

AGENDA
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025
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. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the February 18, 2025 Regular Session
 - b. Approval of Claims - 02.28.2025 and 03.14.2025
 - c. Approval of Payroll – 02.21.2025 and 03.07.2025
 - d. Certification of Executive Session
3. POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
 - a. Report on Monthly Statistics and Training
 - b. General Business
 - c. Personnel Issues
 - d. Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements
 - e. CIRT/ARV Deployment Report
 - f. Letters of Appreciation and Commendation
4. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS
 - a. Report on Monthly Statistics and Training
 - b. General Business
 - c. Personnel Issues
 - i. To Promote Victor Vollrath from Fire Chauffeur to Fire Captain, effective March 17, 2025
 - ii. To Promote Matt Andrews from Fire Chauffeur to Fire Captain, effective March 17, 2025
 - d. Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements
 - e. Letters of Appreciation and Commendation
5. OLD BUSINESS
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Merit Commission: Recommendation To Common Council re: per diem
7. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS (limited to 3 minutes per person)
8. ADJOURNMENT

BLOOMINGTON BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Bloomington Board of Public Safety held a Regular Session on **Tuesday, February 18, 2025 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 Timothy Brinson called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Board Members Russell Kitchner, and Philip Amerson were present in person as well. Board member Barbara McKinney attended via zoom.

Also in attendance were:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham and Police Captain Myrick Williams; and,

Fire Chef Roger Kerr, Assistant Fire Chief Tania Daffron, Deputy Fire Chief Max Litwin; and,

Assistant City Attorney Christopher Wheeler, and Legal Department Paralegal Heather Whitlow

DECLARATION/REVIEW OF BOARD MEMBER CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Board President Timothy Brinson read the conflict of interest disclosure statement. No conflicts of interest were declared.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Timothy Brinson asked for a motion to approve the presented consent agenda, which included the latest payroll, claims and minutes from the January, 2025 meeting. President Brinson asked for any objection, all members indicated they had no objection and items were approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**Personnel Matters**

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Lieutenants, effective 02/01/2025:

Bill Abram, Austin Brown, Ray Cazee, Brandon Hudson, Devin Owens,
Joe Richards, Greg Bare, Jordan Canada, Brian Hollars,
Scott Milne, Joe Radanovich and Brett Rorem

President Brinson called for a Motion. Barbara McKinney so moved, Philip Amerson seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective 02/01/2025 for James Johnson, Joseph Piercy, Scott Scrogam and Seth Staggs. Philip Amerson so moved. Barbara McKinney seconded Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective 02/20/2025: Shaun Huttenlocker. Russell Kitchner moved and Barbara McKinney seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to promote the following individuals from Firefighters First Class to Chauffeur, effective upon the next open position availability: Kayla Hammel. Barbara McKinney moved and Russell Kitchner seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Fire Report on Monthly Statistics and Training:

Assistant Fire Chief Tania Daffron presented the monthly statistics, training and incident reporting along with Deputy Fire Chief Max Litwin.

Fire General Business:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin presented general business.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Fire Deputy Chief Max Litwin discussed expenditures and procurements.

Philip Amerson asked about the weather and calls for health issues; Fire Chief Kerr spoke on this subject stating no much change in calls.

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Police Report on Monthly Statistics, Training and Incident Reports:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham presented the monthly statistics, training and incident reporting.

Police General Business and Personnel Issues:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham presented on general business and personnel issues.

Board Member Russell Kitchner asked about a public meeting that would be taking place at the police department. Police Chief Mike Diekhoff answered.

Police Personnel Matters

President Tim Brinson called for the motion to approve a conditional offer of employment to Jason Shaevitz, Tony Thomas, Zachary Hawkins, Matthew Pearson, Andrew Tillett, James Shields, Shelby Megnin, Caleb Brinson, Garrett Day, Jared Bell and Brandon Bedolla. Philip Amerson so moved and Russell Kitchner seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Police Captain Myrick Williams discussed personnel items.

Purchases: Expenditures/Procurements:

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham discussed the purchases.

CIRT/ARV REPORT

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

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Deputy Police Chief Scott Oldham discussed the letters.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Chris Wheeler, Assistant City Attorney lead discussion on rules and procedures for conducting a meeting and holding an election for commissioners for the Bloomington Fire Merit Board. President Tim Brinson called for a motion to accept rules and procedures for the Bloomington Fire Merit Board election. Russell Kitchner so moved and Philip Amerson seconded. Discussion called for, no discussion held and all members by roll call voted aye. Motion passed.

Philip Amerson stated he would like to see information from the Chiefs in May or June concerning comparisons with other department salaries and benefits.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Timothy Brinson adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Whitlow, Paralegal
Board of Public Safety

The minutes of the January 21, 2025 Board of Public Safety Meeting were approved this ____ day of March, 2025.

