# BRYAN POLICE DEPARTMENT 2012 ANNUAL REPORT



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### A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



Eric Buske Chief of Police

Law enforcement agencies are constantly faced with challenges. The men and women of the Bryan Police Department gladly rise to these challenges and will continue to distinguish themselves by routinely demonstrating the highest levels of professionalism and resourcefulness as we move forward, providing outstanding service to the citizens of the City of Bryan. To the Citizens of Bryan,

On behalf of the Bryan Police Department, I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the year 2012. This report recognizes many of our Department's achievements for the past year. As you review this report, you will see that our organization is dynamic and continually seeking improvement in order to provide excellent police services for our community.

The Bryan Police Department continues its commitment to Community Oriented Policing. As a Police Department we are active members of the Bryan community. We also demonstrate our dedication to Community Oriented Policing through programs such as the Neighborhood Enforcement Team (NET), our English and Spanish language Citizen Police Academies and our School Resource Officers in high schools and middle schools.

CompStat is the cornerstone of our crime fighting efforts. CompStat seeks to reduce crime through the use of crime analysis, better communication and a problem solving approach. As you will see when you review our crime stats for 2012, we enjoyed reductions in seven of the eight UCR Part I crimes and an overall 17% reduction in Part I crimes. This follows a 19% reduction in Part I crimes in 2011 and a 12% reduction in Part I crimes in 2010. Overall, Part I crimes are down 41% over the past three years. These reductions would not have been possible without the support of our community and the hard work of the men and women of the Bryan Police Department, some of whom you will read about later in this report.

In December of 2012, we had our on-site inspection from assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). These inspections occur every three years and based on the results of the on-site inspection, we anticipate being re-accredited in March of 2013.

Sincerely,

Eric Buske Chief of Police

### **ASSISTANT CHIEFS**



Curtis Darby Assistant Chief of Police Investigative Services Bureau

We continue to strive to make customer service our priority and be good stewards of our resources.



Wayland Rawls Assistant Chief of Police Patrol Services Bureau

As the Assistant Chief of the Patrol Services Bureau, I am proud of the men and women of the Bryan Police Department and our 2012 accomplishments. 2012 has proven to be another successful year for the Investigative Services Bureau. Clearance rates continue to be well above the national average and our Crime Scene Unit is fully staffed with the hiring of a second technician. Intake was also brought up to full staff this year with the hiring of two intake specialists. We have embraced technology while working with the prosecutors' offices allowing for the electronic transfer of cases. The Criminal Intelligence Unit (CIU) leads our weekly CompStat meetings where information is gathered and disseminated to all of the other divisions of the department, patrol, criminal investigations (CID), neighborhood enforcement (NET), drug enforcement (DET), directed deployment (DDT) and motors (traffic). The sharing of this critical information on a weekly basis enables the department to impact crime.

The Patrol Services Bureau of the Bryan Police Department had a productive 2012. We have continued to strive for operational efficiency, crime reduction and customer service. With the utilization of CompStat and focused efforts, it was our third consecutive year with a reduction in Uniform Crime Report Part One crimes. Our officers responded to 67,824 calls for service and conducted a total of 22,792 traffic stops. Directed patrols were utilized to apprehend wanted fugitives and to target known criminals and problem areas in an effort to further decrease crime. Our Training and Recruiting Unit had a busy year as we welcomed seven new police officers and three new civilian members to the Department. We also conducted over 1100 hours of training.

# FALLEN OFFICER SPOTLIGHT



The Bryan Police Department seal was established in 2007. The seal has a picture of the Bryan Police Department's badge and the year the City of Bryan was incorporated.

There are six stars represented on the seal. Each star represents an officer fallen in the line of duty.

The fourth star represents City Marshal McDuffie Wilcox Murdock, who was shot to death in December of 1888.



Here is Officer Murdock's story:

Around 8:00 p.m. Bryan City Marshal M. Wilcox obtained a warrant for Earl Knox, 17 or 18 years old, for burglary. Marshal Wilcox was accompanied by Brazos County Constable R. H. Smith and Deputy City Marshals John P. Chance, Levi Neal and Laith Lougbridge. Wilcox, Neal and Lougbridge approached the house from the front, while Smith and Chance took positions around the house to cut off any escape. Lougbridge was walking in front of the other two lawmen and called for Knox to come outside. Knox fired a Winchester rifle at Marshal Wilcox, striking him under the left chest, above the heart. It was dark and Knox made his escape.

