, swings and graveyards. The K-9 teams also attend numerous community functions each year, in-



Officer Oreja & K9 "Kyra"

cluding: visits to our schools, demonstrations, the Citizen and Youth Academies, and public education programs.



Officer Bryan & K9 "Yoke"



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The Pittsburg Police Department has implemented a robust School Resource Officer program that has served as a model SRO program for many of our neighboring agencies. The safety and well-

being of the children who attend school in Pittsburg is a priority, and our success has come from our ability to maintain a close working relationship with the PUSD leadership, effective deployment of resources and relationship building with the students themselves.

We currently have five School Resource Officers assigned to Pittsburg High School, Black Diamond High School and all of our Junior High schools. School Resource Officers take an interactive approach with students at their schools. They not only investigate crimes on campus, but also participate in a variety of activities including the following:



- Act as a liaison between school administration and the Police Department.
- Perform classroom presentations concerning law enforcement as a career, child safety, traffic safety, drug prevention and alcohol prevention.
- Patrol campuses and surrounding neighborhoods.
- Presents the Character Counts program at the middle school level.
- Assists in the coordination and presentation of the "Every 15 Minutes" program at the high school level. Coordinate and implement Secure Campus/Active Shooter drills.
- Work collaboratively with the Police Investigations Division and Juvenile County Probation Department.
- Coordinate, recruit and present the Youth Academy and the Citizens' Police Academy programs.
- Coordinate the Police Explorer program.
- Mentor youth who are interested in a law enforcement career.
- Provide police security at home football and basketball games, school dances and graduation ceremonies/celebrations.

















BIKE PATROL TEAM



The purpose of the Pittsburg Police Department Bicycle Patrol Team is to take advantage of a progressive method of patrolling and to improve the overall effectiveness of the department through community-based policing. Bike Patrol allows officers to be more visible and accessible to the public. The team's primary responsibilities are to patrol and interact with the public throughout the city's vast walking and biking trails, parks, marinas and at City sponsored special events. Assignment to the Bicycle Patrol Team is an additional duty for the officers who are currently assigned to the team. Utilized when staffing levels permit, team members will typically patrol in pairs and will be highly visible while on patrol. Several of the officers assigned to the Bike Patrol Team are also members of the department's Marine Patrol Unit.

UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES



Having an eye in the sky that is cost effective, efficient, and reliable is the future for the Law Enforcement Industry. As with many new emerging technologies, the Pittsburg Police Department is head and shoulders above the rest. We have several new drones varying in size and capability that allow officers to gather intelligence information in real-time. Drones can be quickly deployed and are readily available. This has led to them being utilized to locate suspects, find missing children and search for evidence; all at a fraction of the cost that a helicopter would require to achieve the same results.

Pittsburg Police Department has Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's) that allow us to go into

areas that would normally prohibit a person to go such as marshlands or into extremely hazardous areas. For example, during a recent incident involving a high-risk industrial fire, we were able to assist the Contra Costa County Fire Department with obtaining high resolution video of the fire using our FLIR (Forward Looking Infra-Red) camera. We are also able to stream the video being taken by the drone to Police Department computers in real time using advanced software allowing staff to have situational awareness of what is happening during an incident.







MARINE UNIT

The Pittsburg Police Department Marine Unit is comprised of two sergeants and six officers who proactively patrol the California Delta that borders the City of Pittsburg. Their mission is to ensure the safety of people who use the waterways for recreational purposes, along with assisting multi-agency enforcement operations that occur throughout the year. Utilizing a Moose Boat purchased with regional grant funds, the Marine Unit deploys during City events such as the July 4th Fireworks event and the Seafood Festival.



Marine Patrol Boat Specifications:

- 34' Moose Boat with twin 300hp outboard motors
- Designated mutual aid vessel
- Area of operation stretches from Concord Naval Weapons Station to Antioch Bridge
- Equipped for body and personnel recovery
- Electronically equipped including FLIT night-vision thermal imaging system









MENTAL HEALTH EVAL TEAM



Officer Chase Thomas Mental Health Evaluation Officer

The Mental Health Evaluation Team (MHET) for East Contra Costa County consists of a Behavior Health clinician and a police officer from Pittsburg Police Department. The MHET Officer reviews Mental Health holds and referrals from throughout east county and evaluates each referral with their assigned behavioral Health clinician. The team contacts the victim and family members providing support and information about services that are available in the county, transportation and guidance for up to 60 days. The goal of the team is to prevent additional repeat calls for service to the Psychiatric hospital (PES) and violent encounters between police officers and mental health clients. Over the last year MHET East has helped approximately 300 individuals.

COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM

The Community Response Team (CRT) is comprised of officers and city staff who provide outreach

and engagement services throughout the City of Pittsburg. They are the City's initial point of contact with our transient population living on the streets. Our Crisis Response Team regularly works with our MHET staff and Behavioral Health clinician to actively seek out and engage transient persons, and for those who are willing, place them in housing linked with appropriate services. Some of the services our staff are able to provide are financially supported by both the City of Pittsburg and a grant the police department received from the Los Medanos Community Healthcare District.

The Crisis Response Team works to assess problems and identify solutions. Whether an individual's homelessness has been caused by loss of income, psychological problems, substance abuse, lack of job training, or other problems, multiple options are available to assist them. This approach not only provides short-term answers, but also helps to develop more permanent solutions.







PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE



Dennette Gargalikis Property & Evidence Coordinator

The Property and Evidence Division is responsible for maintaining and tracking all evidence and property booked into and stored in the evidence room including off-site storage. The division assures that property is properly packaged, labeled or booked safely, according to established procedure. The division is also responsible for transporting evidence to various crimes labs for processing.

The division currently stores over 30,000 items classified as evidence, safekeeping, or found property. In 2018, the Property and Evidence Division took in over 4,000 items. Property and evidence received by the division includes, but is not limited to, cash, jewelry, guns and various

weapons, narcotics, bikes, blood samples, urine samples and other evidence related to assaults, homicides and other crimes.

There are various statutory requirements concerning the storage and disposal of property. These laws specify the time period property must be retained by law enforcement agencies. Following the final adjudication of a case, all property that is still in control of the police department is released to the owner as applicable, destroyed or auctioned.

All seized illegal narcotics and related



a driver's license).



phernalia are destroyed pursuant to court order. Confiscated guns and other illegal weapons are also destroyed. During 2018, the department destroyed 1166 narcotic items and 414 firearms. Any firearm in the custody or control of law enforcement may not be released to the owner without a California Department of Justice, Law Enforcement Gun Release (LEGR) letter. Property will only be released to the rightful owner or their designee with proper authorization and a valid, government issued photo (such as





RECORDS DIVISION



CADY RICHARDS RECORDS SUPERVISOR

The Pittsburg Police Department Records Division is managed by the Police Services Administrator and is staffed with one full-time Records Supervisor, six full-time Police Records Clerks, and one part-time Police Records Clerk. The Records Division also participates in the Police Department's Student Intern program and is occasionally assigned a rotating Student Intern.

The Records Division is responsible for all police records management and document control within the department. Access to all records information is

governed by local, state, and federal laws. The Division processes all warrants, citations, subpoenas, restraining orders, requests for information,

record seals, purging and document management, background checks, clearance letters, detention only certificates, data entry into local, state, and federal systems, and reporting of Uniform Crime Reporting statistics to the Department of Justice. In addition, the Records staff assists Police Officers and other Law Enforcement agencies.



Our Records Division staff is often the first point-

of-contact that the community has with the Pittsburg Police Department as our Records staff also answer the main telephone line, work our Police Department public front counter, and provide Live Scan fingerprint services. The Police Department front counter is open to assist the public Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Records Division staff takes great pride in assisting the public and providing quality customer service.

REQUEST FULFILLMENT TYPE	2017	2018	% of Change
Public Records Act Requests	19	61	221%
Police Report Requests	2,852	3,384	19%





CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



The Pittsburg Police Department Code Enforcement Division enforces the City Municipal Codes and California Vehicle Codes, which address and alleviate blighted or nuisance properties and abandoned, inoperable, or expired vehicles within City limits. The Code Enforcement officers respond to Go Cities complaints, as well as reports from citizens in an attempt to resolve problems quickly and efficiently. main goal to provide a safe and attractive place for everyone to live and work through engaging the citizens of Pittsburg to be proactive in helping the code enforcement division both maintain and improve our community. Our main mission is to notify and gain voluntary compliance through the use of "door knockers" and "notices of violations",

which begins the notification process to correct the violation. These efforts are used to encourage people to comply with the municipal codes established by the City of Pittsburg to maintain the quality of life and pride we all have in the City of Pittsburg.

	Complaints	Voluntary Compliance	Citations Issued
Public Nuisance	124	53	22
Weeds, Rubbish, Garbage	720	396	124
Zoning Violations	181	85	32
Vehicle Code Violations	2574	920	785
TOTALS	3599	1454	963









CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

Currently, we have a team of four chaplains who are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Officers determine whether a chaplain would be helpful on scene where a sudden and/or tragic incident has taken place. Even though first responders are trained on dealing with the emotions of those they encounter, it is of a great resource for an officer to have a chaplain assist with the public during times of need. Our Chaplains can provide a more spiritual resource in a time of need and help our community after a tragic event. Our chaplains are also available to officers and staff as a helpful resource when needed.



