

**AGENDA**  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY REGULAR SESSION**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024**  
**AT 6:00 P.M.**  
**MCCLOSKEY CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 135**  
**BLOOMINGTON CITY HALL**  
**401 N MORTON STREET**  
**BLOOMINGTON, IN 47404**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT
3. CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION
4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. Approval of Minutes from the August 20, 2024 Regular Session
  - b. Approval of Payroll for the periods of 8/23 and 9/6
  - c. Approval of Claims for the period of 8/30
5. POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
  - a. Report on Monthly Statistics and Training
  - b. General Business
  - c. Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements
  - d. Personnel Issues
    - i. Promotion of Gabriela Esquivel to SPO effective 9/16/2024
    - ii. Promotion of Jennifer Stevens to SPO effective 9/16/2024
  - e. CIRT/ARV Deployment Report
6. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
  - a. Report on Monthly Statistics and Training,
  - b. Letters of Appreciation and Commendation
  - c. General Business
  - d. Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements
7. OLD BUSINESS
8. NEW BUSINESS
9. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS (limited to 3 minutes per person)
10. ADJOURNMENT

## **BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Special Session on **Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**, in the McCloskey Room, Room 135, City of Bloomington located at 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Barbara McKinney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Members Tim Brinson, Jon Barada and Philip Amerson were present in person.

Also in attendance were Fire Chief Roger Kerr, Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin, Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron, Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham, Police Captain Ryan Pedigo, Assistant City Attorney Christopher Wheeler, and Legal Administrative Assistant Ashley Sparks. See sign-in sheet for full list of attendees.

### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Board Member Tim Brinson was welcomed by the other attending board members and introduced himself. All attendees introduced themselves.

### **DECLARATION/REVIEW OF BOARD MEMBER CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Board President Barbara McKinney read the conflict of interest disclosure statement. No conflicts of interest were declared.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Member Jon Barada made a motion to approve the presented consent agenda, which included payroll and claims from July and August, as well as minutes from the July meeting. Board Member Tim Brinson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

### **CERTIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Board President Barbara McKinney certified the executive session held earlier in the afternoon.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

#### **Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:**

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham presented the monthly statistics and training. Police Captain Ryan Pedigo added additional information regarding community engagement events and Police Social Worker statistics.

#### **Letters of Appreciation/Commendation:**

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham presented 1 letter of appreciation.

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General Business:

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated that the Department has been continuously working on the 2025 budget.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated that there are no large expenditures this month, but a possible large expense next month for the construction of a parking lot for electric vehicles at the Range Complex.

Board Member Phil Amerson asked for further clarification on the location of the new parking lot. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated that it will be placed in the middle of the Range, Fire Training Tower, and Police Annex, next to the projected location of the Fire Logistics Facility.

Personnel:

Police Captain Ryan Pedigo indicated that current staffing numbers are at 89 out of 105, making the Department 16 short. He indicated that there are 2 employees in the FTO program and 5 starting the Academy on Monday, August 26. There are also 4 officers currently on extended sick or injury leave and 1 officer on extended military leave. Additionally, there are 2 officers that should be onboarding within the next 4-5 weeks.

**CIRT/ARV REPORT**

Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated no deployments of the CIRT vehicle.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron presented the monthly statistics.

Board Member Jon Barada asked what the colors of shifts are and their origin. Fire Assistant Chief Tania Daffron indicated that there are red, gold, and black shifts.

General Business:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated a focus of the Department on the 2025 budget items.

Board Member Jon Barada asked what amount the Department is requesting for the 2025 budget. Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated a projected budget of roughly \$20 million.

Board Member Jon Barada asked what amount the Police Department will be requesting for the 2025 budget. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated a projected budget of roughly \$24 million, including dispatch which accounts for much of the difference between Fire and Police budgets.

Board President Barbara McKinney asked how much those budgets are increased from the 2024 budget. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated that it would all depend on what the Mayor's office intends to pursue regarding personnel raises, but it is consistent with the 2024 budget other than personnel.



Board President Barbara McKinney asked what personnel compensation changes have been proposed. Police Deputy Chief Scott Oldham indicated that he is not currently comfortable disclosing information from those discussions.

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated that his budget numbers are also largely dependent on personnel changes and that the Fire Union Contract is currently out for a vote with the proposed numbers being what was included in the 2025 projected budget numbers.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated that a UTV that has been awaiting insurance replacement is finally being replaced and some miscellaneous purchases will be coming through.

Board President Barbara McKinney asked for more details about the function of a UTV. Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated that it is similar to an ATV and it assists with Fire Suppression.

Personnel:

Board Member Tim Brinson moved to promote Justin Webb to the rank of Chauffeur, effective August 5. Board Member Jon Barada seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Jon Barada moved to approve the conditional hire of Justin Brosmer. Board Member Phil Amerson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Phil Amerson moved to approve the conditional hire of Robert Loviscek. Board Member Tim Brinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Tim Brinson moved to approve the conditional hire of Luke Kiritschenko. Board Member Jon Barada seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Phil Amerson moved to approve the conditional hire of Diego Alanis. Board Member Tim Brinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Jon Barada moved to approve the conditional hire of Clarence Dawson. Board Member Tim Brinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Board Member Tim Brinson moved to approve the conditional hire of Tanner Wood. Board Member Phil Amerson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin indicated that there are currently 4 vacancies and 3 employees on light duty.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Barbara McKinney adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Sparks, Recording Secretary  
Board of Public Safety

**The minutes of the August 20, 2024 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.**

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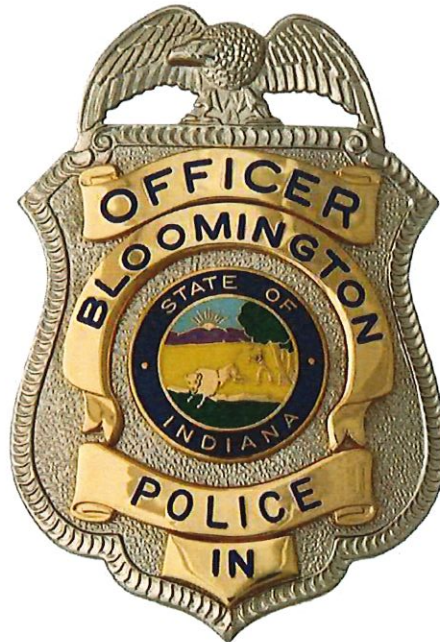
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# **Bloomington Police Department**

