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Message from Chief Scott Galloway

The Lafayette Police Department is steadfast in its commitment to providing exceptional public safety to our growing and evolving community. Every member of our department, sworn and civilian, demonstrates a dedication to our citizens that is second to none, and their efforts are to be commended.

In 2024, the department continued to address staffing challenges while simultaneously striving to deliver best-in-class public safety to the residents of Lafayette. This year, we focused on several key initiatives, including:

- **Enhanced Training:** Investing in advanced training for our officers to ensure they are equipped with the latest skills and knowledge in areas such as de-escalation, crisis intervention, and community policing.
- **Technology Upgrades:** Implementing new technologies to improve our operational efficiency, crime analysis capabilities, and communication with the public.
- **Community Engagement:** Strengthening our partnerships with community organizations, neighborhood associations, and residents to foster trust and collaboration.
- **Officer Wellness:** Prioritizing the physical and mental well-being of our officers through comprehensive wellness programs and resources.

The Lafayette Police Department remains dedicated to its mission of protecting and serving the citizens of Lafayette with integrity, professionalism, and respect. As we move forward, we will continue to adapt to the changing landscape of law enforcement, embrace innovation, and work collaboratively with our community to ensure a safe and thriving city for all.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to the men and women of the Lafayette Police Department for their tireless dedication, bravery, and commitment to serving our community. I also want to thank Mayor Roswarski, the City Council, and the citizens of Lafayette for their continued support and partnership.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Scott Galloway Lafayette Police Department



Mission Statement

The Mission of the Lafayette Police Department is to efficiently provide quality police service to our community by promoting a safe environment through a police-citizen partnership, with an emphasis on mutual trust, integrity, fairness, and professionalism.

Vision Statement

The Vision of the Lafayette Police Department is to be a state leader in law enforcement. A cooperative spirit in which police officers and citizens work together to solve common problems will be the hallmark of our leadership.

Creed

I am a Lafayette Police Officer. I am proud to serve my city. Integrity, honor, and pride are at my core. The protection of victims is my first priority. I am here to protect life and property and to serve those who need my help.

I have compassion for my brothers and sisters and want to serve my fellow man. You can count on me to do what is right. I may falter but I will not fail. I am a Lafayette Police Officer. You can count on me!

I am a Police Officer: a professional; trained, tested, and dedicated to achieving excellence in law enforcement. I am a disciplined, confident, and highly motivated public servant.

I am ready to protect and serve. I will enforce the law when necessary. I am guided by principle. I will do the right thing. I will act with empathy and compassion. My actions will be decisive yet measured. I will do everything in my power to get the job done! You can count on me.

My Badge is a symbol of all those who have come before me. The legacy of these officers guides my actions. I will always remember the courage, perseverance, and sacrifices made to guarantee the safety of this community. I uphold the honor of those who served before me and will do nothing to disgrace the Badge and my proud heritage.

You can count on me

Background and History

The population of the City of Lafayette has witnessed a substantial increase over the past century, expanding from an estimated 21,000 residents in 1913 to over 70,000 in 2024. Concurrently, the Lafayette Police Department has undergone significant growth and adaptation to address the city's expanding infrastructure, burgeoning population, and the evolving landscape of policing. The department has progressively augmented its resources and capabilities to effectively meet the increasing demands of a larger and more diverse citizenry.

As Lafayette has transformed, the police force has embraced technological advancements and innovative strategies to effectively manage public safety and maintain order within the community. This commitment to progress is evident in the implementation of advanced training programs, the modernization of departmental equipment, and the establishment of specialized units to address contemporary challenges. This continuous adaptation reflects the department's dedication to ensuring the safety and security of all residents in a dynamic environment.

The organizational structure of the Lafayette Police Department comprises four distinct divisions: Patrol, Administrative Services, Detectives, and Special Operations. The Patrol Division, being the largest, serves as the fundamental component of the services provided by the Lafayette Police Department to the community. This division also oversees specialized units such as SWAT, Crisis Negotiations Team, K-9 Unit, Bike Patrol, and the Mobile Field Force Unit. The Detective Division encompasses both Criminal and Juvenile Detectives. Administrative Services is responsible for functions including training, hiring, internal affairs, and community outreach. Special Operations includes Communications/Dispatch, the Traffic Unit, Street Crimes Unit, Drug Task Force, the Analysis and Response Center, Highway Interdiction Team, the Crime Analysis Unit, and two IDACS/NCIC Compliance Civilians.

Lafayette Police Department

Sworn Roster by Rank

Effective December 31, 2024

Rank	Name	Date Sworn to Department
Chief	Scott D. Galloway	July 6, 1998
Deputy Chief	Brad Bishop	January 5, 1998
Captain	Joseph Clyde	January 5, 1998
Captain	Brian Gossard	August 29, 2003
Captain	Adam J. Mellady	July 9, 2004
Lieutenant	Timothy B. Payne	March 20, 1995
Lieutenant	Daniel D. Long	April 8, 2005

Lieutenant	Randy L. Sherer	February 24, 2006
Lieutenant	Matthew J. Gard	February 24, 2006
Lieutenant	Justin M. Hartman	December 1, 2006
Lieutenant	Nicholas D. Amor	April 13, 2007
Lieutenant	Shana M. Wainscott	February 22, 2008
Sergeant	Steven R. Prothero	August 29, 2003
Sergeant	Jason E. Walters	April 8, 2005
Sergeant	Ian W. O'Shields	August 17, 2007
Sergeant	Blake A. Barker-Switzer	February 22, 2008
Sergeant	Jacob L. Daubenmier	February 22, 2008
Sergeant	Donna Rector	October 30, 2009
Sergeant	Michael Zambon	July 13, 2012
Sergeant	Grant Leroux	November 26, 2012
Sergeant	Shawn Verma	January 15, 2015
Sergeant	Nathan Stoneking	July 22, 2015
Sergeant	Matthew Santerre	January 20, 2017
Sergeant	Ryan Shaak	April 3, 2020
Sergeant	Jared Sowders	September 22, 2021
Detective	Jason Savage	September 25, 2000
Detective	Kurt M. Sinks	October 19, 2007
Detective	Kevin S. Miller	May 9, 2008
Detective	Ryan Carlisle	February 13, 2009
Detective	Khoury Elias	December 10, 2010
Detective	Adam E. Ransom	July 13, 2012
Detective	Austin Schutter	September 6, 2013
Detective	Kent T. Heshner	August 5, 2016
Detective	Daniel Anthropol	September 29, 2017
Technician	Mark A. Roberts	January 27, 1997
Specialist	Greg S. McDaniel	January 5, 1998
Officer	Christopher A. Cudworth	July 2, 2001
Officer	Andrew F. McCormick	January 14, 2002
DARE Officer	Heath A. Provo	April 29, 2002
K-9 Officer	Lonnie C. Wilson	April 29, 2002
Officer	Ryan C. French	August 29, 2003
Officer	James E. Jarrett	May 9, 2008