L-R: Chief Brian Addington, Pastor Juan Castro, Pastor Henry Perkins, Reverend Tim Manly, Father Helmut Richter

The duties of the Police Chaplain may include, but are not limited to:

- Offer training to officers in areas of critical incident stress management and dealing with the public during traumatic events.
- Accompanying a police officer to assist with death notification or any kind of crisis situation where the presence of a trained chaplain might help.
- Visiting with sick or injured members of the department.
- Offering prayers at special occasions such as recruit graduations, award ceremonies and dedications of buildings, etc. Serving on review boards and/or other committees.





RECRUITING

2018 proved to be a very busy and productive year hiring Police Officers, Records Clerks and Community Service Specialists. In total the Police Department hired 12 Officers, 2 Records Clerks and 3 Community Service Specialists. Our department is now fully staffed with 85 police officers and 9 Community Service Specialists. The early part of 2019 we will complete our last Records Clerk



recruitment, which will bring our Records Division to full staffing. The Pittsburg Police Department has enjoyed hiring a broad range of officers from both within and outside of our community. These officers bring with them and array of experience and education. Over 20 of our officers were collegiate athletes and another 20 are military veterans. In addition, 9 of our officers are Pittsburg High School alumni.









TRAINING

2018 proved again to be another innovative and advanced training year. Throughout the year

officers participated in scenario-based training that enhanced our officers decision making and de-escalation skills. In 2018, the department purchased an interactive computerized simulator to further expose our officers to the myriad of situations they face on a daily basis while serving the community of Pittsburg. In response to the





tragic increase of active shooter incidents throughout our Country, the police department spearheaded the City's first ever collaborative active shooter scenario-based training that in-

volved all City departments and staff. This

training was held twice and involved the coordinated efforts of EMS personnel, City staff and the Pittsburg Police Department. The training was an invaluable experience for everyone involved as it helped bring some sense of planning and



perspective to an event that has become an all to unfortunate reality.

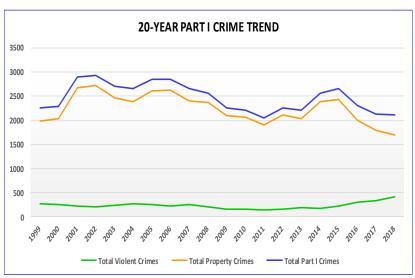






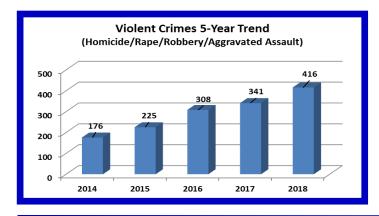
CRIME STATISTICS

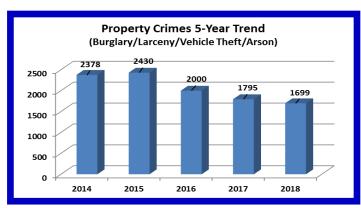
The FBI Uniformed Crime Reporting (UCR) Program began in 1930 and encompasses approximately 14,000 law enforcement agencies nationwide. Participating agencies voluntarily provide crime data to the Department of Justice to generate a standardized and reliable set of crime statistics. The Pittsburg Police Department is committed to providing accurate crime statistics to the DOJ and to our citizens. As a result, in 2017 the Pittsburg Police Department added a full-time Crime Analyst to its staffing. The analyst's role is to identify, prepare and disseminate statistical trend data for law enforcement, City and public use.



By FBI definition, Part I Crime is comprised of the following violent and property crimes: Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault., Burglary, Larceny, Vehicle Theft and Arson. Over the past 20 years, Pittsburg has experienced an overall decrease in total Part I Crimes reported. Several factors must be taken into consideration when looking at crime trends, including: population increases, State law implementation, and crime definition updates. The violent crime trend in Pittsburg over the past 5 years may be a direct result of these factors. We specifi-

cally experienced an increase in the reporting of sexual assaults after the FBI broadened the definition of rape. That change, along with recent public dialogue on sexual assault crimes and the #MeToo movement, have empowered victims to safely speak out about the violence perpetrated against them. And while this increase may be viewed negatively by some, it is in fact a positive step in the right direction to understanding how prevalent sexual violence is within society.