Bloomington Police Department

Board Of Safety

Statistical Report

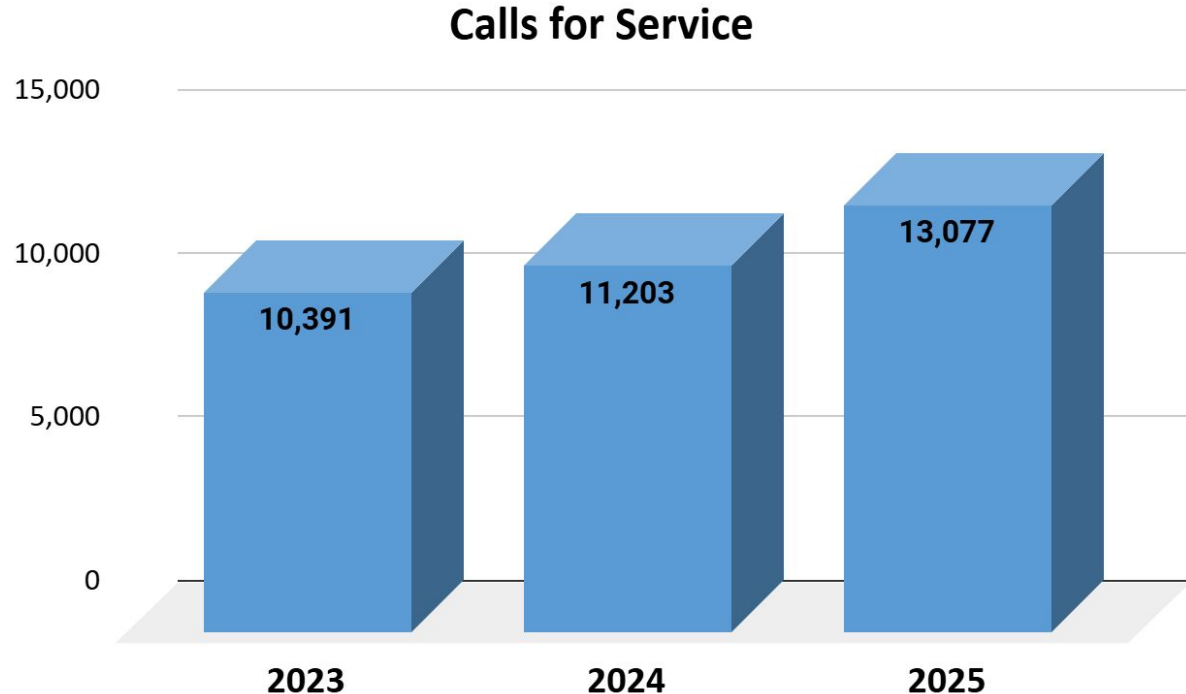
March 2025



CALLS FOR SERVICE

The Department has responded to 13,077 calls for service through February of 2025. That is an increase of 1,874 calls from the same period in 2024.

This figure represents a 16.7% increase in 2025.

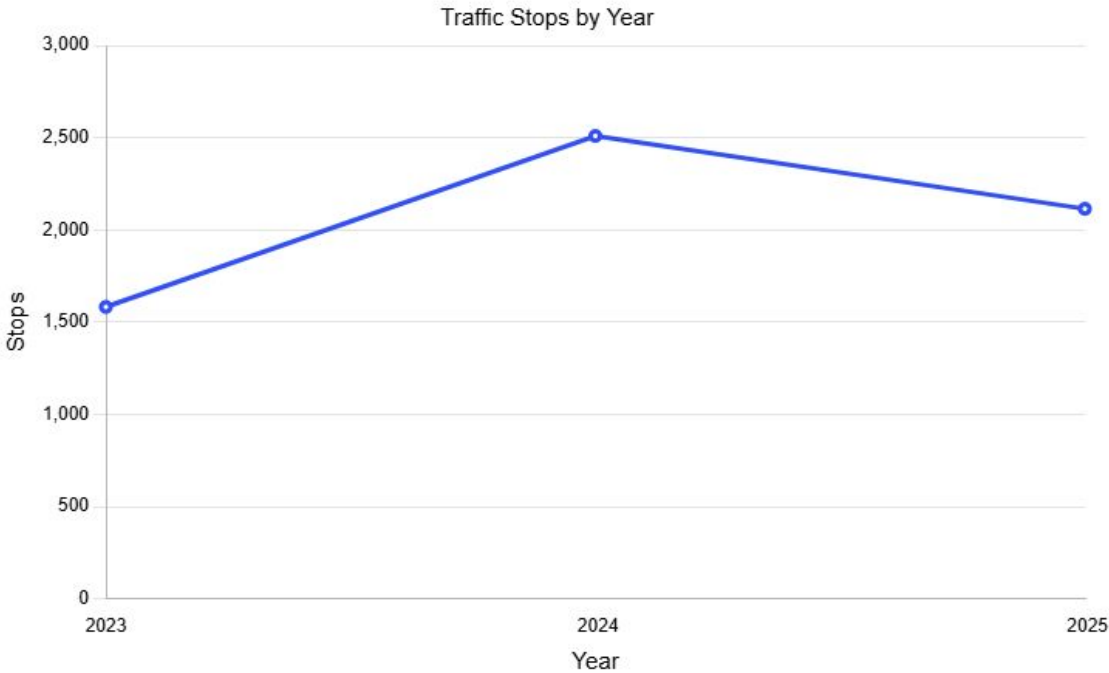


COMPARISON 2023-2025 CRIME TOTALS (YTD)