## **Board Of Safety**

### **Statistical Report**

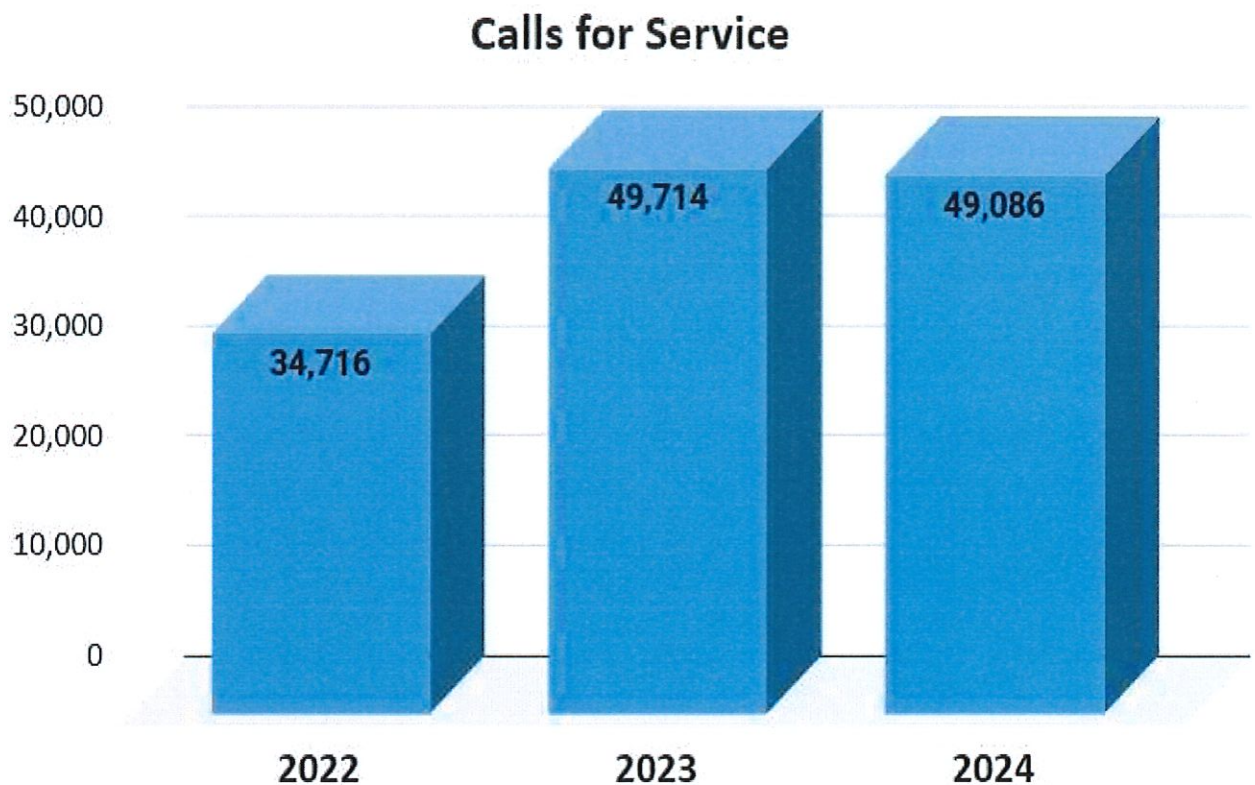
**August 2024**



# CALLS FOR SERVICE

The Department has responded to 49,086 calls for service through August of 2024. That is a decrease of 628 calls from the same period in 2023.

This figure represents a 1.3% decrease in 2024.





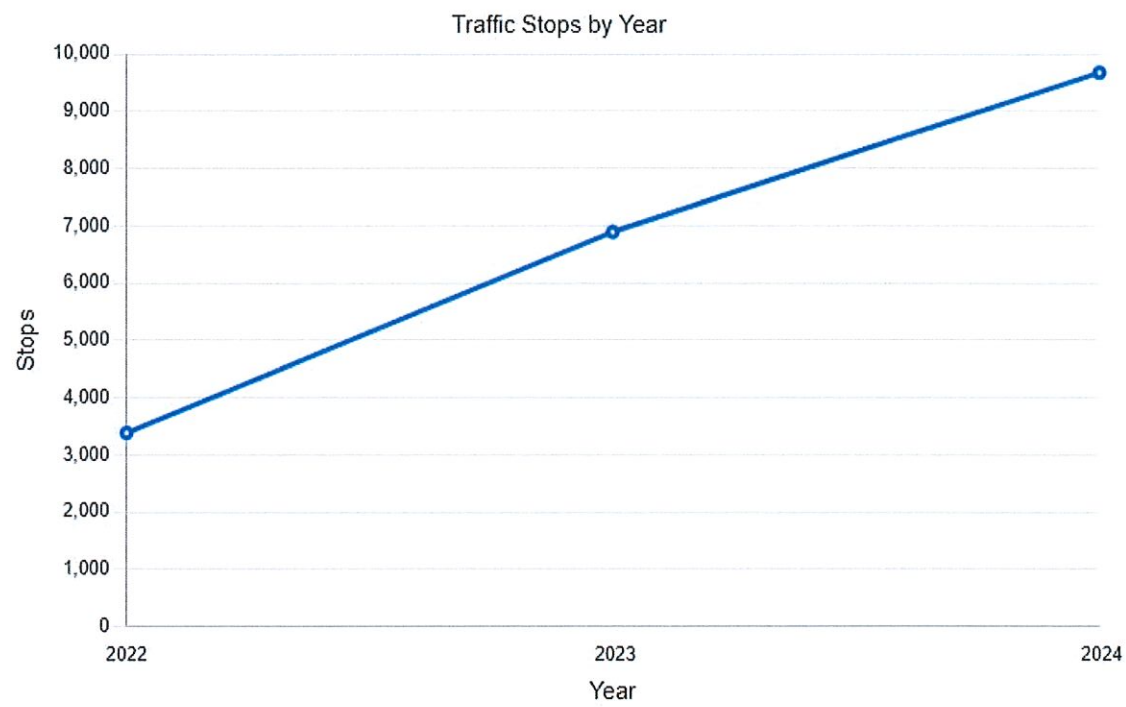
# COMPARISON 2022-2024 CRIME TOTALS (YTD)

