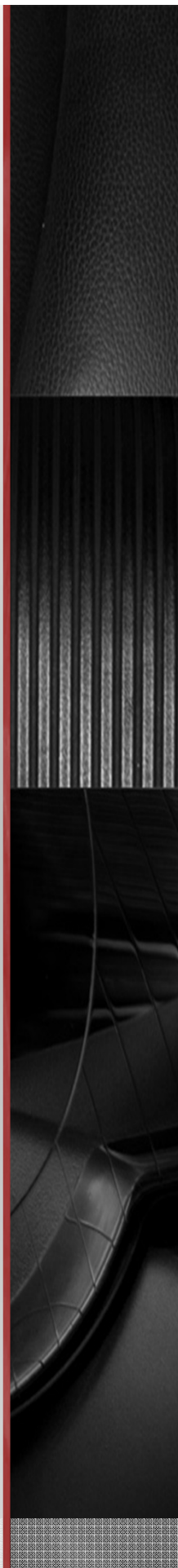


*Coshocton County*  
***SHERIFF'S OFFICE***

2014

***REPORT***





## ***HISTORY OF THE SHERIFF***

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The name "Sheriff" can be traced to England and derived from the term "shire reeve", which means the King's representative in the county. The word "Sheriff" was formally used by the Anglo-Saxon King Cnut (1017-1035) in a letter he wrote from Rome in 1027.

**"The Office of Sheriff is the most important of all the executive offices of the county." - Thomas Jefferson, "The Value of Constitutions"**

After Ohio became a state only three offices were filled through the electoral process and one of these was the office of Sheriff. The Office of Sheriff is specifically named in the first two Ohio Constitutions as being a required elected office in each county. By virtue of this process, this office has become the oldest law enforcement office which is filled through the election method.

On September 1, 1788 Colonel Ebenezer Sproat was appointed Sheriff of Washington County by Governor Arthur St. Clair of the Northwest Territory. Washington County, at that time, covered all of eastern Ohio from the Ohio River to Lake Erie.

The Office of Sheriff was for only a two-year term until 1935, with the limitation that they may only serve a total of four years out of every six years. Today, the term of office for county Sheriffs in Ohio is four years.

## ***WHY AN OFFICE AND NOT A DEPARTMENT***

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The Office of Sheriff is the only elected law enforcement office in the United States. This is due to the fact that early on our ancestors realized that this position of trust and great power was needed and should be filled with an individual who was elected and would serve the best interests of the community.



Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to submit to you the following report on the activities, programs and accomplishments of the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office.

The Annual Report of the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office is produced to inform our community about the work of the Sheriff's Office.

The mission of the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office is to protect life and property. The Sheriff's Office is committed to providing a superior level of Public Safety and Correctional Services to everyone who lives, works, or visits in Coshocton County.

The Coshocton County Sheriff's Office consists of three divisions: *Civil, Criminal and Correctional*. As a whole, the Sheriff's Office works diligently serving the people of Coshocton County and through this Annual Report we would like to show you what our dedicated staff and volunteers are doing and what our office is all about.

I encourage you to contact me with questions you may have about the operation of the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office. Questions regarding information in these reports may be addressed to me at the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office, 328 Chestnut Street, Coshocton, Ohio or phone: (740) 622-2411, fax: (740) 622-4487, Email [sheriffrogers@coshoctoncounty.net](mailto:sheriffrogers@coshoctoncounty.net)

I hope you find this Annual Report informative.

Sincerely,

*Timothy L. Rogers*  
*Coshocton County Sheriff*



# Financial Message

Prepared by Lt. James Crawford

The Budget, Payroll and Civil Division consists of one Lieutenant, two civilian clerks and one Civil Process Server. Responsibilities comprise of planning, preparation and administration of the office's annual budget, Summons's, Warrants, Writs, and Orders of Sale. The office oversaw expenditures of over \$3.5 million in FY 2014. Our other responsibilities include federal grant management, invoice administration, reimbursement claims, procurement of office supplies, and conducting internal audits.

## **Payroll**

The mission of the payroll section is to enter all payroll related information including regular time, court time, special operations, overtime, etc.

The clerks in this section are also responsible for updating rosters, maintaining personnel files, and answering questions regarding payroll.

## **Finance**

The mission of the finance section is to purchase equipment, supplies and services for the office. This section must also monitor expenditures to ensure the office does not exceed their annual operating budgets.

The personnel in the accounting section take calls from officers regarding equipment needs, work with vendors to get the best available pricing on a commodity, order all commodities and services for the office.

The finance personnel prepare annual budgets, prepare financial reports and gather data. They also maintain payment logs, and are responsible for accounts receivable.

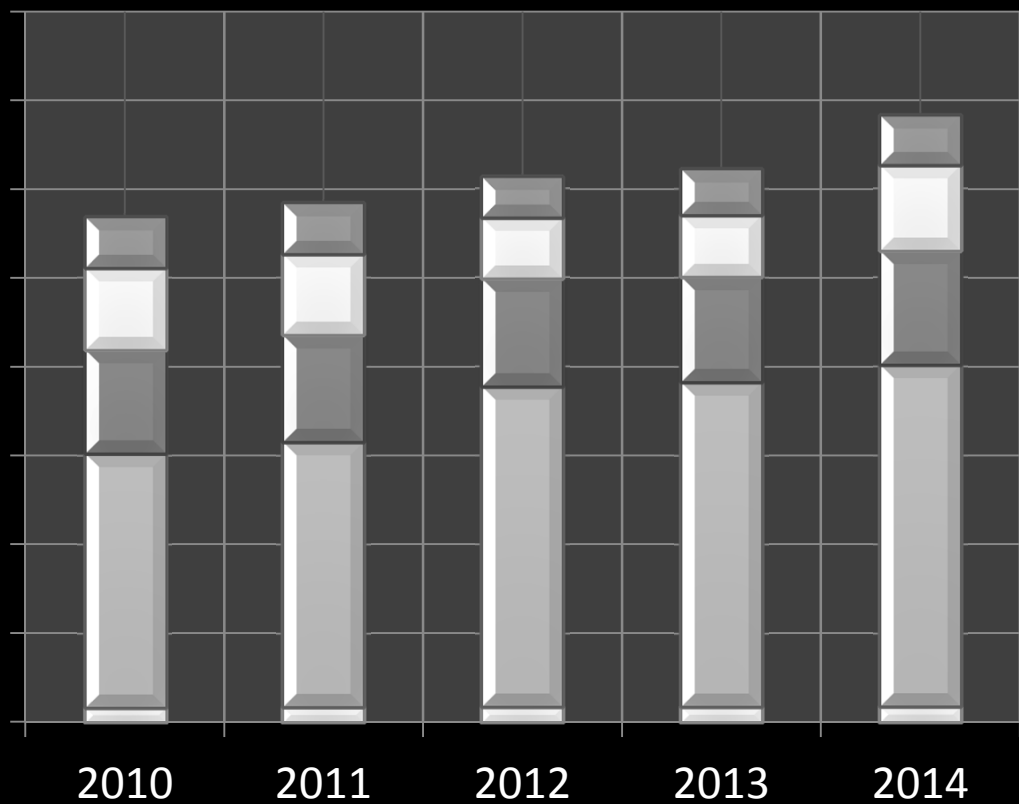
One unique difference your Sheriff's Office is tasked with is that we operate two separate budgets. Since 1981 the Sheriff has entered into contract with the City of Coshocton to provide "Law Enforcement Services" within the City limits. This partnership has been very beneficial to both the City Government and the residents of Coshocton. By combining the services, the savings are evident through less administration and employees.

In conclusion, the Sheriff's Office plans to continue utilizing as many innovative opportunities available to us, and to continue to give the absolute best service to the community.