Officer	Jonathan S. Stanfield	August 20, 2010
Officer	Mark J. Fisher	December 10, 2010
Officer	David L. Chapman	September 6, 2013
Officer	Jarrett L. Griswold	September 6, 2013
Officer	Evan T. McCain	August 8, 2014
Officer	Dustin R. Rusk	August 8, 2014
Technician	Lane M. Butler	January 15, 2015
Officer	Isidro Medrano	January 15, 2015
Officer	William D. Snider	July 22, 2015
Officer	Daniel C. Dalder	November 24, 2015
Officer	Israel Z. Salazar	November 24, 2015
Technician	Carson J. Smith	November 24, 2015
Officer	Alexander K. White	November 24, 2015
K-9 Officer	Samuel T. Gawaluck	March 11, 2016
Officer	Adam Burton	April 13, 2016
K-9 Officer	Joshua M. Brainard	April 22, 2016
Officer	Marc D. Griffith	August 5, 2016
Officer	Matthew D. Sears	August 5, 2016
Officer	Matthew Pate	September 16, 2016
Officer	Tobias Bushong	October 14, 2016
Officer	Christopher Silva	October 14, 2016
Officer	Neil Cain	January 20, 2017
Officer	Jeremy Kennedy	February 23, 2018
Officer	Karl Tharp	February 23, 2018
Officer	Collin Haag	May 18, 2018
Technician	Derrin Nuckols	May 18, 2018
Officer	David Mead	October 26, 2018
Officer	Michael Odom	October 26, 2018
Officer	Henry Ayala	April 15, 2019
Officer	Luke Brown	May 17, 2019
Officer	Cody Fultz	May 17, 2019
Officer	Jeremy O'Donnell	May 17, 2019
Technician	Nicholas Maxwell	June 21, 2019
Officer	Tyler Gregory	August 12, 2019
Officer	Zachery Cain	November 1, 2019

K-9 Officer	Keifer Mikels	November 1, 2019
Officer	Jason Schatzer	January 3, 2020
Officer	Joshua Leveque	April 3, 2020
Officer	Evan Sturgeon	April 3, 2020
Officer	Mason Bishop	June 12, 2020
Officer	Clinton Plake	June 12, 2020
Officer	Matthew Wozniak	November 11, 2020
Officer	Jeremy Stockdale	November 12, 2020
Officer	Taylor Turner	November 12, 2020
Officer	Steven Ceballos-Olivas	March 12, 2021
Officer	Brighton Phillips	March 12, 2021
Officer	Kole Bossong	July 30, 2021
Officer	Caleb Bray	July 30, 2021
Officer	Ryan Haag	July 30, 2021
Officer	Jacob Kelly	July 30, 2021
Officer	Eduardo Rodriguez Diaz	July 30, 2021
Officer	Bayland Brown	April 15, 2022
Officer	Tyler Hewitt	April 15, 2022
Officer	Cristian Navarro	July 1, 2022
Officer	Garrett Prescott	July 1, 2022
Officer	Austin Rangel	July 1, 2022
Officer	Mitchell Gordy	September 16, 2022
Officer	Keaton Smith	September 16, 2022
Officer	James Spencer	September 16, 2022
Officer	Ryan Barr	March 24, 2023
Officer	Steven Lewandowski	March 24, 2023
Officer	Izek Morrison	March 24, 2023
Officer	Cole Anderson	May 19, 2023
Officer	Jacob Bolte	May 19, 2023
Officer	Dylan Linder	May 19, 2023
Officer	Kalani Washington	May 19, 2023
Officer	Jackson Gerrety	July 28, 2023
Officer	Jack Lamberson	July 28, 2023
Officer	Alejandro Ramirez Gervacio	September 15, 2023
Officer	Ryan Crosby	November 13, 2023

Officer	Jacob Hostetler	November 13, 2023
Officer	Michael Ross	January 12, 2024
Officer	Collin Servies	January 25, 2024
Officer	Justin Johnson	March 25, 2024
Officer	Tearcy Music	March 25, 2024
Officer	Ian Shell	March 25, 2024
Officer	Jacob Tucker	March 25, 2024
Officer	Austin Himebaugh	May 24, 2024
Officer	Dohyun Kim	May 24, 2024
Officer	Kyle Pannebaker	May 24, 2024
Officer	Alan Davis	July 19, 2024
Officer	Brandon Schutt	July 19, 2024
Officer	Bryan Winkel	July 19, 2024
Officer	Arantza Crosby	September 27, 2024
Officer	Jose Dominguez	September 27, 2024
Officer	Casey Mogle	September 27, 2024
Officer	Alexandros Nanos	September 27, 2024
Officer	Christian Riggs	September 27, 2024
Officer	David Dostaler	November 22, 2024
Officer	Taeha Joo	November 22, 2024
Officer	Casey McCoy	November 22, 2024

Lafayette Police Department Civilian Employees

Effective December 31, 2024

Title	Name	Appointment Date
Applications Specialist	Francis Schmidt	April 6, 2015
Chiefs Administrative Coordinator	Natalie Altman	December 6, 2004
Patrol Administrative Assistant	Kelly Fohr	February 2, 1998
Administrative Services Admin.	Ali Reynolds	August 19, 2013
IDACS Technician	Nirvana Grant	June 5, 1995
IDACS Technician	Brandi Rough	April 11, 2005
CAD System Administrator	Katherine Huber	April 8, 2009