CRIME	2022	2023	2024	Percentage Change (2023-2024)
Murder	5	0	2	100%
Rape/Forcible Sex Offense	70	57	51	-10.5%
Robbery	41	22	33	50.0%
Assault	664	670	615	-8.2%
Domestic Battery	297	250	239	-4.4%
Child Abuse	24	21	24	14.3%
Neglect	25	19	28	47.4%
Burglary	183	144	141	-2%
Larceny	1040	1095	1284	17.3%
Vehicle Theft	98	109	85	-22.0%
Operating While Intoxicated	79	69	58	-15.9%
Public Intoxicated	51	83	98	18.1%
Vandalism	627	474	476	0.4%
Graffiti	27	21	33	57%



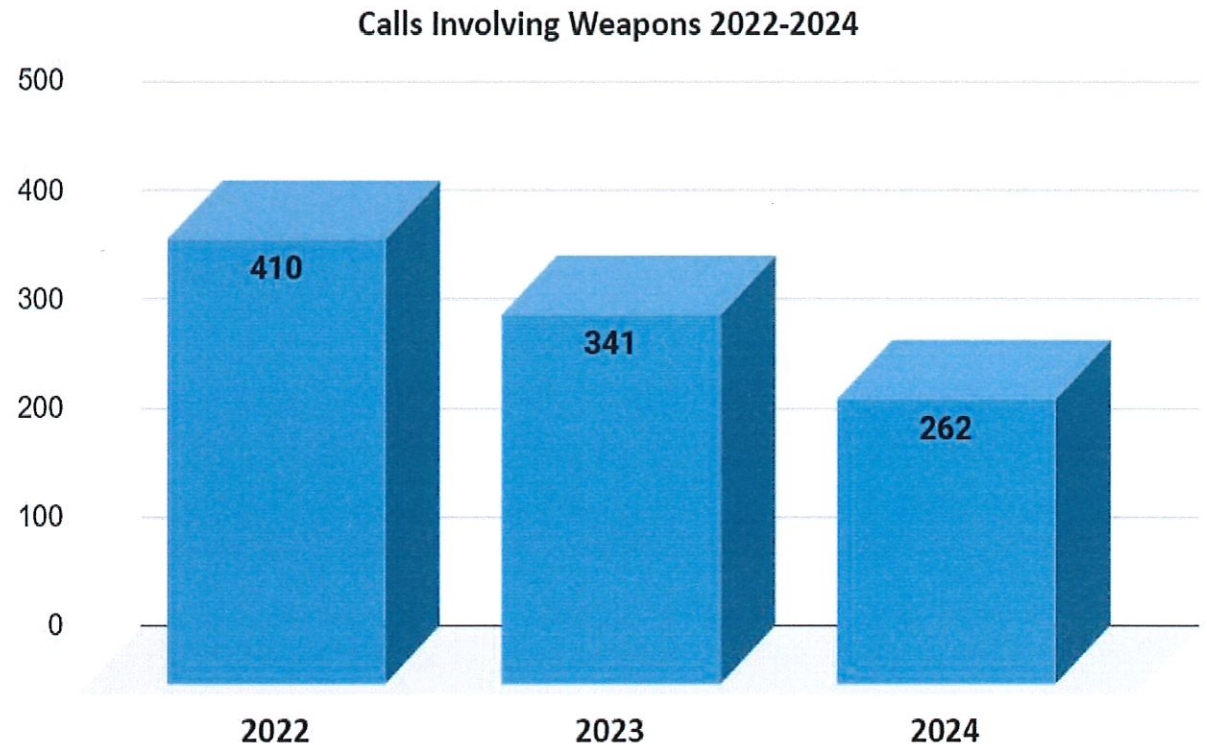
# TRAFFIC STOP COMPARISON

Year	Traffic Stops
2022	3,384
2023	6,890
2024	9,674

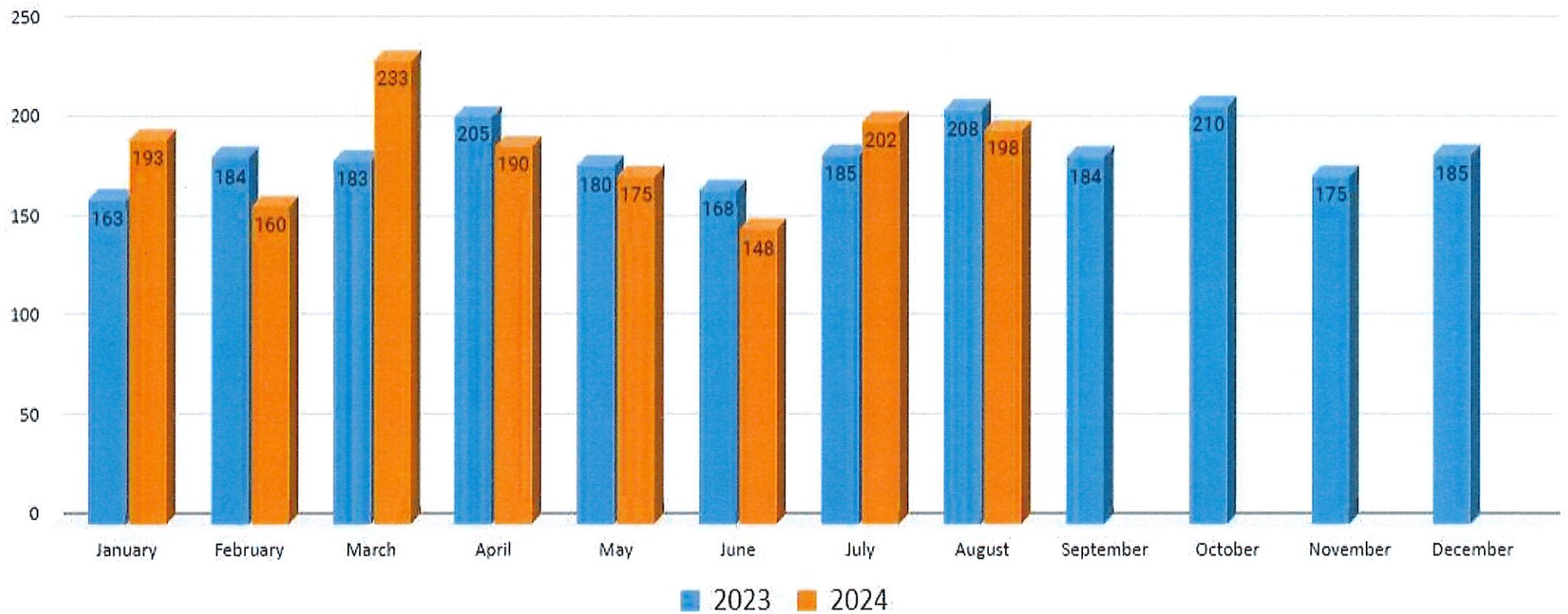


# CRIME INVOLVING WEAPONS

- So far in 2024, there have been 262 incidents where weapons were reportedly involved.
- A firearm has been reported in 124 incidents in 2024 and firearms were fired at a person in 20 of those incidents.

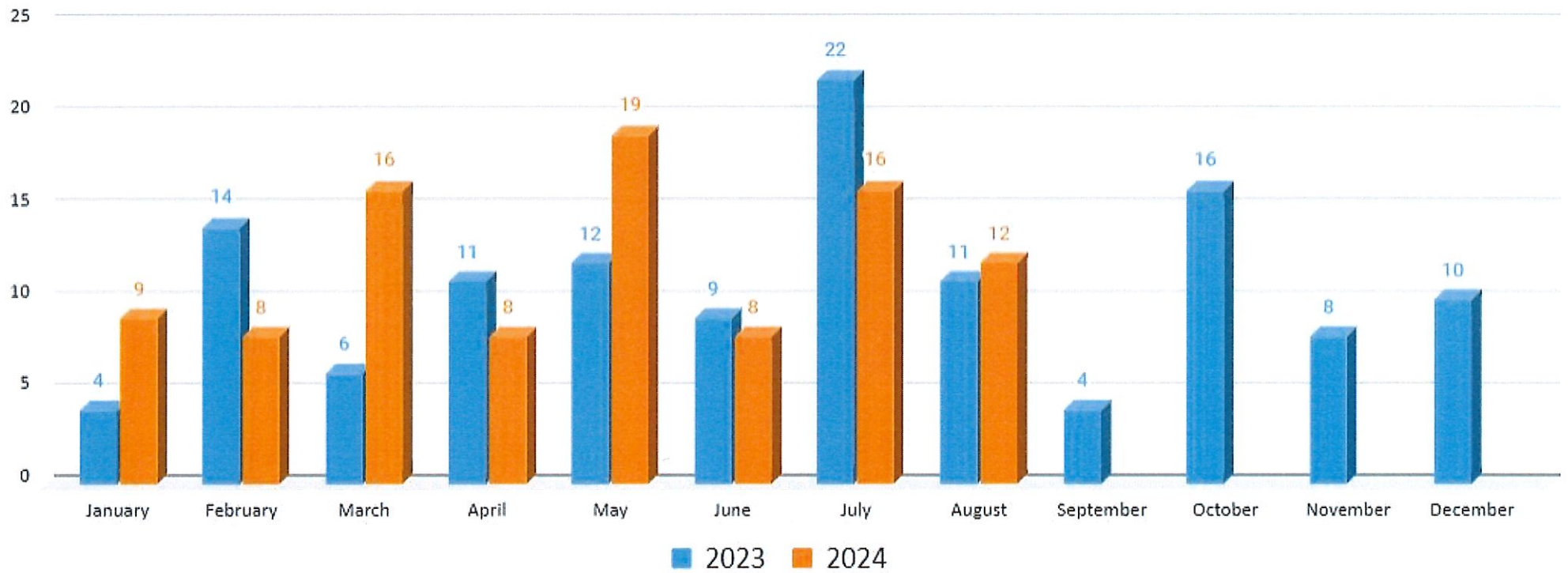


## 2023-2024 Adult Arrests



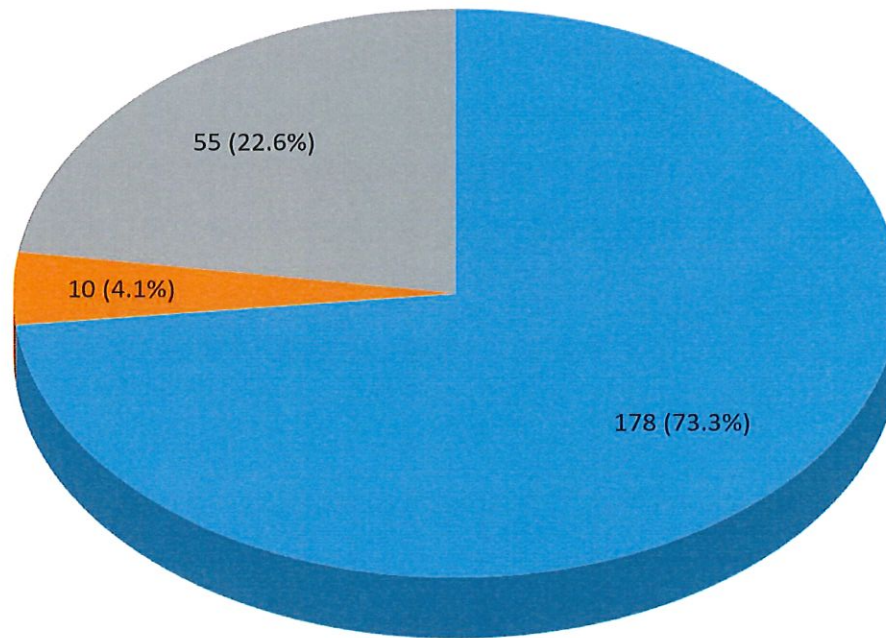


### 2023-2024 Juvenile Referrals



UCR/IND. HATE CRIMES		
	2023	2024
Jan-Mar	1	0
Apr-June	1	0
July - Sept	0	0
Oct - Dec	0	
TOTALS:	2	0

