



**BIRMINGHAM  
POLICE  
DEPARTMENT**

**2018  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

February 2019

Birmingham City Commission  
Joseph A. Valentine, City Manager

As the Chief of Police for City of Birmingham, I am proud to present the 2019 edition of the annual report. This document reflects the outstanding efforts of the men and women who comprise the department. Police officers, auxiliary officers and non-sworn personnel work diligently to make Birmingham a safe and welcoming community.

The mission statement of the department reflects our agency's commitment to the safety and security of all our residents and visitors:

*The Birmingham Police Department is committed to fairness, compassion and excellence in providing services sensitive to the priorities and needs of the community; the protection of life and property, the apprehension of criminal perpetrators and the prevention of crime in accordance with the law.*

The chart below summarizes this report, delineating calls for service, major crime categories and arrest categories. Included in this data for historical perspective are the crime statistics from 25 and 50 years ago. While any crime is unacceptable to the police department, the citizens of Birmingham should be proud of where the City stands as it relates to a crime rate that has been consistently low over the course of the past several years.

	2018	2017	2016	1993	1968
<b>Total calls for service</b>	21,032	17,945	14,863	19,900	15,676
<b>Number of sworn officers</b>	32	32	32	36	42
<b>Homicide</b>	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Criminal Sexual Conduct I, III</b>	5	1	1	3	2
<b>Robbery</b>	3	5	4	12	3
<b>Vandalism</b>	19	39	47	218	N/A
<b>Burglary</b>	24	11	19	70	159
<b>Larceny</b>	84	164	201	561	738
<b>Vehicle theft</b>	9	6	10	56	57
<b>Operating While Impaired</b>	71	76	65	270	33
<b>Fraud</b>	113	139	174	144	23
<b>Adult arrests</b>	451	594	436	788	432
<b>Juvenile arrests</b>	9	17	32	35	372

In 2018, the police department began a concerted effort to engage with the community as much as possible. A new traffic program was rolled out where residents concerned about traffic in their neighborhoods would meet with an officer, discuss the issues of concern, examine current conditions on the street from speed surveys to crash reports and then decide on a course of action. A new community resource officer was trained that will provide citizens, businesses, schools and other community institutions with a resource for safety and security assistance as well as other programming. Finally, after the unfortunate events in Parkland, Florida and other locations throughout the country, the police department offered assistance in active shooter response training. The police department has partnered with the Birmingham Public Schools on the introduction of the ALICE method of active shooter response as well as training other private schools, religious institutions and businesses in the method.

The police department added a new canine (K-9) to the ranks in 2018. Bella, a 15-month old black lab/golden retriever mix is a “career change” dog from the Leader Dogs for the Blind program and joined the department in May of 2018. After three months of training, Bella was certified as a therapy dog. Bella will work with domestic violence victims, sexual assault victims or any other person in need of comfort or compassion resulting from traumatic events. Bella will also travel to schools, attend City functions and patrol the downtown with officers as a friendly police presence.

The Department provides coordination for numerous special events throughout the City and emphasizes a commitment to providing foot patrols in the downtown business district during high traffic summer months and holiday seasons. In the spirit of community policing, the patrol division continues spending more time on residential patrols that include engaging residents, monitoring traffic and pro-active tactics to address criminal behavior. A well informed, engaged public is one of our greatest assets in helping safeguard the well-being and safety of all our residents.

As Chief, I am a firm believer in the use of multi-jurisdictional task forces organized under cooperative agreements with neighboring agencies. These task forces address specialized and complex crime and service related issues. Currently, the Department has eight of these task forces/cooperative agreements:

**CLEMIS** (Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System): 119 local and 7 state/federal agencies that share records management, computer aided dispatch systems and criminal data base records.

**PSAP** (Public Safety Answering Point): There are 21 different call centers throughout Oakland County. We provide consolidated dispatch services for the Village of Beverly Hills.

