



STATE OF PUBLIC SAFETY

2025



BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Founded in 1899, the Bloomington Police Department (BPD) has evolved into a comprehensive, full-service law enforcement agency dedicated to addressing the public safety needs of our community. Over the years, BPD has expanded its services and capabilities to better serve the City of Bloomington, reflecting our commitment to maintaining a safe and secure environment for all residents and visitors.

The Bloomington Police Department's comprehensive approach to public safety, coupled with its commitment to transparency, accountability, and community engagement, ensures that we continue to protect and serve with excellence. We are proud of our history and excited about the future as we work together to build a safer, stronger community.



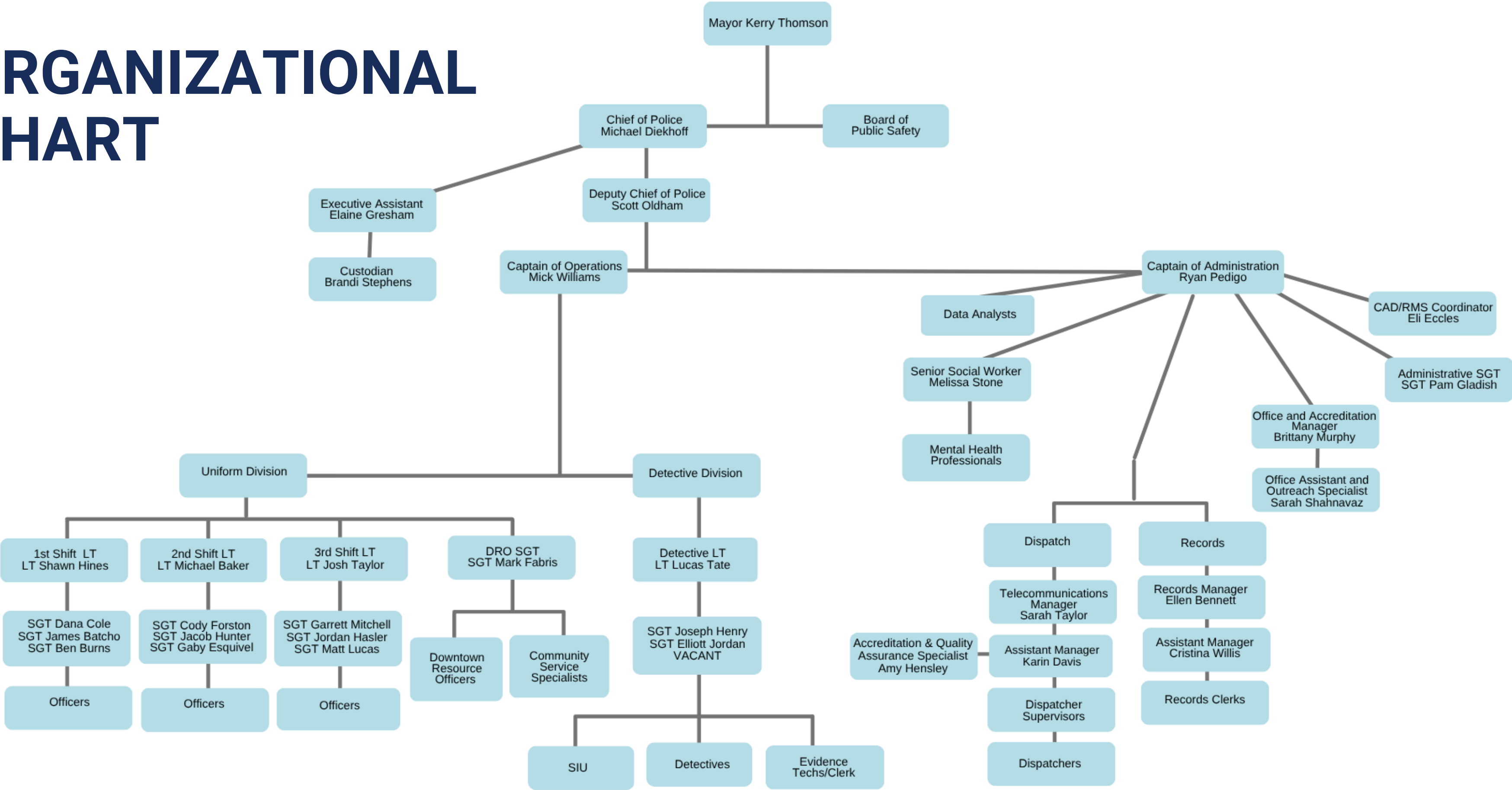
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The department is authorized and budgeted for both sworn officers and non-sworn employees. This includes a full-time Records Division, Monroe County Central Emergency Dispatch employees, Community Service Specialists, Data Analysts, Police Social Workers, and office staff.

The BPD is not only focused on traditional law enforcement but also on innovative programs and community engagement initiatives designed to foster trust and collaboration between the police and the community. These initiatives include:

- **Community Policing:** Building strong relationships with community members through regular interaction, collaboration, and problem-solving efforts.
- **Crisis Intervention:** Specialized training for officers to handle situations involving mental health crises, ensuring compassionate and appropriate responses.
- **Youth Outreach Programs:** Engaging with young people through educational programs, mentorship, and activities aimed at building positive relationships and preventing crime.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



SUMMARY OF 149 PERSONNEL ROLES



Sworn Personnel:

- Authorized: 105
- Current: 87
- Openings: 18

- Male: 74
- Female: 13

- White: 80
- African American: 4
- Latino: 1
- Asian: 1
- Other: 1

Non-Sworn Personnel:

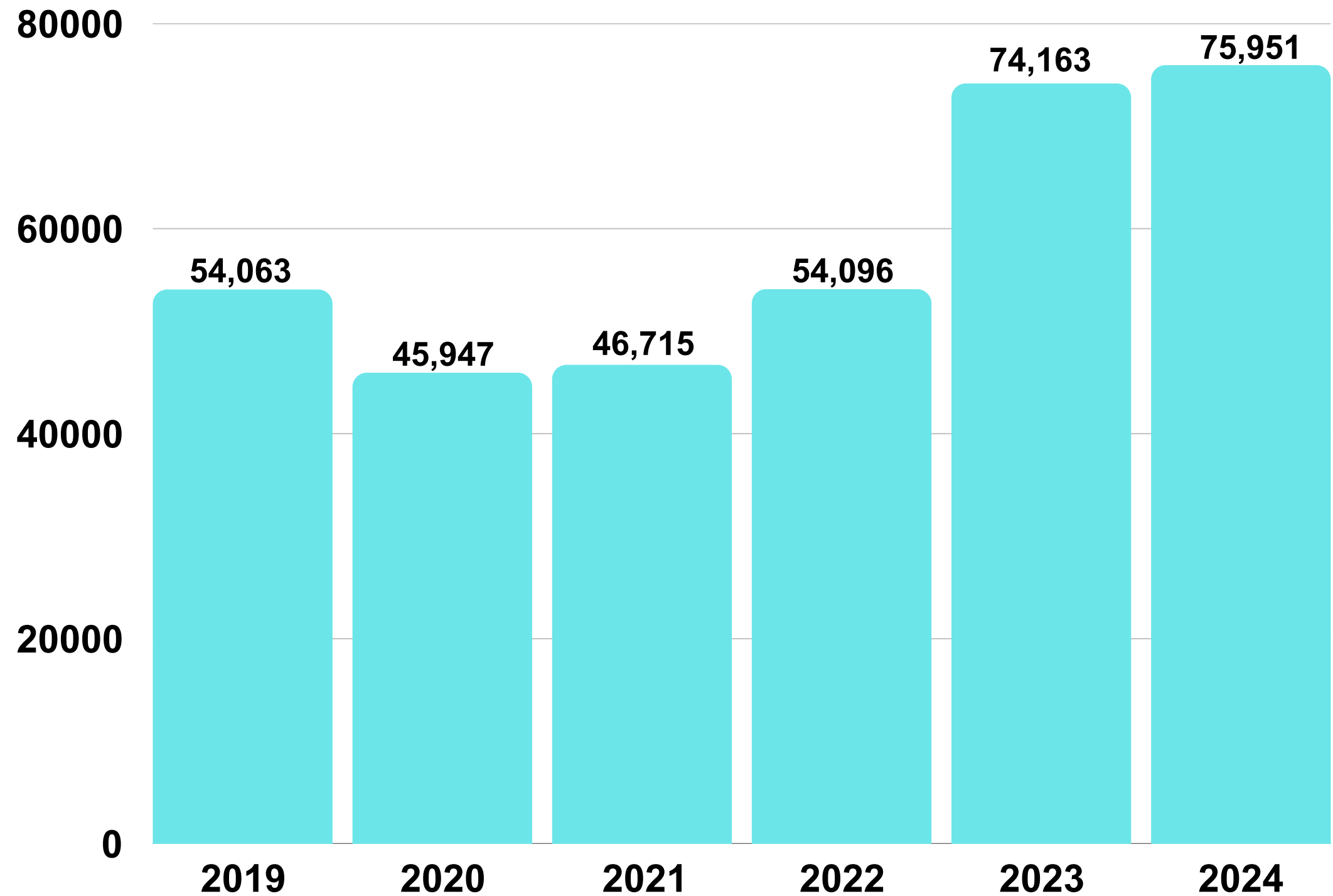
- Authorized: 86
- Current: 62
- Openings: 24

- Male: 20
- Female: 42

CALLS FOR SERVICE

In 2024, the Department responded to **75,951 calls for service**, an increase of 1,788 calls from 2023, or a **2.4% rise**.

