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NOVEMBER 2025 MONTHLY SUPPORT SERVICES REPORT

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SUPPORT DIVISION REPORT

The following information contained within this report summarizes information deemed pertinent for dissemination from Major Andrew Watts.

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Investigations

The Investigations Unit received (22) new cases, screened (37) outside agency reports - (9) of which were screened in for Case Reports. They also closed and/or suspended (17) cases, and closed (2) cases with (2) arrests. The crime trend for this month was equally proportioned between *Property Crimes* and *Personal Crimes* The Unit served (9) search warrants and/or subpoenas, conducted (8) interviews, completed (0) background investigations and attended (4) Child Forensic Interviews this month.

Captain Barrett continued to spend the month investigating and documenting a confidential investigation by way of evidence review and documentation. Barrett attended two meetings with legal counsel, sat on the promotion board for interviews for two days, evaluated and graded promotion interview essays, completed training for EVO and Firearms, attended a State SART Board meeting, and began State Mandate training.

Detective Sgt. Bass made (1) arrest this month and closed (4) cases. Bass is actively investigating a potential arson of a residence that suspiciously followed a police response to a domestic dispute. The fire started in a closet, the Fire Marshall responded and the investigation is ongoing. He is also investigating a fraud incident where an “employer” sent a newly hired person a check for over \$4,000 to buy a computer and other work items for his new job. The “employer” then contacted the new hire back requesting he send the money back due to an emergency. After he sent the money back to two different Zelle accounts, he was advised by his bank that the original check was fraudulent. Search warrant results are pending on this case. Bass filed theft charges for Felony Theft of \$1200 worth of Wal-Mart merchandise, closing the case with an Arrest. The suspect is currently incarcerated at the Indiana Department of Corrections. He is closing a fraud case where items were stolen from mail after transferring it to the Postal Inspector. Bass was called out (1) time and was consulted (0) times this month by road personnel.

Detective Sgt. Stanford made no arrests this month but closed (7) cases. Stanford closed a Burglary case where the suspects were posing as roof workers who needed to inspect the victim's roof for leaks. While the victim was in the attic banging on the ceiling when the suspects were supposed to be checking for damage, the suspects stole a checkbook and left. The victim had also paid them \$250 for the inspection. However, due to the victim only having a vehicle description of a black truck and there were no other viable leads, the case was closed. Stanford closed another case involving identity theft used to open credit cards. The actual cards were never mailed out due to suspicion of fraud, so no loss was suffered. The victim was assisted with copies of the reports for the credit card companies. He is actively investigating a theft at Wal-Mart where price tags were swapped. Video is being reviewed. Stanford was not called out or consulted this month by road personnel. He completed firearms and defensive tactics training.

Detective Sgt. Wells made (1) arrest this month and closed (0) cases. Wells is actively investigating (2) stalking cases with the same suspect where he was spoofing his phone number to harass a small business and intimidate the young females who work there. The suspect has since been arrested and forensics are being conducted on his phone. He also continues to work a Child Molest case where a 3-year-old presented at Riley Hospital with an STD. Multiple suspects have been interviewed. Case information has been forwarded to the prosecutor's office for possible charges. He was also contacted by Jefferson County Sex Abuse Task Force in Kentucky and delivered requested evidence gathered on another Child Molest case against a suspect who was just released from prison. Wells was called out (1) time and was consulted (3) times this month by road personnel. He also completed firearms, defensive tactics and state mandate training.

Detective Sgt. O'Brien made no arrests this month and closed no cases. O'Brien is currently investigating stalking/harassment by a potential girlfriend of the victim's husband, as well as a sexual battery perpetrated by the victim's uncle. Both investigations are ongoing with interviews pending. While following up on another case, O'Brien had to call upon Analyst Valenzuela for her assistance in Spanish interpretation in order to be able to leave a message on the voicemail of a suspect's parent who is Spanish speaking. This case involves the potential taking and posting of a nude photo of another person without permission. He continues to follow up on the case in September that originated from "814 Pred Hunters" out of Pennsylvania, as well as a child death investigation. O'Brien was in charge of overseeing the introduction to Investigations training for new road Officer Baxter. He attended EVO training and completed state mandates as well. Detective O'Brien was called out (2) times and was consulted (2) times this month by road personnel.