## August 2024 Nuisance Calls for Service



● DISTURBANCE ● INTOXICATION ● VANDALISM

**Total = 243**



# **TRAINING**

**Training Hours: 676**

## **Training Highlights:**

- **13 officers attended the 20-hour Indiana Hostage Negotiator Conference**
- **18 officers completed the Moyer state-mandated 4.5 hour online course**
- **Two officers attended a 24-hour Tactical Drone Operator course**
- **CIRT training (11 officers/11 hours each), CDU training (13 officers/7 hours each), K9 training (38 hours)**

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**Community Engagement Events: 31**

**Community Engagement Hours: 49.62**

**BPD Personnel Involved: 43**

### **Community Engagement Events - Prior:**

- National Night Out
- Cop on a Rooftop (Indiana Special Olympics fundraiser, raised \$1,098!)
- CSS outreach regarding Bloomington Bike Index
- DRO outreach meetings with service providers

### **Community Engagement Events – Upcoming**

- Furever Friends
- Car Seat Clinic (September 19)
- Heroes 5k and One Mile Walk (September 21)
- Citizens Police Academy (Starts September 24)
- Down Syndrome Buddy Walk (September 29)

# **Police Social Worker**

Total Number of Referrals: 22

Total Number of PSW Contacts: 204

## **Summary:**

- A new Mental Health Professional began employment with BPD
- Family Programming hosted an event for BPD employees
- A client was connected with the Excel Center to finish school and receive diploma
- Assisted a client with increasing their home-health hours; connected the client's adult daughter with financial and housing resources to decrease family dispute calls to the address
- Provided annual training on trauma and self-care to Bloomington Transit employees

Connected an Indiana University student with a mental health practitioner.



Dr. Stephen W. Link  
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Michael Diekhoff  
Bloomington Chief of Police  
220 E Third St  
Bloomington IN 47401

June 30, 2024

Dear Chief Diekhoff:

Please thank your staff for investigating the welfare of Dr. James T. Townsend, a very prominent scientist and professor at Indiana University.

I received a phone call from Dr. Townsend in the morning of June 26(?) 2024 that was garbled, difficult to hear over the noisiness, and not understandable at all. I was alarmed that Dr Townsend may have fallen down one of his stairwells, suffered injuries, was unable to move, and damaged his phone in the fall. I called him three times in 30 minutes but received only his answering service.

I became very concerned about his situation, especially because he is, I believe, 86 years old. After some reflection on the matter, I decided to call your Department to see if someone could check his home on East Blue Ridge Drive, I didn't know the exact address at the time. I was transferred to an agent in charge of such matters. He took the information I had about Dr. Townsend and went into action.

Officers arrived at Dr. Townsend's home but received no reply when trying to rouse someone inside. They entered the home and searched for him.

As they searched the home Dr. Townsend and a friend returned to the home after completing a trail walk. OPPS !!! His house had several police cars with their flashing lights on. Dr. Townsend thought something had happened. He was relieved when he learned they were looking for him in case he had had a bad accident.

I certainly didn't intend to create a False Alarm. I am very impressed that your staff could respond so quickly. Dr. Townsend is a very distinguished scientist. Losing him in an accident by not responding to his need would be a true loss to science. He still has plenty to do !

I now have the telephone numbers of several of his friends who could serve to check him out.

THANK YOU BLOOMINGTON POLICE for your care and attention to this situation.

Dr. Stephen W. Link  
Professor Emeritus  
McMaster University  
Hamilton, Ontario, CANADA