| CRIME | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | Percentage Change (2024-2025) |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|-------------------------------|
| Murder | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0% |
| Rape/Forcible Sex Offense | 15 | 10 | 17 | 70% |
| Robbery | 2 | 8 | 3 | -63% |
| Assault | 151 | 130 | 144 | 10.8% |
| Domestic Battery | 77 | 60 | 61 | 1.7% |
| Child Abuse | 6 | 4 | 7 | 75% |
| Neglect | 6 | 8 | 6 | -25.0% |
| Burglary | 25 | 37 | 31 | -16.2% |
| Larceny | 235 | 262 | 207 | -20.90% |
| Vehicle Theft | 23 | 16 | 20 | 25.0% |
| Operating While Intoxicated | 18 | 10 | 16 | 60% |
| Public Intoxicated | 13 | 21 | 17 | -19% |
| Vandalism | 154 | 99 | 95 | -4.1% |
| Graffiti | 4 | 5 | 5 | 0% |

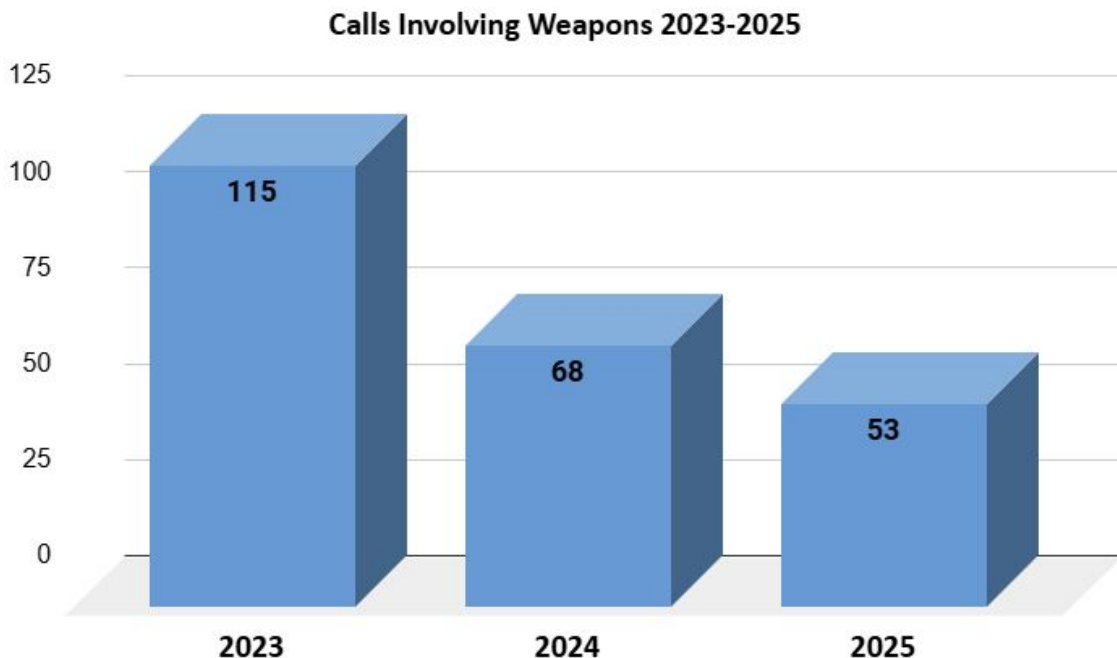
TRAFFIC STOP COMPARISON

| Year | Traffic Stops |
|------|---------------|
| 2023 | 1,582 |
| 2024 | 2,509 |
| 2025 | 2,114 |

