

# Tredyffrin Township Police Department

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Annual Report  
2002



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## TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Tredyffrin Township Board of Supervisors

**THRU:** Mr. Robert W. Lamina, Chairman

**FROM:** Richard C. Harkness  
Superintendent of Police

**SUBJECT: POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT**

**DATE:** February 18, 2003

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It is with great pride and pleasure that I present to you and the citizens and business persons of Tredyffrin Township this document outlining the activities of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department for the calendar year 2002. This document consists of three distinct parts:

- **SYNOPSIS** of the police department's annual report;
- **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** of the police department's annual report; and
- **ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2002** for Tredyffrin Township Police Department.

Each individual document is designed to be progressively more detailed while providing as much specificity as to the activities of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department during calendar year 2002 as might be appropriate to the respective document.

Complete copies of this document have been distributed to each member of the Tredyffrin Township Board of Supervisors and may be viewed by citizens and business persons of the township at the following locations:

TTPD 2002 Annual Report

- **Police Department**—Copies of the complete document are available for public inspection and review at the main desk of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department during regular business hours.
- **Tredyffrin Township Public Library**—Copies of the complete document are available for public inspection and review at the main library located in Strafford and the branch library located in Paoli.
- **Internet**—This document may be viewed on the Township's new web site as soon as that site is established in March or April, 2003.

Again, it is with great pride and pleasure to present this document outlining the activities of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department for the calendar year 2002 to you and the citizens of Tredyffrin Township. I truly hope you find this information in a format that is both useful to you and informative to the citizens and business persons of Tredyffrin Township.

It has been my pleasure to serve you as the Superintendent of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department during calendar year 2002 and I look forward to serving you in that capacity for many more years to come. If I may be of assistance to you in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**2002  
ANNUAL REPORT  
SYNOPSIS**

Richard C. Harkness  
Superintendent of Police

# TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 2002 ANNUAL REPORT

### SYNOPSIS

It gives me great pleasure to report that **crime in Tredyffrin Township decreased a total of 15% during calendar year 2002**. As you may know, crime is classified, counted, and reported in two distinctly different categories. These categories are known by statisticians and researchers as Part I crime and Part II crime, respectively. Part I crimes consist of those crimes that one may consider to be the most serious crime affecting society and is comprise of a very specific sub-set of crimes that are routinely reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for comparison with other municipalities of similar size and demographics. Part II crimes, on the other hand, are defined as any crime other than Part I crime and are generally considered to be less serious crimes, even nuisance crimes, tending to impact the quality of life only of those specifically affected by this secondary level of crime.

I am pleased to report that **Part I crimes decreased 8%** during calendar year 2002 from 500 such crimes reported during 2001 to 461 such crimes during 2002. The import of this statistic is quite significant to our many and varied constituencies. For instance, any fear associated with crime may be reduced in the minds of Tredyffrin Township citizens and business owners in the knowledge that serious crime in the Township has actually and literally been reduced by 8% during the last calendar year. This is also an important statistic for those individuals considering moving their families and/or businesses into Tredyffrin Township as it is a statistic that can be compared nationwide against other municipalities of similar size and demographics and a statistic that is easily accessible by those seeking such information in their decision-making process.

Down are the crimes of burglary, theft , theft of motor vehicle, and arson. Up are the crimes of murder, rape, and assault. Remaining constant is the crime of robbery. Of significant note during 2002 is that Tredyffrin Township experienced the first murder in the Township in the past 20 years. That incident was discovered November 19, 2002, and has been diligently pursued by the police department since that time. Although no one has yet been formally charged with that crime, the Tredyffrin Township Police Department has identified a suspect, placed him in jail on unrelated charges, and is awaiting results of forensic analysis of evidence found at the scene of the crime.

I am also pleased to report that **Part II crimes decreased 18%** during calendar year 2002 from 1251 such crimes reported during 2001 to 1030 such crimes during 2002. Although this figure is not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for comparison purposes, it is a statistic that affects the overall quality of life of those of us living and/or working in Tredyffrin Township. This 18% decrease in reported Part II crimes can very realistically be viewed another way. For instance, we can say that there were 221 fewer victims of nuisance crime during 2002 with a commensurate 18% increase in the overall quality of life of our residents and business owners.

I am also pleased to report that there was a **12% decrease in the overall economic impact of crime** in Tredyffrin Township during 2002. During the past calendar year, victims of crime in the Tredyffrin Township lost \$88,000 fewer dollars due to crime this past year than as compared to the economic loss incurred during 2001. The economic loss associated with crime during 2002 for the crimes of theft and motor vehicle theft decreased 15% and 68 %, respectively. However, the economic loss associated with burglary and robbery increased 120% and 2532%, respectively.

Although the actual number of burglaries in Tredyffrin Township decreased by two, the total value of the property stolen during 2002 increased significantly. This can be attributed most specifically to the high cost of electronic products, such as laptop computers, which tend to be targeted regularly in commercial burglaries as readily disposable items. The dramatic increase in the economic loss associated with the crime of robbery is directly attributable to two bank robberies that occurred in Tredyffrin Township during 2002, one of which has already been solved with the bank robber already in jail. If not for these two bank robberies, the economic loss associated with crime would have remained relatively consistent with the previous year.

Traffic accidents in Tredyffrin Township increased overall by 6% during 2002 with the sub-categories of reportable accidents and non-reportable accidents increasing 7% and 6%, respectively. Conversely, fatal traffic accidents decreased by 75% and deer related traffic accidents decreased by 10%. Although deer related traffic crashes decreased by 10% during 2002, this should not be seen as either a victory or as a turning point with respect to accidents involving deer. The actual number of accidents involving deer during 2002 is as high today as it was in 1996 when the Board of Supervisors first decided to authorize hunting by a professional archery association. Without this courageous step taken by the Tredyffrin Township Board of Supervisors it is clear that accidents involving deer today would be far greater than currently realized. The Board of Supervisors is encouraged to explore new and innovative ways to continue to cull the deer herd and, thereby, reduce the potential for personal injury or property damage associated with deer in the Township.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the Board of Supervisors' approval of the police department's plan to reorganize during the 2002 calendar year. The police department created a Captain's position and promoted Lieutenant Andy Chambers to that position during early 2002. Captain Chambers' promotion, in addition to retirements at the end of 2001 and throughout 2002, created openings at the lieutenant, sergeant, and entry levels of the organization. The police department spent the entire year filling attrition at the entry level and training newly promoted sergeants and lieutenants in their new levels of authority and responsibility. As far as personnel assignments are concerned, the police department minimized the number of officers conducting administrative tasks during 2002 and maximized the number of officers assigned to the Patrol function to 82% of the organization. I am proud to say that the reorganization of the police department can be directly attributable to the success realized by the agency during 2002.

It is with great pride and pleasure that I present this synopsis of the Tredyffrin Township Police Department's Annual Report for the calendar year 2002. It is my sincere desire that this synopsis is both informative to you and useful to the various constituencies we are sworn to protect and serve.

**TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**2002  
ANNUAL REPORT  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Richard C. Harkness  
Superintendent of Police

**TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Richard C. Harkness, Superintendent**



# 2002 ANNUAL REPORT

## Executive Summary

### General Statistics:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>%Change</u>
Calls for Service	24,185	-5%
Reported Crime	1,491	-15%
Criminal Arrests	647	-23%
Criminal Summonses	251	-20%
Traffic Arrests	6,083	-34%
Traffic Warnings	1,416	-3%
Revenue Generated	241,963	-20%
Property Loss Due to Crime	659,563	-12%

### Crime Statistics:

Overall Reported Crime -15% down 263 crimes reported in 2001 from 1754 to 1491 in 2002

Part I Crimes: -8% down 39 crimes reported in 2001 from 500 to 461 in 2002

### Part I Crimes Defined as:

Murder	+100%	up 1 from 0 to 1
Rape	+600%	up 6 from 0 to 6
Robbery	0	constant at 9
Assault	+5%	up 2 from 42 to 44
Burglary	-3%	down 2 from 57 to 55
Theft	-10%	down 38 from 370 to 332
MV Theft	-45%	down 9 from 20 to 11
Arson	-40%	down 2 from 5 to 3

**Part II Crimes:** -18% down 221 crimes reported in 2001 from 1251 to 1030

Part II Crimes Defined as:  
 all other crimes

**Property Loss:** -12% down \$88,207 from \$747,770 to \$659,563

Robbery +2532% \*up \$87,707 from \$3,464 to \$91,171

**\*Note:** Although the number of robberies actually remained constant at 9 between 2001 and 2002, two bank robberies accounted for almost \$85,000 in property loss far exceeding the previous year's loss in this category.