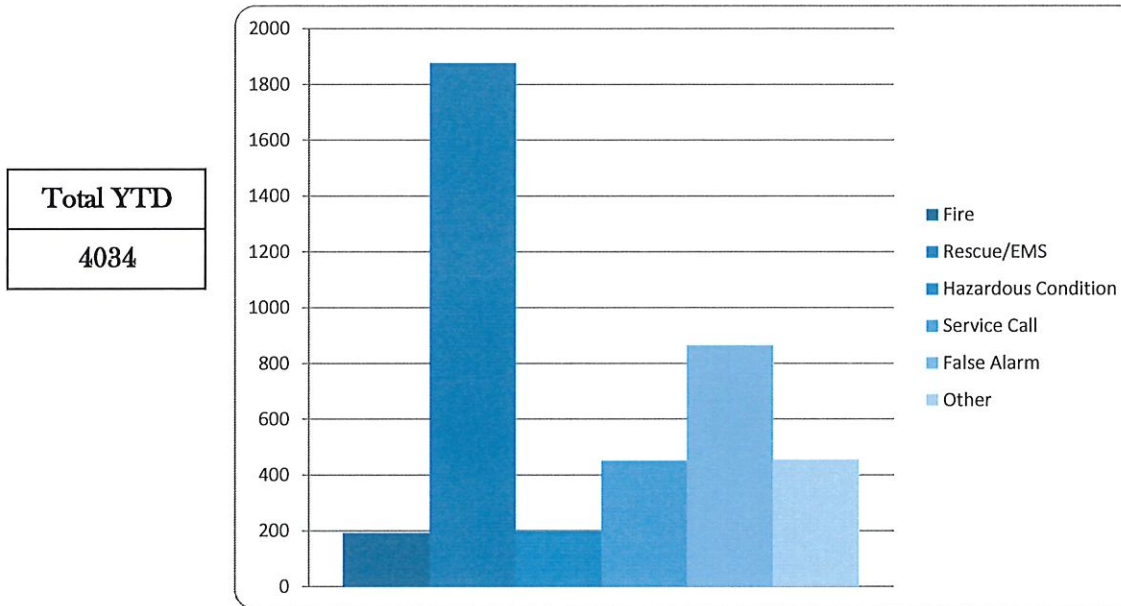
*Dr. Stephen W. Link*

# City of Bloomington Fire Department Board of Public Safety Report

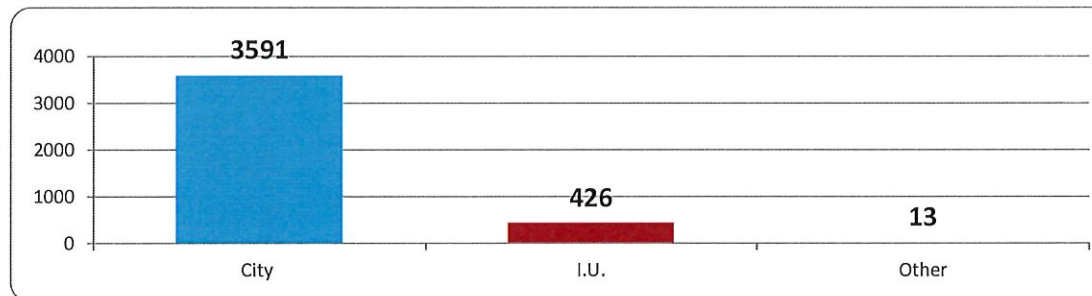


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### YTD Total Operational Incident Types