COMMUNITY OUTREACH











- The Citizen's Academy is a 9-week program with a focus on educating citizens to the issues and training facing modern police officers. The public gains a better understanding of legal issues and personnel issues as well as department policies and procedures.
- The Youth Academy is designed to provide youth an inside look at city policing. The program gives them a better understanding of what society requires in order for them to grow into responsible, productive citizens.
- The Neighborhood Watch Program facilitates communication between neighbors and develops a partnership with police and citizens for the safety and security of area neighborhoods.
- National Night Out is an extension of the Neighborhood Watch program and encourages neighbors to gather together and get to know each other on a more personal level while also meeting with community leaders, police and fire department personnel.
- The Crime Free Multi-Housing Program is a widely successful program designed to help tenants, owners and managers of rental property keep drugs and other illegal activity off their property.
- The Business Watch Program is designed to provide training and education to local business owners to arm them with the knowledge to prevent crime in and around their business.





SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media is the wave of the future for Law Enforcement. One of the easiest ways to educate our citizens is through the use of social media. Nowhere else can we push information out immediately to the public. Our social media platforms are used to notify followers of criminal activity, community outreach events, charitable fundraisers and more. It is also an excellent way to introduce you to our staff, announce promotions and swearing ins, or memorialize those we have lost.

You will find the Pittsburg Police Department on the following social media sites:













12,478 Followers





Get up-to-the-minute information about emergencies, severe weather, road closures, and much more!

Your safety is our top concern – that's why the City of Pittsburg wants to make sure you know about emergencies and incidents as they happen. The City of Pittsburg and the Police Department will use **ALERT Pittsburg** powered by Everbridge to make sure you know about issues that may affect your safety. This system allows the City to contact thousands of residents in a timely fashion so you can find out about an emergency right away.

The success of this service relies on YOU. Having your latest contact information is the only way to ensure that we can contact you in an emergency. Please sign up by clicking on the **ALERT Pittsburg** button below – it only takes about a minute to enroll!

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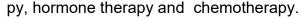
PINK PATCH PROJECT



The Pink Patch Project (<u>#PinkPatchProject</u>) is an innovative public awareness campaign designed to bring attention to the fight against breast cancer and to support breast cancer research organizations in combating this devastating disease.

It is estimated that approximately 1 in 8 women and 1 in 1,000 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime. This

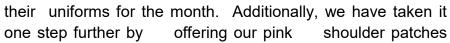
disease can have a profound impact on the patient and their loved ones. It is a disease, however, that can be effectively treated with surgery, radiation thera-



The month of October has been designated at "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" and the Pittsburg Police Department is committed to bringing awareness to the disease by



encouraging our officers to wear pink shoulder patches and badges on



and Pink Patch Project challenge coins for sale to the public. Proceeds from the sale of these items goes directly to cancer research and treatment at our designated charity. Since the

inception of the Pink Patch Project at the Pittsburg Police Department in 2017, our charitable donations have exceeded \$3,000 thanks to the very generous support of our community.









POLICE ACTIVITIES LEAGUE



During the 2018 calendar year, the Pittsburg Police Activities League (PAL), continued working with youth involved in the Pittsburg Police Explorer Program as well as the Pittsburg High School "Foot Pursuit" Running and Fitness Club. The Pittsburg Police Explorers participated in National Night Out, acted as role players in an Urban Shield scenario and went out on a patrol ride along with Pittsburg Police Officers.

The "Foot Pursuit" Running and Fitness Club participated in weekly workouts or runs with the club advisors and entered several events, which included a 5k obstacle course called the Rugged Maniac. The running and fitness club also participated

in the Pittsburg High School car parade and several other school events. Members of both the Pittsburg Police Explorers and the "Foot Pursuit" Running and Fitness Club teamed up and played in a dodge ball tournament sponsored by El Cerrito Police Department Explorer Post 0705.

In 2018, the Pittsburg Police Activities League was able to acquire a 12 passenger, wheelchair accessible, van from Tri-Delta Transit for a very reasonable price. This vehicle will be used to transport youth involved in PAL activities to various events. In addition to the Pittsburg Police Explorer program and the "Foot Pursuit" Running



& Fitness Club, PAL partnered with the Pittsburg Unified School District to host SAT and ACT preparation classes. These classes were paid for by the Pittsburg Unified School District and hosted at the Pittsburg City Hall by the Pittsburg Police Activities League.



In 2019, the Pittsburg Police Activities League will focus on increasing fundraising efforts to offer expanded youth outreach, develop new programs, add new members to the Police Explorer Program and attend additional events and training.