Burglary +120% up \$109,035 from \$90,927 to \$199,962

Theft -15% down \$44,798 from \$297,983 to \$253,185

Motor Vehicle Theft -68% down from \$355,396 to \$115,245

**Accident Statistics:**

Overall Accidents +6% up 70 from 1126 to 1196  
 Non-Reportable +6% up 51 from 812 to 863  
 Reportable +7% up 22 from 310 to 332  
 Fatal -75% down 3 from 4 to 1  
 Deer Related -12% down 16 from 151 to 135

**Traffic Statistics:**

Traffic Squad Activity	-55%	down 1168 from 2142 to 974
Traffic Arrests	-34%	down 3112 from 9195 to 6083
Accidents	+6%	up 70 from 1126 to 1196
DUI	-23%	down 50 from 214 to 164

**Animal Related Incidents**

Overall Deer Incidents	-12%	down 20 from 161 to 141
Crashes Involving Deer	-12%	deer crashes down 16 from 151 to 135

**Personnel Assignments**

	% of Sworn Staff	%of all staff
Patrol	82%	70%
Administration	8%	7%
Criminal Investigation	10%	8%
Support Staff	—	15%

**Retirements during 2001**

Sergeant Joseph Carbo after 34 years of service  
Officer James Erkert after 28 years of service  
Officer Steven McFarland after 27 years of service

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## SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS

**2002**

### **January 2002**

- Amjad Farhan fraud investigation assisting the FBI Joint Anti-Terrorism Task Force in Jacksonville, FL.
- Reported Rape at the Valley Forge National Park in which the actor was an alleged Police impersonator. Report found to be fabricated after an intense investigation.

### **February 2002**

- Conestoga Senior High school students arrested for Narcotic violations after a lengthy investigation.
- Executive Career Resource Group financial investigation commences.

### **March 2002**

- Amjad Farhan arrested in Florida on Theft charges. Farhan plead guilty and would be deported from the United States.

### **April 2002**

- Rape, Colonial Towers Apartment Complex intense investigation.
- Continued Narcotic investigation with the Chester County District Attorneys Office and the Conestoga Senior High School.
- Locker search with Dogs
- MAGLOCLLEN Conference in Cleveland, Ohio on Terrorism

## **May 2002**

- Continued investigation into Rape at CTA
- Hostage Negotiation Seminar
- Criminal Investigative Analysis school
- Collection and Handling of Biological Fluids @ Crime Scenes

## **June 2002**

- First Union Bank Robbery
- Commerce Bank Robbery
- Domenick Diantonio arrested on 111 counts of Theft
- Burglary detail
- Continued Rape investigation at CTA
- Sexual Assault/ Domestic Violence
- First meeting of the Tri County Regional Investigators at Tredyffrin Twp.

## **July 2002**

- Attempted Sexual Assault in Paoli. Resulted in the apprehension of Brad Washington
- Indecent Assault of a Babysitter reported and investigated.
- On going Bank Robbery investigations
- Responding to Terrorism, a Law Enforcement Officers Guide seminar held here at Tredyffrin Twp.
- 15th Annual Gang and Drug Conference

## **August 2002**

- Dr. Brown, arrested by Tredyffrin Twp Police and the Chester County Municipal Drug Task Force (12/11/01) is held over on narcotic/prescription charges stemming from a preliminary hearing in front of Judge Anthony.
- James Compton arrested for Aggravated Indecent assault, Indecent assault and Corruption of a minor, stemming from July's investigation.
- Competency hearing in Ithaca, N.Y reference to the Domenick D'Antonio arrest in June.

## **September 2002**

- Tredyffrin Twp perspective cleaner arrested and deported
- CCMDTF Investigation, SOT called out.
- Tri County Regional Investigators meeting here at Tredyffrin Twp
- County Bank meeting/EMS
- SOT Training in FT. Dix, N.J.
- PGA Tournament assist Easttown Twp P.D.

## **October 2002**

- Rape at CTA, DNA match on Brad Washington. Arrest Warrant prepared.
- Stephen Pandolfi (Tredyffrin Twp Bookkeeper) arrested on Theft, forgery charges.
- Reported suspicious persons at local schools investigated.

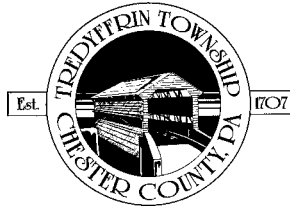
## **November 2002**

- Homicide, Mildred Allen Investigation
- Nursing Home Death Investigation
- (2) Sexual Assaults reported at Delaware Valley Friends Meeting School.
- Rape, Sugartown Mews Investigation
- Property and Evidence School
- (3) Sergeants promoted

## **December 2002**

- Mildred Allen Homicide Investigation
- Conestoga senior High school Locker Drug search
- Tri County Regional Investigators meeting held here at Tredyffrin Twp.

# TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



## COMMUNITY POLICING ACTIVITIES

**2002**

### **January, 2002**

- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Scout Troop “Personal Safety” (15 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Brownie Troop “Strangers” (15 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Scout Troop “Community Helpers” (16 children)
- Officer Friendly- Daisy Scouts at Valley Forge Elementary “Strangers” (14 children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School “Identification of Police” (12 Children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School “Vandalism Awareness and Prevention” (20 Children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School “Bike Safety” (12 Children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School “Home Alone”(18 Children)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Valley Forge Middle School (44 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Crossroads School (8 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (8 Classes)
- DARE Graduation - Valley Forge Middle School
- Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- Senior Citizen Intervention with Chester County Office of the Aging
- Townwatch Meeting
- Child Safety Seat Checkpoint- County wide (10 Seats Installed)
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (4 Seats)
- Five (5) days of Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol Activity
- Quarterly Meeting with the Pa. Crime Prevention Officers Association
- Sworn in as Vice President of the Pennsylvania Crime Prevention Officers Association



## Community Policing Activities

### **February, 2002**

- Officer Friendly- Radnor Nursery School “Identification Of Police”(25 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard School “Identification Of Police”(8 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard School “Drug Awareness”(12 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard School “Danger Stranger”( 8 Children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School “Danger Stranger”(15 children)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Daisy Troop “Identification Of Police” (12 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Talk -Timothy School (6 special needs children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Talk -Timothy School (8 special needs children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Talk -Scout Troop “Community Helpers” (9 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Talk - Scout Troop “Community Helpers” (14 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Talk -Brownies Troop “Community Helpers” (14 children)
- DARE Informational presentation to Chesterbrook Rotary Club (30 people)
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (20 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Crossroads School (8 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (8 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Vanguard School (4 Classes)
- Mediation Meeting- Neighbor Dispute (3)
- Security Assessment- Business
- Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- Townwatch Meeting
- School Safety Committee Meeting (2)
- Child Safety Seat Installations - Local (3 Seats)
- Child Safety Seat Educational Program at Our Lady Of Assumption Church (10 seats)
- Child Safety Seat Educational Program at Cabrini Preschool (8 seats)
- One (1) day of Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol Activity

## **Community Policing Activities**

### **March, 2002**

- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Home Alone” (96 Children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Bike Safety”(97 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Vandalism Awareness and Prevention”(101 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Drug Awareness”(101 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Danger Stranger”(36 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary School “Danger Stranger” (41 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard School “Home Alone”(27 children)
- Officer Friendly- Conestoga Preschool “Identification Of Police”(18 children)
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (40 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Crossroads School (8 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (8 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Vanguard School (8 Classes)
- Child Safety Seat Installation- Local (7 Seats)
- Hosted - Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- Townwatch Meeting
- Local Civic Association Meeting
- Two (2) days Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol Activity
- Hosted Property Managers meeting to discuss crime trends and surveillance equipment
- School Safety Committee/ Crisis Plan Meeting with Vanguard School
- School Safety Committee Meeting with T/E School District
- Presentation to the Paoli Business Association at Waynesboro Country Club
- Presentation to the Valley Forge Middle School for “Career Day” (75 children)
- REACT - Distributed food baskets to needy families