**MCAT** (Major Case Assistance Team): 9 agencies that provide experienced detectives to work on major and complex criminal investigations.

**NET** (Narcotics Enforcement Team): 14 agencies conducting narcotics in investigations throughout the area. NET is administered by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

**SIU** (Special Investigations Unit): 5 agencies that cooperatively operate undercover operations, surveillance operations and fugitive apprehensions. SIU is administered by the Troy Police Department.

**OAKTAC** (Oakland County Tactical Unit): 40 agencies available to assist with specialized equipment and universal training for officers in the area of active shooter/hostage/civil unrest tactical situations.

**FBI Financial Crimes Task Force:** Cooperative agreement with the Federal Bureau of Investigation to provide local officers to work on local fraud cases at the federal level to enhance investigatory capabilities and address large scale fraud cases crossing local, state and national jurisdictions.

**SOCCIT** (South Oakland County Crash Investigation Team): SOCCIT is made up of highly trained accident investigation officers from five neighboring jurisdictions and can be called out for serious or fatal vehicle and/or pedestrian crashes. This consortium provides the City with access to a 24/7 crash investigation team.

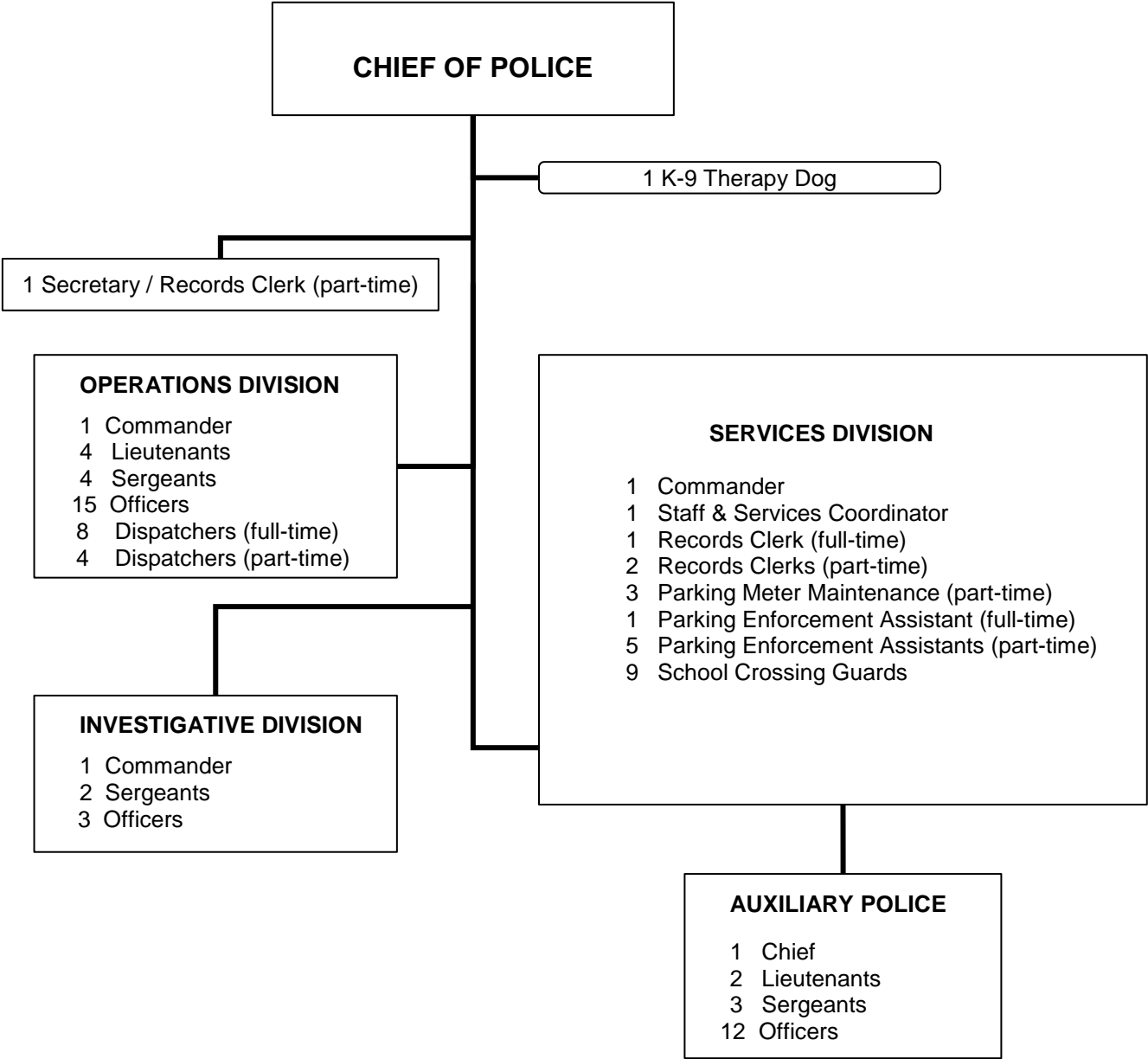
It is my hope that this message provides a well-rounded view of the commitment and dedication of the men and women of the Birmingham Police Department. We could not do the important work of preserving safety and quality of life without the help and support we receive from City Manager, the City Commission and the community itself.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MHCe', written in a cursive style.