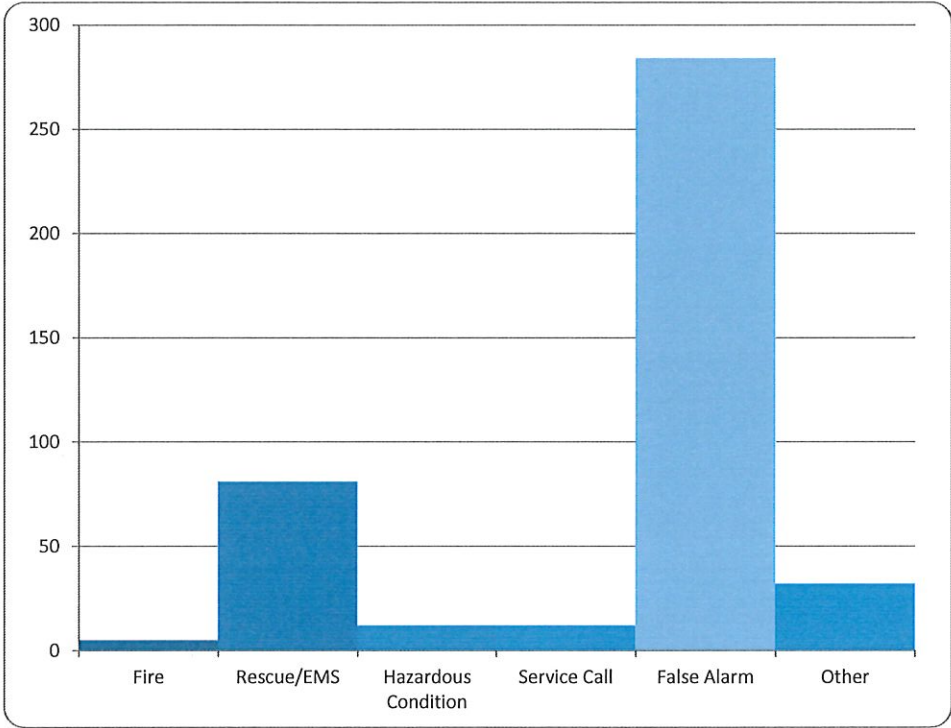


### YTD Percentage of Incident Locations





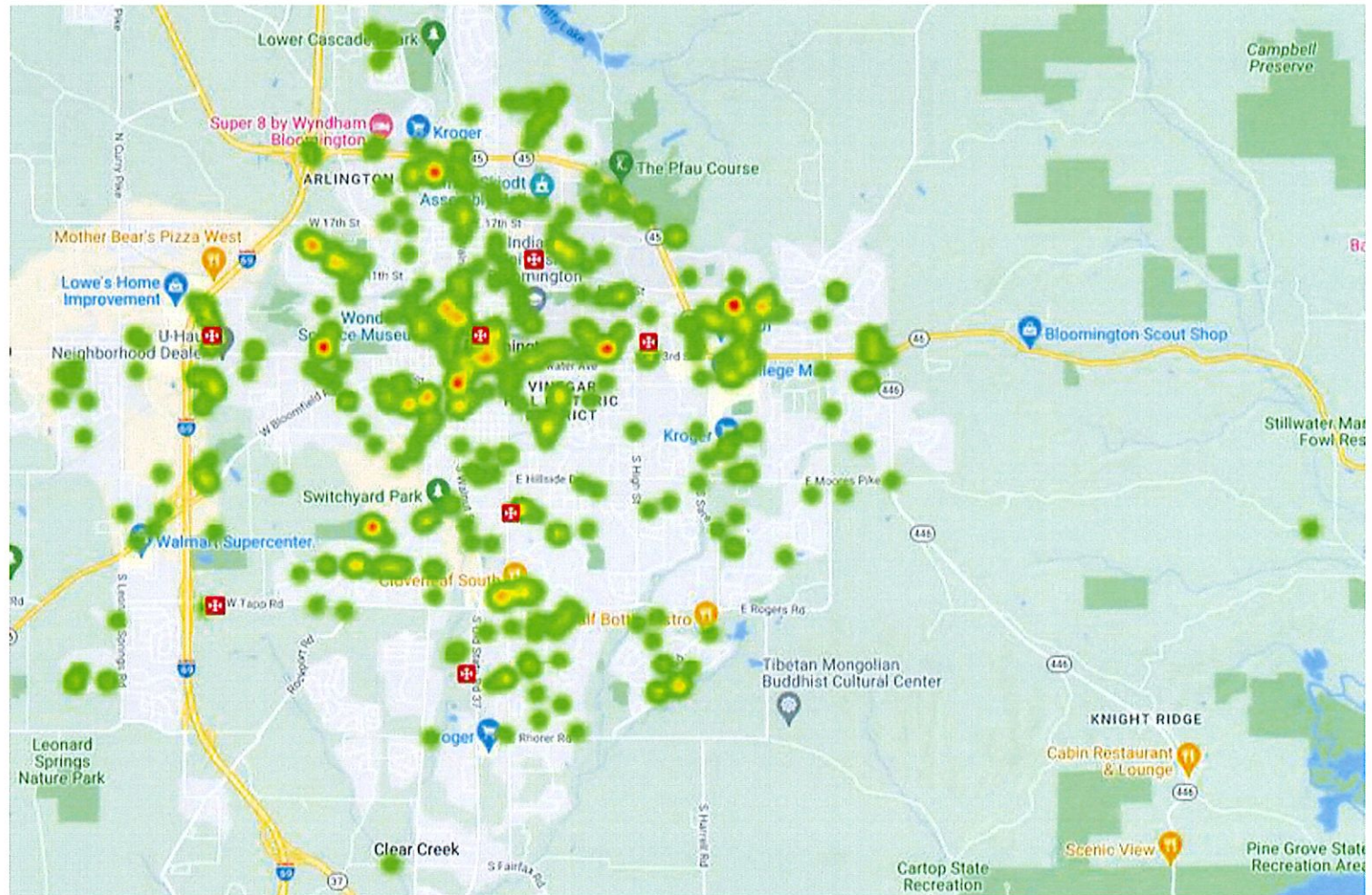
Total YTD
426



YTD Percentage of Indiana University Incident Types



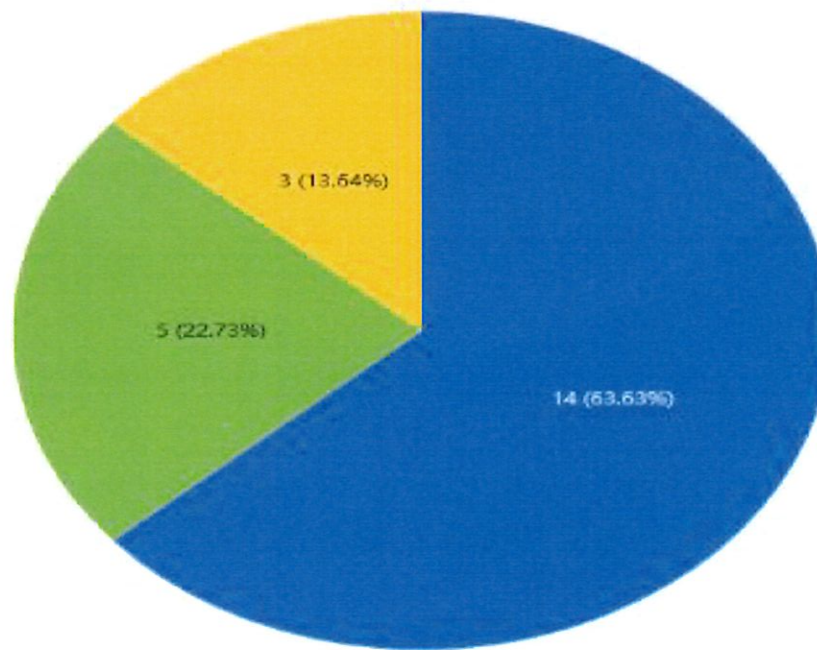
## Response Heat Map for All Calls August 2024



