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SEPTEMBER 2021 MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT

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OPERATIONS DIVISION REPORT

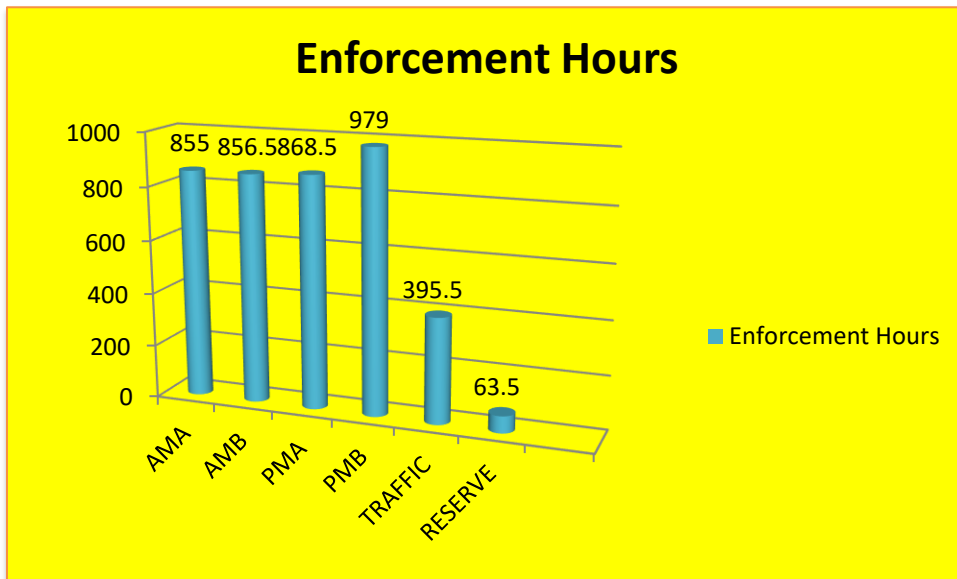
The following information contained within this report summarizes information deemed pertinent for disseminations from Major Bryan Fultz.

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Patrol

During the month of September, officers of the Operations Division worked a total of 3,954.5 hours. 63.5 hours were completed by Non-Probationary Reserve Officers not in the Field Training Program.

**Total hours reflect actual road hours (training and meeting hours are excluded).



Enforcement Highlights

On September 2, 2021, Cpl. Jason McCoy initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact and identifying the driver, it was determined that the driver did not possess a valid license. Cpl. McCoy also smelled the odor of marijuana coming from the interior of the vehicle. A search revealed a significant amount of suspected marijuana and THC wax. The driver was cited for the offense and released from the stop. It should be noted that the vehicle was released to a licensed driver.

On September 2, 2021, Brownsburg Officers responded to a report of a possible impaired driver. It was reported that the vehicle was all over the roadway and nearly caused a crash. It was reported that the vehicle parked and the driver went inside a business on East Main Street. Officers located the vehicle but had to leave the area due to calls for service. Nearly 45 minutes later, Officer Cody Smith was in the area to observe for the vehicle and located the vehicle leaving the parking lot. The vehicle was driving at an extremely low speed and struck a curb. Officer Smith initiated a traffic stop with assistance from Officer Nick Pugliese. As Officer Smith made contact with the driver, he smelled the odor of alcohol and observed the driver attempt to conceal a container of alcohol. Officer Pugliese had the driver exit to perform field sobriety tests. The driver failed all tests and submitted to a certified test in the form of a blood draw. The driver was transported to a local medical facility where a blood draw was completed. Upon completion, the driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 3, 2021, Officer Mark Christian responded to suspicious activity on East College Avenue. The caller reported that two subjects were approaching a vacant house with bolt cutters. The subjects then walked back to a truck and left the area. Officer Christian quickly located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop. Investigation revealed the occupants of the vehicle possessed suspected marijuana, methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia. All occupants were charged and transported to jail.