Mark H. Clemence  
Chief of Police

# 2018 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



**BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT  
PERSONNEL DISTRIBUTION  
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS  
2018**

<b>FULL TIME SWORN POSITIONS</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
CHIEF OF POLICE	1	1	1	1	1
DEPUTY CHIEF	0	0	0	1	1
COMMANDER	3	3	3	3	1
LIEUTENANT	4	4	4	3	4
SERGEANT	6	7	7	7	6
POLICE OFFICER	18	17	17	16	17
<b>SWORN OFFICER TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>FULL TIME CIVILIAN POSITIONS</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANT	1	1	1	1	1
STAFF & SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	1	1	1	1
DISPATCHER	8	8	7	6	6
RECORDS CLERK	1	1	1	1	1
<b>FULL TIME CIVILIAN TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>FULL TIME EMPLOYEE TOTAL</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>PART TIME CIVILIAN POSITIONS</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
PARKING METER MAINTENANCE	3	3	2	2	2
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD	9	9	9	9	9
CLERK / SECRETARY	3	3	3	3	3
PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANT	5	5	5	4	4
DISPATCHER	4	4	4	6	6
<b>PART TIME CIVILIAN TOTAL</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>

**BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT  
PERSONNEL REGISTER  
PRESENT FOR DUTY DECEMBER 31 2018**

<b>CHIEF OF POLICE</b>		Mark H. Clemence
<b>COMMANDERS</b>	<b>SERVICES DIVISION</b>	Michael Albrecht
	<b>INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION</b>	Chris Busen
	<b>OPERATIONS DIVISION</b>	Scott Grewe
<b>LIEUTENANTS</b>	<b>PLATOON A</b>	Greg Wald
	<b>PLATOON B</b>	Christopher Koch
	<b>PLATOON C</b>	Philip Webb
	<b>PLATOON D</b>	Raymond Faes
<b>SERGEANTS</b>	<b>PLATOON A</b>	Michael Lyon
	<b>PLATOON B</b>	Ryan Kearney
	<b>PLATOON C</b>	Rebekah Springer
	<b>PLATOON D</b>	Joseph Bunting
	<b>INVESTIGATORS</b>	Seth Barone
		Katherine Long
		Michael Romanowski
		Michael Simpson
		Jeff Whipple
<b>POLICE OFFICERS</b>		Josh Bouchard
		David Buttigieg
		Nicholas Hill
		Josh Husted
		Yacoub Iseid
		Alex Linke
		Brent Macumber
		Michael Manzo
		Kyle McCanham
		Scott McIntyre
		Gina Moody
		Casey Pedersen
		Evan Rothe
		Stefan Syts
		Jordan Zale