Communication Technician	Kenneth Shumaker	January 31, 1994
Communication Technician	Christine Kennedy	August 5, 1996
Communication Technician	Mark Grimes	May 8, 2006
Communication Technician	Matthew Harris	April 26, 2010
Communication Technician	Tanya Harmon	February 27, 2012
Communication Technician	Kasheena Wilbur	September 1, 2014
Communication Technician	Amanda Dearing	February 18, 2015
Communication Technician	Antonia Hinds	April 18, 2016
Communication Technician	Alicia Smith	August 15, 2016
Communication Technician	David Hughes	December 19, 2016
Communication Technician	Nathen Whaley	June 15, 2017
Communication Technician	Brittany Grabowski	September 18, 2017
Communication Technician	Katherine Gregory	September 18, 2017
Communication Technician	Emily Cooper	January 7, 2019
Communication Technician	Khristina Erickson	October 10, 2020
Communication Technician	Morgan Quinlisk	October 12, 2020
Communication Technician	Alexander Boat	September 6, 2022
Communication Technician	Jeffrey Krickl	December 19, 2022
Communication Technician	Erika Briggs	January 30, 2023
Communication Technician	Jackie Martin	March 6, 2023
Communication Technician	Tristan Cain	March 6, 2023
Communication Technician	Kelsey Turner	August 21, 2023
Communication Technician	Damon Hicks	September 5, 2023
Communication Technician	Breana Butler	November 13, 2023
Communication Technician	Madyson Fines	November 27, 2023
Communication Technician	Spenser Wood	November 27, 2023
Communication Technician	Elizabeth Kuchinski	July 11, 2024
Communication Technician	Kristen Riehle	November 18, 2024
Evidence & Property Manager	Cassandra Shilling	April 22, 2019
Evidence & Property Assistant	Stephanie Gossett	December 2, 1996
Evidence & Property Assistant	Jedidiah Feaster	July 29, 2019
Chief Records Technician	Stacey Mabbitt	September 15, 1997

Records Technician	Cheryl Eberle	November 9, 2020
Records Technician	Rosa Ramos	August 30, 2021
Records Technician	Cyrus Payne	July 18, 2022
Records Technician	Brittany Cain	August 12, 2024
Records Technician	Lauren Lewandowski	August 19, 2024
Records Technician	Elizabeth Alvarado	December 16, 2024
Records Technician	Sarah James	December 16, 2024
Community Engagement Manager	Mary Kate Riehle	March 20, 2023
Community Advocate & Navigator	Adam Murphy	April 15, 2024
Community Outreach Liaison	Amanda Ferguson	April 15, 2024
CSI Supervisor	Paul Huff	August 23, 2021
Crime Scene Investigator	Matt Feterick	January 23, 2023
Crime Scene Investigator	Alia Storm-Justice	January 23, 2023
Crime Scene Investigator	Mary Huffine	June 3, 2024
Crime Analyst	Paul Kubon	May 24, 2019
Crime Analyst	Nina Matulis	October 21, 2024
Animal Control Supervisor	Sarah Goans	April 28, 2020
Animal Control	Aaron Gravely	February 6, 2023
Animal Control	Mitchell Burchfield	November 27, 2023
Animal Control	Spencer Hitchcock	January 2, 2024

Employee Change of Status 2024

Officer Promotions

		From	To
Daniel	Anthrop	1st Class Officer	Detective
Ryan	Shaak	1st Class Officer	Sergeant
Grant	Leroux	1st Class Officer	Sergeant
Nathan	Stoneking	1st Class Officer	Sergeant
Lane	Butler	1st Class Officer	Technician
Ian	O'Shields	Sergeant	Lieutenant
Matthew	Santerre	1st Class Officer	Sergeant
Steven	Lewendowski	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer

Ryan	Barr	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Izek	Morrison	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Dylan	Linder	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Cole	Anderson	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Jacob	Bolte	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Kalani	Washington	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Jackson	Gerrety	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer
Jack	Lamberson	Probationary Officer	Patrol Officer

Officer Retirements

		Title	Date of Retirement
Jeromy	Rainey	Sergeant	03/24/2024
Scott	Anderson	Sergeant	04/10/2024
Matthew	Meeks	Patrol Officer	07/25/2024
Michael	Brown	Lieutenant	09/30/2024

Officer Resignations

		Rank	Date Resigned
Martin	Schap	Probationary Officer	04/04/2024
Grant	Snyder	Probationary Officer	04/25/2024
Jacob	Morrissey	Probationary Officer	05/31/2024
Lauryn	Liechty	Probationary Officer	08/02/2024
Conlan	Oatey	Probationary Officer	09/03/2024
Blaize	Marshall	Probationary Officer	09/04/2024
Jesse	Galvin	Probationary Officer	10/24/2024
Jonathan	Schwartz	Probationary Officer	12/13/2024

Civilian Appointments

		Title	Date of Appointment
Sarah	Goans	Chief ACO	1/2/2024
Tanya	Harmon	Communications Technician	6/10/2024
Nirvana	Grant	IDACS Technician	6/24/2024

Civilian Resignations

		Title	Date of Resignation
Jaycub	Davis	Communications Technician	07/20/2024
Leanna	Mull	Records Technician	07/29/2024
Amanda	Deckard	Investigations Admin Coordinator	08/26/2024
Annette	Lancaser	Property and Evidence Manager	09/16/2024
Micah	Lupa	Crime Analyst	09/17/2024
Colette	Waxingmoon	Communications Technician	10/09/2024
Valerie	Graham	Communications Technician	12/02/2024

Sworn Officer Anniversary Milestones

Name	Title	Length of Service
Michael Brown	Lieutenant	20
Matthew Meeks	Officer	20
Adam Mellady	Captain	20
Ryan Carlisle	Detective	15
Jared Sowders	Sergeant	15
Donna Rector	Sergeant	15
Jason Schatzer	Officer	10
Matthew Wozniak	Officer	10
Evan McCain	Officer	10
Dustin Rusk	Officer	10
Henry Ayala	Officer	5
Luke Brown	Officer	5
Cody Fultz	Officer	5
Lauryn Liechty	Officer	5
Jeremy O`Donnell	Officer	5
Nicholas Maxwell	Officer	5
Tyler Gregory	Officer	5
Zachery Cain	Officer	5
Keifer Mikels	Officer	5

Civilian Employee Anniversary Milestones

Name	Title	Length of Service
Kenneth Shumaker	Communications Technician	30
Katharine Huber	CAD System Administrator	15
Amanda Deckard	Investigations Admin Coordinator	15
Kasheena Wilbur	Communications Technician	10
Emily Cooper	Communications Technician	5
Casandra Shilling	Records Technician	5
Paul Kubon	Crime Analyst	5
Jedidiah Feaster	Evidence & Property Assistant	5
Micah Lupa	Crime Analyst	5

2024 Civilian Employee of the Year



2024 John Wells Officer of the Year



Lifesaving Award Recipients (2024)

Officer Andrew McCormick

Officer Ryan Haag

Officer Zachary Cain

Officer Tyler Gregory

Officer Taylor Turner

Officer Mark Fisher

Officer Neil Cain

Officer Evan McCain

Officer David Chapman

Officer Jacob Kelly

The graphic features the Lafayette Police logo at the top center, with the text "LAFAYETTE POLICE" in a stylized font. Below the logo, the words "LIFE SAVING AWARDS" are written in a large, white, serif font. The graphic is decorated with white starburst patterns on either side. Below the text, there are three photographs. The first two are side-by-side, each showing two police officers in uniform; one is presenting a plaque to the other. The third photograph is a group shot of eight police officers and one woman standing in a line in front of a building with a sign that says "POLICE".