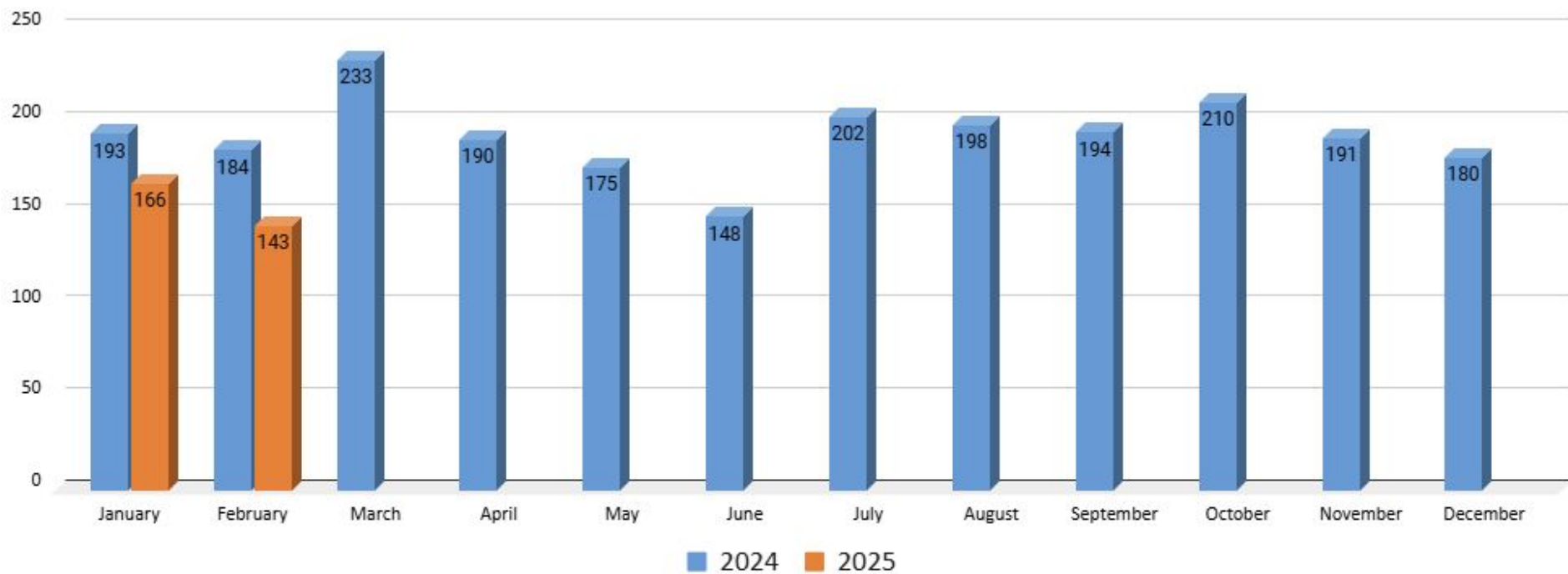


CRIME INVOLVING WEAPONS

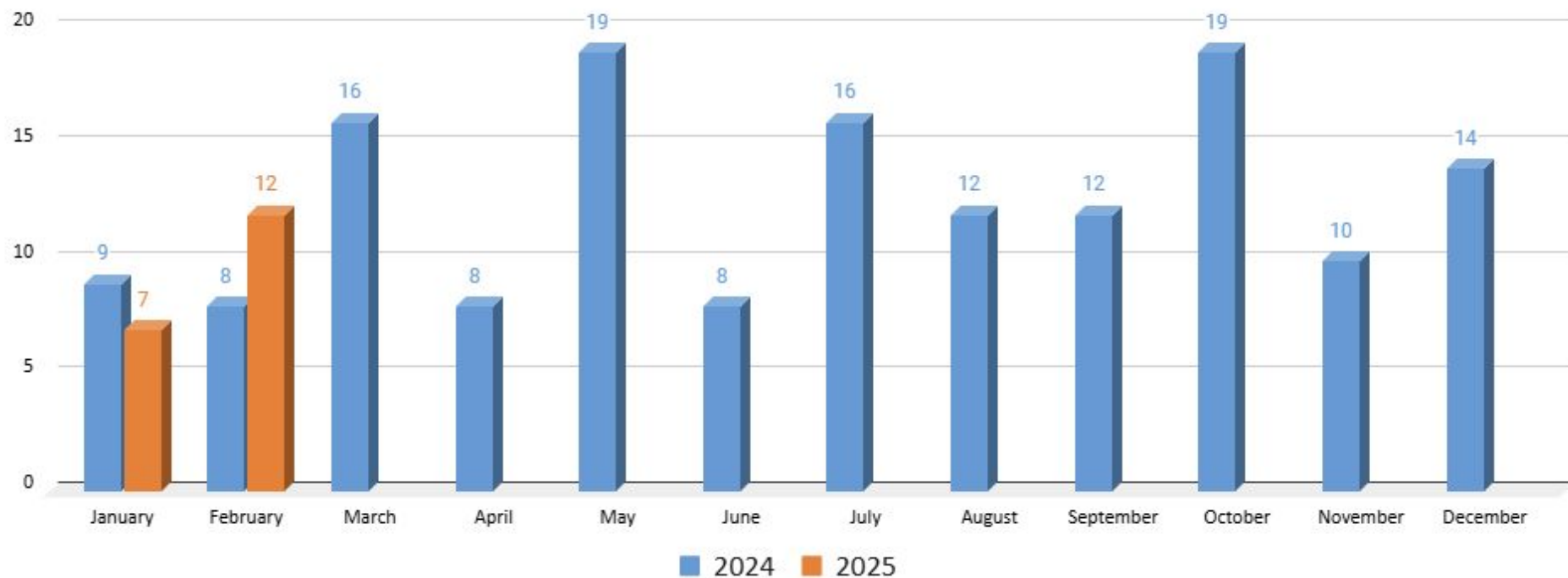
- So far in 2025, there have been 53 incidents where weapons were reportedly involved.
- A firearm has been reported in 36 incidents in 2025 and firearms were fired at a person in 4 of those incidents.