## Response Times / Goals (1st arriving) FIRE August 2024

Travel Time for 1st fire suppression apparatus on fire suppression incidents 90th Percentile: 00:09:30

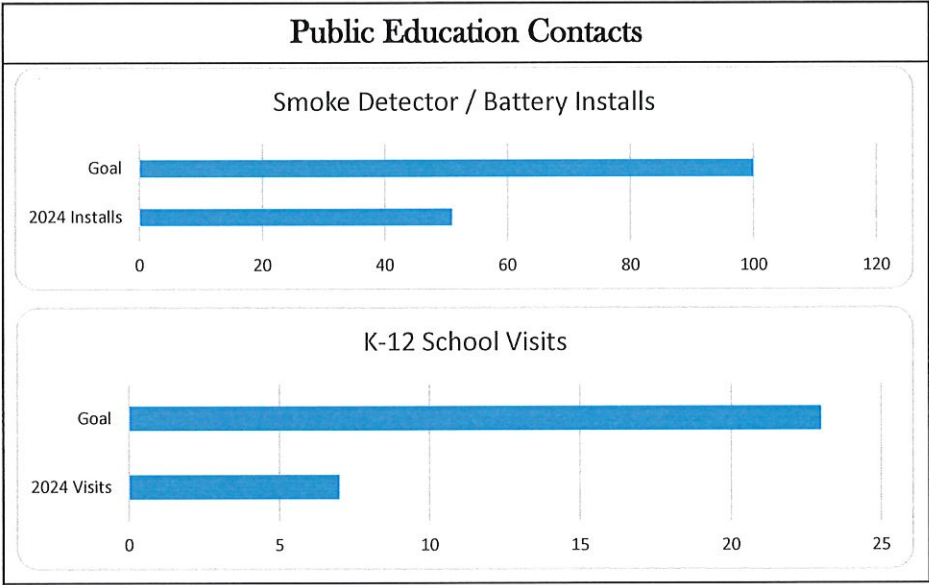
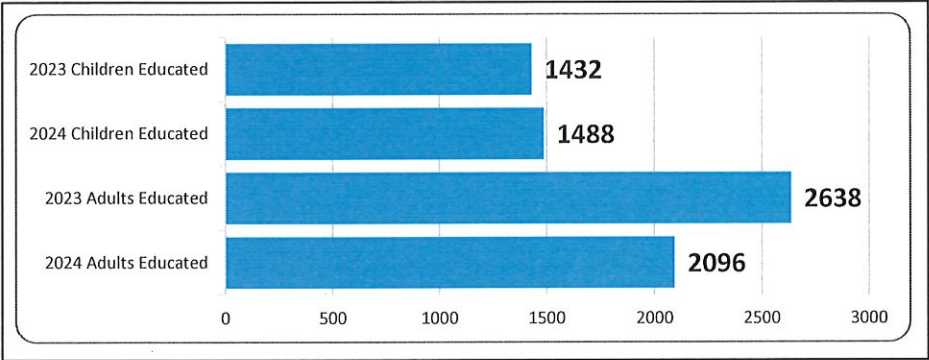
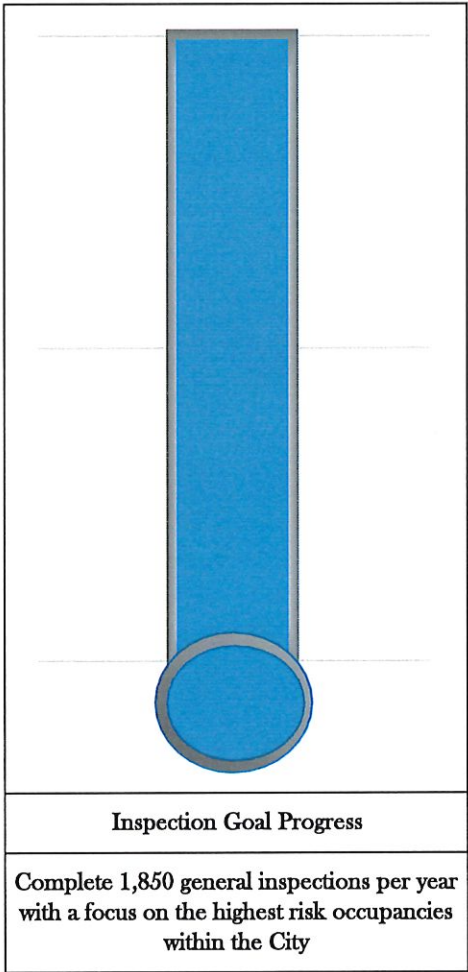
Total: (22)