Marshal Wilcox fired several shots, but he was mortally wounded and his aim was wild. Wilcox died about 9:00 p.m., having asked those present to look after his family. The newspapers reported that Wilcox was a brave, kind-hearted man, whose reluctance to use his weapon was well known, and at last, doubtless, cost him his life.

Knox was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to 9 years in prison. He was sentenced to 8 years in prison for burglary and related charges.

Wilcox was survived by his wife and two daughters. He was buried in the Seale Family Cemetery in Brazos County.





# NEIGHBORHOOD ENFORCEMENT TEAM

### LICENSED ALCOHOL PREMISES

During 2012, the Neighborhood Enforcement Team's continued partnership with other city representatives, the District Attorney's Office and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission allowed us to focus our attention on licensed alcohol premises. One location was well known to interrupt the sleep of residents in the area due to the loud music from vehicles that continuously circled the block of the establishment, as well as near riots, open air drug sales, and shootings for a number of years. Due to the number of calls and the tremendous drain on police resources, plans were made to protest the renewal of the establishment's alcohol permit and begin nuisance abatement proceedings. The owner, after considering that they couldn't improve the safety at the location, decided that it was in their best interest to relinguish their alcohol permit and sell the business. We are happy to report that today the location is an empty lot, and no longer a nuisance to the residents in the area or a drain on Police Department resources.

### **CRIME FREE MULTI HOUSING**

For 2012, the Neighborhood Enforcement Team was able to continue its mission of community outreach, and thanks to a Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing grant we were able to expand the unit by one. With this addition we have been able to focus on a very progressive program called Crime Free Multi Housing. The program consists of three phases that must be completed under our supervision. The anticipated benefits are reduced police calls for service, a more stable resident base, and reduced exposure to civil liability.

### **NEIGHBORHOODS & SCHOOLS**

NET officers made presentations at approximately 90 neighborhood meetings, homeowner's association meetings, or other organizations throughout the city. These meetings generally cover crime prevention tips that run the gamut from home safety to identity theft. In addition to these meetings, officers of the Bryan Police Department had the opportunity to attend the approximately 30 National Night Out parties that were held throughout the city. These NNO parties are an excellent opportunities for citizens to meet BPD officers in a non threatening environment.

NET officers also made presentations at both the Citizens Police Academy and the Spanish Citizens Police Academy, as well as walk and talks to our majority student complexes stressing the need for crime prevention practices.





The Neighborhood Enforcement Team continues to do presentations and interact with the kids of the community, which is mainly accomplished through fingerprinting events. These are just a few of the events where NET officers fingerprinted kids:

- City of Bryan Parks & Recreation Summer Camp
- Police Camp at the Children's Museum
- National Night Out Kick Off Party at Target

These events allowed the Bryan Police Department to have positive interactions with the over 700 kids that were fingerprinted, and to talk crime prevention with the parents of those children.

### **CRIME STATISTICS**



We have steadily decreased the crime rate in the City of Bryan since 2010 in all areas.

The Bryan Police Department received 67,824 calls for service in 2012. This number is approximately 506 calls for service less than what the police department received in 2011. There were 2,806 Uniform Crime Report (UCR) Part I crimes reported in Bryan in 2012 compared to 3,366 UCR Part I crimes reported in 2011. There were 560 fewer Part I offenses reported to the Bryan Police Department in 2012, a decrease of approximately 17%.

The decreases were seen in seven of the eight UCR Part I Crimes. We had one homicides in 2012 compared with two in 2011. Our greatest percentage decreases were in the area of violent crimes, where aggravated assaults decreased by 35% and Robberies decreased by 12% giving an overall decrease of 27%. Our property crimes showed a 15% overall decrease with thefts down by 11%, burglaries down 27%, arsons dropped 42%, and auto thefts fell 7%. Our only Part I increase was sexual assaults, which increased by 10 cases in 2012. Overall, there has been a 41% reduction in Part I crime since 2009.



# **CRIME STATISTICS**



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# **CRIME STATISTICS**



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# TRAINING & RECRUIT<mark>ING</mark>

The Bryan Police Department is a Civil Service Agency accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, (CALEA). We strive "to protect and enhance the quality of life through excellence in service for a safer tomorrow".

The Bryan Police Department seeks out qualified, competent, and professional individuals for employment. During the course of 2012 the Recruiting Unit attended multiple job fairs across the State of Texas to recruit a diverse pool of applicants to fill our vacant positions. We were able to hire seven probationary police officers and three civilian employees in 2012.