On September 3, 2021, Officer David Shedrow initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact with and identifying the driver and passenger, it was observed that the subjects were recognized through previous experience as narcotics users. Both subjects were asked to exit the vehicle and drug paraphernalia fell from the driver's pants. Officer Shedrow then deployed his police K9 around the vehicle who alerted to the presence of narcotics. A search revealed suspected methamphetamine, heroin, and drug paraphernalia. Both subjects were charged and transported to jail. One occupant began to experience a medical issue and was taken to the hospital for clearance. The occupant admitted to eating heroin during the traffic stop. The subject was medically cleared and transported to jail.

On September 4, 2021, Officer Elsiana Crosby initiated a traffic stop on a suspected impaired driver. Upon making contact with the driver, Officer Crosby observed signs of impairment and smelled the odor of alcohol about the driver. Officer Crosby also observed an open container of alcohol in the vehicle. Officer Crosby requested the driver to exit the vehicle for field sobriety tests. The driver failed all testing and refused a certified breath test. A warrant was requested and obtained for a blood draw. The driver was transported to a local medical facility where a blood draw was completed. The driver was then charged and transported to jail.

On September 4, 2021, Officer Elsiana Crosby initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact with the driver, Officer Crosby observed signs of impairment and smelled the odor of alcoholic beverage about the driver. Officer Crosby requested the driver to exit the vehicle for field sobriety tests. The driver failed all testing and consented to a certified breath test. The driver was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department where the test was administered. Results of the test were above the legal limit. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 6, 2021, Brownsburg Officers responded to a business on East Main Street regarding a possible impaired driver. Officers located the vehicle in a parking lot and made contact with the driver who showed signs of impairment. Officers also smelled the odor of alcohol about the driver. Officer Elsiana Crosby requested the driver to exit the vehicle to perform field sobriety tests. The driver failed all testing and consented to a certified breath test. The driver was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department where the test was administered. Results of the test were above the legal limit. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 7, 2021, Officer Dan Brinson responded to a vehicle reported to be stopped in the middle of the roadway. Upon arrival, Officer Brinson located a vehicle stopped in the roadway with other vehicles having to drive around the stopped vehicle. Upon making contact with the driver, Officer Brinson immediately detected the odor of alcohol coming from the interior of the vehicle. The driver of the vehicle showed signs of impairment and admitted to consuming alcohol. Officer Brinson requested that the driver exit the vehicle and the driver was transported to an alternate location for field sobriety testing. The driver would not cooperate with testing and refused a certified test. Officer Brinson obtained a warrant for a blood draw and the driver was transported to a medical facility where the draw was completed. Upon completion, the driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 9, 2021, Officer David Shedrow initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact with the driver, Officer Shedrow immediately detected the odor of marijuana inside the vehicle. Officer Shedrow also noticed a child inside the vehicle. The driver denied ownership of the vehicle did not know of any marijuana in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed a significant amount of suspected marijuana located in a back pack in the trunk of the vehicle. The driver was charged and transported to jail. The child was released to a parent.

On September 10, 2021, Officer David Shedrow was patrolling on East Main Street when he observed a vehicle pull into a business with the headlights turned off. It should be noted that the time was after 1 a.m. and no businesses were currently open in the immediate area. Officer Shedrow observed two subjects exit the vehicle and climb into a bin and remove items located in the bin. The subjects then began to place the items in their vehicle. Officer Shedrow confronted the subjects who immediately became nervous and had conflicting stories. Officer Shedrow deployed his police K9 around the subject's vehicle. The K9 showed a positive alert to narcotics in the vehicle. A search revealed suspected heroin in the vehicle. Both subjects were charged and transported to jail.