# Financial Message

Prepared by Lt. James Crawford

## Coshocton County Sheriff's Office Division Expenditures



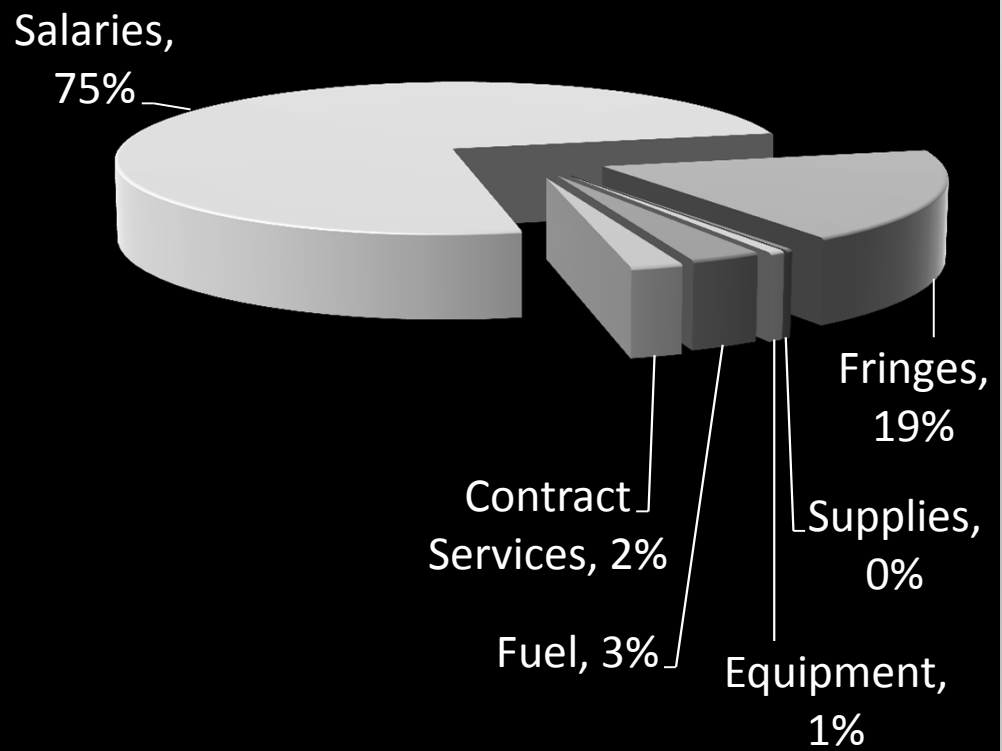
Court Security	\$86,181.00	\$89,730.00	\$90,357.00	\$91,098.00	\$92,999.44
Patrol	\$1,428,284.56	\$1,490,330.51	\$1,709,166.91	\$1,733,886.54	\$1,919,707.27
Jail	\$582,624.46	\$600,703.61	\$605,821.77	\$591,793.09	\$640,013.01
911/Dispatch	\$461,144.39	\$455,270.49	\$342,614.06	\$348,221.72	\$481,129.37
Detective	\$285,372.75	\$286,496.29	\$229,523.14	\$257,364.63	\$280,303.37
<b>Total Wages</b>	<b>\$2,843,607.16</b>	<b>\$2,922,530.90</b>	<b>\$3,067,839.88</b>	<b>\$3,113,463.98</b>	<b>\$3,414,152.46</b>

# Financial Message

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## Coshocton County Sheriff's Office Operation Expenditures

2014





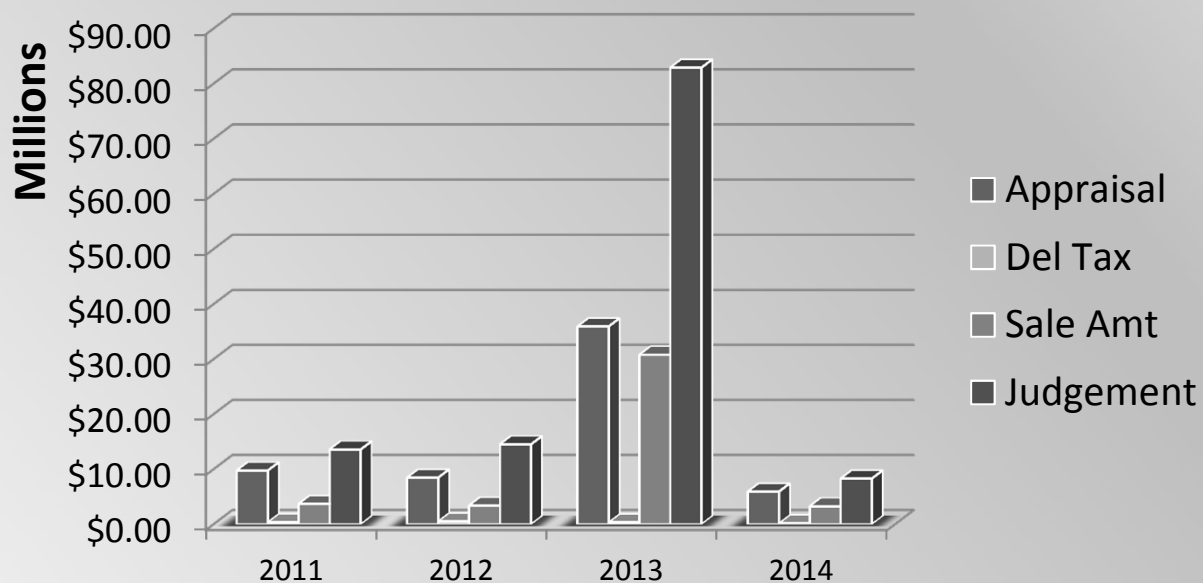
# Sheriff Sales

Prepared by Lt. James Crawford

Coshocton County Sheriff's sales of foreclosed real estate are held on Friday mornings at 10:00 A.M. in the first floor lobby of the Coshocton County Common Pleas Court, located at 318 Main Street in Coshocton.

Sale notices were published in the Coshocton Tribune. The ads are published once a week for a minimum of three consecutive weeks.

Your Sheriff's Office received 169 foreclosures in 2014, 195 in 2013, 281 in 2012 and 221 in 2011.



2011	2012	2013	2014
\$9,759,600.00	\$8,463,233.00	\$35,911,260.00	\$5,911,169.00
\$371,890.00	\$526,977.00	\$313,226.00	\$142,667.00
\$3,700,212.00	\$3,392,705.00	\$30,783,976.00	\$3,263,234.00
\$13,584,459.00	\$14,523,830.00	\$82,894,963.00	\$8,280,475.00

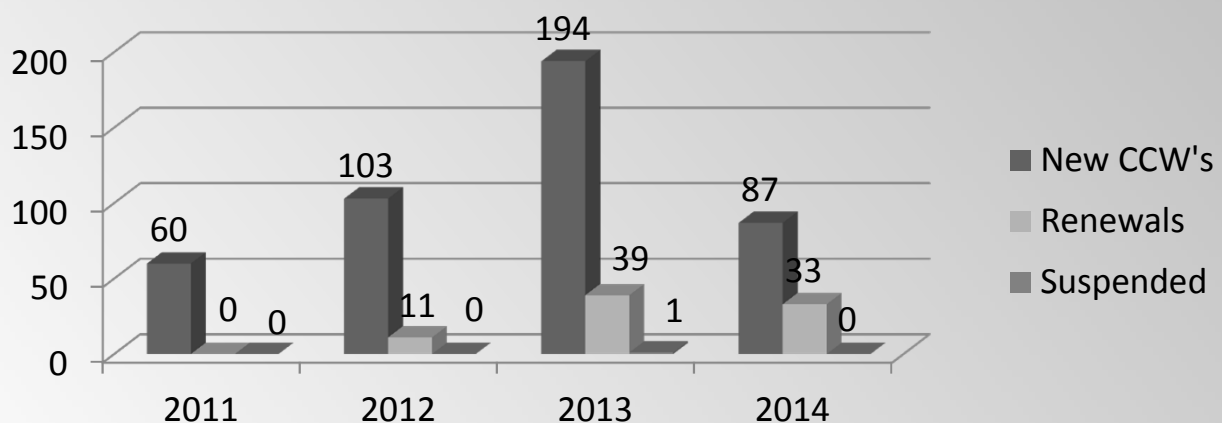
# WebCheck & CCW

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Under Ohio law, county sheriffs are responsible for issuing, denying, suspending, or revoking concealed carry licenses. On a quarterly basis, we report these statistics to the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission, which is part of the Ohio Attorney General's Office.