This continues a years-long pattern of increasing demand for services.



COMPARISON: CRIME TOTALS

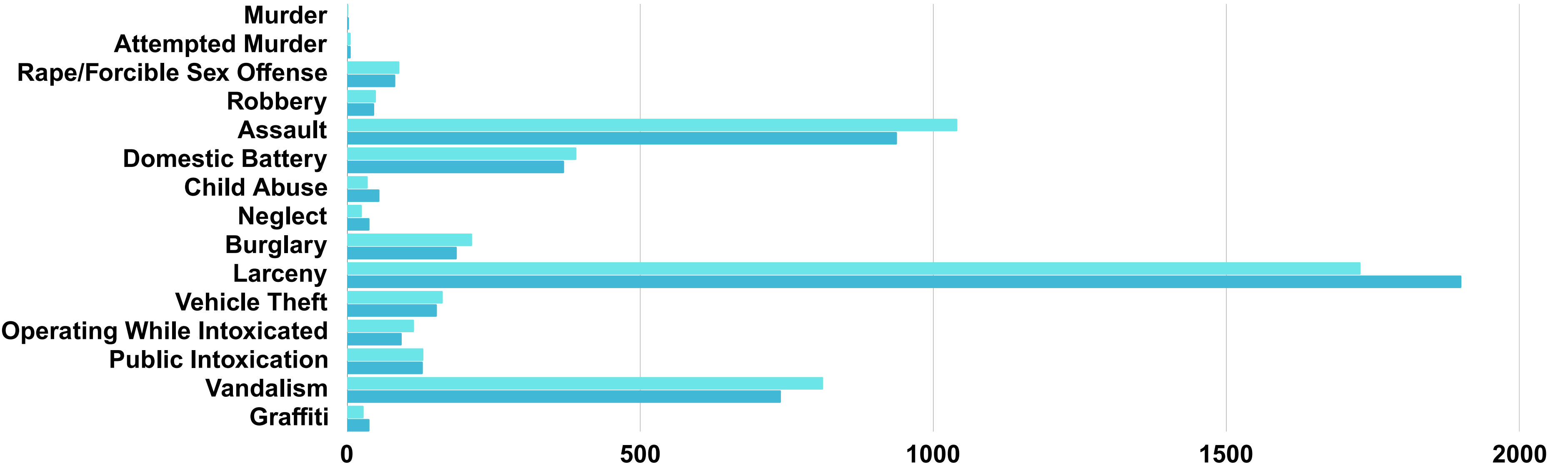
| Type | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | % Change ('23-'24) |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|------|--------------------|
| Murder | 5 | 2 | 3 | +50% |
| Attempted Murder | 11 | 6 | 6 | 0% |
| Rape/Forcible Sex Offense | 114 | 89 | 82 | -7.9% |
| Robbery | 64 | 49 | 46 | -6.1% |
| Assault | 1,052 | 1,041 | 938 | -9.9% |
| Domestic Battery | 455 | 391 | 370 | -5.4% |
| Child Abuse | 35 | 35 | 55 | +57.1% |
| Neglect | 31 | 25 | 38 | +52% |

COMPARISON: CRIME TOTALS

| Type | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | % Change ('23-'24) |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| Burglary | 264 | 213 | 187 | -12.2% |
| Larceny | 1,565 | 1,729 | 1,901 | +9.9% |
| Vehicle Theft | 142 | 163 | 153 | -6.1% |
| Operating While Intoxicated | 127 | 114 | 93 | -18.4% |
| Public Intoxication | 191 | 130 | 129 | -0.8% |
| Vandalism | 952 | 812 | 740 | -8.9% |
| Graffiti | 38 | 28 | 38 | +35.7% |

COMPARISON: CRIME TOTALS

2023 2024



CRIME IN PERSPECTIVE

- Overall, Bloomington's crime rate **decreased by 0.8%** from 2023 to 2024.
- During that period, violent crime **decreased by 24.3%**
- Most violent crime is **not random**. More than **78%** of violent crime victims **know their assailants**.
- BPD continues to partner with social services and advocacy groups to address the root causes of crime.



ASSAULT (BATTERY)

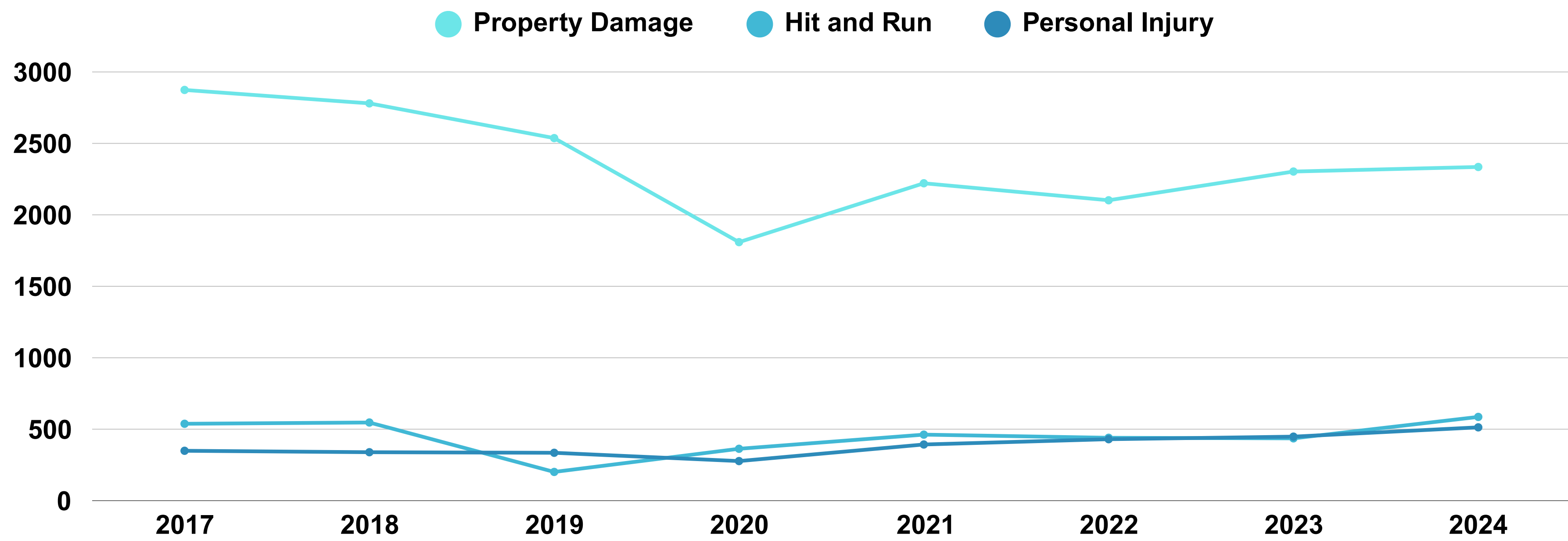
- **Assault** = an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting bodily injury.
- This category **includes** Aggravated Assault, Simple Assault and Domestic Violence Assault.
- In **most** cases, the victim and suspect **knew each other**.
- **More than 58%** of these crimes occur at someone's home.



MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH COMPARISON

| Type | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Property Damage | 2,872 | 2,780 | 2,537 | 1,809 | 2,221 | 2,102 | 2,303 | 2,335 |
| Hit and Run | 538 | 547 | 201 | 363 | 462 | 440 | 436 | 586 |
| Personal Injury | 349 | 339 | 335 | 277 | 393 | 430 | 448 | 513 |