On September 12, 2021, AMB shift officers responded to West Northfield Drive regarding a possible impaired driver. Officer Michael Stalnaker located the vehicle on County Road 475 East and initiated a traffic stop. Upon making contact with the driver, Officer Stalnaker detected the odor of alcohol emanating from the interior of the vehicle. The driver admitted to consuming alcohol and showed signs of impairment. The driver would not cooperate and refused field sobriety testing. The driver became disorderly by yelling obscenities at officers. Officers began to place the driver in restraints when the driver kicked Officer Stalnaker. The driver continued to yell at officers and was placed in the police vehicle and transported to the Brownsburg Police Department. Officer Stalnaker requested and received a warrant for a blood draw for the driver. The driver was transported to a medical facility where the blood draw was completed. Upon completion, the driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 14, 2021, PMA shift officers responded to a report of a robbery outside a business on East Northfield Drive. The victim reported being approached by a subject behind the business after closing. The victim reported being thrown to the ground and assaulted. The victim's wallet containing cash and identification was taken. Detectives will be following up on this case.

On September 15, 2021, there were two reports of theft from vehicles on Holloway Boulevard. One vehicle had a window shattered and the other vehicle was believed to have been unsecured. Both vehicles had been parked in the lot from 8 a.m. to around 2 p.m. Electronics were taken from both vehicles. No surveillance or suspect information was available at the time of the reports.

On September 16, 2021, Officer Nick Pugliese initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact with and identifying the driver, it was discovered that the driver had multiple felony warrants for drug possession. Further investigation revealed that the driver possessed suspected methamphetamine. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 18, 2021, Officer Kaleb Goodpaster was following a vehicle on East Northfield Drive. Officer Goodpaster observed driving behavior consistent with impaired driving. After observing several violations, Officer Goodpaster initiated a traffic stop. Upon making contact with and identifying the driver, Officer Goodpaster could smell the odor of alcohol about the driver and the driver showed signs of impairment. Officer Goodpaster requested for the driver to exit the vehicle to perform field sobriety tests. The driver failed all tests and consented to a certified breath test. The driver was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department where the test was administered. Results of the test were over twice the legal limit. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 18, 2021, Sgt. Doug Abshire observed a vehicle with no operating tail lights. Sgt. Abshire also observed the vehicle to be making a loud noise. Sgt. Abshire initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the driver. The vehicle had a flat tire and the driver admitted to striking a curb. Sgt. Abshire observed signs of impairment and the driver admitted to consuming alcohol. The driver was requested to exit the vehicle to perform field sobriety tests. The driver failed all tests and consented to a certified breath test. The driver was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department where the test was administered. Results of the test were over twice the legal limit. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 20, 2021, Officer Heather Foote initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact and identifying the driver and passenger, Officer Foote observed abnormal behavior from the occupants. Officer Foot requested assistance from Officer David Marcum and his police K9 partner. Upon arrival, Officer Marcum deployed his K9 around the vehicle who provided a positive indication of narcotics in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed suspected methamphetamine, cocaine, and drug paraphernalia. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 21, 2021, Officer Eustace Mlagan initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact with and identified the driver. During the course of the stop, it was determined that the driver had an active warrant out of Marion County. The driver was taken into custody and transported to jail.

On September 22, 2021, Officer Mark Christian responded to a report of a vehicle leaving the scene of an accident. It was reported that a vehicle hit a sign and fled the scene. Officer Christian located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle was occupied by the driver and three passengers who all appeared to show signs of impairment. Officer David Shedrow assisted on the traffic stop and deployed his police K9 around the vehicle. The K9 gave positive indication of narcotics in the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed drug paraphernalia. The driver was provided field sobriety tests and failed two tests. The driver refused a certified test and was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department. Officer Christian requested and obtained a warrant for a blood draw.

The driver was transported to a medical facility where the blood draw was completed. Upon completion of the blood draw and medical clearance, the driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 23, 2021, Cpl. Michael Gill initiated a traffic stop on 56th Street for an infraction. Upon approaching the vehicle, Cpl. Gill observed the driver to move to the passenger seat and passenger move to the driver seat. The passenger only had a learners permit and the driver did not have a license. While speaking with the occupants, Cpl. Gill could smell the odor of marijuana coming from the interior of the vehicle. The passenger provided a small bag of suspected marijuana to Cpl. Gill. Both occupants were removed from the vehicle. Further investigation from a search revealed a firearm and a significant amount of suspected marijuana and U.S. Currency. Both subjects were charged.