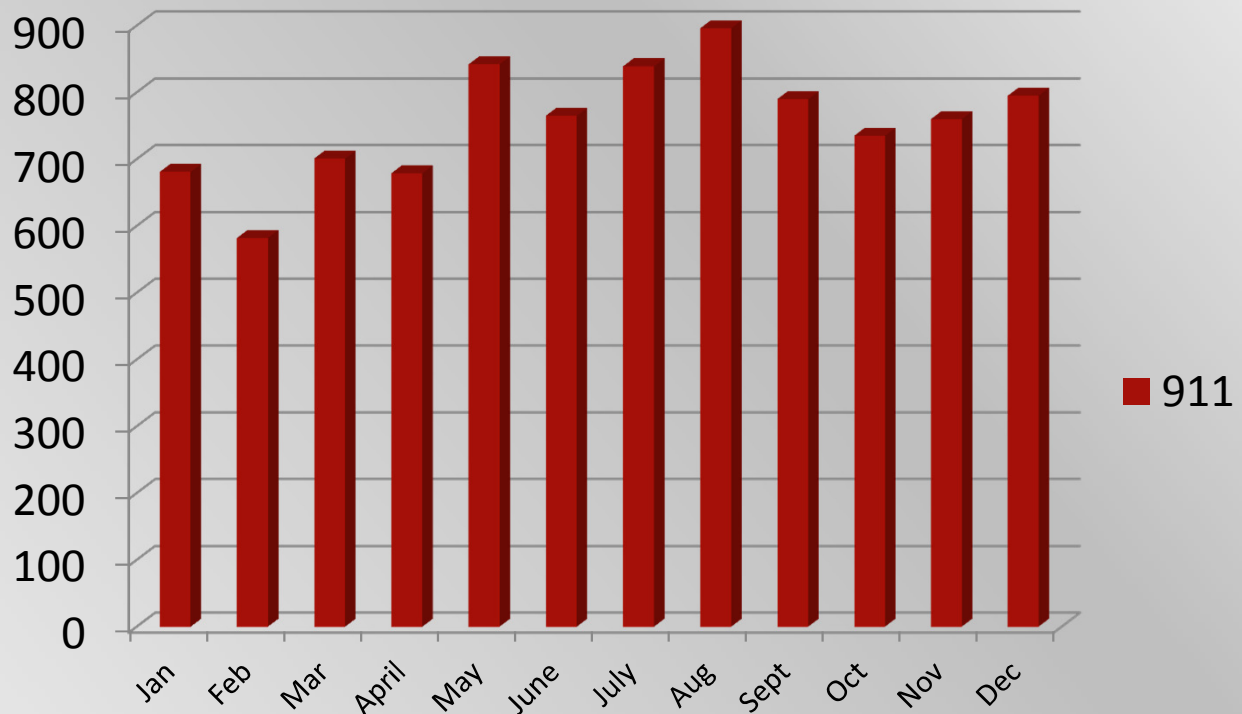
The CCW licenses generated over **\$7,000** in 2014.

The Coshocton County Sheriff's Office also processes electronic fingerprint background checks through *WebCheck*, the Ohio Attorney General's Bureau of Criminal Investigation's (BCI) database. Both State (BCI) and Federal (FBI) background checks are processed through *WebCheck*. Many public and private employers require background checks for employment purposes. State law mandates that schools, day care centers, health care facilities, and others require such checks as part of the hiring process. Some individuals are also required to have a background check to obtain professional licensure.





# Communications Division



The Sheriff's Office Communications Center received over 45,000 incoming calls plus 9,065 9-1-1 calls for service during 2014. The Communications Center is staffed with two personnel per shift to answer calls and to dispatch Fire, EMS and Law Enforcement.

## Communications "Calls for Service"

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
911 / Landline	4325	4243	4232
E911 / Wireless	5423	4943	4833

## Average 9-1-1 Answer Time (IN SECONDS)

2012	2013	2014
.05	.06	.05



# Patrol Operations

Prepared by Lt. Dean Hettinger

2014 was another challenging year for the Detective Division, Road Division and Dispatch Center.

Burglaries and Robberies continue to be a problem in our community, being fueled by drugs, primarily heroin and meth addiction. This drug problem contributed to a very high Robbery rate, up nearly double from 2013. With this in mind, our Detectives bought drugs from over 35 different dealers. This trend seems to be a continuation from last year and remains a costly and difficult process; however, they continue to gather fantastic evidence which has led to a high conviction and seizure rate, pulling in over \$33,000 in cash and pounds of Heroin and Cocaine in just one search warrant.

We also went to trial on a Murder case. This was very costly and required hundreds of man hours of preparation and court time. Crimes Against Children remains steady with new struggles involving sexting.

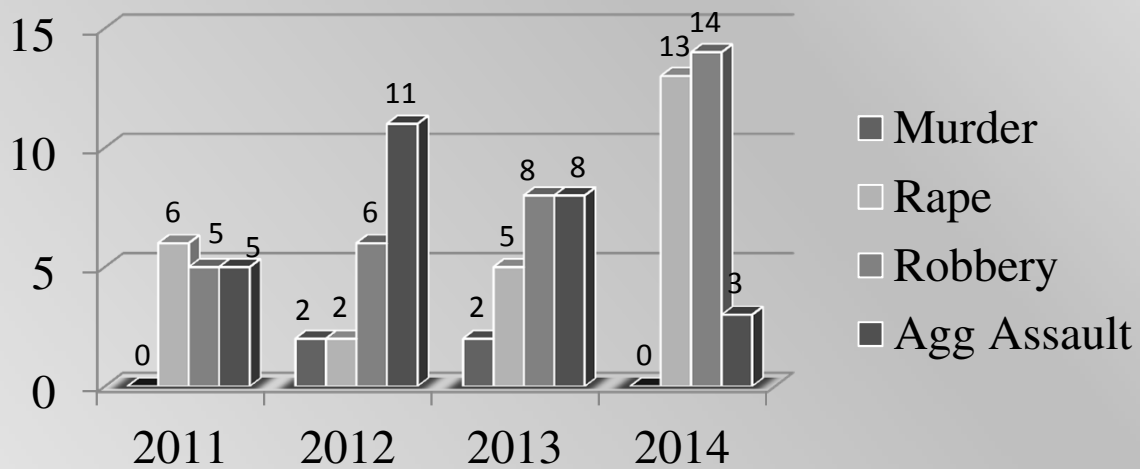
In the Road Division, we made over 2400 traffic stops, handled nearly 3700 reports and written almost 800 citations. This was all done while working with one less officer per shift than we would normally staff.

The Dispatch Center remained extremely busy, generating over 28,000 call transactions total and paged out over 5700 Ambulance Runs.