The Training Unit conducted a total of 1164 in-service training hours during 2012. The in-service training for 2012 was designed to focus on enhancing officer safety and awareness. The courses taught during in-service training consisted of Defensive Tactics, Use of Force, Survival Mindset, Advanced Firearms and Startle Response to Ambush.

The Bryan Police Department hosted multiple courses taught by outside instructors that were attended by officers from our department and officers from surrounding agencies. The courses topics taught by outside instructors were SWAT Supervisors Liability class, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), Intermediate Spanish for Law Enforcement, Advanced Roadside Interview Techniques for Patrol Officers, and Law Enforcement Advanced DUI/DWI Reporting System.



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#### NEW EMPLOYEES

Gregory Blankenship Steven Foster Chase Leblanc Amber Luecke John Stubbs Seth Waller John Wommack Alyssa Laymance Deborah Hammond Sydney Metscher Probationary Police Officer Crime Scene Technician Intake Specialist Intake Specialist

### 2012 JOB FAIR RECRUITING

Fort Hood Army Career Program University of Texas San Antonio Prairie View A&M Texas State University Tarleton State University Sam Houston State University

# TRAFFIC SAFETY UNIT (TSU)

### IN 2012, THE TRAFFIC SAFETY UNIT (TSU) CONTINUED IN ITS PRIMARY GOAL OF INCREASING THE SAFETY OF THE DRIVING PUBLIC IN THE CITY OF BRYAN.

To achieve this goal, members of TSU actively enforced traffic law with a significant concentration on enforcing speed, cellphone use in school zones, and the most common accident locations as well as in areas of citizen traffic complaints and with DWI enforcement. TSU members also used speed and vehicle count data collection devices to help determine the traffic needs of the community and where to best deploy TSU resources. The speed trailer was deployed throughout citizen complaint areas to help educate drivers to their actual speed and help encourage voluntary compliance with the posted speed limits. Two members of TSU completed an additional 200 hours of specialized training to become certified Advanced Collision Reconstructionists. This training was instrumental in updating the manner in which fatality and fleet collisions are investigated. TSU was also able to select and purchase via a grant, a Leica robotic total station that gives TSU the ability to accurately map accident scenes with a higher degree of accuracy.



#### 2012 TOP TEN ACCIDENT LOCATIONS

1800 Briarcrest Drive	21 accidents
700 EVilla Maria	20 accidents
2100 E William Joel Bryan	18 accidents
800 EVilla Maria	18 accident
2200 Briarcrest Drive	16 accidents
3000 Briarcrest Drive	15 accidents
Briarcrest at NERF (on bridge)	15 accidents
3200 Freedom	13 accidents
600 EVilla Maria	12 accidents
600 N. Earl Rudder Fwy	12 accidents

The accidents in the three blocks at each of these locations can be directly attributed to the high volume of traffic through these locations. TSU has worked with TxDOT and the COB Traffic Engineer to find traffic solutions, including a requested speed study of E.WJB that may result in a speed limit adjustment.

TSU was the lead element, representing the City of Bryan, for the large procession for Constable Bachman's funeral. TSU also conducted high profile escorts for the Texas A&M Football Team to Kyle Field for several of the home football games of the 2012 season.

# DRUG ENFORCEMENT TEAM (DET)

The DET will continue working with local, county, state, and federal agencies to stem the flow of illegal drugs into the City of Bryan.



#### 2012 NARCOTICS SEIZED:

Powder cocaine:	179.5 grams
(6.33 ounces)	
Crack-cocaine:	193.35 grams
(6.82 ounces)	
Marijuana:	5249.53 grams
(185.17 ounces; 11.57 pounds	;)
Hydro marijuana:	5312.5 grams
(187.39 ounces; 11.71 pounds	;)
Methamphetamines:	30.11 grams
PCP:	973.4 grams
(34.34 ounces)	
MDMA:	707.9 grams
(24.97 ounces)	
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Dangerous drugs/other:	57.90 grams

#### 2012 ITEMS SEIZED:

Firearms	18
Currency	\$30,610.00
Vehicles	6

#### 2012 SEARCH WARRANTS:

No knock	4
Knock and announce	6
Other operations/contacts	48

#### 2012 ARRESTS:

Persons Arrested	46
Misdemeanor Charges filed	43
Felony charges filed	77

# DIRECTED DEPLOYMENT TEAM

### 2012 STATISTICS COLLECTED:

Arrested Persons:	366
Misdemeanor Charges:	548
Felony Charges:	127
DWI Arrests:	19
Traffic Contacts:	960
Citations Issued:	185
<b>Operations Conducted:</b>	114



Marijuana Seized:	5921.94 grams
Crack Cocaine Seized:	131.48 grams
Powder Cocaine Seized:	18.5 grams
Methamphetamine Seized:	34.92 grams
Money Seized:	\$15,508
Vehicles Seized:	2
Guns Seized:	10
Liquid Meth Seized:	22 pounds

DDT employed several methods to apprehend violators which have included undercover operations, surveillance, saturation patrols in identified problem areas, and utilization of information gathered from concerned citizens.