<b>DISPATCHERS</b>	<b>FULL TIME</b>	Sharon Blair Joya Davis Jamie Irwin Joseph Misiak Daniel Ruby Frank Russell Melissa Toole Terez Willis
<b>DISPATCHERS</b>	<b>PART TIME</b>	Renee Backlund Steven Lemiere-Bozynski Janice Delinko Kristine Longtine
<b>STAFF &amp; SERVICES COORDINATOR</b>	<b>FULL TIME</b>	Ellen DeView
<b>RECORDS CLERK</b>	<b>FULL TIME</b>	Jennifer Davis
<b>SECRETARY RECORDS CLERK</b>	<b>PART TIME</b>	Gwynn Duffy Brandi Campbell Darlene St. Charles
<b>PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANTS</b>	<b>FULL TIME PART TIME</b>	James Lotridge Kenneth Hitchcock Howard Jacobs Robert Prew Linda Rodriguez Christine Williams
<b>PARKING METER MAINTENANCE AND COLLECTION</b>	<b>PART TIME</b>	Donald Campbell Brett Monarch Cheryl Vassallo
<b>SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS</b>	<b>PART TIME</b>	Rick Argus Suann Darmody ** Alexandra Harris Laura Keaton Thomas Lynch ** Kenneth McQuillan George Oltman, Jr. Iris Poole Audrey Reed * Steffanie Rhymes ** Mary Sczesny * Dennis Sheppard ** Chester Zuchlewski

\* SHARED POSITION  
\*\* SUBSTITUTE

## **2018 PERSONNEL CHANGES**

### **PROMOTED**

None

### **POSITION ELIMINATED**

None

### **RECRUITED**

Bella, K-9 Therapy Dog  
Steven Lemiere-Bozynski, Dispatcher  
Kyle McCanham, Police Officer  
Evan Rothe, Police Officer  
Brett Monarch, Parking Meter Maintenance (part time)  
Cheryl Vassallo, Parking Meter Maintenance (part time)

### **RESIGNED**

Tyler Dearing-Manning, Police Officer  
Alfonso Roldan, Parking Meter Maintenance (part time)

### **RETIRED**

Marc Jewell, Police Officer

### **TRANSFERRED**

Kenneth Hitchcock, from Dispatcher to Parking Enforcement Assistant  
(part time)  
Gina Moody, from Sergeant to Police Officer

## 2018 SENIORITY DISTRIBUTION

### OFFICER / SERGEANT

00-04 years of service	11
05-09 years of service	6
10-14 years of service	0
15-19 years of service	2
20-24 years of service	5
25-30 years of service	0

Total 24

### LIEUTENANT / COMMANDER

05-09 years of service	0
10-14 years of service	2
15-19 years of service	3
20-24 years of service	2
25-30 years of service	0
31-35 years of service	0

Total 7

### CHIEF

30-34 years of service	1
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Total 1

### DISPATCHERS

00-04 years of service	7
05-09 years of service	2
10-14 years of service	0
15-19 years of service	0
20-24 years of service	0
25-29 years of service	3

Total 12

<b>SWORN OFFICER SENIORITY AVERAGE</b>	<b>11.32 YEARS</b>
<b>CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SENIORITY AVERAGE (FULL TIME)</b>	<b>16.74 YEARS</b>
<b>CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SENIORITY AVERAGE (PART TIME)</b>	<b>5.49 YEARS</b>

## SUMMARY OF OFFENSES, ARRESTS, AND VIOLATIONS

The primary goal of the department is protection of life and property, prevention of crime, and apprehension of criminal perpetrators. We strive to deliver the best possible police service in a professional, courteous manner to the residents of the city and to those who work, travel, and shop here.