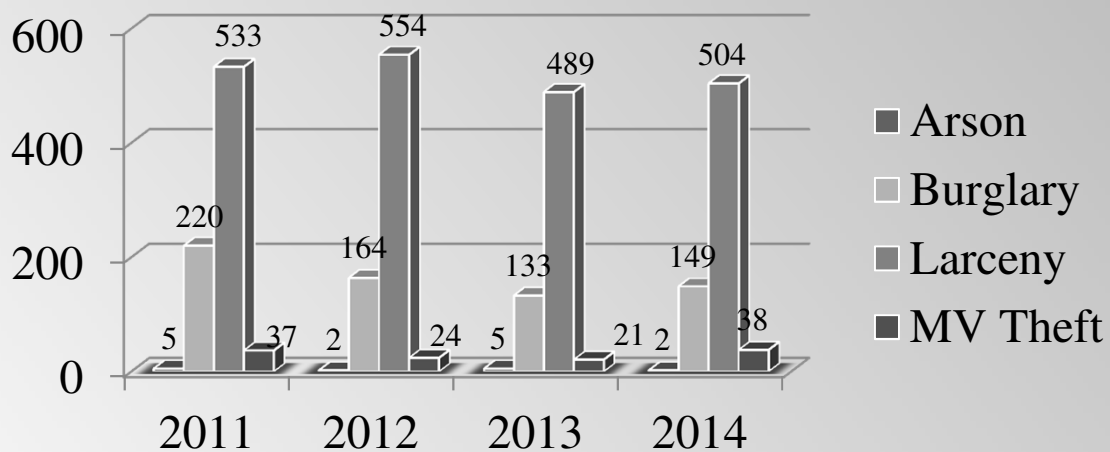
# Patrol Operations

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## Violent Crime

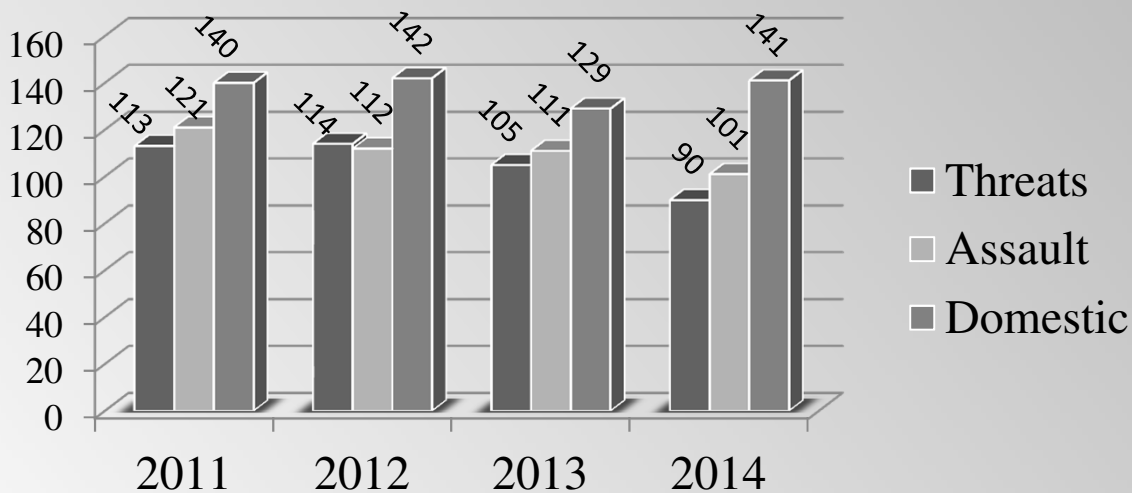
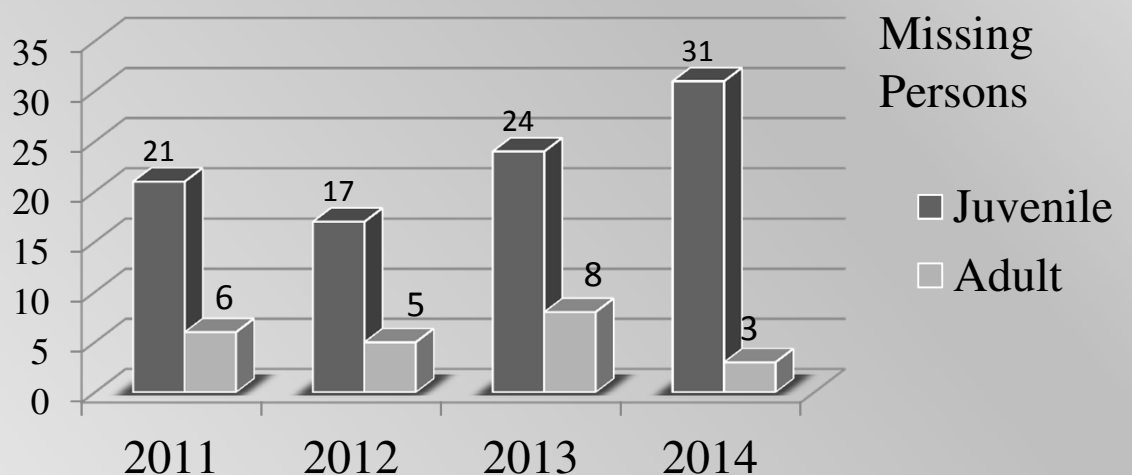


## Property Crime



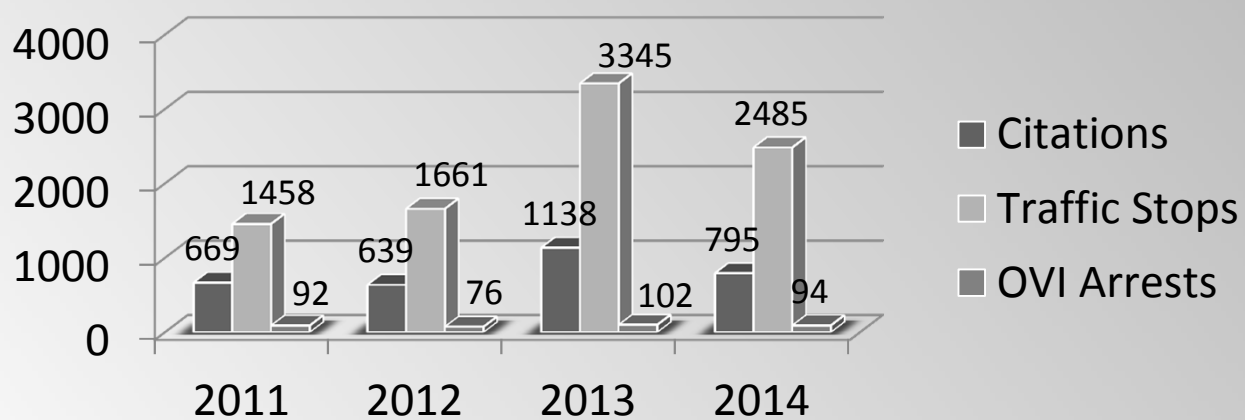
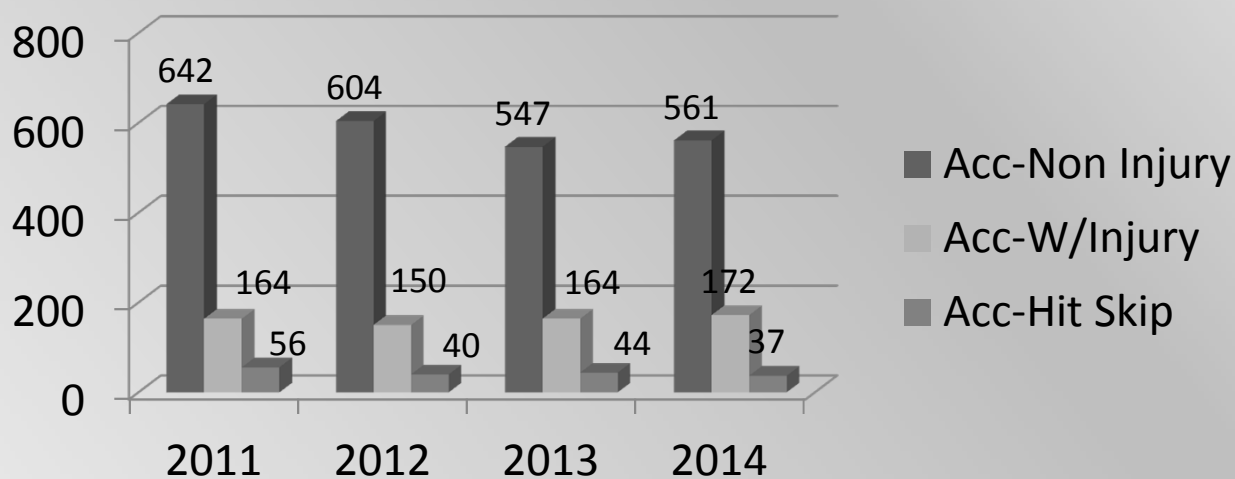
# Patrol Operations