Detective Sgt. Cronin made no arrests this month but closed (3) cases. Cronin closed out a missing/runaway case after contacting the mother to see if the juvenile was still missing. He had returned home and was subsequently removed from IDACS/NCIC. He closed out a Burglary case that occurred sometime between September and November where an RV was broken into. There had been no other similar incidents, the victim had no additional information and could not pinpoint when it had occurred. Cronin, along with CSI Knowles, responded to a Burglary of a local liquor store. The case has been linked to other cases in Speedway, Clermont, Carmel and Fishers. An intelligence bulletin was disseminated. The scene was processed for DNA and shoe prints, but there are no suspects at this time. Cronin was called out (2) times and was consulted (1) time this month by road personnel. He attended an 8-hour seminar on the Sandy Hook school shooting in Carmel. .

Detective Cpl. Jeremiah Jones made no arrests this month and closed no cases. Jones attempted to investigate a “sextortion” case where the victim sent the suspect, who he thought was an adult female, and a nude photo. The suspect then demanded money to not share it. The photo was shared. However, the parents of the juvenile victim do not wish to cooperate with an investigation or pursue criminal charges. The case will be closed following case note entry. He is investigating a sexual battery between a 14-year-old male and 17-year-old female. Jones has been in contact with DCS to find out when an interview will be completed. Jones was not called out and was not consulted this month by road personnel. Jones attended ERT training.

Detective Jalen Christian-Moss made no arrests this month but closed (3) cases. Christian-Moss conducted an initial investigation into a juvenile allegedly giving another juvenile a marijuana gummy at school. Following a DCS interview where no admissions were given, as well as speaking to the mother of the suspect, it was determined there would be no criminal charges and the school system would address the issue. He is actively investigating a possible Child Molest involving a suspect father. An interview of the father is pending. Christian-Moss is actively investigating another Child Molest after a victim disclosed during a forensic interview alleging she was molested by her mother’s ex-fiancé multiple times. He closed the Shots Fired case after charges were declined by the Hendricks County Prosecutor’s Office. Christian-Moss was not called out but was consulted (1) time this month by road personnel. He attended Crisis Negotiation Unit training for 2 hours.

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Crime Scene Investigator Todd Knowles reported the following work product: Called out (7) times. Collected/processed (105) items of evidence from (7) crime scenes this month. Checked in (119) items of evidence, signed out (7) items of evidence to Officers, returned (0) items of property to owners and transferred (0) items to other agencies. Knowles assisted in completing (28) Prosecutor Discovery Requests that resulted in the following work product: uploaded (12) pieces of Body Camera footage, (8) Dash/In-Car Camera Footage, and (0) Photos. He made (4) trips to the ISP Lab and completed (1) lab submission. He made (0) trips to the hospital and (3) trips to the Prosecutor's Office. Knowles obtained/lifted (0) sets of fingerprints, collected (3) evidence swabs, uploaded (0) CAC (Vidanyx) interviews, and emptied the lobby Rx box for a total of (13) lbs. Knowles also served (1) search warrant. Knowles assisted with the physical agility testing for new applicants and completed a career talk at Plainfield High School this month. He also attended a 5-hour course on Forensic Science 101 hosted by the Indiana State Police.

Forensics Analyst Anthony Merckel examined (3) cell phones, (0) tablets and (0) storage devices in November involving child sex crimes. One case was an assist for Pittsboro PD. He was called out (0) times. Merckel purchased and registered for an additional forensic training/tool for cellular devices training which is to begin December 1st. New packaging for digital devices was recently discussed and is being researched and created by Shupert for the digital forensics function in order to better maintain chain of custody records for future use by Merckel. Merckel updated all forensic programs and computers as well as maintained the Blocker Locker weekly.

Investigations Assistant and Victim Advocate Kim Shupert was called out (0) times on duty, and (0) times off duty this month. She made contact with (2) new victims in November. Shupert made (2) victim contacts via telephone, (1) victim contact via text/email, and (0) victim contacts in person. She completed (0) Public Access requests, (0) redactions needed, assisted the Investigations Unit in (32) IDACS/NCIC queries, uploaded (46) 310 Reports, transferred (0) cases to other agencies, sent (0) search warrants and completed (5) case information requests for the Hendricks County Coroner's Office. She constructed (1) binder for a confidential investigation, as well as completed (3) additional hours of on-line training continuing the IACP Law Enforcement Victim's Services training track.