In 2018, we responded to 21,032 calls for police service, an increase of 17.20% from the previous year. These calls are classified into three separate groups:

Group A includes: Robbery, forcible sexual assaults, larceny, burglary, damage to property, etc.

Group B includes: Operating While Intoxicated (OWI), disorderly conduct, liquor law violations, misdemeanor sex offenses, non-violent family offenses, etc.

Group C includes: Traffic offenses, traffic crashes, juvenile offenses, warrant arrests, general patrol activity, etc.

Group A incidents were down 14.81%  
2017 = 513  
2018 = 437

Group A arrests were up 70.80%  
2017 = 40  
2018 = 68

Group B incidents were down 11.05%  
2017 = 172  
2018 = 153

Group B arrests were down 16.19%  
2017 = 105  
2018 = 88

Group C incidents were up 18.42%  
2017 = 17,309  
2018 = 20,497

Group C arrests were down 35.22%  
2017 = 372  
2018 = 241

Traffic citations were up 2.83%  
2017 = 6,960  
2018 = 7,157

Total parking violations were up 9.01%  
2017 = 37,278  
2018 = 40,637

**SUMMARY OF OFFENSES  
THREE YEAR TREND**

<b>OFFENSES</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>3 YEAR AVERAGE</b>
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0.00
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT I, III	5	1	1	2.33
ROBBERY	3	5	4	4.00
ASSAULT ALL	51	39	48	46.00
BURGLARY	24	11	19	18.00
LARCENY	84	164	201	149.66
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	9	6	10	8.33
ARSON	0	0	1	0.33
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT II, IV	5	4	0	3.00
FORGERY / COUNTERFEITING	1	2	7	3.33
FRAUD	113	139	174	142.00
EMBEZZLEMENT	8	5	6	6.33
VANDALISM	19	39	47	35.00
OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED	71	76	65	70.66
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>489.00</b>

## ADULT ARREST COMPARISON REPORT

OFFENSES	2018	2017	2016	3 YEAR AVERAGE
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT I, III	1	0	0	.33
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0.00
ROBBERY	3	0	3	2.00
ASSAULT	34	19	25	26.00
BURGLARY	7	1	1	3.00
LARCENY	22	20	13	18.33
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	6	2.33
ARSON	0	0	0	0.00
<b>TOTAL PART A</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>52.00</b>
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT II, IV	1	1	0	.66
FORGERY / COUNTERFEITING	0	0	2	.66
FRAUD	5	11	7	7.66
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0	5	1.66
VANDALISM	6	3	2	3.66
OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED	62	66	54	60.66
OTHER PART B	14	24	33	23.66
<b>*TOTAL PART B</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>98.66</b>
WARRANT ARRESTS	85	132	83	100.00
MISCELLANEOUS DRIVING OFFENSES	156	240	139	178.33
<b>TOTAL PART C</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>278.33</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>429.00</b>

## ADULT ARREST BY MONTH REPORT

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>3 YEAR AVERAGE</b>
JANUARY	42	40	39	40.33
FEBRUARY	33	49	35	39.00
MARCH	54	52	47	51.00
APRIL	32	54	31	39.00
MAY	31	44	40	38.33
JUNE	26	35	26	29.00
JULY	34	54	25	37.67
AUGUST	39	54	28	40.33
SEPTEMBER	27	37	33	32.33
OCTOBER	21	41	23	28.33
NOVEMBER	33	40	34	35.67
DECEMBER	33	28	20	27.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>438.00</b>

## ACCIDENT SUMMARIES / TRENDS

ACCIDENT TYPE	2018 TOTAL	2017 TOTAL	2016 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVERAGE
FATAL INJURY	0	0	0	0.00
PERSONAL INJURY	60	71	76	69.00
PROPERTY DAMAGE	765	815	882	820.67
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	825	886	958	889.67
# PERSONS KILLED	0	0	0	0.00