On September 24, 2021, Officer Mark Christian initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Officer Christian made contact with and identified the driver and passengers in the vehicle. The driver was a known narcotics user who officers have had prior dealings with. Officer David Shedrow assisted on the traffic stop and deployed his police K9 around the vehicle. The K9 provided positive indication of narcotics in the vehicle. A search revealed narcotics and drug paraphernalia. Further investigation revealed the driver concealing narcotics on their person. The driver and a passenger were charged and transported to jail.

On September 24, 2021, there was a report of theft from a vehicle at Arbuckle Park. The victim reported a wallet containing cash, cards, and personal identification were taken from the vehicle while walking at the park. It was reported that the vehicle was left unlocked at the time of the theft.

On September 25, 2021, Officer Eustace Mlagan initiated a traffic stop for an infraction. Upon making contact and identifying the driver, it was learned that the driver had a suspended license. Further investigation during the stop revealed the driver possessing drug paraphernalia and suspected methamphetamine. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 26, 2021, Officer Heather Foote initiated a traffic stop for multiple infractions. Upon making contact with and identifying the driver, Officer Foote detected the odor of alcohol emanating from the interior of the truck. Officer Foote also observed an alcohol container in the seat of the truck. Officer Foote asked the driver to exit the truck to perform field sobriety tests which the driver complied. The driver failed all tests and consented to a certified breath test. The driver was transported to the Brownsburg Police Department where the test was administered. Results of the test exceeded the legal limit. The driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 27, 2021, Officer Mark Christian responded to Dale Schrier Drive regarding a possible medical emergency. Upon arrival, Brownsburg Medics were tending to an intoxicated person in the driver seat of the vehicle. The same vehicle had been called in as a possible impaired driver shortly before officer's response. The person showed signs of impairment and could barely stand. Officer Christian could only provide one field sobriety test due to the impairment of the driver. The driver consented to a certified test in the form of a blood draw. The driver was transported to a medical facility where the blood draw was completed. Upon completion the driver was charged and transported to jail.

On September 29, 2021, AMB shift officers responded to a business on South Green Street reference a theft that had occurred the previous day. It was reported by the business owner that one of the suspects had returned and the owner was worried that the suspect was going to commit theft. Upon arrival, officers located and detained the suspect and two other individuals that were with the suspect. Investigation revealed that the suspect and the other individuals possessed marijuana and handguns without permits. The initial suspect admitted to stealing from the business. All subjects were charged and transported to jail.

K9

BPD K9 Division	Ofc. Marcum Carro	Ofc. Shedrow Drago	Ofc. Flowers Tarzan	Ofc. Carr Trip	Totals
Training Hours	17	16	19	16	68
Deployments	3	11	1	0	15
Arrests	2	13	0	0	15

September K9 training consisted of officers teaming together and laying 200 yard tracks for each other. K9 teams also conducted scenario based deployment consisting of area searches/tracks of a suspect in hiding. K9 operators utilized sim guns and simulated dispatch radio traffic.

FTO

Probationary Officer	Phase	FTO Hours YTD	Program Complete
Aaron Smith	1	49	No
E=Experienced			

Reserve Officer Aaron Smith is progressing quickly and nearly complete with phase 1.

Former Full-Time Officer Chad Brandon was sworn in with the agency as a Reserve Officer on September 30, 2021. Brandon will continue to serve the Town of Brownsburg in a Reserve capacity. Welcome back Chad!

Use of Force

The Brownsburg Police Department documented 20 Use of Force Reports during the month of September. The reports are documented as follows: Weaponless Physical and Firearms Pointing.