## Community Policing Activities

### April, 2002

- Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- DARE Graduation- Vanguard School
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (3 Seats)
- Mock DUI Crash and Awareness Presentation at Devon Prep. School
- Child Safety Event- Matthews Paoli Ford “Hand Printing and Photo ID kits” (62 children)
- Child Safety Event- Timothy School - Photo ID kits (51 children)
- Child Safety Event- Upper Main Line YMCA - Bike and K-9 demo and Photo ID kits (65 Children)
- Safety Presentation- Presbyterian Church Mens Club
- Hilltop Civic Association - Safety Presentation and Townwatch Information
- School Safety Committee Meeting
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary - Second grade - “Home Alone” (105 children)
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary - Kindergarten - “Danger Stranger” (38 children)
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary - Kindergarten - “Danger Stranger” (35 children)
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary - First grade - “Bike Safety” (98 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary- Kindergarten - “Danger Stranger” (32 children)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Elementary - First grade - “Bike Safety” (105 children)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Elementary - Second grade - “Home Alone” (98 children)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Elementary - Fourth grade - “Vandalism Awareness and Prevention” (97 children)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Elementary - Kindergarten - “Danger Stranger” (31 children)
- Officer Friendly- Crossroads School - Third grade - “Drug Awareness” (18 children)
- Child Safety Event- Goddard School - Hand printing and safety talk - (100 children)
- Officer Friendly- Royer Greaves School for the Blind “ Tour and Safety Presentation” (9 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Presentation to Scout Troop - (8 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Presentation to Local Mom’s Club “Danger Stranger” (18 children and 16 Adults)
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (50 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Crossroads School (10 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (10 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Vanguard School (1 Class)
- REACT - Distributed food baskets to needy families
- Townwatch Meeting
- Five (5) day symposium for PA Crime Prevention Association
- Quarterly Meeting with the Pa. Crime Prevention Officers Association

## Community Policing Activities

**May, 2002**

- Sunrise Vigil - Police Memorial Week - Run to the "Police Memorial" Washington, DC
- Crime Victims Candlelight Vigil - Downingtown Presbyterian Church
- MADD Awards Luncheon
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (30 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Crossroads School (6 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (4 Classes)
- DARE Graduation- Woodlynde School
- DARE Graduation- T/E Middle School
- DARE & Officer Friendly- T/E Middle School- Seventh grade "Underage Drinking Laws and Consequences (75 children)
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- DARE & Officer Friendly- T/E Middle School- Seventh grade "Underage Drinking Laws and Consequences (75 children)
- DARE & Officer Friendly- T/E Middle School- Eighth grade "DUI Laws and Consequences (72 Children)
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- DARE & Officer Friendly- T/E Middle School- Eighth grade "DUI Laws and Consequences (72 Children)
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary -Fourth grade "Vandalism Awareness and Prevention" (97 children)
- Officer Friendly- New Eagle Elementary - Kindergarten - "Danger Stranger" (30)
- Officer Friendly- Valley Forge Elementary - Third grade -"Drug Awareness" (32)
- Officer Friendly- Hillside Elementary - Third grade - "Drug Awareness & Prevention" (27 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard School - Third grade - "Drug Awareness & Prevention" (29 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Safety Presentation to Scout Troop "Community Helpers" (10 children)
- Child Safety Event- West Brandywine- Display Police ATV and give demonstrations
- Youth Fishing Tournament- Officer DiMaio and Sergeant Spiller
- Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- Townwatch Meeting
- Child Safety Seat Installation -Local (8 Seats)
- School Safety Committee Meeting
- Vanguard School - assist with lock down drills
- New Eagle Elementary School - assist with lock down drill
- Three (3) day Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol activity
- Bike Rodeo (45 children)

## **Community Policing Activities**

### **June, 2002**

- Officer of the Year Award- Joe Glatts
- Chester County Hero Fund Event- Outback Steakhouse
- Hosted Community Awareness “Rave Drug” Seminar with Park and Recreation Board- Keene Hall (75 attendees)
- Mediation Meeting- Neighbor Dispute (2)
- DARE Graduation- Crossroads School
- Officer Friendly- Church Picnic- K-9 demonstration; hand printing and safety handouts (45 people)
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (5)
- Child Safety Seat Checkpoint- Johnson Matthey Corp.- (8 seats)
- Safety Presentation- Camp Jarvis- 130 Scouts- K-9 demo(Officer Middleton and Max)
- Townwatch Meeting
- Two (2) day Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol Activity

### **July, 2002**

- Officer Friendly- Goddard School - “Identification of Police” (40 children)
- Officer Friendly- Church of the Savior - Show Police Car and handouts
- Mediation Meeting- Neighbor Dispute
- Safety Meeting to discuss Townwatch activity and school based safety programs
- Child Safety Seat Installations- local (9)
- Townwatch Meeting
- One (1) day Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol activity
- Quarterly Meeting with the Pa. Crime Prevention Officers Association
- DUI Arrest

### **August, 2002**

- Seat Belt Enforcement Detail- “Buckle Up America”
- Security Assessment- Residential (2)
- Local Civic Association Meetings- Townwatch and Crime Trends
- Townwatch Meeting
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (11 Seats)
- Three (3) days Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol activity

## Community Policing Activities

### **September, 2002**

- Candlelight Vigil - September 11
- Presented with "Patriotism Award" by Highgate residents in Paoli Pointe
- Fourth Annual Citizens Police Academy Class Started - 30 Participants
- Twelve Officers to be sponsored by local merchants on their own "Cop Card"
- Child Safety Event- Outback Steakhouse/ Moto Photo/ Valley Forge REACT, Child ID kits, hand printing, Vince and Larry, McGruff, Officer Friendly (116 children)
- Officer Friendly- Saint Isaacs Preschool "Identification of Police" (25 children)
- Officer Friendly- Saint Isaacs Preschool "Danger Stranger" (40 children)
- Officer Friendly- Vanguard Health Fair -"Bike Safety Presentation" (60 children)
- Faulkner Police Night Car Show- won "Best In Service Patrol Unit"
- Townwatch Meeting
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (4 Seats)
- Child Safety Seat Checkpoint - Countywide (13 Seats)
- Child Safety Seat Checkpoint- Vanguard Corp. (15 seats)
- Meet the Chief Night at Outback Steakhouse
- Four (4) days Bike/ATV or Regular Patrol activity
- Tyler Hedges Day- Handout "Officer Friendly" Safety materials and interact with (50 children)

### **October, 2002**

- 4 Citizens Police Academy Classes
- Radnor Fire Company - Fire Safety Night - provided safety information for (120 children)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Valley Forge Middle School (55 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (4 Classes)
- Townwatch Meeting
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (14 Seats)
- Chesterbrook Rotary Club - "Personal Safety" (35 people)
- Hosted Cardiac Screening Event- open to all residents and employees (48 were tested)
- School Safety Committee Meeting
- Personal Safety / Identity Theft Presentation- Valley Forge Chapter of AARP (48 adults)
- Paoli Business Association- Crime trends and Townwatch's function in Tredyffrin
- Information packets hand delivered to every bank with questionnaire
- Departmental Picture by Moto Photo
- Quarterly Meeting with the Pa. Crime Prevention Officers Association

## Community Policing Activities

### **November, 2002**

- Townwatch hosted an awards ceremony and social event ( 110 attended)
- Detective Division and a Patrol Unit received recognition for recent arrests
- 3 Citizens Police Academy Classes
- Security Assessments- Residential (2)
- Hillside Elementary- pick up from needy families food drive
- REACT - Distributed food baskets to needy families
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Tiger Cubs on “Identification of Police and Danger stranger” (8 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Crossroads School Children “Danger Stranger and Community Helpers” (14 children)
- Officer Friendly- Tour and Presentation to Tiger Scouts “Community Helpers” (8 children)
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (44 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (8 Classes)
- Child Safety Seat Installation-Local (6 Seats)
- School Safety Committee Meeting
- Main Line Ministerium Meeting
- Townwatch Meeting