OFFICER EVAN MCCAIN

OFFICER DAVID CHAPMAN

OFFICER RYAN HAAG
OFFICER ZACHARY CAIN
OFFICER TYLER GREGORY
OFFICER TAYLOR TURNER

Uniform Division

The **Lafayette Police Department's Patrol Division** stands as the department's core, with 92 officers committed to safeguarding and serving our community. This division is structured into four shifts, each with 20 patrol officers, two sergeants, and one lieutenant, alongside dedicated CSI Technicians and K9 handlers who bolster their ability to solve community problems.

At its heart, the Patrol Division aims to deliver direct, proactive service. Beyond responding to emergencies, officers are deeply involved with residents, working hand-in-hand to address concerns, prevent crime, and enhance the overall quality of life. This dedication to building strong community relationships allows patrol officers to tackle issues at their root, from local disputes to ongoing safety worries.

Supporting these front-line efforts is a Community Service Officer, a civilian employee who expertly manages crucial resources such as the patrol vehicle fleet and logistical support, ensuring officers have what they need to serve effectively. A civilian administrative assistant further streamlines operations by handling video recordings and payroll, contributing to the seamless internal processes that ultimately improve service for our residents.

The Patrol Division's extensive fleet of 92 vehicles allows for swift and efficient responses to any incident. Furthermore, the division underpins specialized units such as SWAT, Mobile Field Force, Bicycle Patrol, K9 Unit, Drone Unit, and the Crisis Negotiation Team—each playing a critical role in addressing the diverse and complex challenges faced by the Lafayette community.

2024 Uniform Command Staff

Patrol Captain Adam Mellady

Administrative Assistant Kelly Fohr

Community Service Officer Scott Anderson

Red Days Lieutenant Shana Wainscott

Red Days Sergeants Nathan Stoneking and Grant Leroux

Red Nights Lieutenant Ian O'Shields

Red Night Sergeants Blake Switzer and Ryan Shaak

Blue Nights Lieutenant Justin Hartman

Blue Nights Sergeants Jacob Daubenmier and Matt Santerre

Blue Days Lieutenant Matt Gard

Blue Days Sergeants Steve Prothero and Jared Sowders

Specialties

Personnel assigned to the all divisions may also undertake specialized tasks detailed in the accompanying pages. Officers assigned to these specialized teams often engage in training or provide instruction in their area of expertise on their days off or outside their regular shifts.

Special Weapons and Tactics (S.W.A.T.)

The Lafayette Police Department's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team is comprised of 16 operators and 2 alternates, for a total of 18 members. This diverse group includes officers, detectives, and commanders who are highly trained and equipped to handle complex, high-risk situations.

The SWAT team's leadership structure includes a lieutenant who serves as the team commander, two sergeants appointed as team leaders, and an officer designated as the sniper team leader

2024 Team Roster

Lieutenant Nick Amor - Team Commander

Sergeant Brandon Withers - Team Leader, Sergeant Michael Zambon- Team Leader

Lieutenant Ian O'Shields, Sergeant Shawn Verma, Officer David Chapman, Officer Khoury Elias, Officer Jarred Sowders, Officer Tobias Bushong, Officer Jacob Morrissey, Officer Ryan Shaak, Officer Israel Salazar, Officer Daniel Anthrop, Officer William Snider, Officer Caleb Bray, Officer Luke Brown, Officer Ryan Haag, Jacob Kelly, Alejandro Ramirez, Taylor Turner



Drone Response Unit (D.R.U.)

The Lafayette Police Department's Drone Response Unit (D.R.U.) is a specialized team of nine pilots, including officers, technicians, specialists, detectives and commanders, who enhance situational awareness, personnel safety, and operational efficiency. D.R.U. members undergo rigorous training, averaging eight hours per month, to maintain proficiency. In 2024, the unit responded to 22 callouts, handling tasks such as scene security during S.W.A.T. activations, accident reconstruction, and community outreach. 2024 Pilot of the year was Officer Stanfield.

Equipped with various small unmanned aerial systems (sUAS), the D.R.U. plays a crucial role in emergency response, assisting with search and rescue operations, crime scene documentation, and disaster response. These drones provide real-time data to help first responders make faster and more informed decisions, ultimately saving lives and protecting property. As technology continues to advance, the D.R.U. remains committed to evolving its capabilities to better serve the community.



2024 Team Roster

Team Commander: Sergeant Shawn Verma

Team Leader: Specialist Greg S. McDaniel

Pilots: Officer Matthew Wozniak, Sergeant Nathan Stoneking, Technician Carson Smith, Officer Evan Sturgeon, Officer Karl Tharp, Detective Austin Schutter, Officer Johnathon Stanfield

Crisis Negotiation Team

The mission of the Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT) is the preservation of life during critical incidents such as hostage situations, barricaded gunmen, and suicidal persons, through the art of negotiation.

In 2024, the CNT significantly increased its training hours. In the past five years the CNT has gone from approximately 8 hours of training per year to over 108 hours of training in 2024. This allows the CNT to provide our community with the very best de-escalation and crisis negotiation services available utilizing cutting edge technology and techniques. Training consisted of classroom training, scenario-based field training, and joint training with the Lafayette Police Department SWAT team.

CNT was activated 21 times in 2024. Activations included multiple successful negotiations with armed barricaded individuals, including a negotiation with a wanted individual that had barricaded themselves with a toddler. The CNT also negotiated with multiple subjects experiencing mental health crisis. The CNT supported the SWAT team several times with the execution of search and arrest warrants.