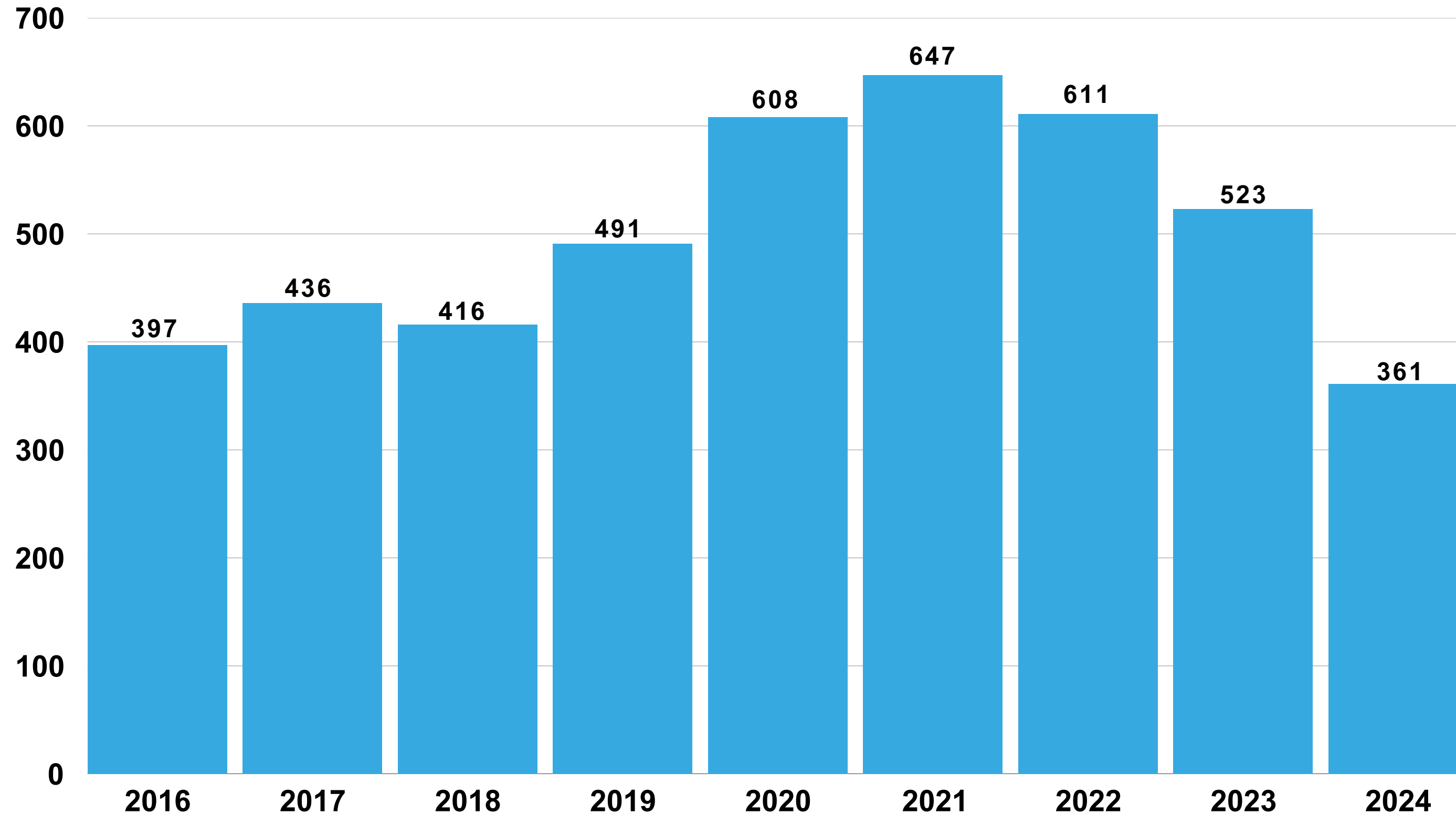
MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH COMPARISON



VIOLENT CRIME INVOLVING WEAPONS

- In 2024, there were 361 reported weapons-related incidents, marking a **decrease of 162 incidents from 2023**. This reflects a **decline of about 31%**.
- Of these incidents, firearms were used in **107 cases** and discharged at a person in **27 instances**.
- The Bloomington Police Department continues to collaborate closely with local social service providers and advocacy groups to offer support and assistance to those in need within our community.
- Our primary focus remains on preventing and reducing instances of violence in interpersonal relationships, aiming to foster a supportive and secure environment for all individuals.

VIOLENT CRIME INVOLVING WEAPONS



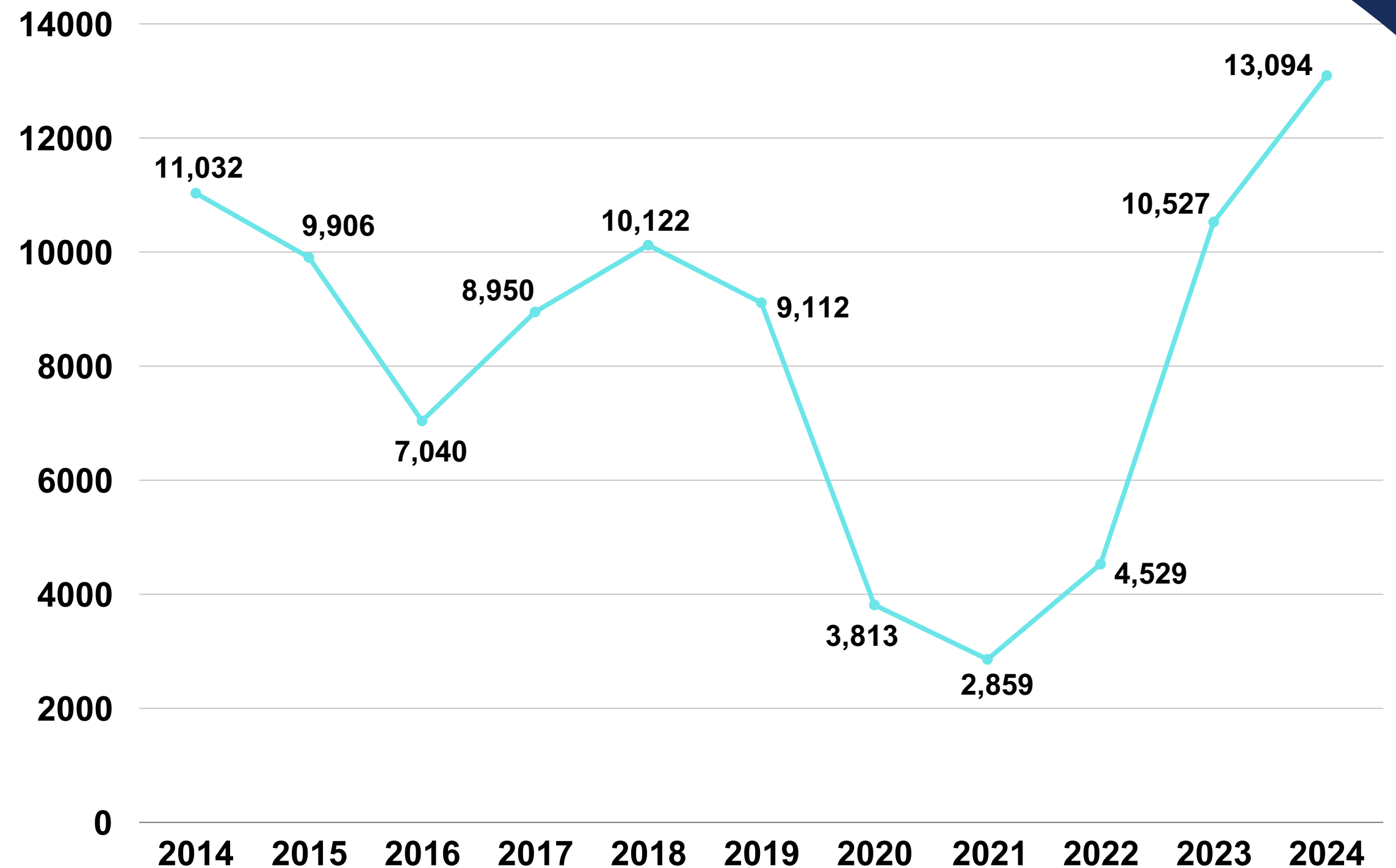
COMMUNITY SERVICE SPECIALIST (CSS)



- Beginning in 2020, non-sworn BPD employees known as **Community Service Specialists** began assisting the Department in areas including **traffic incident reporting, traffic direction** and report-taking of **low-level crimes not in progress**.
- Community Service Specialists assist with **4.8% of the Department's overall call volume**. As a result, sworn officers have more capacity to address emergent concerns in a timely fashion.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

- In an effort to reduce vehicle crashes caused by traffic code violations, BPD intensified its traffic enforcement initiatives, conducting **13,094 traffic stops in 2024**. This enhanced focus on traffic safety seeks to protect the well-being of all road users.
- BPD made approximately **2,567 more traffic stops** in 2024 than in 2023, an **increase of about 24%**.



SOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

| Year | New Referrals | Client Interactions |
|-------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 2019 | 115 | 683 |
| 2020 | 265 | 2,184 |
| 2021 | 369 | 3,597 |
| 2022 | 338 | 4,378 |
| 2023 | 345 | 3,799 |
| 2024 | 224 | 2,977* |

- BPD launched the **Police Social Support Services program**, formerly the Police Social Worker program, in 2019.
- The Department currently employs three full-time Mental Health Professionals (MHP's).
- The average monthly caseload for this team was **79 individuals/families**, 72% of those being ongoing cases from previous months.

*There were only two MHP's from January to August 2024.

POLICE SOCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

| Year | Outreach Hours | Client Interactions | Referrals Made | Case Management Sessions |
|------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| 2024 | 401.5 | 501 | 259 | 47 |

- In April 2024, BPD added two part-time Outreach and Resource Specialists to assist our unhoused population.
- This team primarily works on evenings and weekends, when other services are unavailable.