### **December, 2002**

- 2 Citizens Police Academy Classes
- Graduation Ceremony- 4<sup>TH</sup> Citizens Police Academy Class
- DARE Instructional Programs- T/E Middle School (33 Classes)
- DARE Instructional Programs- Woodlynde School (6 Classes)
- REACT - Distributed food and gift baskets to needy families
- Child Safety Seat Checkpoint -Local (5 Seats)
- Departmental Christmas Party
- Delivery of Anti Shoplifting Signs to local retail establishments
- School Safety Committee Meeting



## Tredyffrin Township Police Department 2002 Statistics



	<b>General Information</b>		<b>Vehicle Fleet</b>
<b>Population</b>	* 29062	<b>Marked Cars</b>	12
<b>Area/Square Miles</b>	19.8	<b>Unmarked Cars</b>	2
<b>Total Highway Miles</b>	157.33	<b>Detectives</b>	5
<b>Township Highway Miles</b>	106.67	<b>Administrative</b>	3
<b>State Highway Miles</b>	50.66	<b>Special Purpose</b>	3
<b>Schools</b>	13	<b>Total Vehicles</b>	25
<b>Parks</b>	14		

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\*2000 Census



# TREDYFFRIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 2002 Statistics



	2001	2002	Percent Change
<b>Accident Investigations</b>	1126	1196	6
<b>Calls for Service</b>	25393	24185	-5
<b>Criminal Arrests</b>	842	647	-23
<b>Traffic Arrests - Citations and other traffic arrests</b>	9195	6083	-34
<b>Non-Traffic Citations</b>	313	251	-20
<b>Warnings Issued</b>	1454	1416	-3

## **GENERAL STATISTICS**

**2002**

The General Statistics for the Tredyffrin Township Police Department during 2002 reveal a 5% reduction in the number of calls-for-service for the past year and an 11% reduction since 2000. 2002 general statistics also reveal that crime reported to the Tredyffrin Township Police Department decreased 15% overall, with an 8% reduction in serious crime and an 18% reduction in secondary crime. The reduction in calls-for-service, coupled with a significant decrease in crime point toward a very positive outlook for the community with respect to providing a safe environment in which to raise a family or locate a business.

The Police Department is extremely proud of this most significant improvement in public safety in our community. Our elected and appointed leaders in Tredyffrin Township are invited to share in this realized goal of a safer community.

## Crime Statistics 1999-2002

### *Grand Totals*

<u>Crime</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
Part One Crimes	517	541	500	461
Part Two Crimes	1170	1173	1251	1030
Grand Total	1687	1714	1754	1491
<i>Percent Change</i>	NA	+ .2%	+.2%	-15%

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## **Crime Statistics 1999-2002**

### *Part One Crimes*

<u>Crime</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
Homicide	0	0	0	1
Rape	2	1	0	6
Robbery	3	9	9	9
Assault	41	33	42	44
Burglary	49	50	57	55
Theft	395	420	370	332
Motor Vehicle Theft	25	27	20	11
Arson	2	1	5	3
Total	517	541	503	461

## *Part Two Crimes*

<u>Crime</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>
Fraud	14	37	15	48
Bad Checks	34	59	71	41
Embezzlement	0	3	0	0
Stolen Property	4	17	5	7
Criminal Mischief	213	229	201	212
Weapons	1	2	4	2
Sex Offenses	6	5	9	7
Indecent Exposure	9	5	6	2
Narcotics	56	66	85	49
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Domestic	213	213	218	180
DUI	183	176	214	160
Liquor Laws	18	19	39	37
Public Drunkenness	20	35	30	18
DC/Harassment	372	239	291	205
All Other Crimes	27	68	63	62
Total	1170	1173	1251	1030

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**Crime Statistics 1999 - 2002**

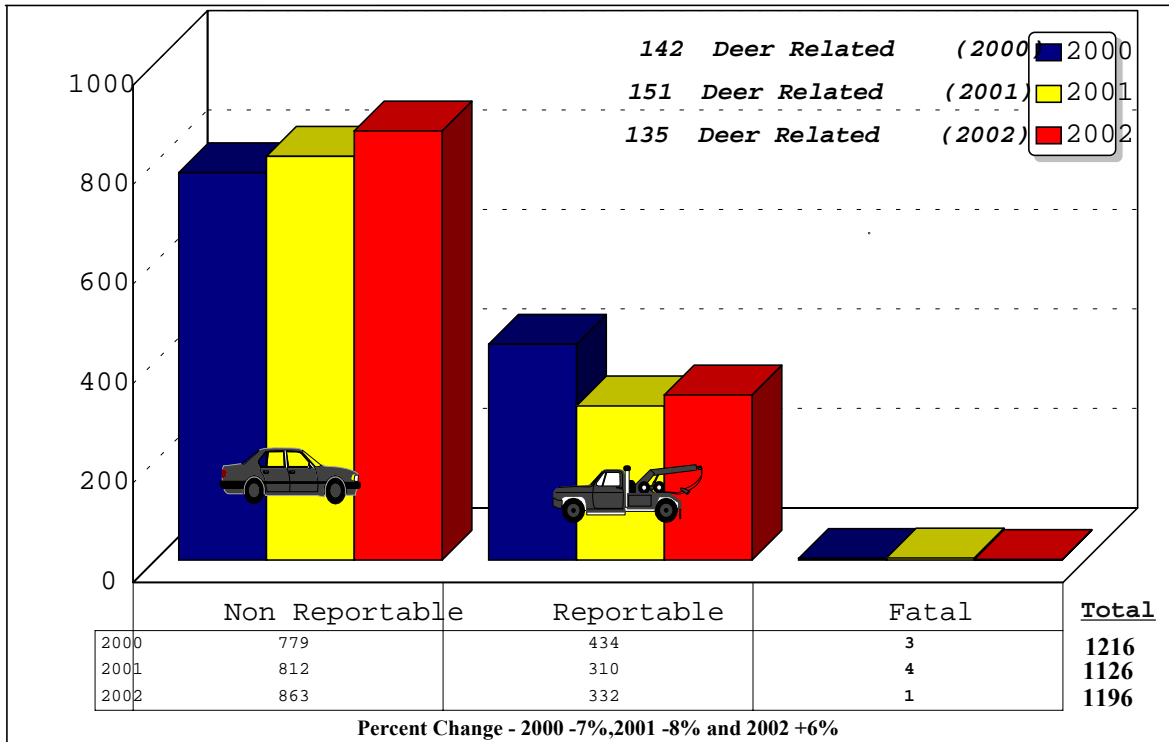
<b><u>Crime</u></b>	<b><u>2002</u></b>	<b><u>2001</u></b>	<b><u>2000</u></b>	<b><u>1999</u></b>
Homicide	1	0	0	0
Rape	6	0	1	2
Robbery	9	9	9	3
Assault	44	42	33	41
Burglary	55	57	50	49
Theft	332	370	420	395
Motor Vehicle Theft	11	20	27	25
Arson	3	5	1	2
Fraud	48	15	37	14
Bad Checks	41	71	59	34
Embezzlement	0	0	3	0
Stolen Property	7	5	17	4
Criminal Mischief	212	201	229	213
Weapons	2	4	2	1
Sex Offenses	7	9	5	6
Indecent Exposure	2	6	5	9
Narcotics	49	85	66	56
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Domestic	180	218	213	213
DUI	160	214	176	183
Liquor Laws	37	39	19	18
Public Drunkenness	18	30	35	20
DC/Harassment	205	291	239	372
All Other Crimes	62	63	68	27



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## Accident Analysis - 2002



## **ACCIDENT ANALYSIS**

Overall, vehicle crashes in Tredyffrin Township increased 6% from 2001 to 2002, with a total of 70 more accidents occurring during 2002. However, the raw numbers do not depict an accurate account of the entire picture. Vehicle accidents, more particularly described as “vehicle crashes” as most accidents are not quite as “accidental” as one might suspect, should be divided into three categories: 1. Reportable Crashes; 2. Non-Reportable Crashes; and 3. Fatalities. Here in Tredyffrin Township, it is also important to add a fourth category: Deer Related Crashes. Please refer to the section, “**DEER RELATED INCIDENTS,**” for a statistical analysis of deer crashes.