## 2018 PARKING VIOLATIONS SUMMARY

<b>PARKING VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2018	40,637
2017	37,278
2016	34,078
2015	25,010
2014	34,127
2013	31,535
2012	30,182
2011	31,844
2010	27,695
2009	33,827
2008	34,592
2007	40,614
2006	45,214
2005	44,394
<b>METER VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2018	36,612
2017	32,691
2016	29,633
2015	20,842
2014	29,629
2013	28,162
2012	27,935
2011	29,737
2010	25,252
2009	30,314
2008	30,584
2007	35,274
2006	39,883
2005	38,344
<b>NON - METER VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2018	4,025
2017	4,587
2016	4,445
2015	4,168
2014	4,498
2013	3,373
2012	2,247
2011	2,107
2010	2,443
2009	3,508
2008	4,008
2007	5,340
2006	5,331
2005	6,050

## 2018 MOVING VIOLATIONS SUMMARY

<b>MOVING HAZARDOUS VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2018	3,512
2017	3,784
2016	3,637
2015	3,355
2014	3,707
2013	4,039
2012	2,285
2011	2,040
2010	2,275
2009	2,429
2008	3,100
2007	4,320
2006	4,739
2005	3,846
2004	3,637
2003	2,725
2002	3,894
2001	4,174
<b>MOVING NON-HAZARDOUS VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2018	3,645
2017	3,176
2016	2,795
2015	3,464
2014	4,280
2013	4,525
2012	4,325
2011	3,082
2010	3,054
2009	4,551
2008	2,378
2007	2,119
2006	2,390
2005	2,816
2004	2,813
2003	2,370
2002	2,702
2001	3,271



## CALLS FOR SERVICE

2018	21,032
2017	17,945
2016	14,863
2015	16,771
2014	17,678
2013	18,372
2012	16,571
2011	16,983
2010	17,713
2009	16,031
2008	20,104
2007	18,749
2006	19,997
2005	20,003
2004	20,004
2003	19,628
2002	20,978
2001	19,276
2000	19,469
1999	21,150
1998	21,250
1997	20,950
1996	20,094
1995	19,269
1994	18,864
1993	19,900
1992	18,579
1991	19,286

## 2018 JUVENILE ARRESTS / DISPOSITIONS

	2018	2017	2016
<b>ARRESTS</b>			
MALE	7	10	20
FEMALE	2	7	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	9	17	32
FELONY *	2	2	5
MISDEMEANOR *	9	17	27
<b>DISPOSITIONS</b>			
PARENTAL CONFERENCE	2	5	12
YOUTH ASSISTANCE	0	6	11
JUVENILE COURT	7	6	9

\* MAY REPRESENT MULTIPLE CHARGES



## **AUXILIARY POLICE REPORT**

The Auxiliary Police is comprised of dedicated volunteers who either live or work in the City of Birmingham.

Each member has been trained through the Police Academy Reserve Officer Training Program.

Auxiliaries assist regular officers during many special events held throughout the year and act as back up to the regular officers on patrol. Members of the Auxiliary Police are perhaps most visible while providing crowd, traffic control, and security for high school sporting events and also while participating in foot patrol assignments in the downtown area throughout summer.

In 2018 auxiliary officers provided 1,338 hours of service to the community.

### **AUXILIARY POLICE ROSTER AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018**

#### **CHIEF**

Kurt Gerber

#### **LIEUTENANTS**

Dean Auger  
Timothy Griswold

#### **SERGEANTS**

Berge Avesian  
Brian Fitzerman

#### **OFFICERS**

Alex Calderone  
Don Campbell  
Robert Denton  
Brian Farrar  
James Glavin  
Brennan Hamilton  
Steven Jarrett, Jr.  
David Jevahirian  
Robert Prew  
Kyle Ramfos  
Michel Saikalis  
Charles Tallinger  
Michael Wooley