RECORDS DIVISION

| Bloomington Police Records Division | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Public Access Requests Processed | 1,709 | 1,937 | 1,924 | 2,009 | 2,182 |
| Limited Criminal History Requests | 1,823 | 1,732 | 1,585 | 1,739 | 1,779 |
| Handgun Permits | 695 | 498 | 168 | 58 | 47 |
| Accident Report Requests | 518 | 536 | 504 | 524 | 594 |
| Initial Case Reports | 7,981 | 7,081 | 7,068 | 7,538 | 7,478 |
| Supplemental Case Reports | 11,331 | 10,420 | 9,839 | 12,287 | 14,795 |
| Towed Vehicle Releases | 225 | 219 | 251 | 240 | 193 |
| Online Reports Processed | 686 | 630 | 561 | 487 | 619 |

RECORDS DIVISION

- **Public access requests Processed:** Requests from the public for access to police records or information, handled by BPD.
- **Limited criminal history requests:** An overview of someone's criminal history, often needed for employment or licensing purposes.
- **Handgun permits:** Permits issued by the BPD allowing individuals to legally possess and carry handguns within the city.
- **Accident report requests:** Requests for reports on traffic accidents filed by the BPD.
- **Initial Case Reports:** First reports filed by police officers detailing incidents or crimes reported in Bloomington.
- **Supplemental case reports:** Additional reports providing updates or additional information related to initial case reports.
- **Towed vehicle releases:** Requests to release vehicles towed and impounded by the police, often due to traffic violations or accidents.
- **Online reports processed:** Reports submitted electronically by the public through BPD's online system, typically for non-emergency incidents.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- Community engagement **increased by up to 40.7% in 2024**. BDP both facilitated popular community events and introduced new ones, maximizing opportunities to connect with the public.
- BPD's social media audience **grew 5.4% in 2024** across Facebook, Instagram, X (formerly Twitter) and Nextdoor.

2024 events included:

- Birthday Parties
- “Boo to Drugs” Halloween Event
- Citizens Police Academy
- National Night Out
- National Prescription Drug Take Back Day
- Pack the Cruiser
- Rape Aggression Defense
- Resource Fairs
- School Visits
- Teen Academy



LOOKING FORWARD

- The City is exploring using the building at **714 S. Rogers St.** as its **future headquarters.**
- The move is necessitated by several factors, including a lack of space at BPD's current headquarters at 220 E. 3rd St. and damage caused to the building by severe flooding in 2021.
- The location is supported by police staff and union members, offers space for improved victim services co-location of social services, and is central to public transit, making it a strong contender.



LOOKING FORWARD

- Relocating the police headquarters would **require approval** from both the **Mayor's Office** and the **City Council**.
- There is currently no timeline for approval. However, if the Rogers Street project **were approved**, we estimate it would take **about 18 months to complete**.
- This administration and department remain committed to ensuring that BPD has a **functional headquarters**—and that any decisions about the future of public safety in Bloomington are made **transparently**.





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BLOOMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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The City of Bloomington Fire Department has proudly served the community for 125 years, providing exemplary public safety to all who live, work, or visit our great city. Through comprehensive fire prevention, public education, mobile integrated healthcare, and swift emergency response, our department remains steadfast in its commitment to protecting our citizens' well-being.

The City of Bloomington Fire Department prides itself on its tradition of excellence and unwavering dedication to the safety and well-being of the community. Our highly skilled and trained personnel work tirelessly to ensure that every emergency is handled with the utmost professionalism and care.



A LOOK BACK

In October 2024, BFD officially **reopened Fire Station 1**, concluding three years of much-needed renovations prompted by severe flooding in 2021.

In addition to restoring BFD's operational capacity, renovations to Fire Station 1 will **improve crews' quality of life** and equip them with the modern tools and resources needed to offer the **best protection possible** to our community.

Recent renovations include:

- New shutter doors
- Individual sleeping quarters
- A bigger kitchen
- An updated living room



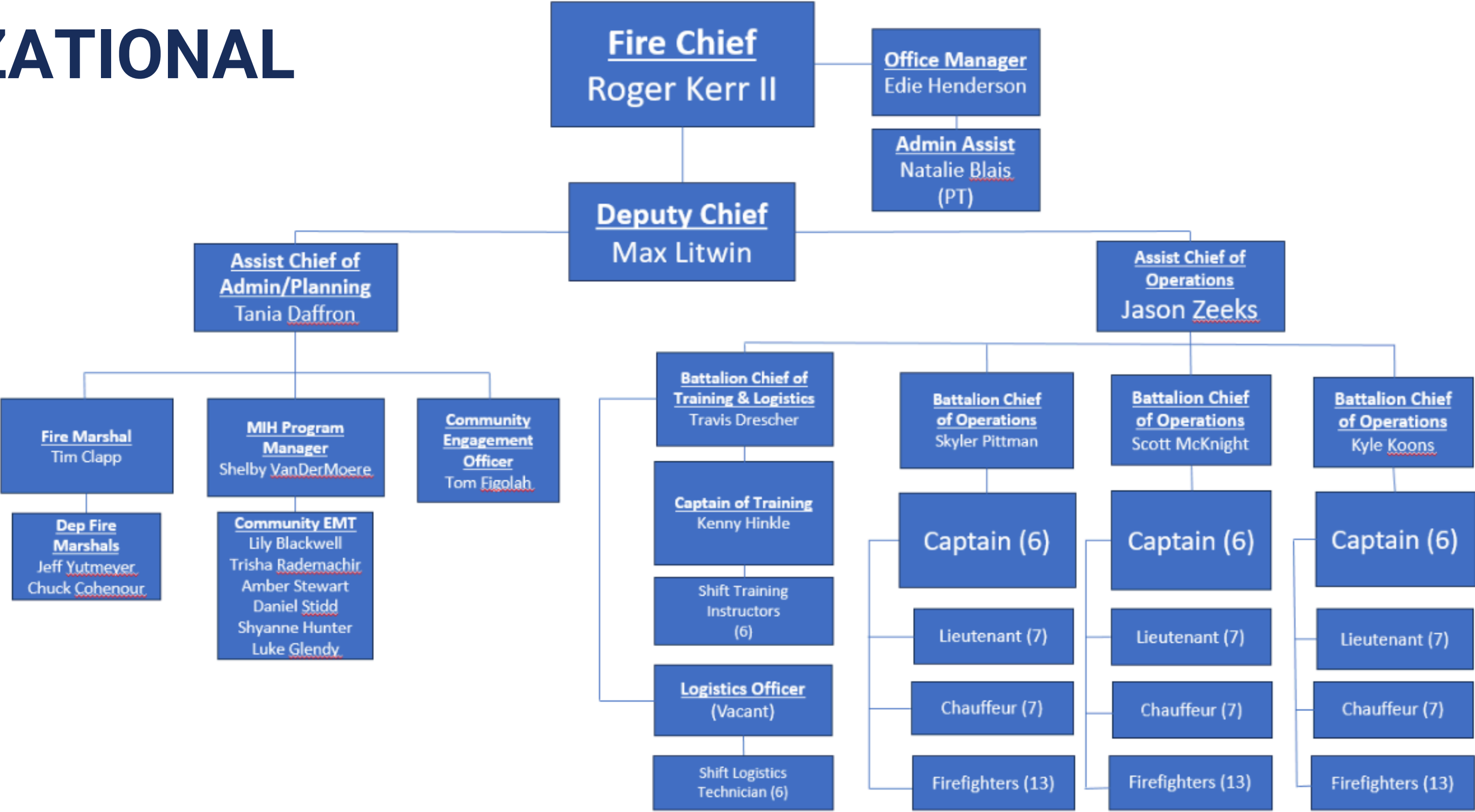
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Sworn Personnel:

- Authorized: 110
- Current: 107

Civilian Personnel:

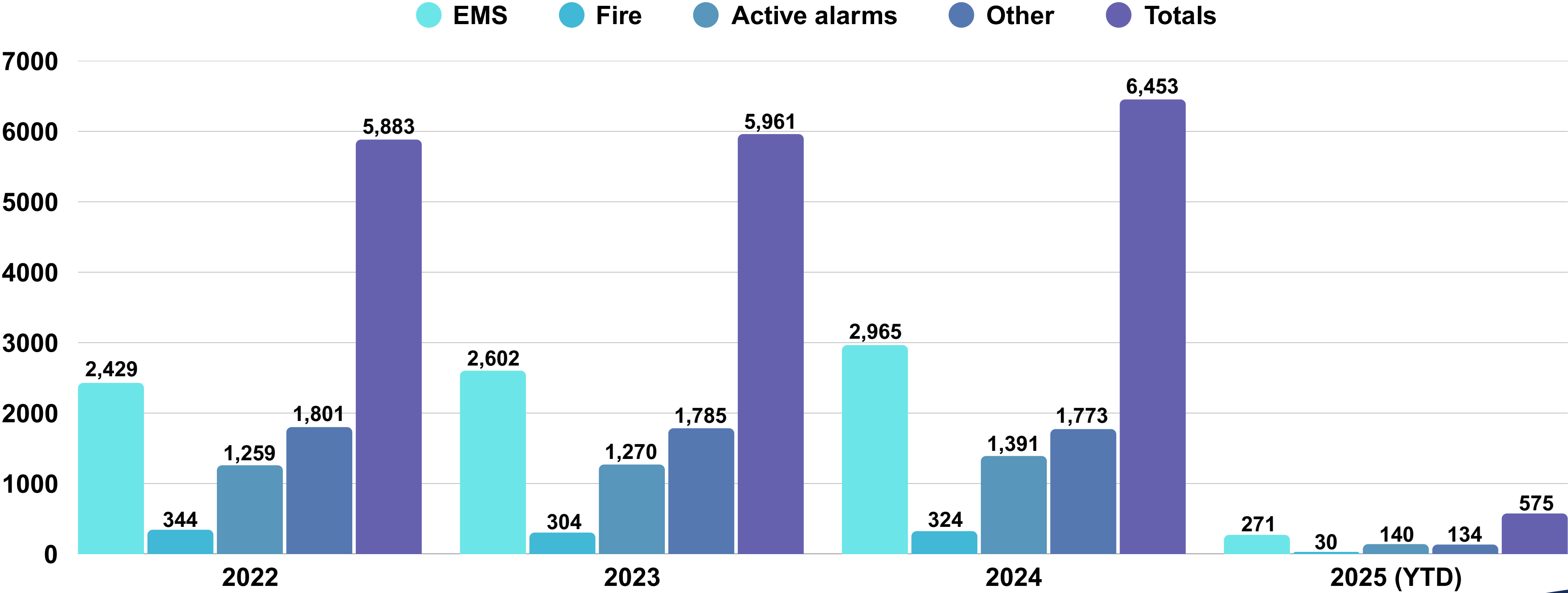
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CALLS FOR SERVICE

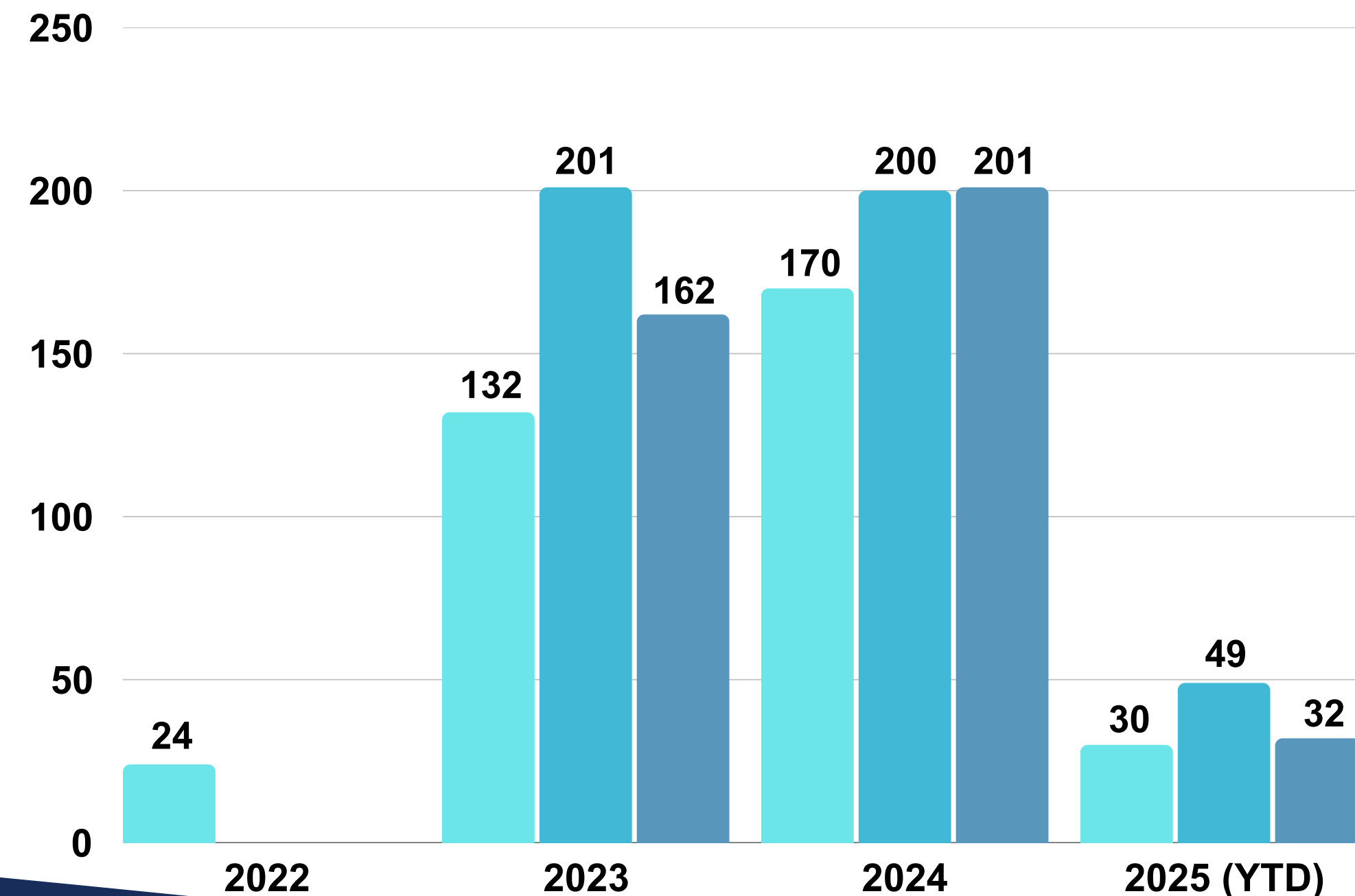
- The Bloomington Fire Department responds to a diverse range of call types, including fires, emergency medical services (EMS), active alarms, and various other emergencies.
- In 2024, the Fire Department responded to **6,453 calls for service**, marking an **increase of 492 calls compared to 2023**. This represents an **increase of nearly 8.3%**, highlighting the growing demand for their services.

CALLS FOR SERVICE



MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH

● Total Clients ● Services Provided
● Agencies Engaged



Since its inception in the 4th Quarter of 2022, the **Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH) program** has witnessed a sustained surge in patient interaction, underscoring its increasingly vital role in delivering **essential services** to our residents.

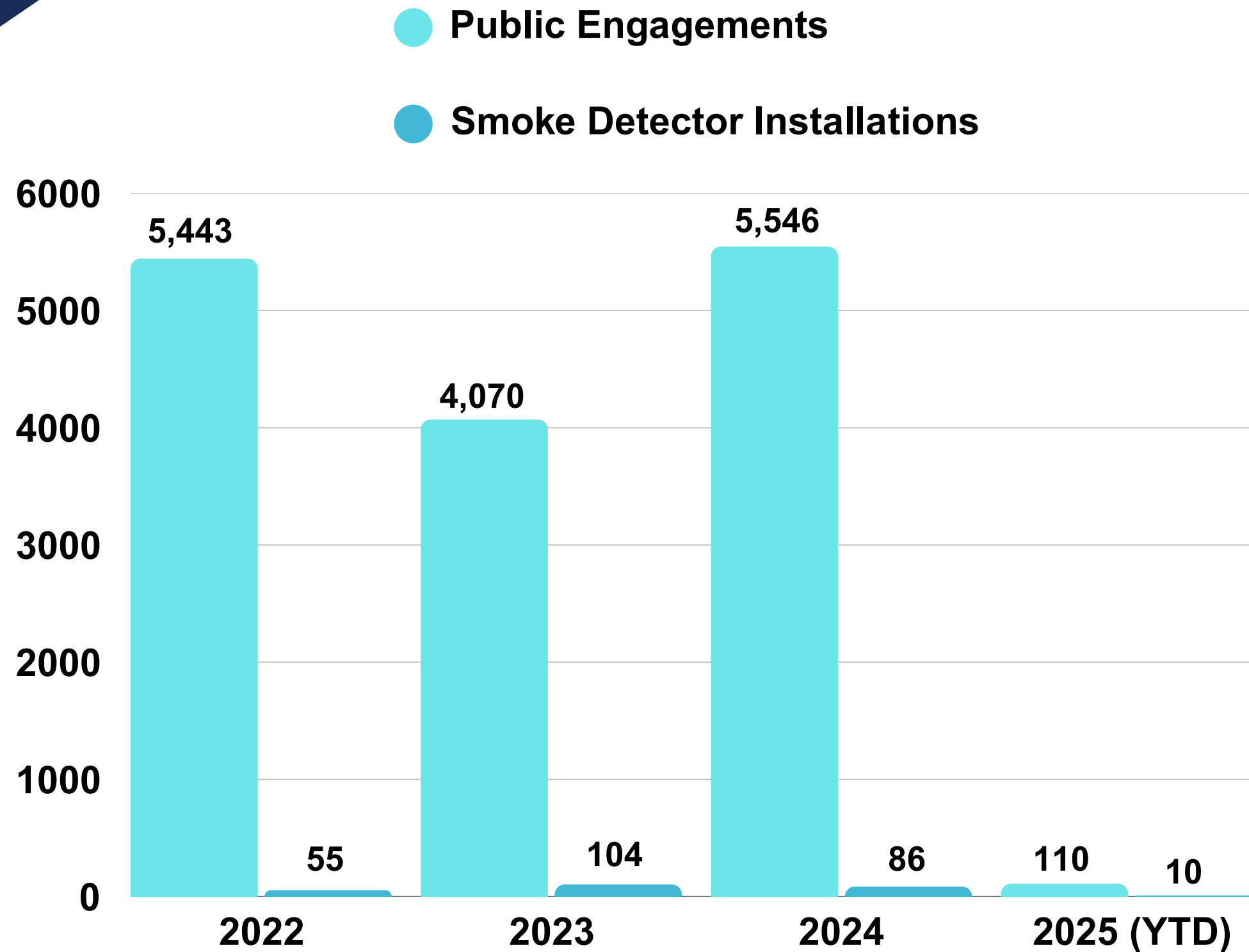
2024 Highlights:

- **Total Clients:** 170
- **Services Provided:** 200
- **Agencies Engaged:** 201

TRAINING DIVISION

- The Training Division has been instrumental in maintaining the department’s proven level of excellence. Training hours in 2024 **surpassed 2023's totals by 899 hours**, indicating an **increase of nearly 2%**.
- These accomplishments highlight the division’s commitment to excellence and continuous improvement, ensuring that all personnel are well-prepared to serve the community effectively.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

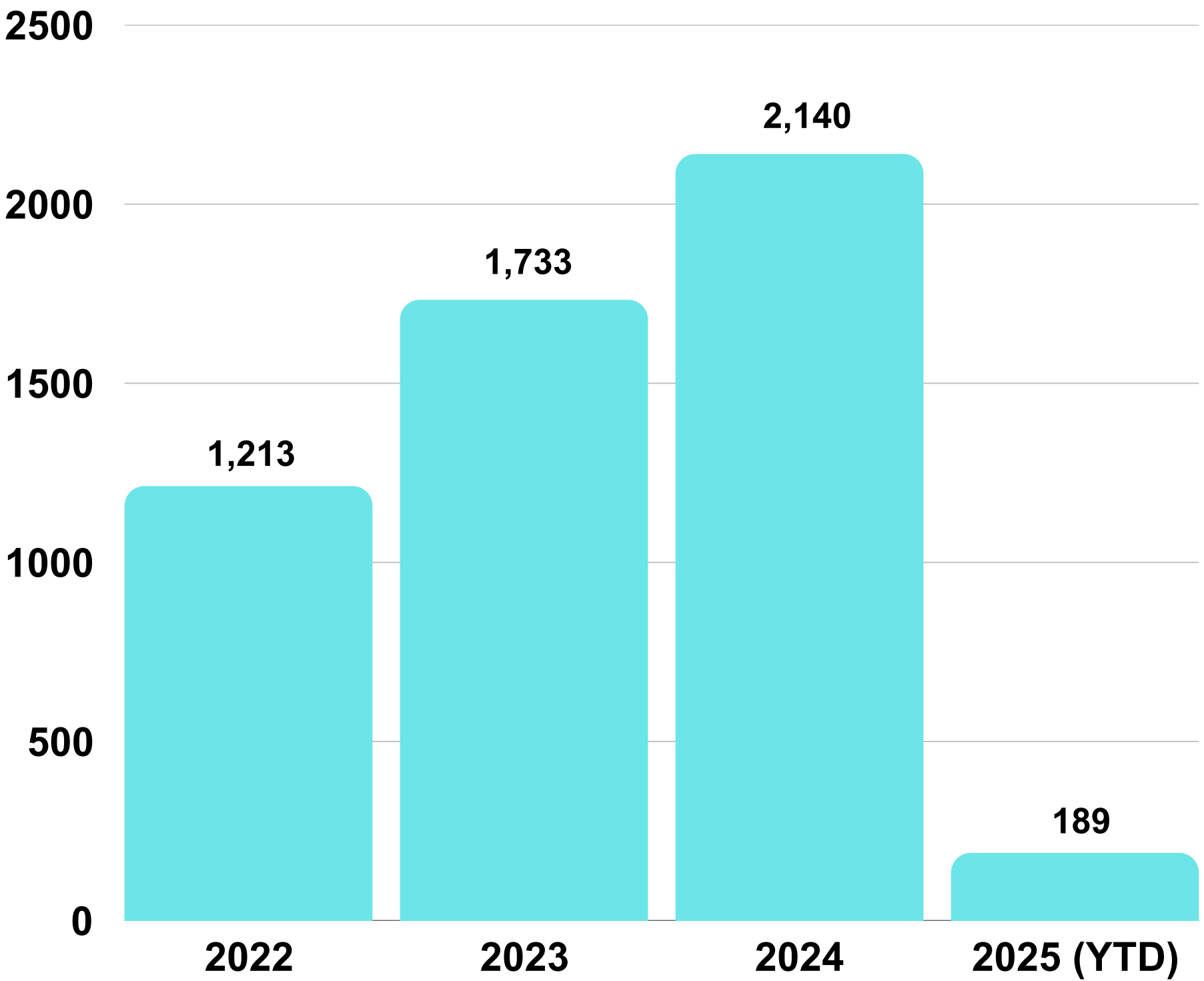
The Community Engagement Officer, with the support of on-duty crews, is responsible for public education and outreach.

2024 Public Engagements:

- **Total Engagements:** 5,546
- **Increase from 2023:** 1,476 (+36%)

INSPECTION/INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Total Inspections (Commercial)



The Inspection/Investigation Division is responsible for reviewing new construction plans, inspecting existing buildings, and investigating fires.

This division plays a crucial role in ensuring safety and compliance in both new and existing buildings, as well as investigating the causes of fires to prevent future incidents.

The division completed **2,140 total inspections in 2024**, 407 more than in 2023 for an increase of 23%.



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COMMUNITY AND FAMILY RESOURCES


A LOOK BACK

In 2024, the City of Bloomington allocated **\$117,800** toward **Violence Reduction Grants**, aimed at empowering local neighborhoods and organizations to tackle violence through community-based initiatives. The Community and Family Resources Department (CFRD) administers this project to enhance the capacity of organizations engaged in violence prevention. This annual grant program leveraged the expertise and lived experiences of residents to address specific challenges within their communities.

A LOOK BACK

Helping Bloomington Monroe

- CFRD is in the fifth year of partnership with the Bloomington Health Foundation to provide up-to-date online resources for the Bloomington Monroe County Community through the **Helping Bloomington Monroe initiative**.
- **2024 Training:** CFRD staff provided training on the use of this resource to Monroe Fire District, Middle Way House, and Monroe County Library staff.





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- **Library Partnership:** Established a dedicated kiosk at the downtown Monroe County Library branch to allow patrons without personal technology access to these resources, with added privacy screens and promotional materials.
- **Impact:** Ensures broader access to vital resources and information, supporting the well-being of all community members.





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- In 2024, A total of **7,695 searches** were done through Helping Bloomington Monroe.
- **Eight groups** of staff and volunteers from local nonprofits and social service agencies were trained to use Helping Bloomington Monroe to assist their clients. This included the following:
 - St. Vincent de Paul Society of Bloomington
 - IU Health Hospital Social Workers
 - Monroe County Community Organizations Active in Disasters
 - South Central Community Action Program - Head Start Family Advocates
 - HealthNet Bloomington
 - Trandem Birth Center & Postpartum House
 - All-Options Pregnancy Resource Center
 - Goodwill Excel Center





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A LOOK BACK

In July 2024, Mayor Thomson announced her appointment of **Shatoyia Moss** as **CFRD director**.

Director Moss previously served as interim director from May to July of 2024. Beforehand, she served as CFRD's Safe and Civil City Director beginning in 2018.



A LOOK BACK

Andrew Shannon joined CFRD as the department's **Safe and Civil City Director** in November 2024.