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# Corrections Division

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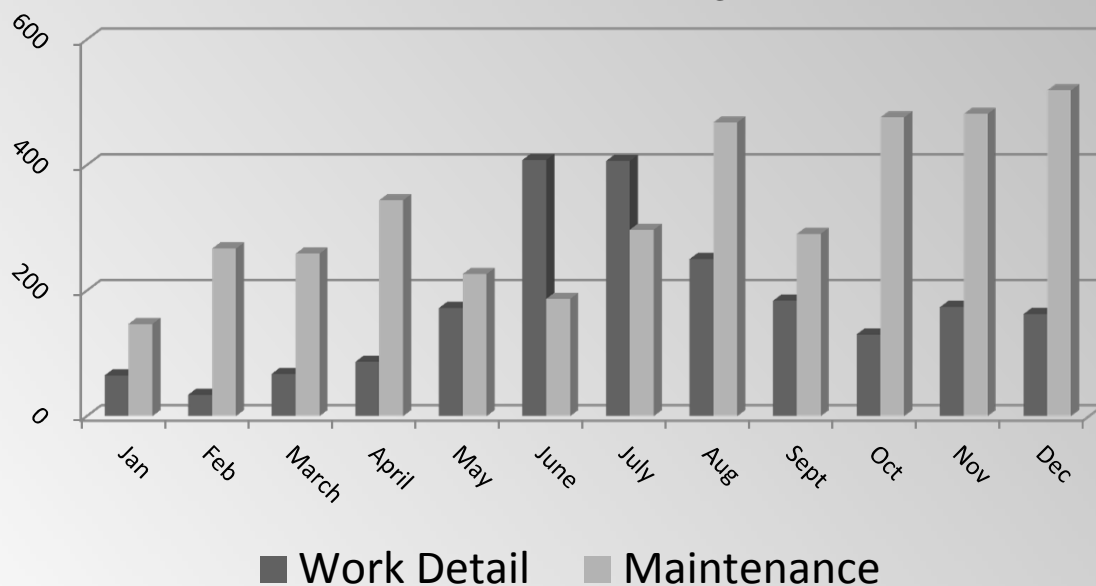
Inmates may voluntarily apply for trustee positions available in the Coshocton County Justice Center. Based on their level of classification and the screening process, they may be placed in an in-house position or given the opportunity to work outside the facility with various community organizations.

The In-house trustee position provides services such as janitorial duties, painting, floor maintenance, laundry, vehicle detailing and assisting the kitchen staff. These inmates are supervised by the jail staff.

The outside trustee position, is also a volunteer position which the inmate applies for. These inmates go through a screening process; they must have a history free of violent crime convictions and must be model inmates who are determined to be low escape risks. These inmates may be seen throughout the county cutting grass, trees, trash pick-up, or helping with county-related event set-up for various community organizations. In 2014 the inmate work program provided a total of 6,103.5 work hours. This is a record number of hours for the program.

The inmate work program directly benefits both the inmate participants and the citizens of Coshocton County. The experience they gain includes teamwork, following instructions, handling of equipment, social skills, and developing a work ethic. Our goal is for the inmate worker to improve not only the task at hand, but also to gain the skills needed to help them be productive citizens upon release.

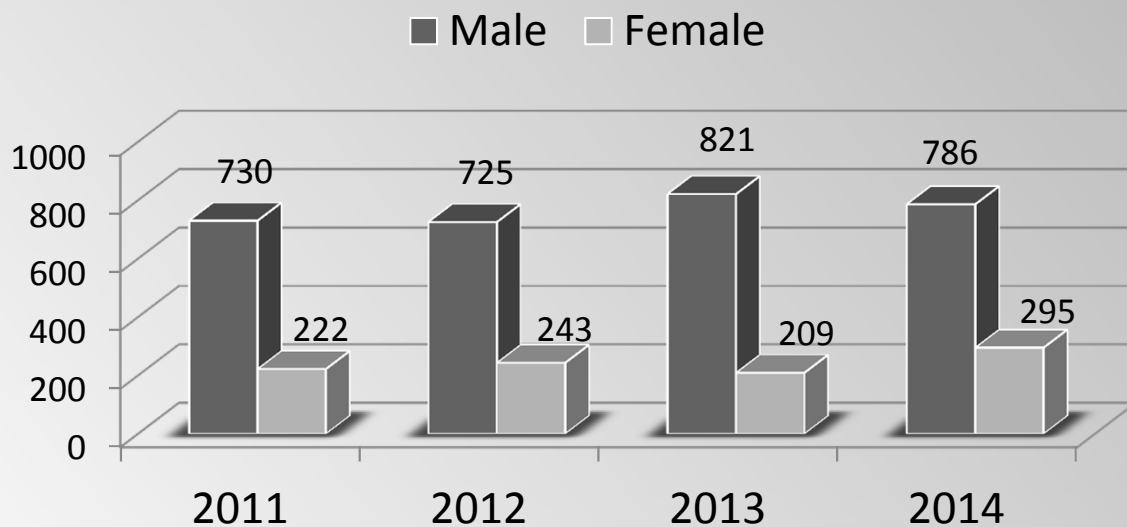
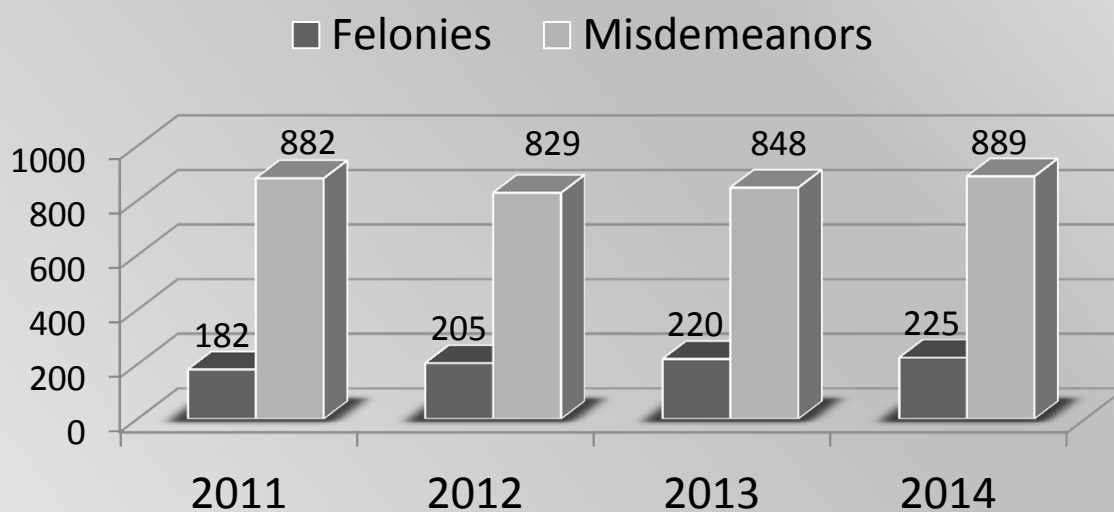
## 2014 Inmate Work Program