Recent nationwide best practices support incorporating mental health professionals into Crisis Negotiation Teams. In alignment with this approach and in partnership with the West Lafayette Police Department (WLPD), the Lafayette Police Department CNT welcomed Devon Moore to the team. Devon is a licensed clinical social worker who serves full-time as the WLPD's Social Service & Crisis Response Specialist. She is also a trained crisis and hostage negotiator, serving on the joint West Lafayette Police Department/Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Office CNT. Devon completed hostage negotiation training in 2022.

2024 Team Roster

Lt. Dan Long, Specialist Greg McDaniel, Officer Neil Cain, Officer Alex White, Sergeant Steve Prothero, Detective Jeremy O'Donnell, Officer Brighton Phillips, Devon Moore – LCSW



Mobile Field Force Unit (M.F.F.)

The mission of the Mobile Field Force Unit is to provide a rapid resource deployment in response to civil disturbances and to observe, contain, isolate, and disperse unruly or unlawful crowds if necessary. The Mobile Field Force Unit may also be utilized in wide area searches (missing persons, looking for suspects, canvassing, and evidence recovery), mass arrests incidents, and as a SWAT outer perimeter team.

The Mobile Field Force Unit completed 8 hours of classroom training and 32 hours of practical exercise (scenario based) training. Officers completed article searches, practiced formations, and trained to respond to peaceful protestors and violent protestors. M.F.F. officers were also given time at the shooting range to become more proficient in using their duty weapons while in full gear and responding as a unit. MFF completed multiple trainings with SWAT and K9 to better prepare for callouts involving other specialty units.

The team was activated 15 different times in 2024. The activations included: a mass arrest situation, two activations for the Purdue Basketball National Championship, security at an attempted murder scene, three hospital details, scene security at two murders/shootings, two missing children, a missing infant, a train derailment, a rape, and scene security for SWAT.

2024 Team Roster

Lt. Justin Hartman, Sgt. Blake Barker-Switzer, Sgt. Jacob Daubenmier, Officer Kole Bossong, Officer Chris Cudworth, Officer Daniel Dalder, Officer Sam Gawaluck, Officer Tyler Gregory, Officer Jarrett Griswold, Officer Kent Heshner, Officer Tyler Hewitt, Officer Jeremy Kennedy, Officer Isidro Medrano, Officer Jeremy O'Donnell, Officer Garrett Prescott, Officer Austin Rangel, Technician Adam Ransom, Officer Michael Sears, Officer James Spencer, Officer Alex White, Officer Lonnie Wilson, Officer Matt Wozniak



K-9 Unit

The Lafayette Police Department canine unit consists of four dual purpose patrol teams. Two of the canine teams are assigned to the Uniform Division, and one is assigned to the Lafayette Police Department's Street Crimes Unit and one was assigned to the criminal Interdiction Unit. All of the Lafayette Police Department canine teams were trained at Vohne Liche Kennels in Denver, Indiana. The canines are trained in narcotics detection, handler protection, and a wide range of patrol functions including tracking suspects and lost persons, building and area searches for suspects, obedience training, and article and evidence recovery searches. Our canines are also trained to assist our Mobile Field Force and our SWAT team during high-risk incidents.

In 2023 our K9 division mourned the loss of K9 Joeri. K9 Joeri served the department loyally for ten years. During their career as partners, Joeri and Officer Wilson had over 900 patrol and narcotic deployments. They seized over 300 lbs. of various illegal narcotics, \$65,000 in cash, and removed 40 illegally owned firearms off our streets.

We also celebrated the retirement of K9 Rocky. K9 Rocky served the department loyally for 7 years. During their career as partners, Rocky and Officer Schutter had over 700 patrol and narcotic deployments. They seized various illegal narcotics, \$20,000 in cash, and removed 26 illegally owned firearms off our streets.

2023 was an eventful year for our active K9 division. The canine teams were deployed 358 times and seized over 1.326 kilograms of methamphetamine, nearly 10 lbs. of marijuana, 100 grams of synthetic marijuana (spice), 117 grams of heroin/fentanyl, and 13 grams of cocaine. The teams were also responsible for seizing \$180,716 in drug money over the span of the year. The canine unit also conducted numerous public relations demonstrations.

2023 also saw the 3rd annual K9 Golf Scramble hosted at the West Lafayette County Club. The event was a huge success and raised just over \$10,000 for the Lafayette Police foundation K9 fund. The K9 division is mostly funded by generous donations from our citizens and fundraising events.



Spanish Translation Unit

The Spanish Translation Unit plays a vital role in ensuring clear communication between law enforcement and the diverse community they serve. Members of the unit are routinely called upon to assist the citizens of Lafayette and to help bridge language barriers that could otherwise hinder access to essential services.

Beyond their core duties, members of the unit actively participate in community outreach efforts. Their involvement continues to foster positive relationships and cultural understanding across our diverse city.

2024 Team Roster

Sergeant Donna Rector - Team Commander
Assistant IDACS Coordinator Nirvana Grant
Officer Christopher Silva
Officer Steven Ceballos
Officer Isidro Medrano
Detective Khoury Elias
Officer Isreal Salazar
Officer Henry Ayala



Field Training Program (FTO)

The Lafayette Police Department's Field Training Program (FTP) is the foundation for preparing newly hired recruit officers to meet the demands of modern policing. Combining academic instruction with hands-on field experience, the program covers critical areas such as criminal and constitutional law, physical tactics, firearms proficiency, and emergency vehicle operations. Structured in five progressive phases, the FTP enables recruits to build confidence and competence while receiving continuous mentorship from seasoned Field Training Officers (FTOs).

In 2024, LPD's dedicated FTOs trained a total of 37 recruit officers. Each recruit received 280 hours of in-house instruction and approximately 840 hours of field training, in addition to the 16-week Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. These efforts reflect the department's commitment to developing ethical, community-focused officers. More than a training course, the FTP is a vital investment in public safety, professionalism, and the future of the Lafayette Police Department.