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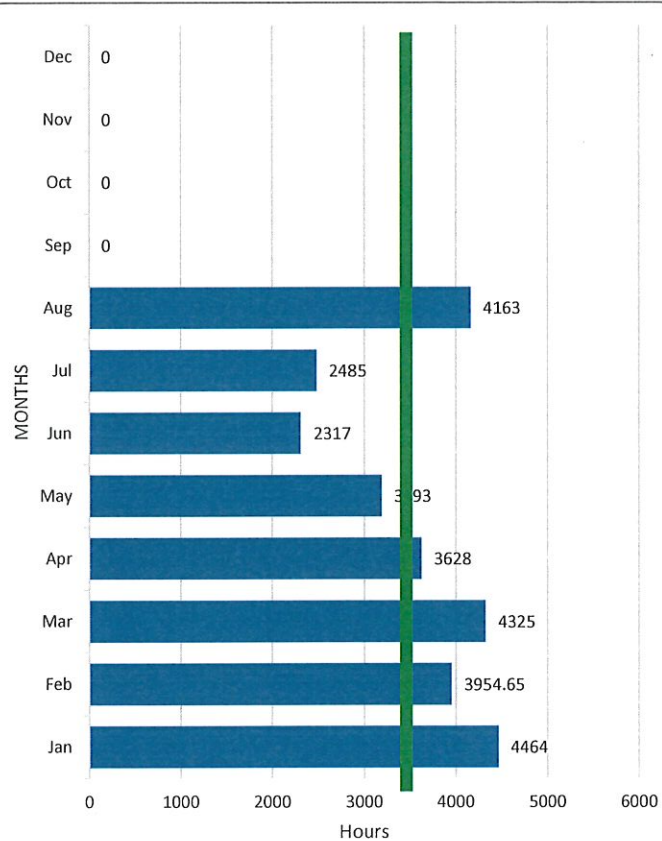
# Prevention and Public Engagement Statistics





## Training and Education

2024 Training Hour Trend by Month



This Month's Training Notes

Site visits (tours) of the IU Biology Building, Frank's Southern.

External training: CSR tech course, Peer Support, FRI conference, Investigator's conference. Guest instructor for 'Public Fire & Life Safety Educator I & II'.

Internal training: MIH station visits, EMT skills

Probationary Firefighters Jones and Garvin both sworn in at City Hall.

## Mobile Integrated Healthcare

Tracking Metric	YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
ient/s Graduated from Prog	52.0	5	3	5	1	29	6	0	3	0	0	0	0
Avg Visit Per Client	7.2	5.5	5.1	5.8	6.7	7.8	8.8	8.6	9.3	0	0	0	0
Services Engaged	132	17	17	8	15	9	21	36	9	0	0	0	0
Agencies Engaged	134	17	13	8	15	8	20	36	17	0	0	0	0
# of Referring Agencies	29	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	7	0	0	0	0
Total # of Referrals	112	8	13	11	13	11	18	22	16	0	0	0	0



### MIH "WINS"

MIH patient with dementia was finally placed into a facility best for them. Both the patient and the spouse have an increased quality of life!

Former MIH patient was missing and community partners unable to locate them. MIH found them and informed the other community partners. ECF placement is in progress.

MIH team coordinated with companies/services that were supplying the family of an infant patient with medical supplies and equipment needed to maintain life. No further 911 calls after MIH involvement.

MIH patient living in a third story studio apartment not equipped to facilitate their disabilities. MIH advocacy resulted in the patient being moved to the first floor, into a more spacious unit, increasing ease of access.



A note of appreciation for BFD.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Gretchen Kromer <[gretchenkromer@comcast.net](mailto:gretchenkromer@comcast.net)>

Date: Tue, Aug 20, 2024 at 11:30 AM

Subject: Amber and Trisha

To: <[kerrr@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:kerrr@bloomington.in.gov)>

Hello Chief Kerr -

When I found my husband collapsed on the bathroom floor last Friday I was at a loss. Firemen came and carried him back to bed. They then referred me to Mobile Integrated Health. Amber and Trisha were truly a godsend. They explained what they do, provided supplies and helped us with equipment I bought. I am so grateful for their wonderful service!

Sincerely,

Gretchen Kromer



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From: Anderson, Hilary A <[handerson5@iuhealth.org](mailto:handerson5@iuhealth.org)>

Date: Fri, Aug 9, 2024 at 3:33 PM

Subject: Mobile Integrated Health

To: firechief@bloomington.in.gov <firechief@bloomington.in.gov>

Fire Chief Kerr,

I had the pleasure of interacting with the mobile integrated health staff today. They assisted a patient of our office that would certainly struggle to get the health resources she needs otherwise. Amber and her manager were willing to do anything to help this patient and were absolutely amazing. I hope that this department continues to grow. Thank you

**Hilary Anderson, AGPCNP-BC, FNP-BC, MSN**

Pronouns: she, her, hers

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