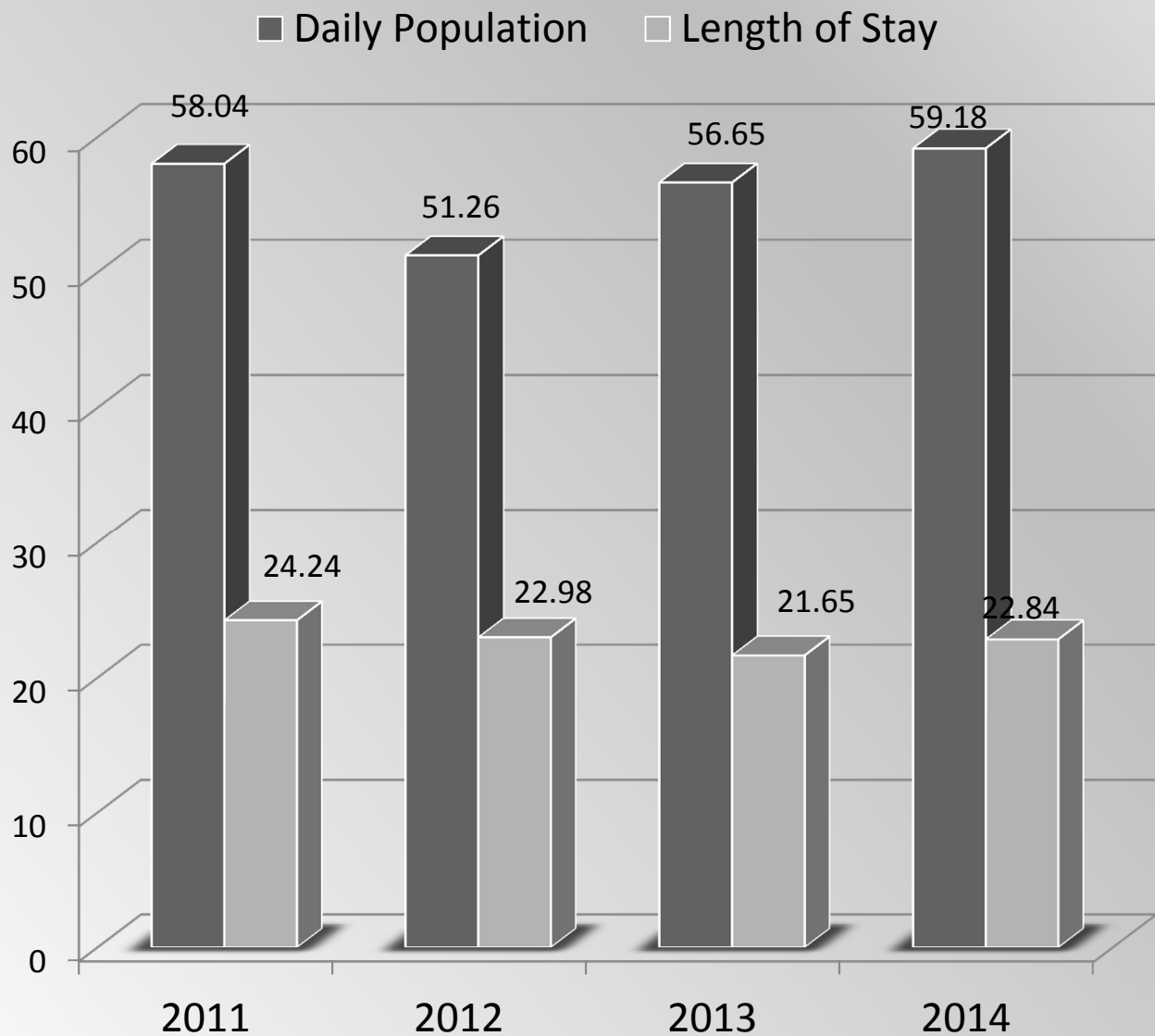
# Inmates Received By Facility Per Year

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# Average Length of Stay for Inmates

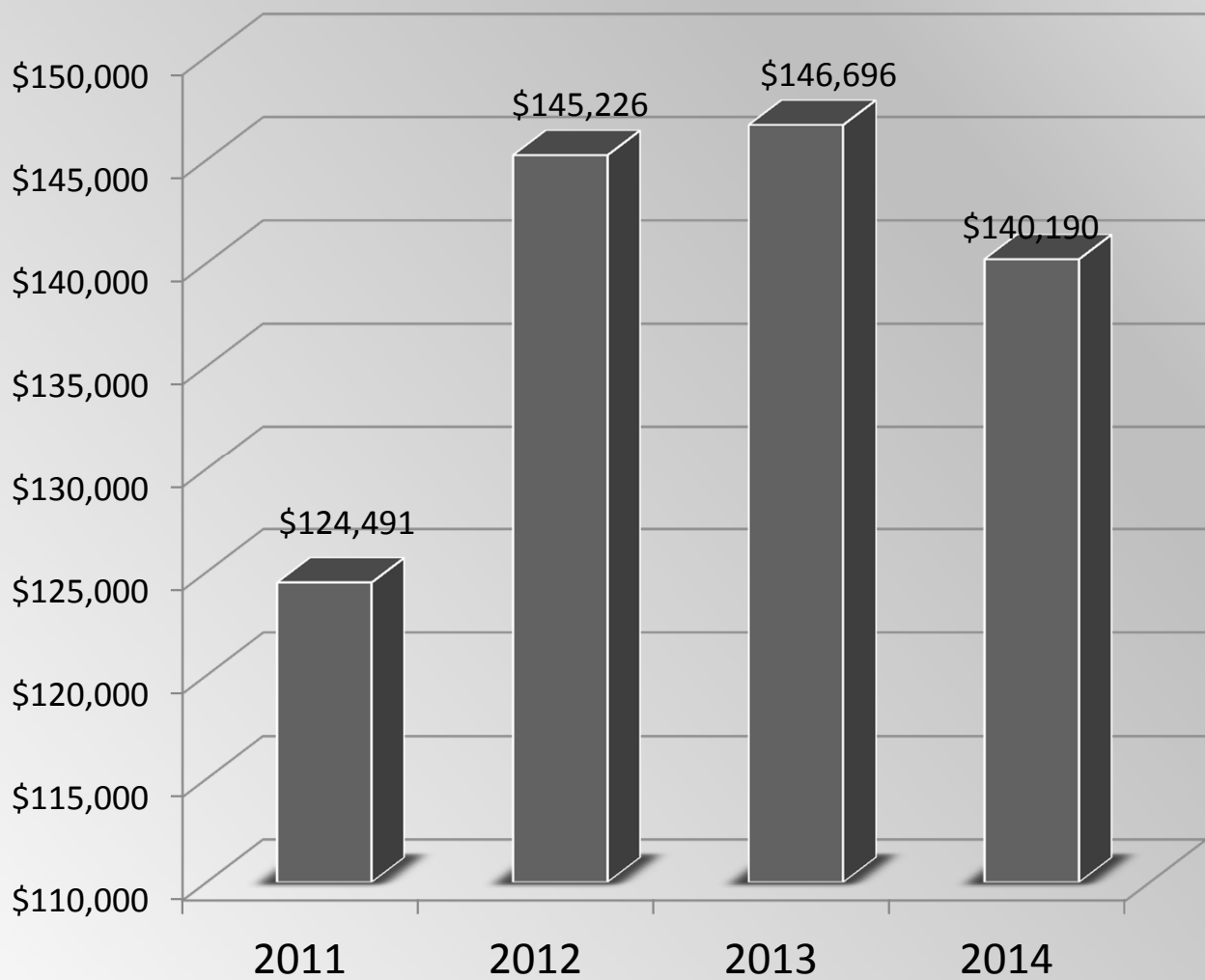
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# Inmate Medical Costs

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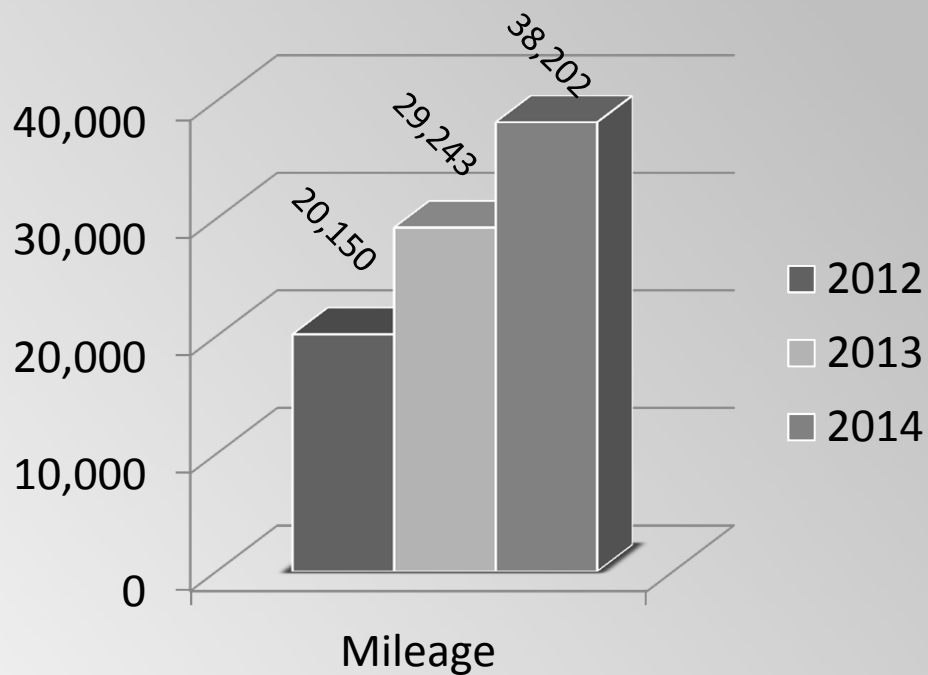
## Medical



# Inmate Transports

The Sheriff's Office transport unit consists of 1 full time Deputy assigned to transport inmates to and from Prison and County Jails. He is responsible for working with the courts, scheduling transports, completing necessary paperwork and assisting with court transports.

The transport officer traveled over 38,202 miles while stacking up more than 911 hours on the road. He transported 280 males and 51 females to and from prison. He also transported juveniles to and from Muskingum Juvenile Detention Center and Juvenile Court totaling 111 juveniles.