2024-2025 Adult Arrests

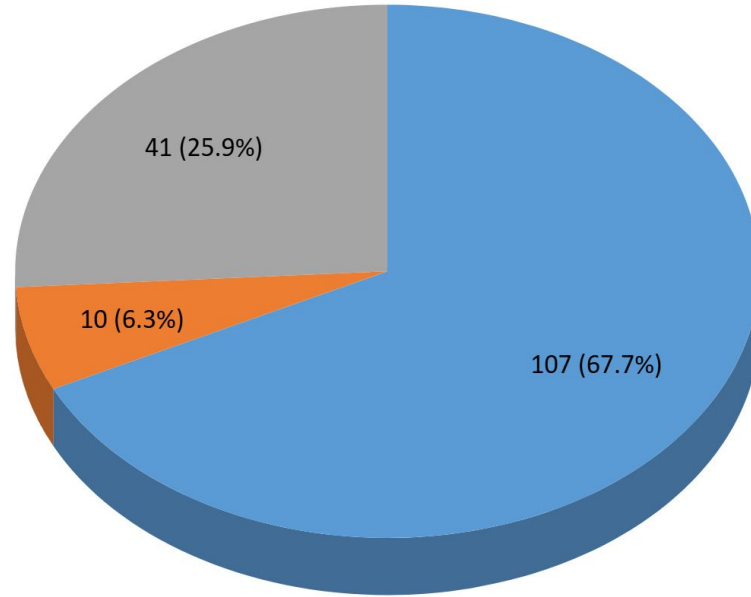


2024-2025 Juvenile Referrals



| UCR/IND. HATE CRIMES | | |
|----------------------|------|------|
| | 2024 | 2025 |
| Jan-Mar | 0 | 0 |
| Apr-June | 0 | |
| July - Sept | 2 | |
| Oct - Dec | 0 | |
| TOTALS: | 2 | 0 |

February 2025 Nuisance Calls for Service



● DISTURBANCE ● INTOXICATION ● VANDALISM

Total = 158

TRAINING

Training Hours: 759

Training Highlights:

- 15 officers attended the BPD three-day annual in-service training
- Seven officers completed two hours of Emotional Survival for Law Enforcement
- Three officers attended Crisis Intervention Team training
- Two officers attended a three-day IDEA conference
- One officer attended a two hour course on Communication Skills for Effective Leaders
- Six officers attended drone training (7 hours each)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Engagement Events: 12

Community Engagement Hours: 14

BPD Personnel Involved: 20

Community Engagement Events - Prior:

- Several officers attended a surprise birthday party for an 18-year-old member of the community that idolizes first responders
- CSS outreach
- Safety meeting with Bloomington Board of Realtors

Community Engagement Events – Upcoming

- Furever Friends with MCHA
- Binford & Rogers Elementary School Carnival

Police Social Worker

Total Number of Referrals: 72

Total Number of PSS Contacts: 346

Summary:

- Mental Health Providers (MHPs) organized and facilitated BPD's annual three-day mental health intensive course that included employees from BPD, MCSO and Ellettsville PD.
- MHP connected a client with cremation/burial assistance.
- MHP assisted a client with filing for a protective order
- MHP assisted a client with accessing an assisted living facility and worked with a local Catholic church to locate volunteers to drive the client to church each week.
- Outreach and Resource Specialist (OARS) staff assisted six people with ordering phones.
- OARS completed three housing assessments.
- OARS assisted community members with food stamp and healthcare applications.



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Chief Diekhoff and the Officers of the Bloomington Police Department,

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude to you and your officers for your professionalism, dedication, and swift response during the critical incident on Liberty Drive on Friday, February 7th. Your commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our community does not go unnoticed, and we are incredibly fortunate to have such a capable and courageous CIRT.

The challenges we face in moments like these require skill, discipline, and an unwavering sense of duty. It is reassuring to know that, in times of crisis, our agencies can count on each other to act with diligence and integrity. Your efforts that day undoubtedly helped to protect lives and restore order, and for that, we are truly grateful.

Please extend our appreciation to every officer involved. We want you to know that your service was valued and deeply appreciated.

I apologize for my absence however I was out of the Country last week and unavailable to assist in Command.

Thank you again for your dedication and hard work.

Lt Col Randy Jacobs

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "RJ", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

