

# YEAR IN REVIEW

Total budget for the year 2021, including revenues from our contract city was \$2,157,963.

Our department currently has 20 full time officers, 7 volunteer reserve officers, 1 full time community service officer, and 2 full time civilian support staff. We have a fleet of 14 marked and unmarked vehicles.

Detective Tim Briski retired from the department after 32 years as a sworn police officer. We would like to introduce Officer Kiel Rushton as our department's new full time police detective!

In 2021 we responded to a total of 7,201 calls for service. Of those calls, 379 were for part I crimes and 219 were for part II crimes.

2021 Accomplishments include:

- Continued training and employee development related to the department policy/procedure manual. Issue daily training bulletins that expanded officer knowledge and awareness pertaining to policy, applicable State/Federal and changes as a result of case law rulings.
- Continue to send personnel through a MN POST Board approved 40 hour Crisis Intervention Team Training program.
- Completed officer training that emphasizes officer skill development in areas associated to mental health concerns, de-escalation strategies and community relations.
- Completed department training utilizing Integrating Communications, Assessment and Tactics into officer development and training. Focus on training platforms related to Use of Force, Emergency Medical Responder, Firearms and responding to persons in crisis.
- Purchased and put into service a new mobile digital speed control device in conjunction with digital speed indicators located on 37th Avenue and Silver Lake Road.
- Observed continued growth in the use of our medicine disposal drop box.



## PATROL

The Uniformed Patrol Division of the St. Anthony PD is the largest and most visible division in the department. The duties and responsibilities of the Patrol Division are to respond to emergency and non-emergency calls, patrol residential neighborhoods and business districts, enforcement and education of traffic laws, and participate in proactive community engagement.

The patrol division is divided into 4 shifts. Officers bid their 12 hour shifts by seniority and are each overseen by a patrol supervisor. The St. Anthony PD provides 24 hour coverage for both the City of St. Anthony and the City of Lauderdale.

Rising crime rates across the country has drawn national attention. Though the root cause of increased crime is a source of debate and can lead to some contentious discussions, the men and women of the patrol division remain steadfast in their efforts in the prevention of crime and the preservation of peace.

The St. Anthony Patrol Division uses a multi-faceted approach in combating crime. Our patrol officers utilize current crime data. This crime analysis helps shape our patrol strategies and allows for the focus to remain on current crime trends and problem areas.

Another very important piece in combating crime is building community partnerships. Our patrol division works closely with community stakeholders in developing crime prevention initiatives to address citizen concerns and improve the overall quality of life.

The patrol division pride themselves on providing the highest level of public safety services to all of our citizens & the businesses in our community. Their hard work, innovation in problem solving, and compassion are on display each and every shift as they create a safe and secure community.

# EDUCATION & TRAINING

Training for law enforcement officers is a vital and important part of delivering quality and professional police service to the community. The St. Anthony Police Department is committed to delivering training based on the foundation of the department's current and future mission, vision, and goals.

The objectives of the training program are to provide continued professional development and enhance the safety of officers and the community they serve. All department training has been reviewed for content by the MN P.O.S.T. Board and/or the St. Anthony P.D. command staff to ensure our police officers are receiving training that clearly falls in line with the learning objectives set forth by the department vision.

This past year, the department provided a total of 2,062 hours of training to officers. The police department will routinely utilize online self-study courses, internal department training and outside training hosted by other private and government agencies.

### TRAINING HOURS BREAKDOWN:

- SWAT/Negotiator - 308
- Annual Post/Licensing - 479
- Pedestrian/Traffic Safety - 120
- Department Policy - 529
- OSHA - 160
- Elected Training - 466



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# LETTER FROM THE CHIEF



As I began writing this message, I thought I would take a few moments to read and reflect on messages I have offered through past publications. I then took a few moments to review those offered by Police Chiefs who have served before me. The word “Service” has been a common theme in messages. After all, policing in a community is about service and a service mindset has remained a core value of our community policing efforts. As a matter of fact, back in 2014, a new motto for the police department was adopted and printed on our patrol vehicles which reads, “Safety Through Service”. I have prioritized the importance of those words, as they have become an imbedded component of our culture.