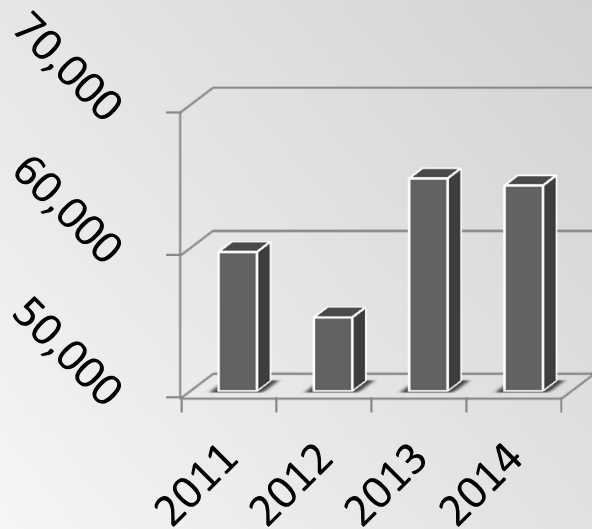


# Kitchen and Food Service Operations

With the facility capacity at **60** inmates the kitchen is able to prepare, serve and clean up **3** meals every **24** hours. This equates to **180** meals per day. Also kitchen staff and inmate workers are responsible for receiving deliveries of perishables / dry goods, paper products and cleaning supplies. They are also responsible for the over all cleanliness of the kitchen and staying in compliance with federal, state and local standards.

During 2014, Corrections personnel fed **64,371** meals to inmates at a cost of **\$1.48** per meal for a total of **\$95,269.08**. Our staff routinely meets with vendors to ensure that we are receiving the best possible prices for all food and supplies. Staff also continues to develop menu alternatives to ensure compliance with all Federal, State and local regulations.

## Meals Served



## Cost Per Meal



# K9 Unit

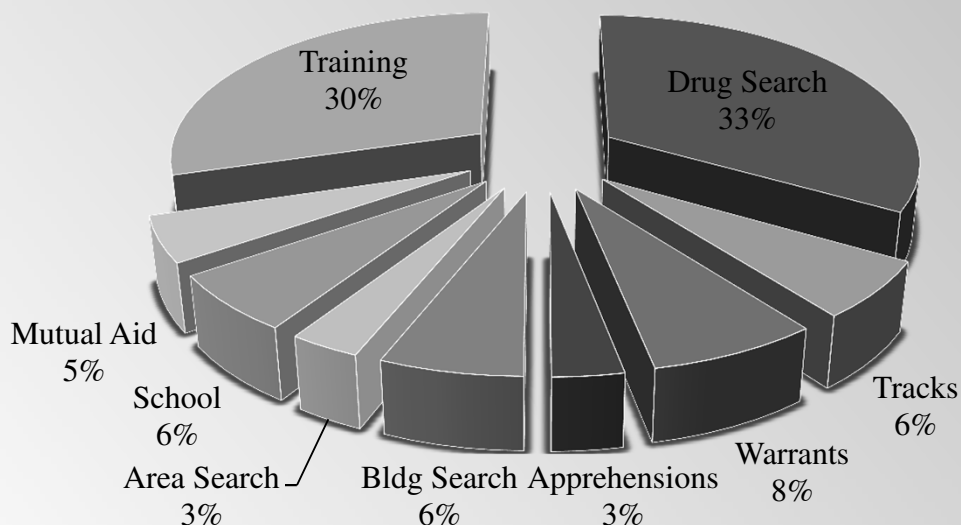


Through the generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bechtol we were able to purchase K-9 Dingo on Aug. 24, 2007. A-1 Vet Care made donations to cover all routine medical expenses and Coshocton County Realtors Association donated a bullet/stab proof vest to be worn by K-9 Dingo. Without these donations we would not have been able to re-establish this much needed service.

Deputy Stone and K-9 Dingo graduated from the Canton Police Departments Canine Program on September 4, 2007 and on December 14, 2007, K-9 Dingo and Deputy Stone received State Certifications for Tracking, Article Search, Marijuana, Cocaine, Heroin, Methamphetamines and Criminal Apprehension, Canine Control and Canine Searches.

Since certification Deputy Stone and K-9 Dingo have assisted in the tracking of suspects and missing persons, drug searches and suspect apprehension, During these tracks K-9 Dingo has located stolen property as well as suspect clothing articles. K-9 Dingo has also located marijuana, cocaine and drug paraphernalia during multiple traffic stops.

## 2014 Activity





# Special Response Team

The Special Response Team is a highly specialized tactical unit formed to handle, control and safely terminate unusual occurrences that have a high potential in jeopardizing the safety of the citizens of Coshocton County and prevent loss of life and property.

The team consists of an incident commander, team leader and several special skilled members. These members have received special weapons and tactical training in weaponry, search techniques, defensive tactics, distraction devices, room entry and clearing tactics, threat control and ground reconnaissance.

The Special Response Team is on call twenty-four (24) hours a day and is able to activate within a short time period. The team is also available to assist other agencies to provide manpower and technical support in surveillance, large-scale searches and disaster and civil defense emergencies.

The SRT Unit had nine (9) call outs during 2014 with twenty-nine (29) people arrested as a result of executing search warrants. Our SRT Unit utilized Tuscarawas and Guernsey County Sheriff's Office SRT Units on multiple missions to increase officer safety and provide containment.

Since its inception, the Sheriff's Office SRT has successfully resolved several incidents without serious injury or loss of life to any citizen or officer.

- SRT Missions include:
- -Service of high risk warrants
- -Barricaded subjects
- -Hostage rescue
- -Extraordinary/Rapid deployment
- -Armed suicidal subjects
- -Crowd control
- -Officer and citizen rescues



# Arson Investigation

The Arson Investigation Unit was formed at the request of Sheriff Rogers in January 2008, utilizing Deputy Steve Fox, and Detective Brent McKee. Deputy Fox has completed and is certified in Arson Investigation Levels I, II, and III, and Bombs & Incendiary Devices. Detective McKee is trained in Interviewing Techniques. The investigators met with each Fire Department in the months of December 2007 and January 2008 to explain the service being offered by the Sheriff. This was found to be very well received by every fire company in the county, and since the divisions inception, has worked very well at the fire scenes. Both investigators attended Arson Case Management training conducted by the Public Agency Training Council .

Arson Investigators were called to **10** Fires in 2014, of those investigated, two were fatal with one caused by an overload of an electric heater and one caused by an apparent suicide. Two of the non-fatal fires were determined to be incendiary origin and **six** fires were found to be electrical, undetermined or accidental. Two vehicle fires were also investigated with one being found to be arson and one undetermined.





# Prescription Drug Take-Back Program

## **Most Ohio adults dispose of prescription drugs in unsafe ways**

More than 6 in 10 Ohio adults (65%) dispose of prescription drugs by throwing them away or flushing them down the drainage system. This is a public safety and public health issue. Chemicals from wastewater find their way into the water supply. These chemicals can harm people and wildlife.

## **Take-back program ,the safest disposal method**

The United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) launched the first National Prescription Drug Take Back Day in September 2010. The events are held twice a year. Law enforcement must be present to take custody of the controlled medications.

## **It's a great time to clean out your medicine cabinet!**

Protect our kids, families and environment by properly disposing of your unwanted and expired medicines. Medicines in the home are a leading cause of accidental poisoning and flushed or trashed medicines can end up polluting our waters. Rates of prescription drug abuse are alarmingly high - over half of teens abusing medicines get them from a family member or friend, including the home medicine cabinet, and often without their knowledge.

Coshocton County Sheriff's Office Held 1 Prescription Drug Take Back Day in 2014, which was very successful, with Fifty-nine pounds collected.

# Neighborhood Watch



National Neighborhood Watch is a program sponsored by the National Sheriff's Association and supported by local law enforcement agencies to reduce crime and to make America's neighborhoods safer.

The purpose of Neighborhood Watch is to make you aware of the steps you can take to make your home more secure against crime, to show how you and your neighbors can help each other protect your entire neighborhood, and to make local law enforcement agencies more effective in the fight against crime through your involvement and participation.

A Neighborhood Watch project is the logical first step for any community organizing against crime; it requires minimal effort and gets people talking to and caring about one another. It can be the catalyst for efforts such as Operation Identification, safe homes, Citizen Patrols, emergency preparedness, and similar programs.