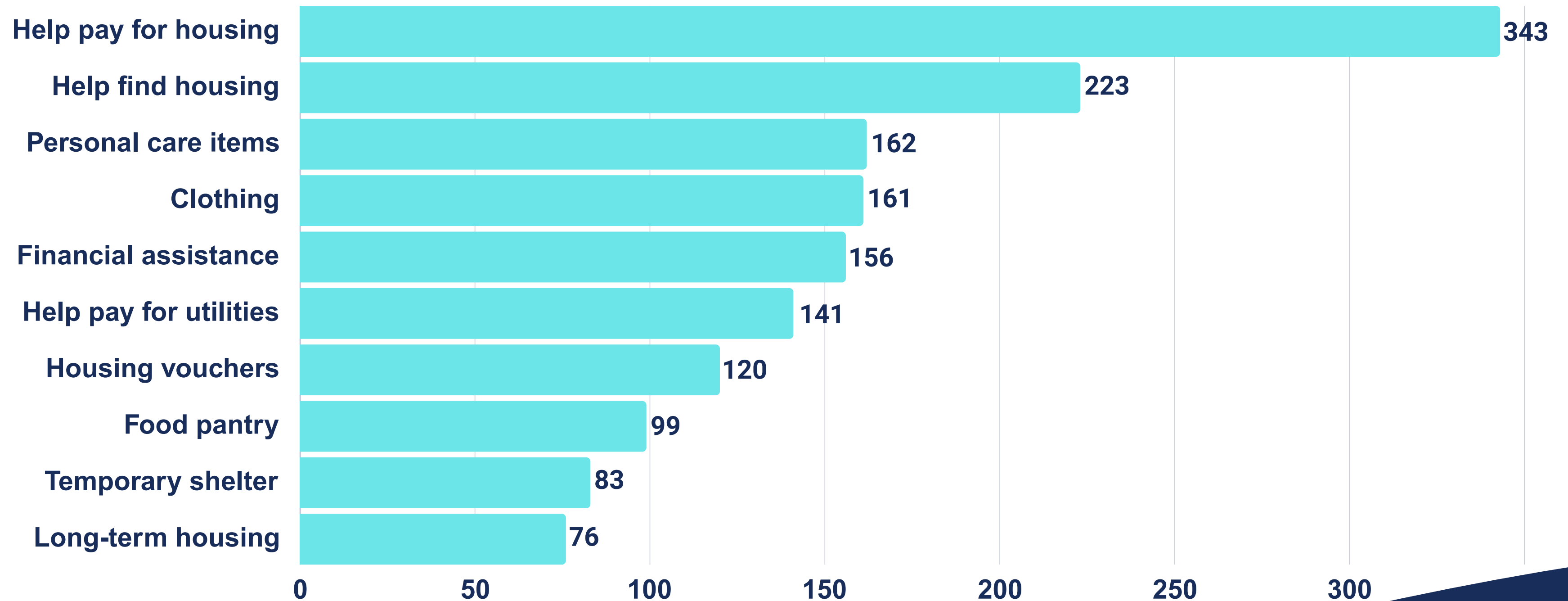
In this role, he acts as a liaison to several commissions and helps foster inclusivity and community ties across the city.



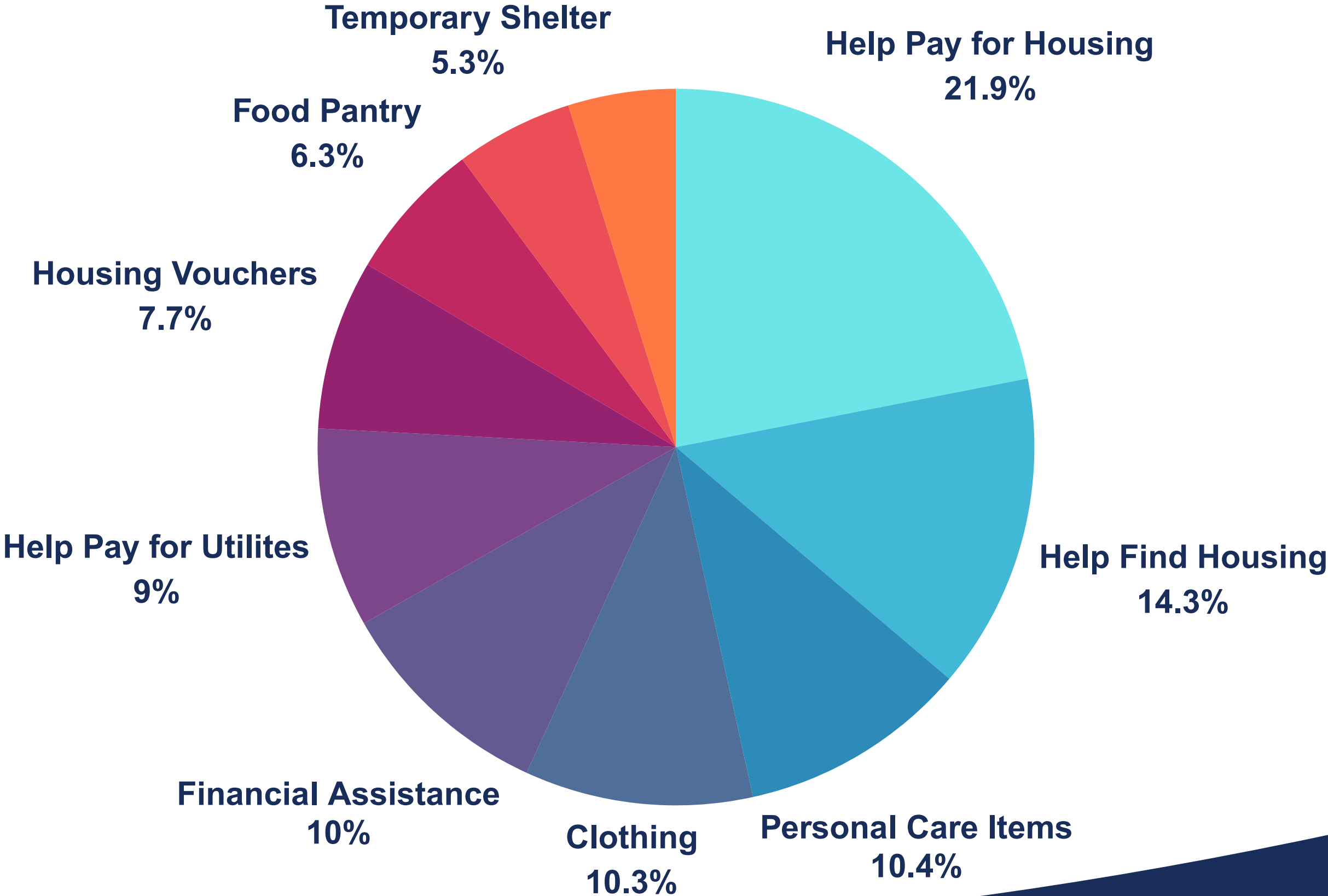
2024 VIOLENCE REDUCTION GRANTS

| Agency Name | Funding | Summary |
|--|----------------------------|---|
| Courage to Change Sober Living | \$20,000 | Funding for rental scholarships, drug tests, move-out, move-out assistance and utilities/furnishings for new residences |
| Apex Solutions Group | \$25,000 | Funding for Apex Community Safety Training |
| New Leaf New Life | \$25,000 | Funding for the Re-entry Program |
| New Hope For Families | \$25,000 | Funding for emergency hotels stays for families fleeing domestic violence |
| People and Animal Learning Services Pals | Community Kitchen Staffing | Funding for the EQUIPT Program |
| | TOTAL: \$117,800 | |

HELPING BLOOMINGTON MONROE: SEARCH ACTIVITY 2024



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DOWNTOWN OUTREACH GRANTS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| 2024 Amount Requested | \$583,776 |
| 2024 Awarded | \$250,000 |
| 2024 Opioid Settlement Fund Support | \$5,500 |
| Violence Reduction Fund Support | \$25,000 |
| CFRDE Grant Fund Support | \$43,034 |
| 2024 Total Awarded | \$323,534 |

- In 2024, CFRD administered a **\$250,000 fund** for Downtown Outreach Grants, which aimed to improve conditions for Bloomington residents who were unhoused or at risk of homelessness.
- Additional dollars were allocated from the **Opioid Settlement and Violence Reduction funds** to increase the amount awarded to grantees, thereby enhancing the services provided to the community's **most vulnerable residents**.

2024 DOWNTOWN OUTREACH GRANTS

| Agency Name | Program Title | Amount Requested | Amount Granted | Opioid Settlement Funds | Violence Reduction Funds | CFRD Grant Funds | Total Funded |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Amethyst House | Case Management | \$28,000 | \$14,000 | | | | \$14,000 |
| Beacon, Inc. | Case Management | \$100,480 | \$38,700 | | | | \$38,700 |
| Blue Bee Ecological Endeavors | Holistic Affordable Housing - Street Outreach and Essential Services Directory | \$4,575 | \$0 | | | | \$0 |
| Centerstone | Centerstone Downtown Outreach | \$58,592 | \$43,944 | | | | \$43,944 |
| Community Kitchen of Monroe County | Community Kitchen Staffing | \$38,000 | \$9,750 | | \$25,000 | | \$34,750 |
| Courage to Change Sober Living | Fresh Start - Rental Scholarships | \$13,920 | \$7,540 | | | | \$7,540 |