Intelligence Analyst Michael Langeman was not called out but was consulted (4) times. He reviewed (32) crime tips or bulletins, disseminated (4) intelligence or safety communications, conducted surveillance (0) times and conducted (4) inter-agency collaborations. Langeman is generating intelligence on the local liquor store burglary assigned to Detective Cronin. He is networking with several other departments in the identification and location of the crew(s) responsible for the burglaries of over (30) commercial establishments, to include Big Red Liquors in Brownsburg.

Assistant Property Room Manager Kristi Braziel continues to complete property related tasks independently. In the course of her duties, she checked in (129) items of evidence, signed out (26) items of evidence to Officers, returned (10) items of property to owners and transferred (33) items to another agency. Braziel assisted Knowles with Prosecutor Discovery requests that resulted in the upload of (35) pieces of Body Camera footage, (53) Dash/In-Car Camera Footage, and (25) Photos. She accompanied Knowles on (3) trips to the ISP Lab as well as went to the Hendricks County Prosecutor's Office (1) time. Braziel completed (10) lab submissions, (2) CAC (Vidanyx) downloads and assisted with emptying the lobby Rx box. She also assisted in delivering case evidence to Avon PD, as well as IMPD.

Administrative Services

November has been a steady month for the Administrative Service Unit. In addition to all daily duties of Admin Services staff, a recruitment process was launched on October 15th and to date Admin Services has processed 174 applications in the Non-experienced process and (31) applications in the Lateral/Certified process. Of all applications submitted, (32) had standard disqualifiers. Even though 143 applicants were invited to Physical Agility/Written testing, only (30) attended. After the physical agility and written testing that was done on November 22nd, All said and done, (40) applicants have been invited to interview on December 18/19 including (11) non-experienced and (29) lateral/certified.

In the month of November, the Administrative Services Unit processed (43) public access requests, (12) criminal history requests, (3) gun permits, (2) sets of fingerprints, (7) rider request, (7) vehicle releases and (81) alarm permit transactions. Fees generated totaled \$2,614.00 below is a breakdown of the collected fees:




➤ Accident Reports	\$	55.00
➤ Incident Reports	\$	25.00
➤ Vehicle Release	\$	140.00
➤ Criminal Histories	\$	5.00
➤ Alarm Transactions	\$	2040.00
➤ Vin Check	\$	0.00
➤ Notary Fees	\$	2.00
➤ Fingerprints	\$	15.00
➤ Pictures/CD/Video	\$	305.00
➤ Off Duty Mgmt.	\$	27.00

Public Information

The agency received several media contacts/inquires throughout the month of November. The majority of the media inquiries (television and written) revolved around ongoing or past investigations (from current and few months ago), including any updates on significant incidents from throughout the last several weeks/months. In addition, BPD received inquiries reference pending Hendricks County Sheriff's cases that occurred adjacent to Brownsburg jurisdiction.