A neighborhood watch is a Crime Prevention Program where neighbors "LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER!" It is a Crime Prevention Program that encourages Neighbor-participants to get to know each other and their routines so that any out of place activities can be observed, recognized for what it is, and report it so it can be investigated by the Sheriff's Office. The program also teaches participants techniques to reduce the risk of being victimized at home, in their vehicles and in public places. We also train participants on the importance of recognizing suspicious activities and sounds, evaluate them and how to properly report them. It also teaches members how to make their homes more secure, to properly identify their property and how to "LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER!" A watch is a cohesive body of concerned, involved, Neighbor-participants addressing issues that concern the entire neighborhood.

During 2014, The Sheriff's Office distributed two-hundred thirty-two information packets, conducted 5 Neighborhood Watch meetings, with eighty-two residents in attendance. Likewise, two Block party's were conducted with more than one hundred fifty residents attending.



# Litter Officer / Solid Waste



The goal of this program is to reduce illegal dumping and littering in Coshocton County.

This officer will be able to reduce illegal dumping and littering in Coshocton County by being visible to the public and patrolling the County. His investigations of these activities, issuing citations and/or arrests assuredly will curb these illegal activities.

This officer will work 2080 hours per year. The shifts this officer is scheduled to work will be set by the Administration to insure the goals of this program are met.

The Coshocton County Sheriff's Office has applied for, and received, the Litter Law Enforcement Grant for 20 years from the C.F.L.P. Solid Waste District.

Since the inception of this program on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1996 the Coshocton County Sheriff's Office Litter Control Program has been very successful in finding, resolving, and deterring littering in our county.

Our Litter Law Enforcement Officers have consisted of Dep. Dave Wilson, Dep. Mike Carroll, Dep. Jim Walsh, whom have retired, and Dep. Keith Wilt.

From July 13 thru Dec 2014, Deputy Keith Wilt received one hundred twelve complaints and investigated four hundred twenty-three trash related incidents.

From these investigations they have issued four hundred seventy-eight warnings and made two hundred nine arrests.

Help us improve the appearance of Coshocton County by keeping our roadsides litter free.

You can call our Litter Law Enforcement Officer to report trash dumping at;  
740-622-2411

*"Your participation will help reduce trash and litter along County roads  
and maintain a clean and attractive environment."*

# Project Lifesaver



Project Lifesaver was established in April of 1999 as an initiative of the 43rd Virginia Search and Rescue Company of the Chesapeake, Virginia Sheriff's Office. Amid the dramatic increase of people with Alzheimer's, Down Syndrome and Autism, Project Lifesaver has become one of the leading organizations addressing the need to protect these patients and bring comfort to their families and caregivers.

Project Lifesaver is an innovative solution to the wandering issues surrounding Alzheimer's disease. The difference in a registry program and Project Lifesaver is we are an active search participant. We go out and search for the loved one and bring them home. Project Lifesaver trains, equips and deploys law enforcement and public safety agencies to rapidly locate wandering people and bring them home. Project Lifesaver's radio frequency equipment is the most reliable and practical technology available in locating the missing and wandering. Project Lifesaver transmitters can be detected in bad weather, indoors, rough terrain and even under water.

Clients wear a wristband with a transmitter that emits a tracking signal. Each transmitter weighs about an ounce and emits a signal every second, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The transmitter battery is changed every 30 days by a team member. A caretaker is trained how to check the battery every day and logged.

Your Sheriff's Office has 9 clients currently utilizing this valuable program.

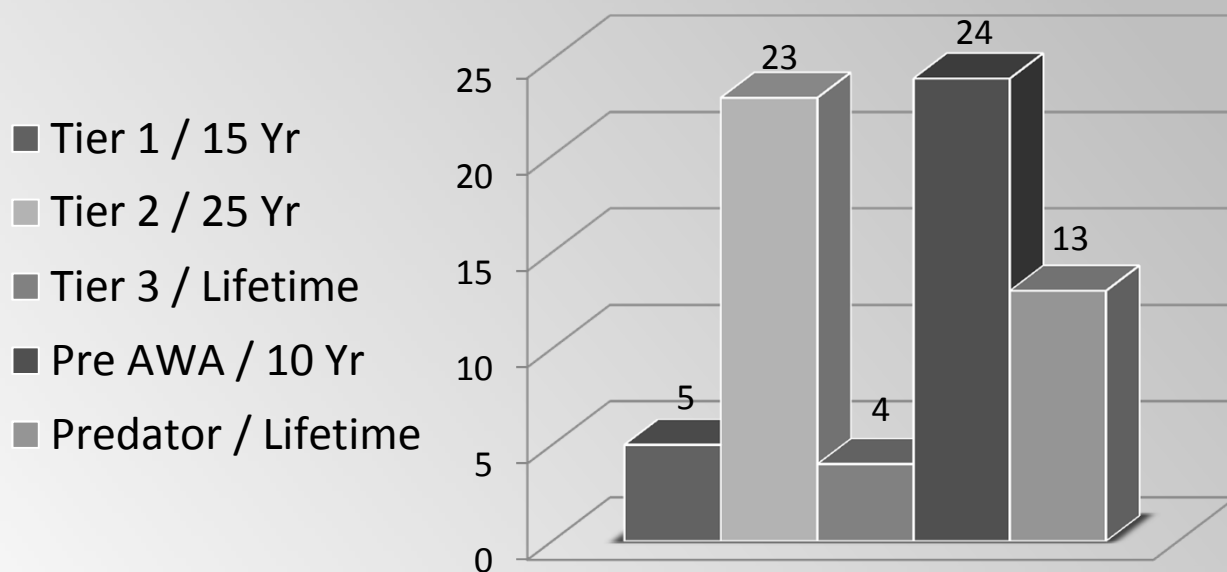
Best of all there is NO COST for those utilizing Project Lifesaver. Funding for Project Lifesaver is a result of private and corporate donations and grants. All of the proceeds are used directly for programs, rescues, and educational expenses.



# Sex Offender Registration

In 2014, there were approximately 17,839 registered sex offenders in Ohio. Most sex offenders (80- 95%) assault people they know. At least half of convicted child molesters report that they also have sexually assaulted an adult. Over 80% of convicted adult rapists report that they have molested children. Approximately one-third of sex offenders report assaulting both males and females. Research shows that most convicted sex offenders have committed many assaults before they are caught. Most sex offenders report that they have committed multiple types of sexual assault. Over two-thirds of offenders who reported committing incest also said they assaulted victims outside of the family. Some studies of victims have shown less than 30% of sex crimes are reported to law enforcement. Young victims who know or are related to the perpetrator are least likely to report the crime to authorities.

Coshocton County Sheriff's Office currently tracks and registers 74 sex offenders annually.





The Communications Center is responsible for activating the community notification and mobilization system, which enhances our ability to notify the public in the event of a natural disaster or other emergency.

You can now sign up to receive CodeRED Weather Warnings. CodeRED Weather warnings send notification to those that are in the path of incoming severe weather. The calls are placed directly to your home or cell phone number you have registered in the database.

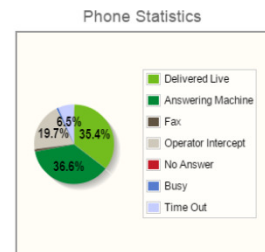
iPhone and Android users - make sure to check out the new CodeRED Mobile Alert App recently released.

#### Strong Storm System 08.11.14

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Emails	2174
Phone Calls	15670
Text Messages	2514
TDD	30
Mobile	Yes
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Numbers Not Reached	4382

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Designed to keep you informed and aware, the CodeRED Mobile Alert App taps into the national CodeRED Emergency Notification System and alerts subscribers located within the reach of a given notification area generated by public safety officials. The App tracks your position, so no matter where you are when an alert is issued, you will receive notifications that affect you right on your mobile device.

By using this capability, you can add not just your home number but a cell phone number if you would like to receive the call and text messages. Citizens can also register an email address for alerts to be sent to.

To add a name, phone number(s), or email address go to the Coshocton County Web Site:

<http://www.coshoctoncounty.net/sheriff>

## Coshocton County Sheriff's Office Organizational Chart