Documented report 1 involved Brownsburg Officers responding to an unruly juvenile at a residence. Upon arrival, officers were met by the juvenile who was yelling obscenities at officers. Officers had to physically restrain the juvenile while the juvenile continued to yell, hit and kick at officers. The juvenile was transported to a medical facility for evaluation.

Documented reports 2-4 involved Brownsburg Officers initiating a traffic stop on a suspected impaired driver. During the entire traffic stop the driver was uncooperative and was verbally abusive towards officers. The driver refused sobriety testing and had to be physically restrained to be placed in handcuffs. The driver continually resisted officers during this encounter. The driver was transported to a medical facility for a blood draw and was subsequently arrested.

Documented reports 5-8 involved Brownsburg Officers assisting on a traffic stop of a suspected impaired driver. The driver was placed in handcuffs to be transported to a medical facility for a blood draw. The driver began to yell would not walk for officers and began to tense up. The driver was also yelling obscenities at officers. After being transported to a medical facility, the driver attempted to hit and kick officers while at the hospital. Officers had to restrain and handcuff the driver to the bed.

Documented report 9 involved a Brownsburg Officer assisting Brownsburg Fire Territory with a combative patient being transported to a medical facility. It was reported that the patient was fighting with the medic. Upon arrival, the Brownsburg Officer had to physically restrain the patient and apply handcuffs. The patient was then transported to a medical facility for evaluation.

Documented reports 10-12 involved Brownsburg Officers responding to a mental call at a residence on Rodney Street. Upon arrival, officers learned that the person was intoxicated and was talking to people that were not there. All efforts were exhausted and it was determined that the person needed an evaluation due to their mental state. The person became combative and began to yell obscenities at officers and had to be physically restrained. The person was then transported to a medical facility for evaluation.

Documented reports 13-15 involved Brownsburg Officers initiating a traffic stop on a stolen vehicle. Officers deployed on a “high risk” traffic stop pointing their department issued firearms at the vehicle. The driver and occupants were removed from the vehicle and placed in handcuffs.

Documented reports 16-17 involved Brownsburg Officers initiating a traffic stop that evolved into a vehicle pursuit. As the vehicle stopped, officers deployed on a “high risk” traffic stop pointing their department issued firearms at the vehicle. The driver and occupants were removed from the vehicle and placed in handcuffs.

Documented reports 18-19 involved Brownsburg Officers responding to trouble with a juvenile on Green Ridge Drive. It was reported that the juvenile had been physical with the parents and had locked themselves in a room. The officers made entry into the room and attempted to restrain the juvenile. The juvenile attempted to shove the officer but was placed in handcuffs.

Documented report 20 involved a Brownsburg Officer assisting Hendricks County Sheriff’s Office on a 911 call for service involving a shooting. Upon arrival, the Brownsburg Officer pointed his department issued rifle at the residence where a subject was directed to exit. The subject exited and was handcuffed without incident.

Vehicle Pursuit

The Brownsburg Police Department documented 2 Vehicle Pursuit Reports during the month of September.

Documented report 1 involved Brownsburg Officers initiating a traffic stop on Interstate 74. The suspect vehicle failed to yield and accelerated after officers activated emergency equipment. Officers pursued the suspect vehicle west on Interstate 74 through 2 counties. An assisting agency successfully deployed a tire deflation device and the suspect vehicle eventually stopped. All occupants were taken into custody without incident. Distance of pursuit was 25 miles lasting nearly 20 minutes. No damage was reported to police vehicles.

Documented report 2 involved Brownsburg Officer initiating a traffic stop on Interstate 74. The suspect vehicle failed to yield and accelerated after officers activated emergency equipment. The suspect vehicle exited the Interstate and drove north on Ronald Reagan Parkway then east on 56th Street. The suspect vehicle turned north on Big Stone Drive. Officers lost sight of and could not locate the vehicle. A registration was not observed due to the distance during the pursuit. Distance of pursuit was 2.5 miles lasting 2 minutes.