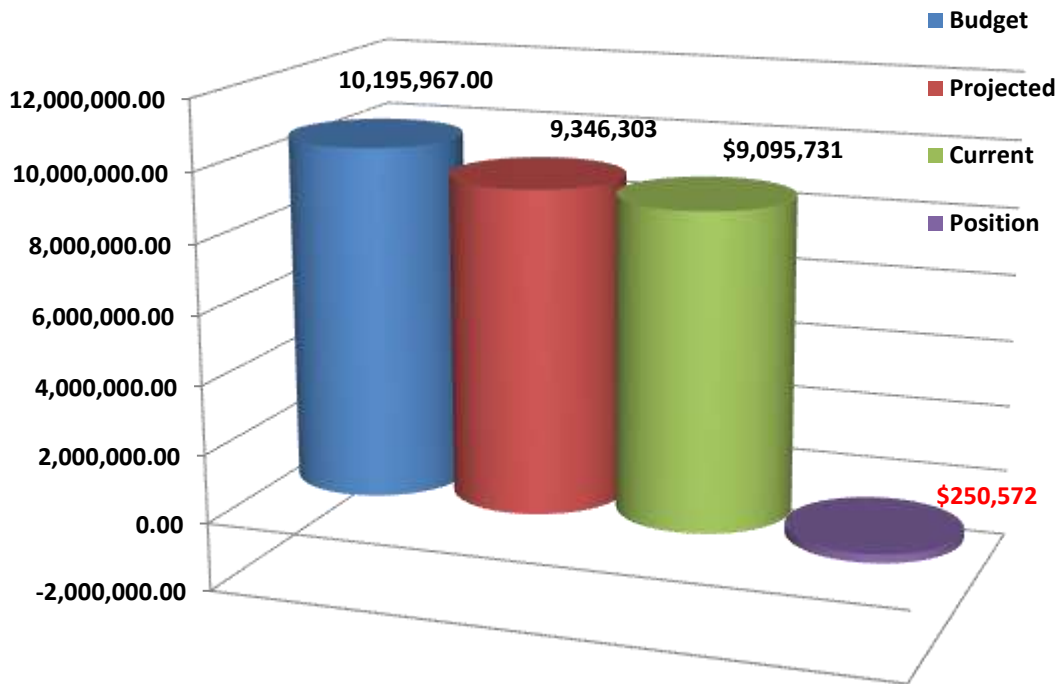
The department also released (24) Facebook posts, (0) Facebook Crime Tips post, (8) Posts from X /Twitter, (6) Instagram Posts

Current subscriber lists report the following number of members:

Media Resource	Subscribers/Contacts
Facebook 	16,015
Facebook Crime Tips 	8,000
Twitter/ X 	3,325
Instagram	1,812

Budget

As of November 30, 2025, the department expended 89.21% of its budget. As is typical of November, we are slightly under budget. Encumbered funds from 2024 totaled \$15,067 and are reflected in the total budget amount.



Information Technology

Lt. John Depinet Information Technology carried on preparing the department for the upcoming TDMA radio system transition. In addition, Depinet assisted Captain Barrett with a confidential data recovery project involving internal systems. He also coordinated with IT to deploy new desktop computers in the patrol work center and issued four MDTs to officers who needed to upgrade their operating systems.

Finally, Depinet supported tech setup for several new officers and continued coordinating radio upgrades with HCCC. Work continued on internal LAS form improvements to help streamline officer submission of report paperwork.

Lt. Depinet assisted Capt. Bullock to ensure that Town Court proceedings were adequately staffed as it relates to security throughout September.

Human Resources

Brownsburg Police staff currently are operating with (1) sworn officer vacancy after a Sworn Officer resigned his position in late September. BPD currently has (2) officers on light duty for on the job injuries and are being treated through workers comp. The three Brownsburg Police Officers who graduated ILEA on 8/22 (Donna Davenport, Nathaniel Giblin and Austin Hyde) are progressing through their formal Field Training Program (FTO) and nearing completion of that program. The sworn number of officers is now at (61). BPD initiated a recruitment process and conducted physical agility and written testing for Non-Experienced candidates. The testing yielded (30) non-experienced candidates testing at West Middle school on Saturday 11/22. Of those, (4) candidates failed some aspect of the physical testing and were subsequently removed from the process. The remaining (26) candidates continued into the written testing portion. BPD will be conducting formal interviews of Non-Experienced, Certified and Lateral candidates on December 18th and 19th with the hopes of identifying viable police officer candidates to fill current vacancies as well as establishing an eligibility list.



Push Up Testing Station



Written Testing

Training

Training Requested/Submitted to the Training Board in November

None

Hosted Training Courses for November

- ERT Monthly Training x 2 days – NORSE Tactical Sustainment
- Central Indiana Law Enforcement Training Council (CILETC) Monthly Meeting
- Firearms Tactical Shoot – Danville Range
- Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Course - 3 day
- Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVO) – ILEA – 3 days

Training Facility utilization by outside agencies for the month of November

Outside Agency Facility Usage					
<u>Agency</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Range</u>	<u>Shoot House</u>	<u>Mats</u>	<u>Classroom</u>
Speedway PD	11/5 and 11/25	X			
ICE	11/6 and 11/7	X			
Plainfield PD	11/10	X			