### **REPORTABLE CRASHES:**

Reportable crashes are defined as those crashes in which the driver, vehicle occupant, pedestrian, or bicyclist is injured, or the damage to any vehicle is so severe as to render the vehicle inoperable. During the calendar year 2002, reportable crashes increased 7% from 310 during 2001 to 332 during 2002.

### **NON-REPORTABLE CRASHES:**

Non-reportable crashes are defined as the converse of reportable crashes. Stated another way, non-reportable crashes are those crashes where no one was injured and the vehicle was able to be removed from the crash scene under its own power. Although Commonwealth law does not require one to report these crashes to the police, some individuals and, more particularly, their insurance companies, request a police investigation nonetheless. As such, the police department can count those non-reportable crashes that are actually reported to the police, but there is no way to know what percent of these type crashes are reported or actually occur in the Township.

Those non-reportable crashes reported to the police department increased by 6% from 812 during 2001 to 863 during 2002.



**FATALITIES:**

Fatal crashes increased by 75% during 2002 from 4 during 2001 to 1 during the calendar year 2002.

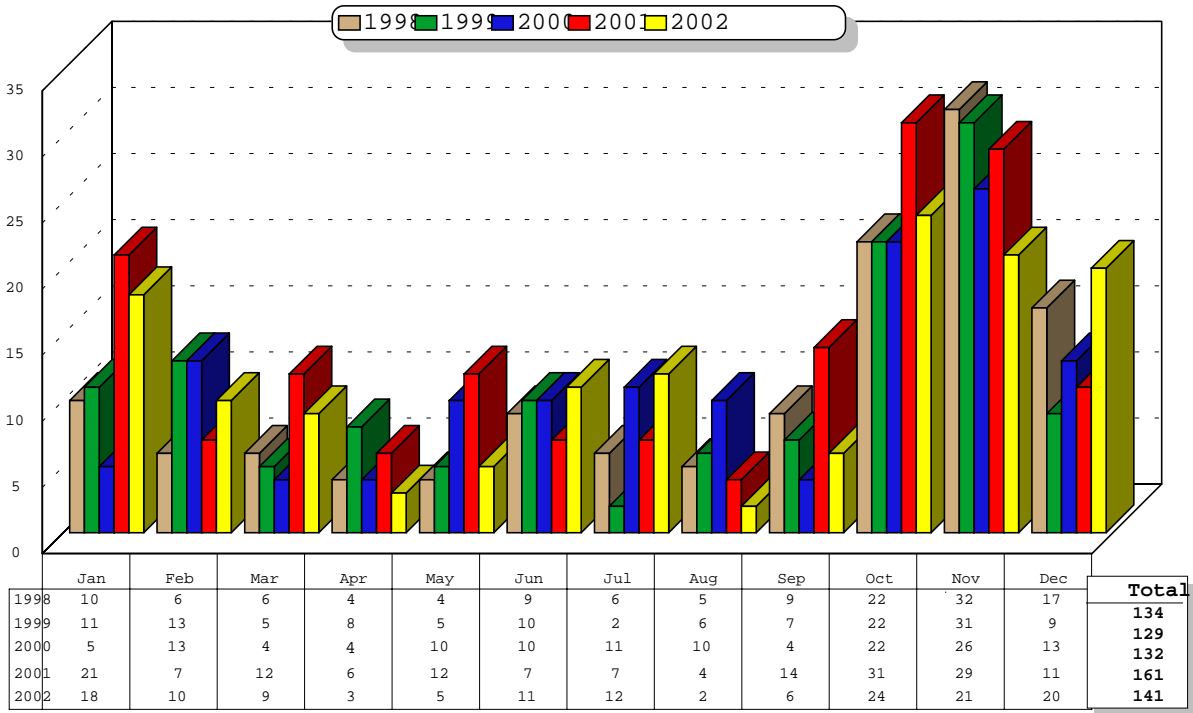
**DEER RELATED CRASHES:**

Deer related incidents defined as all incidents involving deer, decreased 10% between 2001 and 2002. In raw figures, that equates to a decrease of 16 incidents, from 151 during 2001 to 135 during 2002. By far, the vast majority of deer related incidents involved deer crashes – 96% or 135 deer crashes out of a total of 141 deer related incident sin the Township.



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## Deer Incidents 1998-2002



Percent Change - 1998 +10%, 1999 -4%, 2000 +2%, 2001 +21.9% and 2002 -12%

## **DEER RELATED INCIDENTS**

Deer related incidents, defined as all incidents involving deer, decreased 12% between 2001 and 2002. In raw figures, that equates to a decrease of 20 incidents from 161 during 2001 to 141 during 2002. By far, the vast majority of deer related incidents involved vehicle crashes -- 96% or 135 crashes out of a total of 141 deer related incidents.

Viewed in dollars and cents, if one considers \$1,000 to be the average cost to repair a vehicle after a deer crash, and I suggest that \$1,000 is a low but very real estimate, then residents and visitors of Tredyffrin township suffered over \$135,000 in property loss due to deer crashes during the calendar year 2002. During the past three years, residents and visitors of Tredyffrin Township suffered a loss of almost \$430,000 due to deer crashes and a loss of approximately \$1.4 million over the past ten years.

Although deer related traffic crashes decreased 10% during 2002, this should not be seen as either a victory or a turning point with respect to vehicle crashes involving deer. The actual number of accidents during 2002 was as high as in 1996 when the Board of Supervisors first decided to authorize hunting in Township parks by a professional archery association. Without this courageous step taken by the Board of Supervisors it is clear that accidents involving deer today would be far greater than current levels. Therefore, it is suggested that any and all efforts to kill the deer herd in Tredyffrin Township be continued and further encouraged to lessen the property loss and/or cost associated with deer crashes.

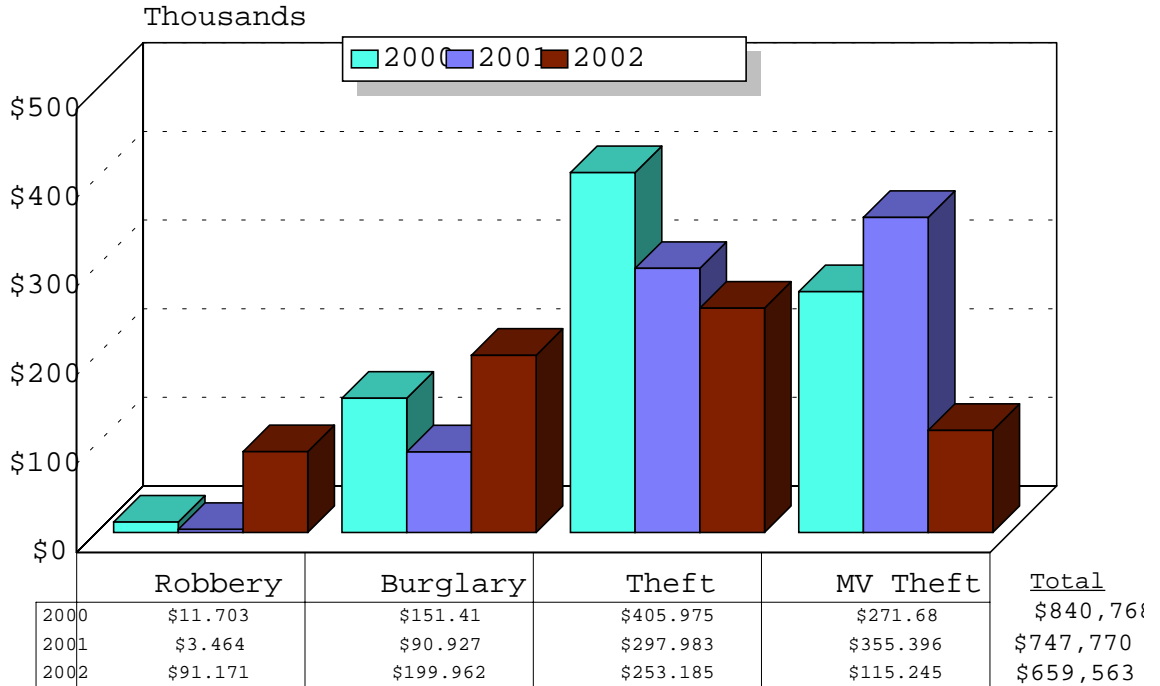
	<u><b>2002</b></u>	<u><b>2001</b></u>	<u><b>% Change</b></u>
<b>Deer Incidents</b>	141	161	-12%
<b>Deer Crashes</b>	135	151	+10%