As an agency, we have always worked to maintain a culture of community service and one that embraces the concepts of community orientated policing. Policing involves a special trust given to us by the public to uphold and enforce the law. As public servants, policing requires us to have thousands of interactions with the public and the community we serve. Often times, these contacts are during times of crisis and distress and can unfold rapidly and in unforeseen directions. Our department mission is to improve the overall quality of life by preserving the peace and safety of the community.

Over the past several years we have done a great deal to enhance the way we deliver services. One of our goals with regard to our new format for presenting our annual report is to ensure we are providing timely, accurate and easy pathways for people to obtain meaningful information about city services and events. We have put a great deal of thought into the content and information we provide on our website, social media platforms and newsletters to project fairness, transparency, and the ability of the community to provide voice as it relates to matters of concern. Being responsive to the community is a practice that I make routine and is a concept we emphasize in the delivery of services to the community.

It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as your Police Chief.

Respectfully,  
JON MANGSETH  
POLICE CHIEF

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Community Engagement and partnership is listed as our first goal in the SAPD Strategic Plan. It is one of our highest priorities. We view every contact and encounter as an opportunity for engagement and outreach. The department staffs a team of Officers responsible for attending community events, outreach through social media, informational and educational seminars, and developing and implementing youth and other programs. Officers Jim South, Jon Schlingman, Kiel Rushton and Sgt. Mike Huddle are assigned to this team.

- Some of the community programs or events developed and organized by this team include:
- A collaboration with St. Anthony Community Services to present a bicycle safety.
  - Annual Summer Survival School/Safety Camp instructing 30 incoming 4th graders on topics such as bike safety, using 911 and fire safety.
  - Annual Cops vs. Kids basketball event. (Canceled due to COVID pandemic in 2021)
  - Partnership with Dairy Queen and AAA to offer free ice cream to kids using proper bike safety equipment.
  - Partnered with Cub Foods for “Hot Dogs with Police and Fire” event
  - Presented the Community Academy featuring “Women of Law Enforcement”
  - Lights ON! and Driver Diversion Programs
  - Education, crime prevention and community updates over social media



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# SOCIAL MEDIA



St Anthony Police Department, like most all individuals/business utilize a social media platform. St Anthony Police Department created its social media pages in March of 2017. The Police Department currently operating on the following platforms; Facebook (5,085 followers), Instagram (1,952 Followers), and Twitter (5,724 Followers).

Using social media to communicate to our citizens of St Anthony and Lauderdale helps spread the word of upcoming community events, recent crime activity, crime trends, community prevention tools, media releases, recruitment posts/videos, and weather updates, as well as current holidays. SAPD social media posts also include current/active cases where information on a suspect (Photographs) can be posted in an effort to have community members help solve a case by providing information to us.

Our Community Engagement Officers, along with our entire staff, have put a considerable amount of time and consideration into content for our social media platforms, as well as our PD website <http://www.savmn.com/475/PD-News>, in an effort to stay connected and provide up-to-date information to those in our service area. We encourage everyone to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. All content posted to our social media platforms is accessible and viewable to the public—even if you don’t have a social media account. Every account is verified. You can easily search for our social media accounts online, or find them via the following social media handles:



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# INVESTIGATIONS



The 2021 year was a very busy year for the Investigations team. The team is supervised by Captain Jeff Spiess and is staffed by two detectives. This year, Detective Tim Briski retired after serving in this role for 22 years. He was succeeded by Detective Kiel Rushton, who has been an officer with the department since 2011. The second detective position is filled by a patrol officer, with a different officer serving on a quarterly basis.

Though we have personnel assigned to the Investigations team, we know that often the solvability of a crime hinges on the quality and timeliness of the investigation in the earliest stages. As such, we are intentional about training all of our officers in advanced investigative techniques, so they are able to begin an investigation immediately, effectively interviewing witnesses, victims, suspects, and collecting vital evidence.

In 2021, our team continued its commitment and collaboration with the Ramsey County Sexual Assault Protocol Team, which takes a victim-centered approach, has led to additional quality training, and improved investigative techniques. This is one of many partnerships our team has forged at the local, county and state levels to better serve our communities.

The following are statistics for crimes committed and investigated during 2021. It is our goal to continue to learn, look for opportunities to improve, and to serve our community better. We are looking forward to another great year in 2022.

The 2021 statistics for the criminal investigations unit are as follows:

Total Criminal Cases	598
Total Cases Cleared	245
Total Cases Cleared by Arrest	170
Total Cases Cleared by Other	75

Clearance Rate: 41%