Training Invoices sent out for November

- Speedway PD-Comped
- ICE-Invoiced for (2) Days of Range
- Plainfield PD Comped

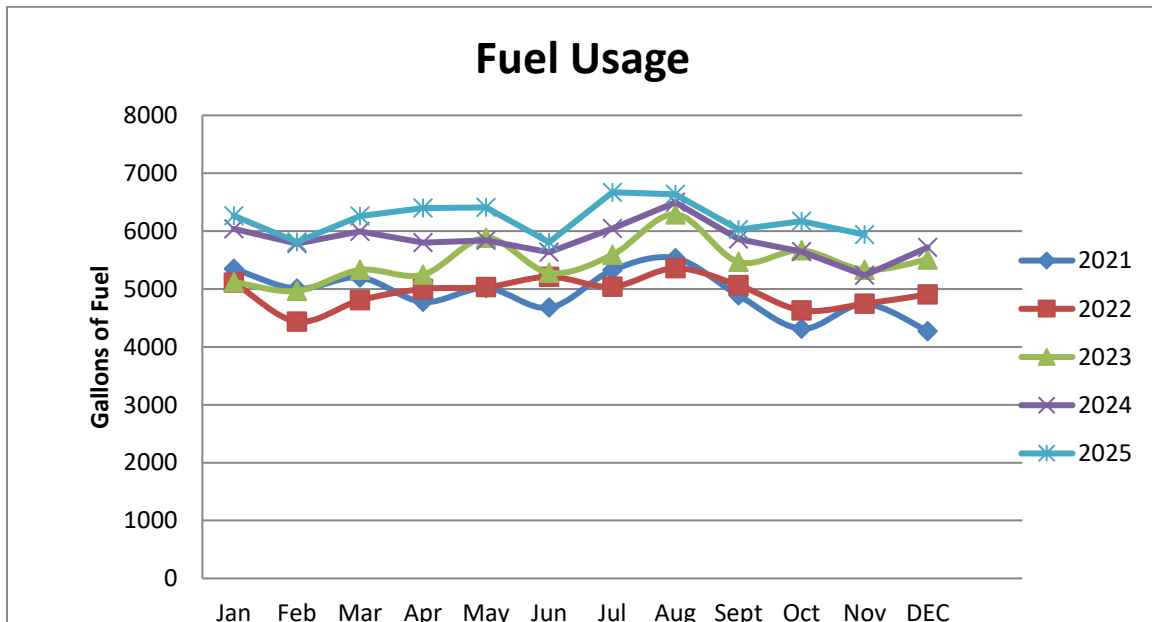
Training Coordinator Business

- Sgt. Steward, Officers Plichta, Clay, Johnson, Mlagan, Smith and Staton completed CISM Training.
- Major Watts, Sgt. Fults, Sgt. Steward and Cpl. Nelson completed Glock Armorers School.
- In-Service EVO was complete and all Personnel have attended yearly training.

Vehicle Fleet

The Town Garage staff continue to prep, outfit and rollout the newest 2025 patrol vehicles. The vehicles being replaced (which are 2018 and 2019) are being rolled into the pool fleet with some being reassigned to new officers who have been recently hired. We currently have received the additional (6) vehicles from the second installment of the 2024 CCD. Both installments of 2025 vehicles have arrived and include (2) K9 replacement vehicles and several patrol vehicles. The (2) K9 vehicles purchased are Ford Expeditions to consolidate the fleet under the Ford product line. The new Expeditions are very similar in size to the previously used Tahoes, but will be using the Ford Eco-boost 6 cylinder engine with turbo platform. This should help with overall gas mileage and fuel economy on the larger SUVs. The delay currently is lead-time for the required K9 equipment/kennels for new Expeditions. Officer Pugliese has received his new F150 and implemented it into service. In the meantime, garage staff continue to perform routine and preventative maintenance to ensure the safety and life of the vehicle fleet is being maintained. The fuel number for November was 5,938 gallons used by Police units. This amount is decreased from last month total gallons and increased from the November 2024 usage amounts.

However, the agency is also now staffed with (61) sworn officers as opposed to last year's number of (56). For all intents and purposes, usage continue to remain very consistent with previous months/years considering the number of sworn, reserve and civilian staff utilizing department vehicles (see below chart). Our officers and staff continue to be mindful and conservative of the fuel utilized both on and off duty.



*Respectfully Submitted,
Major Andrew Watts*