Traffic

During the month of August, the traffic unit received 0 traffic complaints through workflow. It should be noted that Brownsburg Officers worked several hours of traffic enforcement in addition to the regular duty hours. This is year round funding provided by National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) through Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI).

Labor Day weekend was a busy time for the traffic unit. All three officers were again assigned to the main gate of Lucas Oil Raceway Park for ingress/egress traffic for the US Nationals.

On September 11, 2021, Officers Kevin Huntsman and Dan Brinson assisted with a motorcycle escort for Johnson County Sheriff's Department. This motorcycle ride is put on by sheriff's department to raise money for local charities.

On September 22, Officer Brinson gave a presentation on Accident Reconstruction for the BPD Explorers.

On September 25, Officer Brinson assisted with the Tour De Komen bicycle ride. This ride goes throughout Hendricks County before moving onto their next jurisdiction.

Narcotics

September of 2021 statistically was a little slower month for the Brownsburg Narcotics Unit (BNU). We continue to have one member off on injury and another member had half the month off with vacation. A third member spent several days in training and most of the work done was on long term surveillance, with intelligence gathering as the result and not necessarily seizures or arrests.

On September 4, 2021, BNU Officers had been doing surveillance on a known suspect in a long term case Officers have been working since last summer resulting in seizure of a significant amount of U.S. Currency.

BNU Officers did assist in the apprehension of two wanted subjects, one for battery on a Law Enforcement Officer and the other for Armed Robbery by a Serious Violent Felon. BNU Officers also assisted in a case with the DEA, resulting in the seizure of 3,000 fentanyl pills, a pound of meth and one arrest.

Emergency Response Team

The Brownsburg Emergency Response Team (ERT) held its annual three day training September 27-29 at the Brownsburg Training Facility.

This year's training was instructed by NORSE Tactical based in southern Indiana. There was a short class room session the first day of training and the remainder of training consisted practical exercises. This intense 3 day training consisted of close quarter tactics, fundamentals of room entry utilizing 2 and 4 person teams, small structure clearing, threat priorities, and utilization of primary and secondary weapon systems.

Each daily session concluded with a critique of the training activities and how to improve in each area of training.

Reserves

Reserve Officers provided shift coverage twice during the month of September and worked in excess of 60 hours during other shifts.

Meetings have begun for the annual Christmas event coordinated by Sgt. Kim Kiritschenko and Officer Kevin Hyde. This will be the fifth year of the event which serves over 20 local families with Christmas gifts, dinner, and fun.

Narcan Usage

The Brownsburg Police Department documented 3 Narcan Usage Reports during the month of September.

Documented report 1 involved Brownsburg Officers conducting a traffic stop and subsequently arresting an occupant for narcotics possession. While transporting the occupant and upon arrival at the jail, it appeared that the occupant was overdosing. The officer administered one dose of Narcan to the occupant. The occupant later admitted to consuming heroin. The occupant was transported to a medical facility for clearance.

Documented report 2-3 involved Brownsburg Officers responding to an overdose at a residence on Stonehenge Way. Upon arrival, officers observed a person performing CPR on a family member. Officers administered two doses of Narcan to the subject. The subject became responsive and gained consciousness. The subject was transported to a medical facility for observation. It should be noted that narcotics were located at the scene.

Equipment

The Brownsburg Police Department continues to participate in year round enforcement federally funded through National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). These funds are administered through Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI). Agencies that participate receive training and tools through grants to assist with traffic enforcement on an annual basis. During the month of September, the Brownsburg Police Department received 8 portable breath tests (PBT's) to be utilized during enforcement. To date, The Brownsburg Police Department has received enough PBT's through these grants to provide to all full-time officers working enforcement.

Roll Call Training

- Prosecutors Update
- Case Law (Lange v. California)
- Officer Involved Shooting
- Room Clearing/Arrest Teams/Shield Work
- Incident Response/Perimeters