2024 Team Roster

Coordinator: Lt. Randy Sherer

Commanders: Sgt. Steve Prothero, Sgt. Ian O'Shields, Sgt. Jacob Daubenmier, Sgt. Blake Switzer

Officer Mason Bishop
Officer Toby Bushong
Officer Neil Cain
Officer Zach Cain
Officer Chris Cudworth
Officer Daniel Dalder
Officer Ryan French

Officer Tyler Gregory
Officer James Jarrett
Officer Grant Leroux
Officer Andy McCormick
Officer Jeremy O'Donnell
Officer Matthew Pate
Officer Dustin Rusk

Officer Carson Smith
Officer Jonathon Stanfield
Officer Nathan Stoneking
Officer Matthew Wozniak
Officer Jason Schatzer
Officer Michael Sears
Officer Matthew Santerre



Honor Guard

The Lafayette Police Department Honor Guard provides a highly trained, professional, ceremonial unit to represent the Lafayette Police Department in performance at memorials, parades, ceremonies, and funerals. The Honor Guard participated in seven ceremonies in 2024; including the Line of Duty Funeral for Newton County Sheriff's Department Corporal Brandon Schreiber.

The Honor Guard is dedicated to representing police officers and assisting their families at funerals and other ceremonial events. One purpose of the Honor Guard is to recognize the sacrifices made by law enforcement officers who have served and protected society with the highest honor, integrity, and respect. The Honor Guard also attends various functions and ceremonies to demonstrate support for community events and National Memorials.

2024 Honor Guard Roster:

Sgt. Blake Barker-Switzer - Team Commander

Technician Adam Ransom, Officer Jonathon Stanfield, Officer Isidro Medrano, Officer Jarrett Griswold, Officer Marc Griffith, Officer Jeremy O'Donnell, Officer Jeremy Stockdale, Officer Brighton Phillips, Officer Jacob Kelly



Special Operations Division

Established in 2018, the Special Operations Division (SOD) is the Lafayette Police Department's fourth and second-largest division. With 58 sworn and civilian personnel, the SOD was formed by reassigning staff from other divisions to handle a significant portion of the department's additional workload.

The SOD includes several crucial units:

- Analysis and Response Center (ARC): This central hub is the department's core for criminal intelligence. The ARC develops and shares intelligence. It also functions as a real-time operations center for specific missions or critical incidents. This innovative center aims to enhance the department's efficiency in combating crime, particularly by identifying and targeting the small percentage of the population responsible for a significant amount of criminal activity.
- Street Crimes Unit (SCU)
- Communications Center (Dispatch)
- Two crime analysts
- Two IDACS/NCIC compliance positions

The SOD operates on three core principles: intelligence gathering, high-priority criminal enforcement, and community service. By prioritizing intelligence-driven policing, the division effectively allocates resources to address pressing public safety threats. High-priority criminal enforcement focuses on apprehending dangerous individuals, thereby reducing crime and improving residents' quality of life.

Information gathered from other divisions is further developed by SOD staff and then distributed to appropriate investigative units and officers for follow-up. The Special Operations Division's contributions have significantly advanced the Lafayette Police Department's mission, leading to a safer and more secure community.



Communications Center

The Lafayette Police Department's E911 Communications Center, a vital part of the Operations Division, is responsible for managing all 911 emergency and non-emergency calls within Lafayette. Communication Technicians, also known as Dispatchers, are highly trained to assess each call and dispatch the appropriate Police, Fire, EMS, or Animal Control services.

Dispatchers are adept at remaining composed under pressure, extracting critical information from callers during difficult times, and relaying essential details to first responders. This demanding role requires clear thinking, quick decision-making, and efficient action in dynamic situations to ensure timely assistance.

Currently, the center employs 28 Dispatchers across four 12-hour shifts, ensuring at least four to five Dispatchers are always on duty. In 2024, the Lafayette Police Department received 84,872 calls for service, with Dispatchers managing a total of 166,055 calls, including incoming and outgoing administrative lines, 911 emergency calls, and 911 text messages.

2024 Roster:

Katie Huber, Kenneth Shumaker, Chris Kennedy, Mark Grimes, Matt Harris, KaSheena Wilbur, Amanda Brooks, Antonia Hinds, Katie Gregory, Alicia Smith, Dave Hughes, Brittany Grabowski, Nathen Whaley, Emily Cooper, Morgan Quinlisk, Alex Boat, Jeffrey Krickl, Erika Briggs, Tristan Cain, Jackie Martin, Kelsey Turner, Damon Hicks, Breana Butler, Mady Stewart, Spenser Wood, Tanya Harmon, Elizabeth Kuchinski, Kristen Riehle, Morgan Hicks



Crime Analysis Unit

The Crime Analysis Unit primarily focuses on analyzing crime trends and recognizing patterns. This crucial information guides resource allocation, informs public awareness campaigns, and helps shape public policy for city operations. The unit also compiles internal data on productivity and personnel efficiency. These reports are shared widely, reaching all levels of police department personnel, external agencies, government officials, the media, and the general public.

Crime maps, data, and trends are regularly published on the department's website and social media, and shared with the media. The intelligent use of historical crime data is a cornerstone of modern policing, directly informing current and future police operations within the Analysis and Response Center (ARC). The Crime Analysis Unit plays a vital role in monitoring ongoing operations, assessing their effectiveness, and guiding the evolution of future department strategies.

Street Crimes Unit

The Street Crimes Unit (SCU) actively engaged in numerous investigations and arrests throughout 2023, primarily targeting the illegal possession and distribution of drugs like synthetic cannabinoids ("spice"), methamphetamine, heroin, fentanyl, cocaine, and marijuana. The SCU's core mission continued to be the diligent pursuit and apprehension of high-priority individuals who pose the greatest threat to our community, with a strong focus on violent offenders. Many of their arrests involved violent felons, drug dealers, and high-priority fugitives.

In 2024, the SCU successfully coordinated multiple joint operations. They effectively leveraged resources from the Drug Task Force, patrol units, various federal agencies, and other municipal agencies. The unit also located many individuals sought for investigation or arrest, solidifying its role as the go-to team for tracking down suspects, handling high-risk offenders, and maintaining a high level of activity in key focus areas. The SCU remains committed to collaborating with and supporting all divisions requiring assistance.

Tippecanoe County Drug Task Force

The Lafayette Police Department is one of four police agencies in Tippecanoe County that provides personnel and resources to the Tippecanoe County Drug Task Force (TCDTF). TCDTF is made up of a team of detectives tasked with investigating the illegal distribution of narcotics within our county. The team is also utilized to help other police agencies locate high-priority crime suspects.

In 2024, TCDTF was involved in several local narcotic investigations and arrests. The team also completed investigations with the DEA and other agencies surrounding Tippecanoe County. Please see a summary of our 2024 results below.