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## Property Loss Comparison



'01 - '02 Change +2532%

+120%

-15%

-68%

## PROPERTY LOSS

Crime related property loss to residents and visitors of Tredyffrin Township decreased 13% during the calendar year 2002 from \$747,770 to \$659,563 a reduction of \$88,207. During the three year period from 2000 to 2002, residents and visitors of Tredyffrin Township realized an overall 11% reduction in crime related property loss. Over a five year period from 1998 to 2002, crime related property loss has been reduced by 53%. The following is an itemized list of property loss during 2001 for specific crimes:

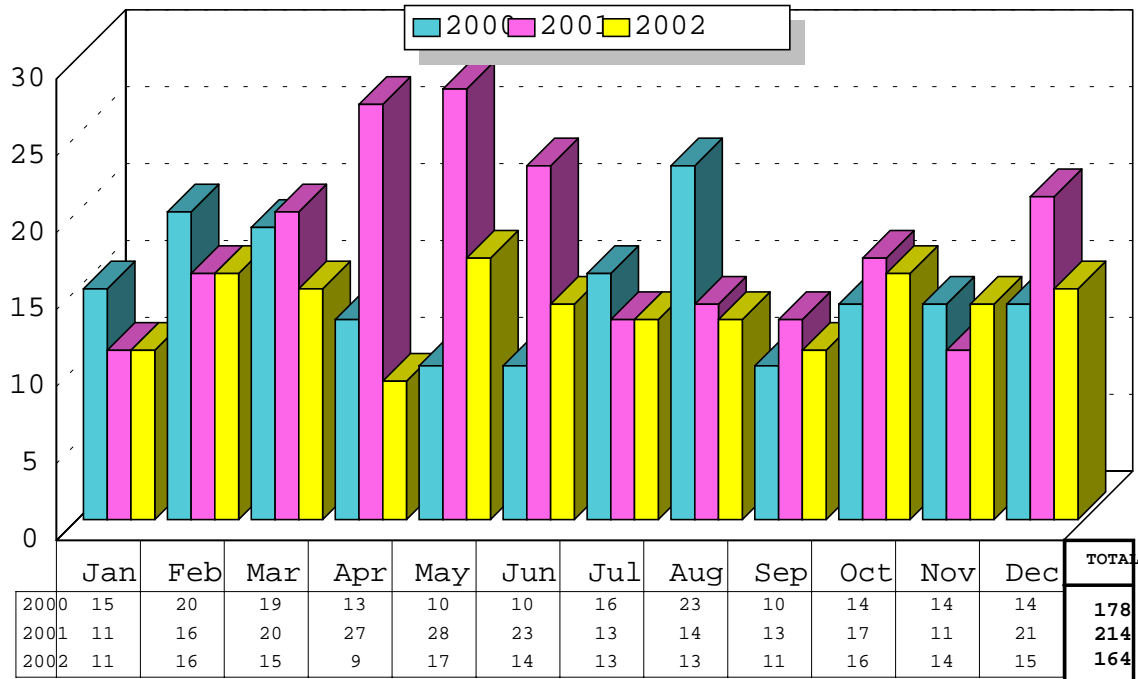
Robbery	+2532%	up \$87,707 from \$3,464 to \$91,171
Burglary	+ 120%	up \$109,035 from \$90,927 to \$199,962
Theft	-15%	down \$41,798 from \$297,983 to \$253,185
Motor Vehicle	-68%	down \$240,151 from \$355,396 to \$115,245



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## DUI Arrests 2000-2002



Percent Change - 2000 -11%, 2001 +20% and 2002 -23%

## **DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE**

The Tredyffrin Township Police Department places high emphasis on searching for DUI drivers in an attempt to lower fatalities in the township due to alcohol and/or drug related vehicle crashes and to lessen the overall personal injury and property loss due to vehicle crashes. During the calendar year 2001, the police department arrested 214 individuals for Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs. That was the highest of any Chester County law enforcement agency and an achievement of which the police department won an award during 2001 from the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) organization.

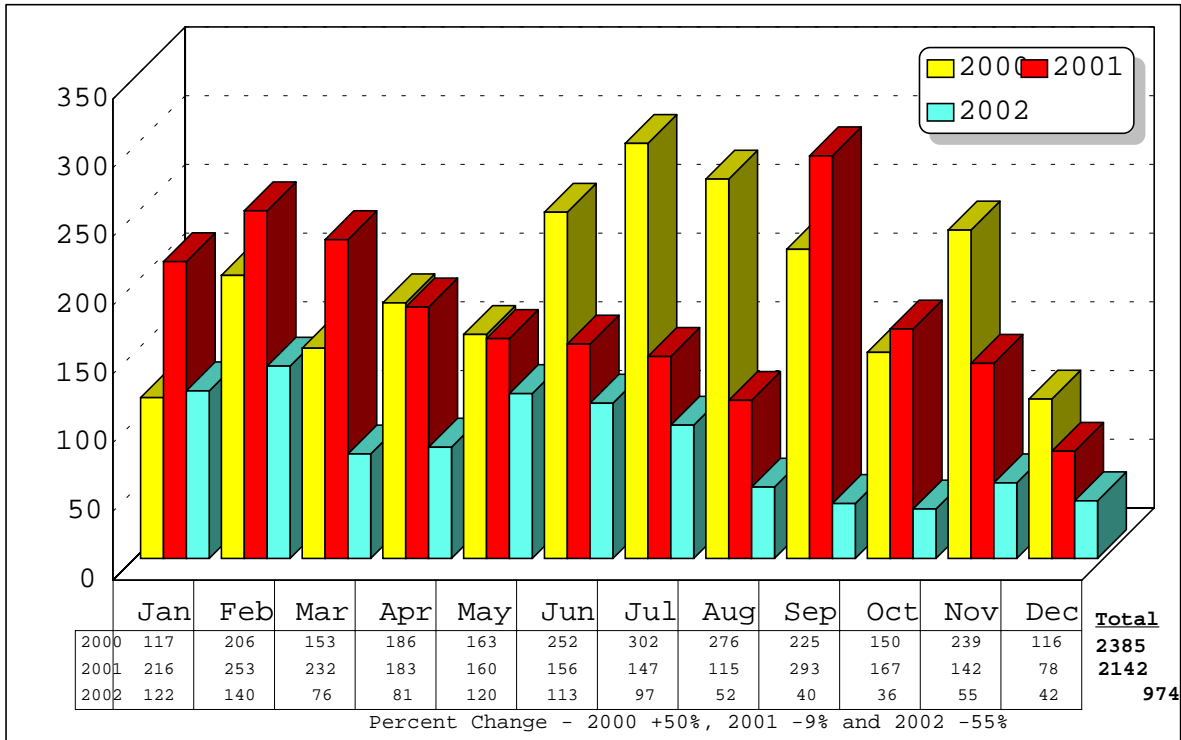
During the calendar year 2002, Tredyffrin Township Police Department realized a 23% decrease in DUI arrests by handling 164 such incidents. Although statistics are not yet available from other Chester County law enforcement agencies, I suggest that our figures in this category are again the highest in Chester County.



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## Traffic Squad Citations / Warnings





## **TRAFFIC SAFETY UNIT STATISTICS**

Traffic arrests and written warnings issued by the Traffic Safety Unit fell 55% during calendar year 2002. The decrease during 2002 may be attributed to additional responsibilities placed on the Unit by the Superintendent and sporadic reassignment of Traffic Safety Unit personnel to the Patrol function to fill as many as eight vacancies that existed in the patrol force during 2002. All in all, the Traffic Squad provides a valuable service to the residents and visitors of Tredyffrin Township and should be viewed as the “go-to” unit when special projects need to be accomplished.

Now that Tredyffrin Township Police Department is staffed at its full authorized strength, the Traffic Safety Unit has been reconfigured during early 2003 with additional personnel assigned and an emphasis placed on the unit’s goals and objectives. Specific emphasis has been placed on the productivity of the Traffic Safety Unit during 2003 with high expectations for specific results.