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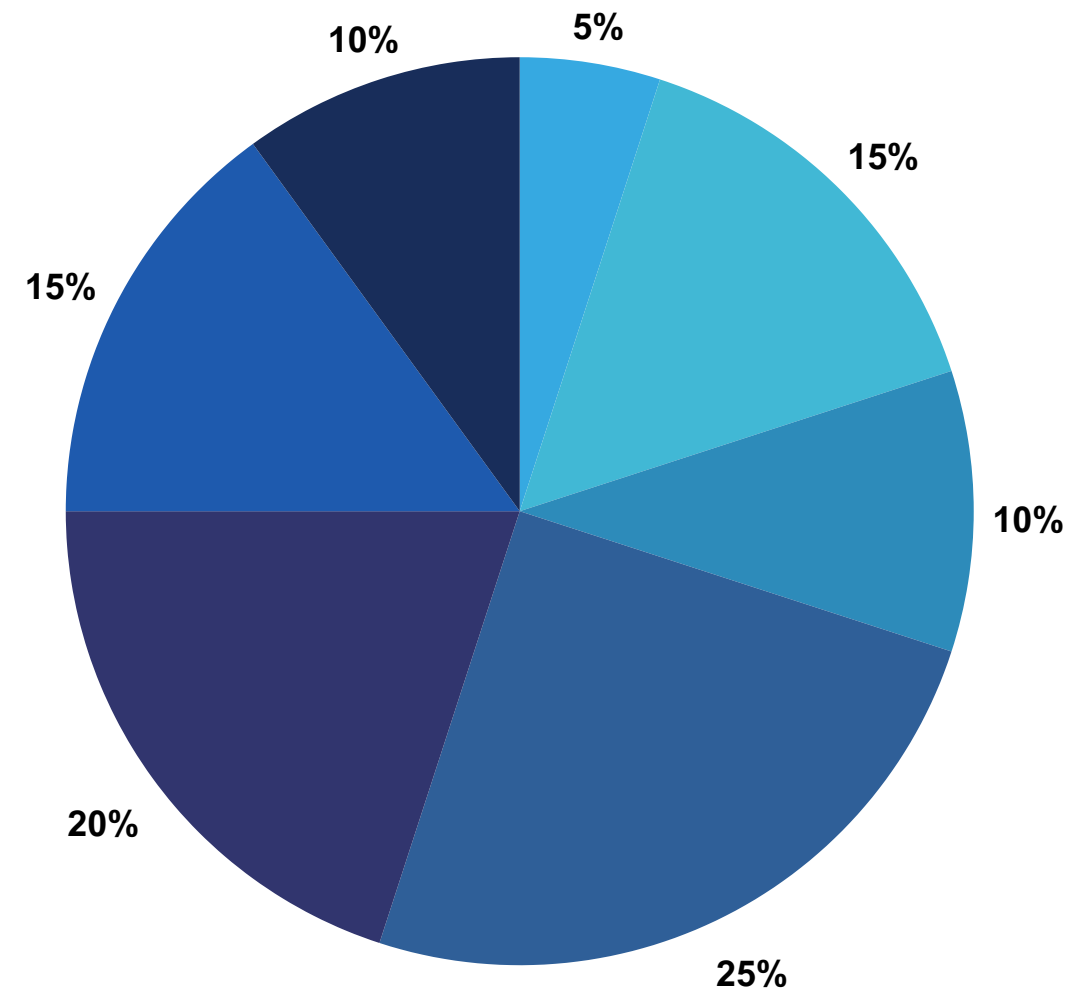
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| HealthNet | HIP Street Medicine Team | \$134,718 | \$20,864 | | | \$43,034 | \$63,898 |
| Hotels For Homeless | Emergency Overnight Stays | \$8,500 | \$4,250 | | | | \$4,250 |
| I Support the Girls | I Support the Girls - Bloomington | \$5,000 | \$0 | | | | \$0 |
| Indiana Recovery Alliance | Downtown Street Outreach | \$20,000 | \$0 | \$5,500 | | | \$5,500 |
| Monroe County Humane Association | Transient Pet Outreach | \$22,013 | \$12,900 | | | | \$12,900 |
| New Hope For Families | Emergency Shelter On-call Staff and Hotels | \$35,000 | \$26,250 | | | | \$26,250 |

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| New Leaf New Life | Heading Home Program | \$19,728 | \$9,864 | | | | \$9,864 |
| Sojourn House | Jail and Downtown Outreach | \$37,125 | \$22,500 | | | | \$22,500 |
| Wheeler Mission | Bloomington Homeless Intervention Services | \$58,125 | \$39,438 | | | | \$39,438 |
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| | TOTALS: | \$250,000 | \$5,500 | \$25,000 | \$43,034 | \$323,534 | |

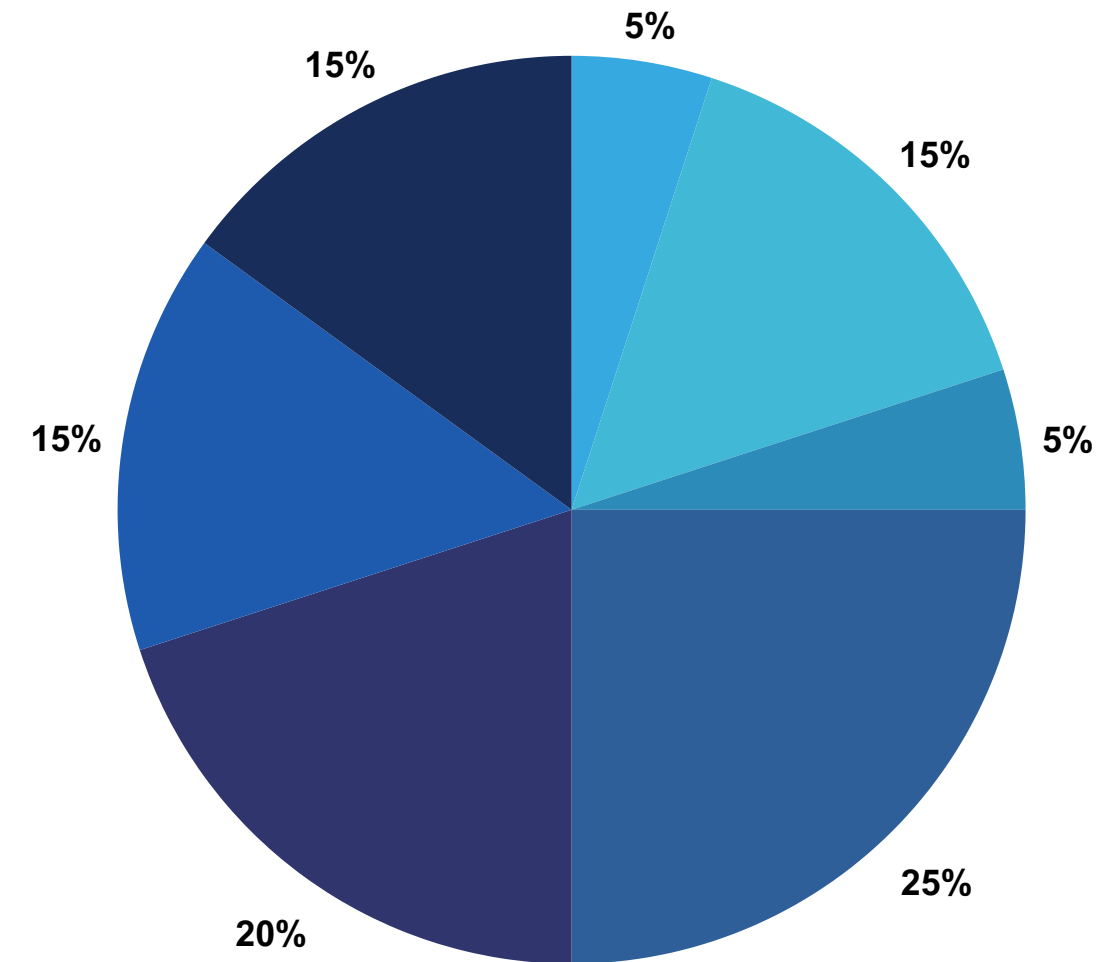
AFTER HOURS AMBASSADOR

2023



- Personnel (5%)
- Business engagement, event promotion, and tourism (15%)
- Community education and speaking engagements (10%)
- Downtown unhoused assistance and item distribution (25%)
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- Hospitality by assisting business owners & tourists (15%)
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LOOKING AHEAD

Narcan Behind Every Bar

The Downtown Ambassador Program has launched the Narcan Behind Every Bar campaign as part of a harm reduction approach to substance use. Done in collaboration with the Monroe County Health Department and Indiana Recovery Alliance, makes naloxone (Narcan) readily available in bars to prevent opioid overdoses. By equipping bartenders with Narcan and training them on its use, we can save lives and provide immediate assistance in the event of an overdose.

Bloomington Volunteer Network (BVN)

In 2023, the BVN revitalized community engagement by bringing back in-person events such as the Be More Awards ceremony and the annual Volunteer Fair. Looking ahead, BVN plans to develop a City-based volunteer program to engage residents in City projects or departments needing temporary or specialized help, harnessing Bloomington's community spirit and providing valuable support to City operations.

Transition in Leadership

With the retirement of the department director, CFRD will have new leadership. This will inevitably bring new opportunities while maintaining signature programs and the department's commitment to providing excellent service to the residents of Bloomington.



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