City of Bloomington Fire Department Board of Public Safety Report

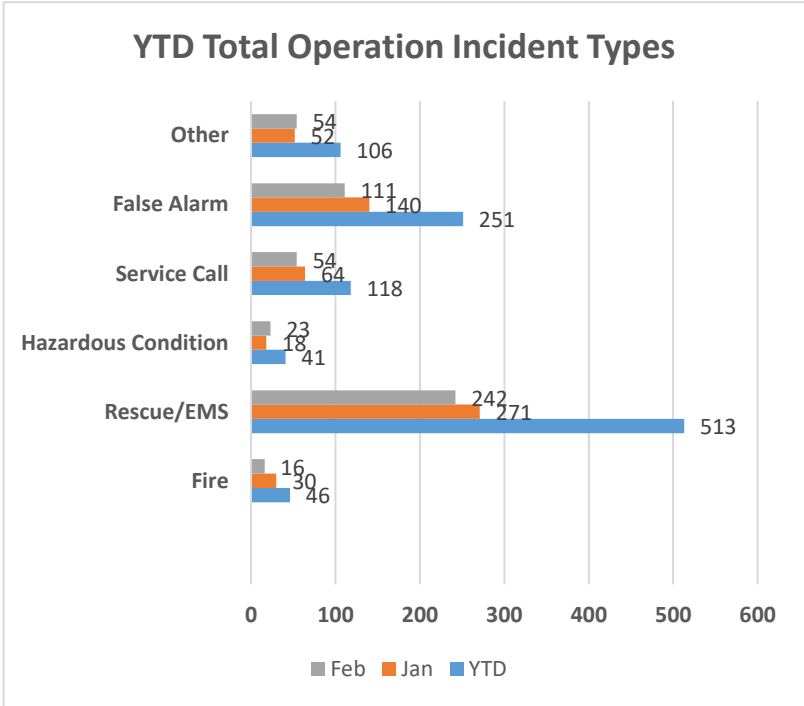


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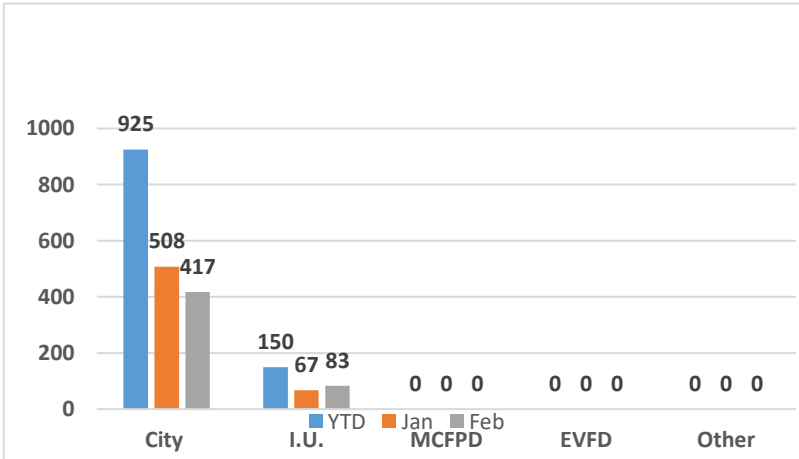
YTD Total Operational Incident Types

Total YTD

1075



YTD Percentage of Incident Locations



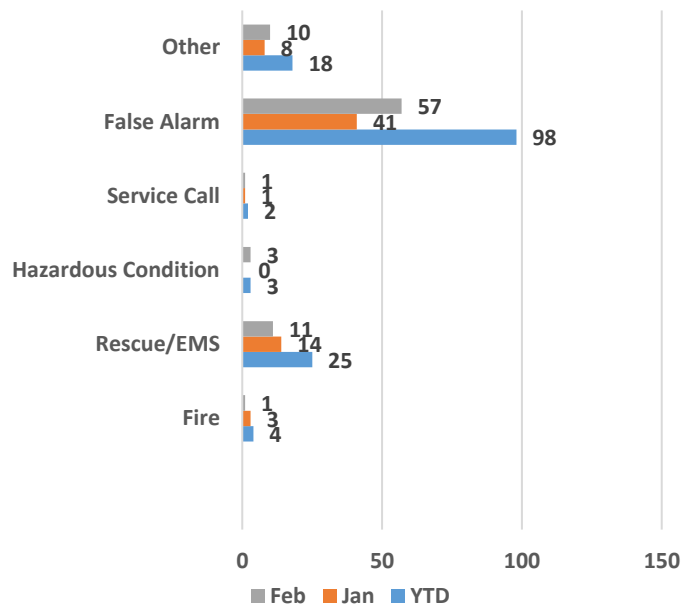


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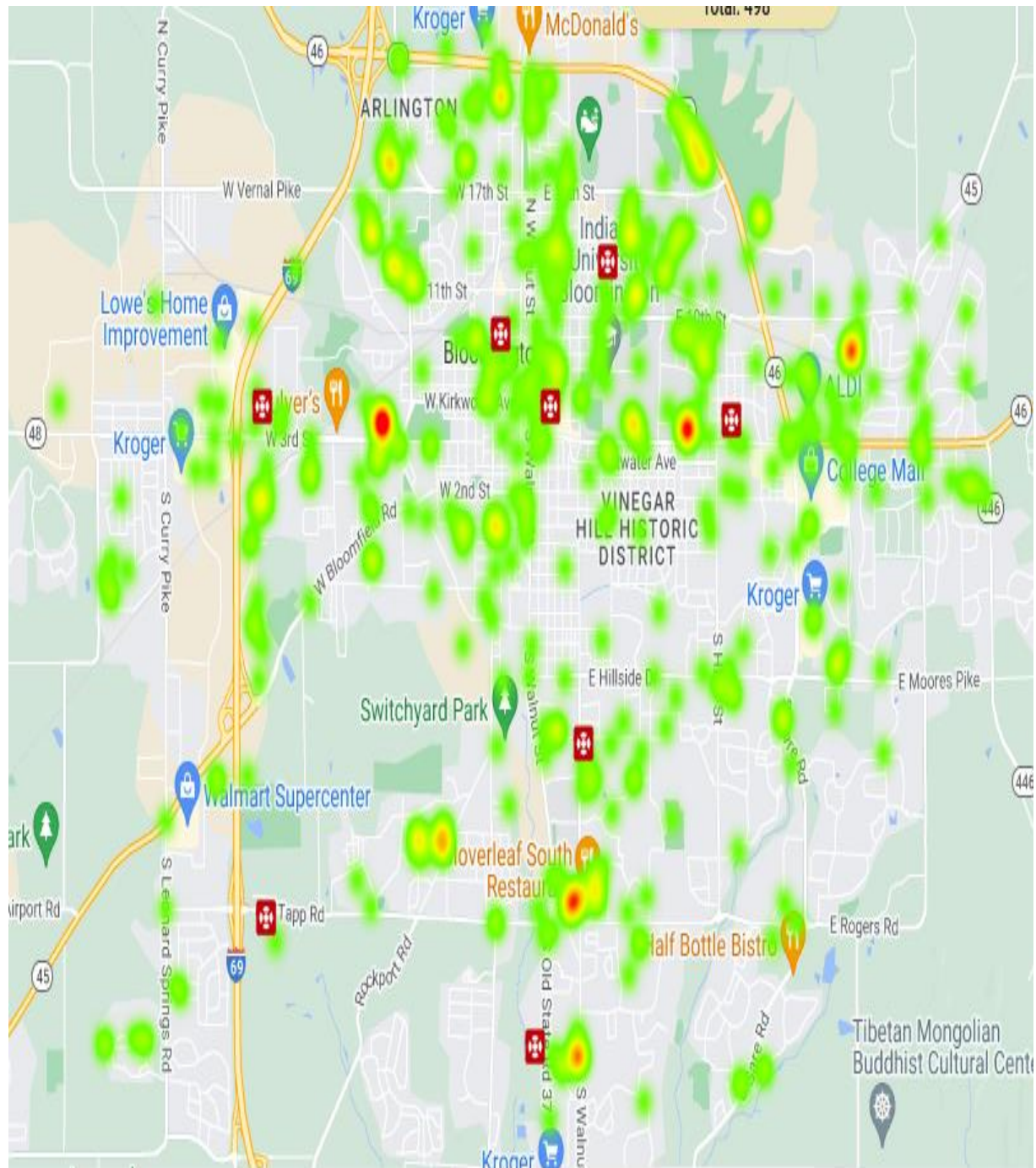
Total YTD