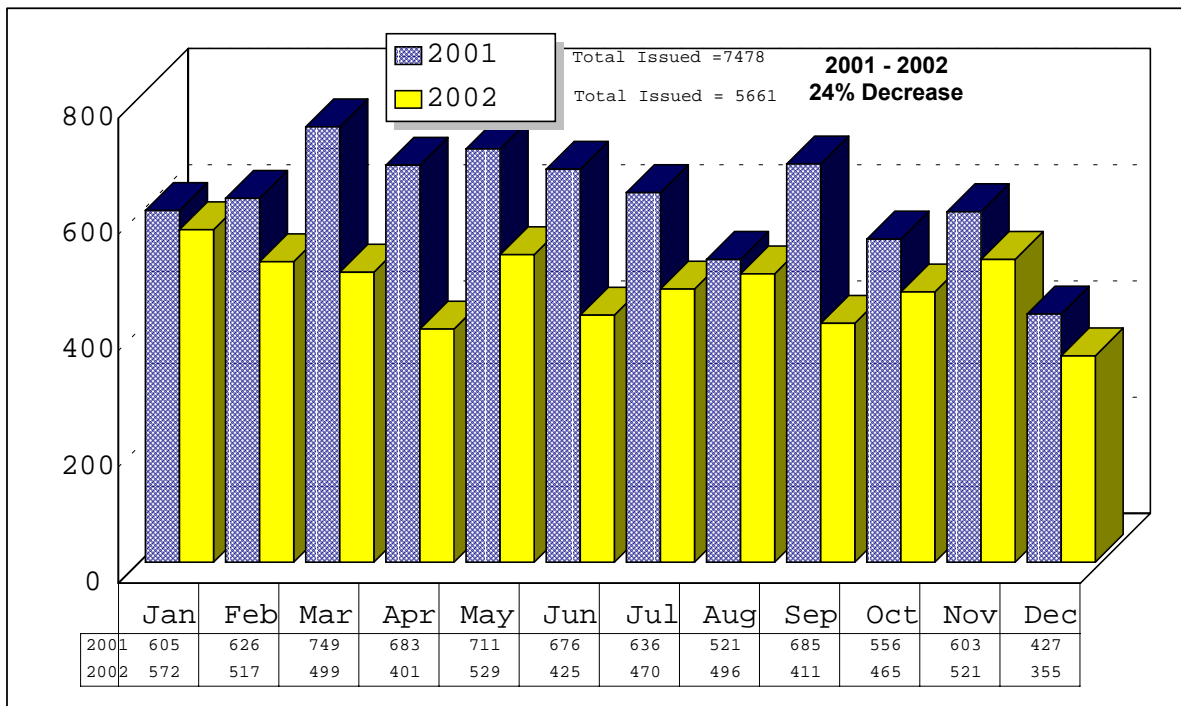
The placement of emphasis during 2003 on the Traffic Safety Unit’s goals and objectives is a double edged sword and this special cautionary note should be recalled at the end of 2003 when next year’s annual report is prepared. The cautionary note has specifically to do with the number of calls-for-service during 2003. Because vehicle stops for traffic violations are counted as a call-for-service, the Traffic Safety Unit’s emphasis on making an impact on traffic violations during 2003 will most assuredly have an impact on the total number of calls-for-service during 2003. Stated another way, 2002's reduction in calls-for-service over 2001 may actually be an artificial reduction in that category given the fact that the Traffic Safety Unit has been working at minimal staffing throughout 2002.



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## Total Citations Issued 2001 / 2002

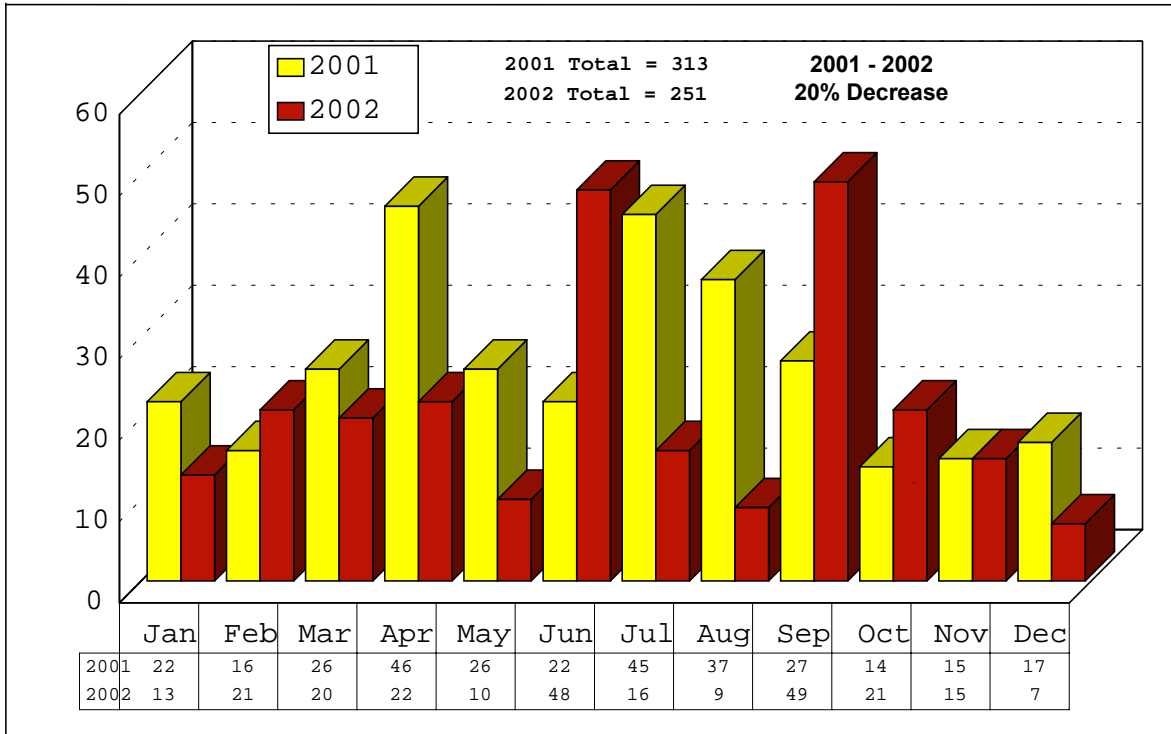




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## Non - Traffic Citations Issued 2001



## **NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS**

Non-traffic citations is the official name in Pennsylvania for the issuance of a criminal summons for violation of a summary criminal offense, the lowest of all criminal offenses in the Commonwealth. More specifically, it is similar to a traffic ticket in that a police officer may stop an individual and issue a summons on a minor criminal offense, such as a quality of life violation, or mail the summons to the offender's residence at a later date.

During 2002, Tredyffrin Township Police Department issued 251 such criminal summons for minor quality of life violations, such as disorderly conduct and similar offenses. This represents a 17% increase in the issuance of summons since 2000.

# Animal Control Responses

Type of Call	Number of Calls
Lost and Found Animals	118
Barking Dogs	39
Dog Bites	8
Other Animal Bites	1
Animals at Large	137
Cruelty Investigations	13
Sick/Injured Animals*	63
Miscellaneous Animal Complaints	271
Telephone Contacts	429
Deer Complaints	141
	<b>2002 Total Responses = 1220</b>
*Deer Excluded	

## ANIMAL CONTROL RESPONSES

The Animal Control function of the police department realized an 8% increase in overall calls-for- service during calendar year 2002 by handling 89 additional calls-for-service 1,220 during 2002 versus 1,131 during 2001. It should be additionally noted that there has been a 23% increase in the animal control function of the Police Department since 2000. The following is an analysis of those calls for service:

Lost/Found Animal	+26%
Barking Dog	-51%
Dog Bite	-50%
Other Animal Bite	-67%
Animal at Large	-12%
Cruelty	+333%
Sick/Injured Animal	-50%
Misc.	-3%
Telephone Contacts	+38%
Deer Complaints	-12%*

\*For analysis of deer related issues, please refer to individual pages identified as “**DEER RELATED INCIDENTS**” and “**ACCIDENT ANALYSIS.**”



# Tredyffrin Twp. Police



## 2002 Revenue

Source	Revenue Generated
Motor Vehicle Fines	\$120,955
Ordinances	\$36,122
Alarms (permits and fines)	\$58,575
Parking Tickets	\$6,851
Accident / Incident Reports	\$18,120
Civilian Fingerprinting	\$1,340
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$241,963</b>