2024 Statistics (Seizures)

93 Arrests, \$73,281, 23 Guns, 2,986 grams of Synthetic Marijuana, 24.48 grams of Cocaine, 4,294 grams of Marijuana, 35.8 grams of Fentanyl, 885 grams of Methamphetamine

Detective Division

The Lafayette Police Department's Detective Division, led by Captain Joseph Clyde, investigates serious crimes in Lafayette through four specialized units: the Violent Crime Unit (VCU), Property Crime Unit, Special Victims Unit (SVU), and Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) Unit, which includes the Property and Evidence Section.

The Violent Crime Unit (VCU) focuses on crimes against adults, including homicides, robberies, aggravated assaults, batteries, and missing persons cases. It operates with compassion, integrity, and professionalism to maintain community trust. The Property Crime Unit handles burglaries, auto thefts, criminal property damage, fraud, embezzlement, and forgery. It collaborates proactively with businesses, neighborhood watch groups, and government entities to reduce property crimes. Both the VCU and Property Crime Unit are led by Lt. Nicholas Amor, with Sgt. Michael Zambon overseeing the VCU. Assigned detectives include Jason Savage, Austin Schutter, Khoury Elias, and Daniel Anthrop.

The Special Victims Unit (SVU) investigates crimes involving juveniles (physical/sexual abuse, abandonment, neglect, runaways, or missing children) and specific adult cases, such as sexual crimes and elder neglect. It also addresses Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC), human trafficking, and victimization of individuals with disabilities. The SVU educates schools, parents, and community partners on internet safety. Lt. Daniel Long commands the unit, assisted by Sgt. Donna Rector, with detectives Ryan Carlisle, Kevin Miller, Kurt Sinks, and Kent Heshner.

The Crime Scene Investigation (CSI) Unit comprises sworn officers and civilian technicians specializing in crime scene and digital forensics. Detective Adam Ransom and Technician Lane Butler hold sworn positions, while Paul Huff supervises civilians Alia Storm-Justice, Matthew Feterick, and Mary Huffine.

Detectives across all units maintain regular schedules but are frequently on call to respond to urgent situations. The division collaborates with the Tippecanoe County Prosecutor's Office, federal agencies (FBI, ATF, Secret Service, U.S. Marshals, DEA), state and local law enforcement, and non-law enforcement organizations like the Department of Child Services, Adult Protective Services, Hartford House Child Advocacy Center, and probation and corrections departments to ensure comprehensive community safety and support.

Property and Evidence

The Property and Evidence section is a crucial part of the Lafayette Police Department. This section is responsible for maintaining the integrity, continuity, and tracking of all evidence and property brought into the department. The evidence room, a strictly controlled area accessible only to evidence section employees, currently houses approximately 60,000 items. Many of these items are related to major cases and must be meticulously maintained, often for many years. Upon receiving instructions from investigators, prosecutors, and the court, or after meeting all legal retention requirements, the Property and Evidence section is responsible for releasing, converting, selling, or disposing of property and evidence.

When rightful owners cannot be located, the department utilizes propertyroom.com to auction valuable items (excluding handguns). A significant amount of found property with no monetary value is destroyed locally. Per department policy, handguns are never resold and are instead destroyed. Propertyroom.com sells items on the open market and shares the profits with the department after deducting their costs.

Another vital function of this section is preparing and transporting evidence to and from the Indiana State Police Laboratory for testing. These items are requested by an investigator or prosecutor and transported under a strict chain of custody.

Finally, Property and Evidence is also tasked with ordering supplies that officers and investigators use for packaging items and protecting themselves from chemical exposures.



Administrative Services Division

The Administrative Services Division, comprising nine sworn officers, provides vital services to both the public and the Lafayette Police Department's operational needs.

This division is responsible for all sworn officer hiring, training, community outreach, and crime prevention efforts. They also conduct all internal investigations.

While officers in Administrative Services are rarely involved in routine police investigations, their support is crucial for the department's overall efficiency. The division also oversees several critical agency components, including:

- Records Division Management
- Property and Evidence Management
- Animal Control
- School Resource Officer Program
- D.A.R.E. Officer Program
- V.I.P.S. (Volunteers in Policing)

2024 Roster

Captain Brian Gossard, Lieutenant Randy Sherer, Sergeant Shawn Verma, Specialist Greg McDaniel, Officer Mark Roberts – SRO, Officer Heath Provo – D.A.R.E.

Community Outreach/Crime Prevention

Community Outreach and Crime Prevention is responsible for managing the Community Officer Program (COP), Property and Evidence, School Resource Officer, the DARE Officer, Volunteers in Policing Program, Animal Control, LPD's social media platforms, Public Information Officer, and the organization and planning of educational presentations and outreach events.

Crime Prevention

The Crime Prevention Unit analyzes crime data and trends to identify solvable issues and develop programs aimed at reducing reactive policing calls. The unit works closely with community members on initiatives designed to help them avoid becoming crime victims. Their overall objective is to unite stakeholders in addressing community problems, fostering a unified front against issues impacting Lafayette.

The unit manages the Alarm Reduction Program, conducts site assessments for schools, hospitals, and businesses, and partners with neighborhoods to discuss concerns during meetings. They also provide various educational resources to help combat crime and prepare residents for crisis situations.

Community Outreach

Staying connected with our community is a priority at the Lafayette Police Department, and this unit plays a vital role in fulfilling that task. Our Community Outreach strives to maintain an open line of communication with the public and actively seeks out ways to engage with the community through outreach events.

In 2024, LPD hosted and participated in over 175 outreach events. Included in those events were our “Big 4.” The “Big 4” are four events that LPD hosts annually: Citizens Academy, Junior Police Academy, Kona & Cops, and National Night Out. Each event is designed to interact with the community in a different way. A 5th event, Cops and Goblins, was added in 2023. The event was a huge success, bringing nearly 2,500 people to downtown Lafayette for trick or treating and games.

- **The Citizens Academy** is for adults in our community. Its purpose is to educate the public on police matters and provide insight into LPD.
- **The Junior Police Academy** introduces kids to law enforcement in a positive way, providing them with educational instruction in a structured, fun atmosphere.
- **Kona & Cops** brings the event to the citizens. LPD partners with Security Federal Bank and Kona Ice to travel to neighborhoods to hand out free Kona Ice. It’s a fun event that allows families to interact with the police while getting a cool treat.
- **National Night Out** is a community building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. LPD partnered with the Lafayette Aviators to host National Night Out at Loeb Stadium during one of their games. It’s a fun event where families get to see police equipment, interact with police officers, and enjoy the festivities of the Aviators and Loeb Stadium.
- **Cops and Goblins** brings children and families to downtown Lafayette to trick or treat and play games inside of the new Public Safety Center. Candy is donated by several community partners and officers interact with children throughout the day.