In 2012, the Directed Deployment Team continued to address trends identified by CompStat and apprehend offenders identified by Criminal Intelligence Unit.

The majority of the DDT staff is either currently assigned to the Tactical Response Team (TRT) or has had a previous assignment to the unit. The special training further facilitates the unquestioned command necessary to control violent offenders, such as criminal street gang members. All Officers assigned to DDT participate in the voluntary fitness program.

By the very nature of a vice crime unit, the DDT daily assignments may change on short notice to respond to a higher priority issue. Over the last year, DDT responded to several requests from within the department, as well as, requests from outside agencies. In the wake of Newtown Connecticut shooting, DDT supplemented the SRO staffing in the BISD elementary schools. DDT assisted the Drug Enforcement Team with the execution of multiple search warrants. Acting on information gathered by the Criminal Investigation Division and the Criminal Intelligence Unit, DDT located and apprehended multiple prolific criminals

Saturation patrols were an ongoing operation conducted in all areas of the City in 2012. The saturation patrol is a high visibility patrol method used to apprehend street level drug dealers, gather intelligence, and visit with concerned citizens.

### K-9 UNIT



The Bryan Police Department's K-9 unit completed another successful year. Their efforts resulted in the arrest of numerous felons and reduced the patrol officers' exposure to dangerous situations. The K-9 teams detected and recovered thousands of dollars worth of illegal drugs including marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, methamphetamines, and Ecstasy.

The K-9 Units are primarily utilized to answer alarm calls and back up patrol officers on in progress calls. They assisted other units within the police department, such as the Tactical Response Team, Directed Deployment Team, Drug Enforcement Team, and the Neighborhood Enforcement Team. The K-9 Units provided assistance to fellow law enforcement agencies in the Brazos Valley including the Brazos County Sheriff's Office, College Station Police Department, the Department of Public Safety, state and neighboring county agencies. The K-9 Handlers are always eager and ready to assist their fellow officers and their respective agencies. The K9 unit was also fortunate enough to become certified as K9 instructors in patrol, narcotics, and explosives.

The K-9 teams logged hundreds of hours of training in order to enhance their abilities. They train together one day every week and take four weeks throughout the year to conduct quarterly training. This training keeps the teams sharp and prepared for their patrol duties and for their annual recertification. Officers Hanks and Hauke along with their K-9 partners, Kohn and Falco, responded to over 900 calls for service in 2012.

> K-9 UNIT 2012 STATS Calls for service – 942 Traffic Stops – 731 Reports – 57 Citations – 231 Arrest Misdemeanor – 35 Arrest Felony – 12 Hours Worked – 2868

# **RESERVE POLICE FORCE**

Over the course of the year, reserve officers provided police services for the following events:

- Armadillo Dash Half Marathon/5K fund raiser
- Junior League's 5K fund raiser
- SOS Ministries 5K fund raiser
- Annual Fiestas Patrias Parade
- Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History Half Marathon/5K fund raiser
- Downtown Association's second annual Downtown Christmas Parade
- Bryan's annual Holiday Magic celebration in Sue Haswell Park

#### The Reserve Police Force in 2012:

- Provided the officers who conducted the foot patrol in downtown Bryan for its First Friday activities
- Provided the officers who staffed the 9R (Roving zone officer) patrol augmentation effort
- Provided the officers who worked the Retail Merchant Close Patrol program
- Provided officers to work more than twenty special events supported by the City of Bryan
- Logged over 3000 hours of duty



### EACH ONE OF THESE OFFICERS MAKES A VERY IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF THE CITY OF BRYAN AND ITS RESIDENTS.

During years past, the Bryan Reserve Police Force provided many hours of committed service to the residents of the City of Bryan. The year of 2012 was no different; it began with reserve officers providing police services for the annual celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday, and culminated with the unit's major function of the year...the annual Bryan/College Station Christmas Parade.

With few exceptions, the events supported by the reserve police are fund raisers conducted by non-profit organizations or they are events sponsored by the Bryan Parks & Recreation Department. And, were it not for the service provided by the reserve police these entities would have had to pay for their police support; thus, leaving fewer dollars available to support the good works of their organizations.