## REVENUE

Revenue generated by the police department fell 20% during 2002 with \$241,963 generated through various sources as compared to \$302,721 generated during calendar year 2001. The following is an itemized list of revenue generated during 2002 with comparisons to 2001:

<u>Source</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Motor Vehicle Fines	\$120,955	\$158,409	-24%
Ordinances	\$36,122	\$45,907	-21%
Alarms	\$58,757	\$66,110	-11%
Parking Tickets	\$ 6,851	\$13,280	-48%
Reports	\$18,120	\$17,732	+2%
Fingerprinting	\$1,340	\$1,283	+4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$241,963</b>	<b>\$302,721</b>	<b>-20%</b>





# Tredyffrin Twp. Police



## Personnel Assignments 2002

Title	Personnel
<b>Administration</b>	<b>4</b>
Superintendent	1
Captain	1
Lieutenants	2
<b>Patrol Division</b>	<b>42</b>
Sergeants	6
Patrol Officers	30
Traffic Sergeant	1
Traffic Squad Officers	3
D.A.R.E. Officer (T/S)	1
Crime Prevention Officer	1
<b>Detective Division</b>	<b>5</b>
Detective Sergeant	1
Detectives (Persons and Property Crimes)	3
Detective (Juvenile Cases)	1
<b>Support Staff</b>	<b>9</b>
Police Civilian Quartermaster	1
Civilian Secretaries	2
Civilian Receptionist/Dispatcher	1
Civilian Records Clerk	1
Crime Prevention Clerk/Typist	1
Data Entry Operators (1 Part Time)	2
Animal Control Officer	1

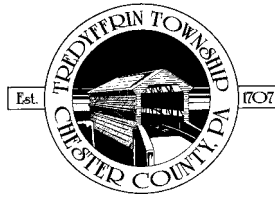
## PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS

There are currently 60 individuals employed by Tredyffrin Township assigned to the police department. Of those, 51 are sworn personnel (police officers) and 9 are staff support (non-sworn personnel). With respect to the sworn personnel, 82% are assigned to the Patrol function to respond to 911 calls-for-service. Of the remaining 18%, 10% are assigned to the Criminal Investigative function and conduct follow-up investigations for those assigned to the Patrol function to allow them additional time to perform proactive patrols. The remaining 8% are the administration staff in the police department, including the Superintendent, Captain and two Lieutenants, all of whom will from time to time respond to answer 911 calls-for-service to provide assistance to those assigned to the Patrol function.

The following is a statistical analysis of personnel assignments in the police department:

<b><u>Function</u></b>	<b><u>% of Sworn Staff</u></b>	<b><u>% of All Staff</u></b>
Patrol	82%	70%
Administration	8%	7%
Criminal Investigation	10%	8%
Support Staff	n/a	15%

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## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS Departmental

- FBI National Academy Associates- FBINAA
- Southern Police Institute - SPI
- International Association of Chiefs of Police
- Police Executive Research Forum - PERF
- Pennsylvania Accreditation Coalition - PAC
- Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies - CALEA
- Delaware Valley Association of Professional Police Officials
- Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association
- Southeastern PA Chiefs Association
- Chester County Chiefs of Police Association
- Southeast Regional Command
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving
- National Tactical Officers Association
- Pennsylvania Narcotics Officers Association
- Chester County Municipal Drug Task Force
- Chester County EMS Council
- American Heart Association
- Chester County Police and Fire Hero Scholarship Fund
- ACTAR
- Pennsylvania Juvenile Officers Association
- MAGLOCLLEN
- Municipal Police Officers Education and Training Commission - MPOETC
- Chester County Council on Addictive Diseases - COAD
- South East Tactical Association - SETA
- Chester County Arson Task Force

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**  
**Activities and Affiliations by Department Members**

- Fire Department Services
- Tredyffrin Police Honor Guard
- Special Operations Team
- Pennsylvania State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police
- Chester County Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police
- Coaching youth league sports: baseball, wrestling, soccer, hockey
- Church leaders and teachers
- Church programs
- High School sports coaching
- Chester Valley Sportsman Association
- Youth Trout Derby
- YMCA mentor program
- United States Canine Association
- Aviation
- Emergency Medical Technician
- K9 socialization program for the disabled
- Special Olympics
- Variety Club
- United States Marine Corps Reserve
- Boy Scouts of America
- National Association of Traffic Accident Reconstructionists
- American Board of Forensic Examiners



# Perfect Attendance



The following Officers are to be congratulated:

Det. Sgt. John Bailey  
Sgt. Timothy Barrar  
Det. Todd Bereda  
Ofc. Robert Bostick  
Ofc. Stephanie Burns  
Ofc. Joseph Butler  
Capt. Andrew Chambers  
Lt. Stephen Dintino  
Ofc. Allen Dori  
Ofc. Andrew Harhut  
Supt. Richard Harkness  
Det. Brian Hughes  
Ofc. Kreg Isleib  
Ofc. Leon Jaskuta  
Sgt. Taro Landis  
Ofc. Christopher Lovera  
Ofc. Daniel McFadden  
Det. Lester Neri  
Ofc. Ryan Scott  
Sgt. Edward Spiller  
Ofc. Thomas Tartaglio

The following civilian employees are to be congratulated:

Vivian Allison

# Tredyffrin Township Police Department

## Officer Of The Year



# Officer Joseph Glatts

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## RETIREMENTS

The following Officers are to be recognized for their many years of service to the citizens of Tredyffrin Twp.

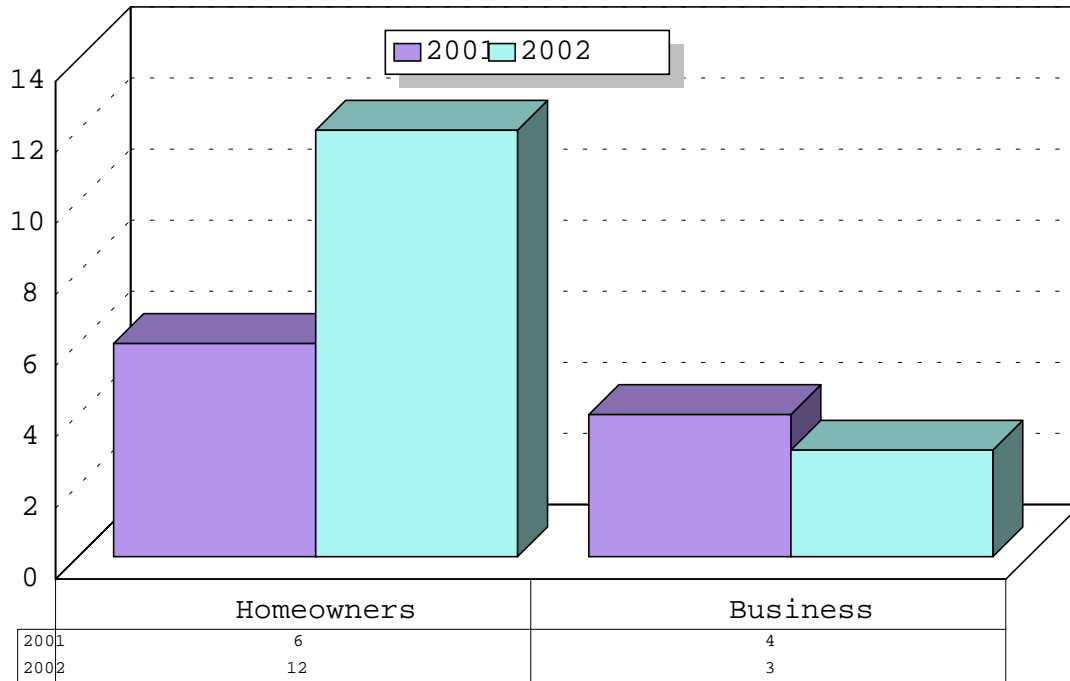
	Years of Service	Years Served
Sgt. Joseph Carbo	34	1968 - 2002
Officer James Erkert	28	1974 - 2002
Officer Steven McFarland	27	1975 - 2002



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## Crime Prevention Surveys - 2001/2002







# Tredyffrin Twp. Police



## Needy Families/Food Baskets 2001/2002