150

Incident Types on the IU Campus



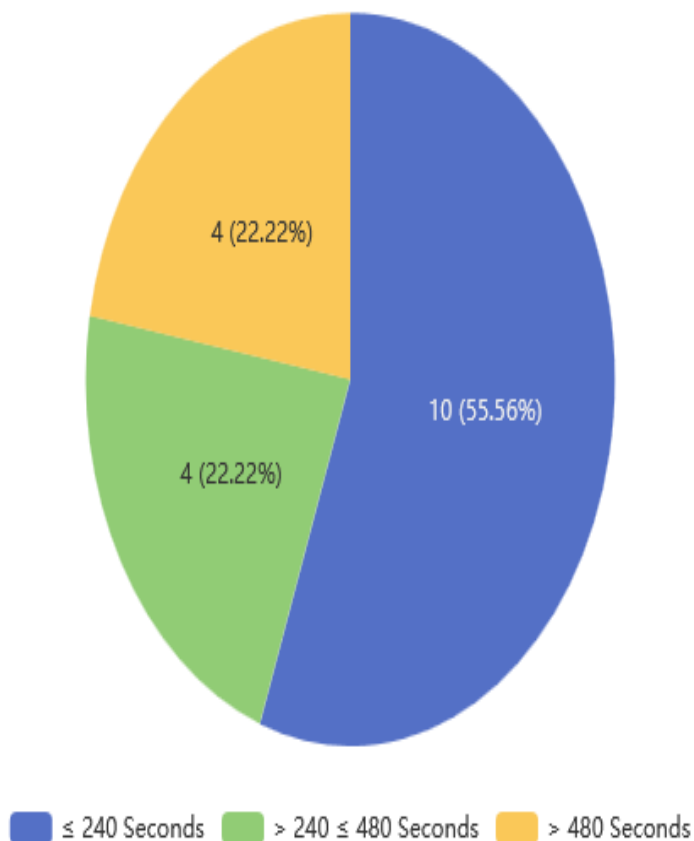
Response Heat Map for All Calls February 2025