During 2012, the leadership team for the unit actively recruited applicants to become members of the force. This effort has been held in abeyance for several years due to the lack of an evening academy. However, the new cooperative agreement, between the Brazos Valley Council of Governments and the Capital Region Council of Governments, provides an opportunity for these applicants to complete a basic peace officer academy. The department is optimistic this effort will allow for the entry of new officers into the unit.

The eleven officers assigned to the reserve police have other careers which require much of their attention, but they have taken an oath to the Bryan Police Department to assist with its missions of preserving the peace, enforcing the laws and responding as needed for police emergencies.

# CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT

### 2012 OVERVIEW

The Criminal Intelligence Unit (CIU) gathers information from submitted reports, interviews, and crime tips in order to track trends and attempt to project future areas of criminal acts. This information is then shared with Bryan PD Officers and outside agencies in an effort to assist with reducing crime and assisting to solve crimes that have been committed. CIU is also tasked with tracking and documenting local gangs and their activities.

During the 2012 year, members of CIU handled a combined 474 requests for assistance from both Bryan PD Officers and outside agencies. Members of CIU gave expert testimony or assisted in local judicial proceedings which resulted in the issuance of a combined total of 151 years of incarceration time being sentenced to local gang members through Brazos County courts. CIU also executed and/or assisted with a total of 20 specialized operations throughout the past year. Through information gained by CIU, a total of 183 law enforcement informational bulletins were issued to local and surrounding agencies.





### Bryan PD Ten Most Wanted



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# CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

### The Citizens Police Academy (CPA)

The Citizens Police Academy (CPA) is a partnership with the Bryan Police Department and the citizens in our community. It is a chance for those who want to learn more about their local police department to get involved in a 10 week program. During the 10 weeks, citizens will learn about the different divisions of the Bryan Police Department and the tools we use to do our job. At the end of the program there is a ride along with a patrol officer and a graduation banquet. The program is free to citizens and in 2012 we hosted four classes. Two Spanish Language and Two English Language classes were held during the spring and fall. In 2012 we graduated a total of 83 citizens from the four academies. This past year they got to experience many topics to include but not limited to:

- Building Tour
- Patrol Shifts and Zones
- Intelligence Unit
- Drug Enforcement
- Emergency Response Units
- Traffic Stops
- 911 Tour
- Building Searches

- Organizational Structure
- K-9 Units
- Training and Recruiting
- Direct Deployment Team
- DWI Laws and Fatal Vision Simulations
- Neighborhood Enforcement Team
- Mock Crime Scene
- Defense Tactics/Weapons

### The Citizens Police Alumni Program (CPAAA)

This was a great year for our CPA Alumni Programs. Our Alumni Program (CPAAA) was very active in 2012. They donated Halloween bags and glow sticks for trick-or-treaters this year. They also volunteered countless hours helping with community events and the Citizens Police Academy classes. They participated in many events like Blue Angel, Radio Mash, holiday parades and much more.

> We thoroughly enjoy the friendships and partnerships that we make through our Citizens Police Academy Programs. Their participation helps us connect better with our citizens and allows our CPA programs to shine.







# **EMPLOYEE AWARDS**

### 2012 Service Awards

#### 5 Years

Chris Albarado William Challis Chris Cox Will Fleming Chris Johnson Robert McFarland Rebecca Wendt John Avila Kyle Cottle William Dunford Temika Garrett Kristen Johnson Crystal O'Rear

#### 10 Years

Jason Badgett Kyle Halbert Brent Travis David Blackburn Stacey Nunn

#### 15 Years

Jon Agnew Jennifer Charanza Dean Swartzlander Lori Berndt Linda Darling

#### 25 Years Dennis Thane

35 Years Alice Anderson

2012 NAACP Presidents Meritorious Award Officer Lezli Montoya and Officer Dennis Haynes

Recognition for years of service to English CPA Vonda Pope

Special Recognition for K-9 Donation Katie Tippett

Civilian Service Citation Bryan English Citizen Police Academy Alumni

Community Service Citation CSI Rebecca Wendt

Police Commendation Officer Chris Johnson

Police Commendation Officer Aaron Arms

Life Saving Citation Officer Seth Waller and Officer Rod Hovey

Life Saving Citation Officers Beau Wallace, Stephen Davis, Brandon Suehs, and Darrell Fikes



Officer of the Year Officer Ellis Boyd



**Civilian of the Year Caron Peters**