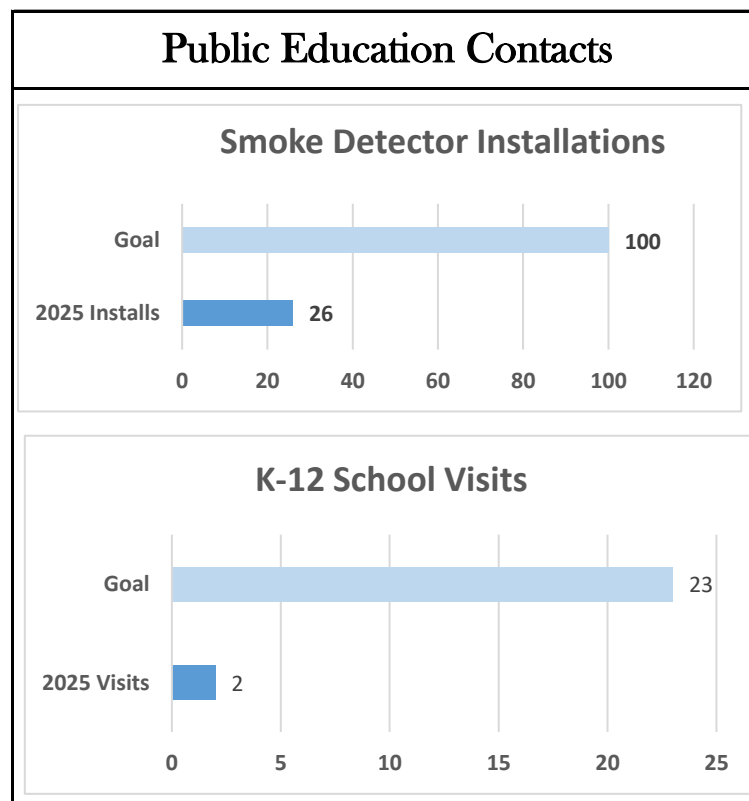
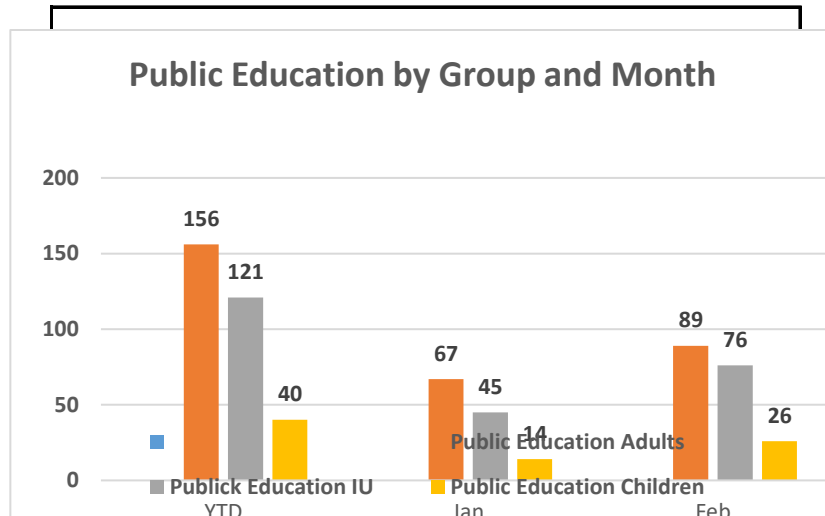
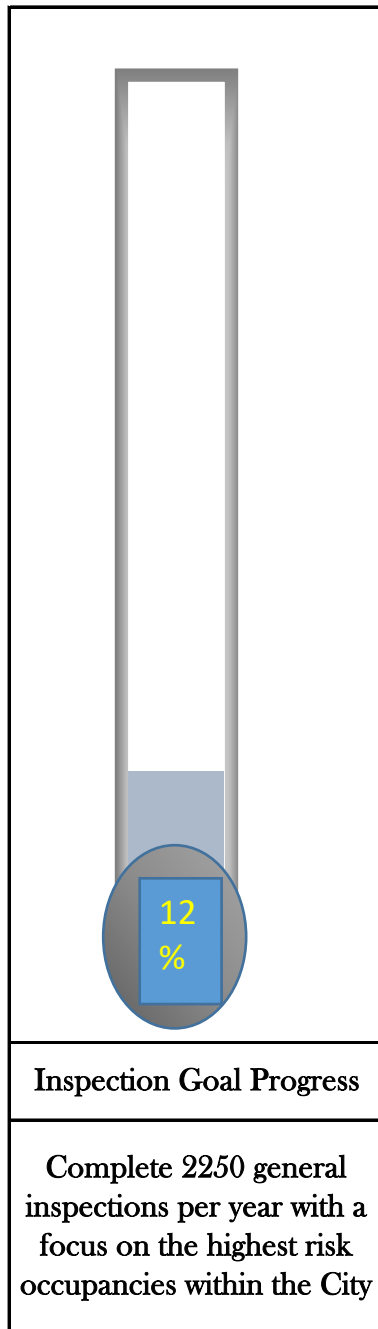
Response Times / Goals (1st arriving) FIRE February 2025

Travel Time for 1st fire suppression apparatus on fire suppression incidents 90th Percentile: 00:09:38

Total: (18)



Prevention and Public Engagement Statistics



Training and Education

2025 Training Hour Trend by Month



This Month's Training Notes

Joint Recruit Academy continues, first live burn held at the training tower.

Personnel Hammel, Vandagriff, Mason, and Lobosky all attended training out of town.

Twenty-one (21) students attended our Instructor 1 class, held at BFD. Four (4) departments represented.

Mobile Integrated Healthcare

| Tracking Metric | YTD | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Avg Visit Per Client | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Services Engaged | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Agencies Engaged | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| # of Referring Agencies | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| total # of Referral | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |



MIH "WINS"

The MIH team developed and solicited items for the 'Bloomington Safe at Home Initiative.' They received 70 carbon monoxide (CO) detectors from Lowe's and Koorsen Fire and Security.

The MIH team is actively participating in a data collection and hospital re-admit prevention initiative with IU Health Bloomington Hospital. The has team received their first referrals from this partnership.

BFD's MIH Program Manager co-presented with IDHS Medical Director (Dr. Eric Yazel) at a national conference in Tampa, FL on Mobile Integrated Healthcare.

The MIH team co-responded with BPD's Social Work team to follow-up with a patient and were able to act quickly to get them prompt, proper medical attention.

Referral 305

FEbruary 2025

DEAR BLOOMINGTON FIRE AUX,

"OUTSTANDING" DESCRIBES THE JOB
YOU ALL DID FOR THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY
EVENT. YOU SHOULD ALL BE PROUD OF YOUR HARD
WORK YOU PUT INTO IT. THANK YOU FOR
HAVING US.

GOD BLESS,
THE CHAPMAN'S