Hiring

Building a world-class police force begins with recruiting and onboarding exceptional individuals, a critical function within our Administrative Services Division. We maintain rigorous standards to attract and select highly qualified candidates to become Lafayette Police Officers.

Each new recruit undergoes an intensive Field Training Program and attends the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy for certification. Our Field Training Program focuses on building foundational skills and knowledge, providing real-world experience under the mentorship of seasoned Field Training Officers. This comprehensive training ensures our new officers are fully equipped to confidently handle diverse patrol situations and serve our community with professionalism.

School Resource Officer

S.R.O.

Officer Mark Roberts is the full time School Resource Officer (SRO) for the Lafayette Police Department. He was assigned to his position in May of 2018. Officer Roberts's office is located inside Tecumseh Jr High School, and he oversees 19 schools within the Lafayette School Corporation and Greater Lafayette Area Special Services (GLASS). Central Catholic High School was also added.

The primary responsibility of the SRO is to maintain a safe learning environment for the students and staff. SRO's are also responsible for investigating all criminal and civil issues that may occur on LSC property. The SRO also assists with senior projects (similar to job shadowing), mentors students for Elementary through High School, counsels, and lectures on an assortment of issues. In 2018, Officer Roberts, along with the Lafayette Police Department, started the Student of the Month program in the elementary schools. One elementary school per month chooses a student to be recognized.



Lafayette Police Citizens Academy

The Citizens Academy is an educational outreach program designed to give participants a deeper understanding of the Lafayette Police Department and law enforcement's role in the criminal justice system.

Over nine weekly sessions, the academy covered a wide range of topics, including:

- Community Outreach and Crime Prevention
- Administrative Services
- School Resource Officer Program and DARE
- Operations Division, including Drones, Street Crimes, Patrol, K9, and Traffic Laws
- Investigative Division, Narcotics, SWAT, Use of Force, Traffic Stops, and Crime Scene Investigations

Participants received classroom instruction from various officers and observed demonstrations. Each also had the opportunity to ride along with officers during a shift to experience firsthand how they respond to calls.



D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)

The Lafayette Police Department started offering the DARE program to the Lafayette community in 1995. Officer Heath Provo was selected in April of 2021 to be the new DARE instructor. Officer Provo completed his 2 weeks of DARE training in Fishers, IN in June of 2021. Officer Provo was also certified as an SRO (School Resource Officer) by NASRO in July 2021.

The DARE program uses the “Keepin’ It Real” approach that focuses on 5th-grade students making good decisions and providing them with a new skill-set to help them in the decision-making process. Using the same acronym, D.A.R.E. is now used to recall four steps in making any decision. Define, Assess, Respond, and Evaluate. Define: What are the challenges and problems that you are facing? Assess: What are your choices? Respond: What choice will you make? Evaluate: Did you make a good choice?

This program has been developed by certified teachers and now requires the DARE instructor to follow strict guidelines so that students are given a complete lesson and time is not wasted. Lessons include, but are not limited to; responsibility, stress, risk and consequences, using good communication skills, peer pressure, alcohol, tobacco, and bullying.

Officer Provo taught the DARE program to approximately 663 5th grade students in the spring and fall semesters of 2024. The DARE program is taught at Sunnyside Intermediate School, St. Boniface elementary, St. Lawrence elementary, St. James Lutheran, and Lafayette Christian. Officer Provo also participated in several different community events during 2024, including Kona with Cops, National Night Out, safety talks at preschools, health and job fairs, back-to school events, community festivals, and church functions.



Community Officer Program (COP)

The Community Officer Program (COP), formed in 2021, consists of one commander and nine officers. COP was created to enable selected officers to dedicate time to community outreach and provide public education beyond their regular duties. Officers chosen for this program exhibit a strong desire to positively influence and build lasting relationships with Lafayette's residents.

In 2024, COP members participated in 72 outreach events and logged over 40 hours of on-duty community policing. They coordinated or assisted with numerous events, including Kona & Cops, National Night Out, Cops & Goblins, the Junior Police Academy, and the Cambridge Cookout. COP members are also invaluable in recruiting potential police officers, developing presentations and visiting universities to find interested graduates. Additionally, COP members delivered several educational presentations at community speaking engagements.



Volunteers in Police Service

VIPS

The Lafayette Police Department is dedicated to partnering with our community to enhance the quality of life in the city. Our Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) program helps achieve this by allowing volunteers to give back through their service hours.

VIPS volunteers gain new skills and invaluable insights into the department. Their dedication, positive attitudes, and innovative ideas maximize law enforcement resources, improve public safety, and strengthen ties between law enforcement and the community. By performing various tasks, volunteers free up sworn officers and civilian staff to further expand services to the community.

The program is coordinated by the Lieutenant of Administrative Services in charge of Community Outreach. VIPS duties include assisting with the Citizens Academy, Junior Police Academy, National Night Out, Shift Bid, managing Axon records, and supporting special initiatives like the Alarm Reduction Program.

. In 2023 our VIPS volunteered approximately 1,166.55 hours of service. All of our VIPS complete our Citizens Academy as a prerequisite.

Records Division

Records is responsible for maintaining the department's case reports and ensuring that they are accurately reported to the Indiana State Police for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Those reports and other documentation are also disseminated to other necessary agencies such as the Tippecanoe County Prosecutor's Office, Division of Children and Family Services, Tippecanoe County Probation, and other law enforcement agencies. Information requests from other groups, media, and individuals are also processed by Records. Warrants, permits, vehicle releases, and various other administrative tasks are also a part of their daily duties.

Offenses reported to the Indiana State Police for FBI reporting

NIBRSOffenseDescription	NIBRSOffenseCode	OffenseCount
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION	100	80
ROBBERY	120	33
ARSON	200	6
EXTORTION/BLACKMAIL	210	2
BURGLARY/BREAKING AND ENTERING	220	118
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	240	175
COUNTERFEITING/FORGERY	250	63

EMBEZZLEMENT	270	18
STOLEN PROPERTY OFFENSES (RECEIVING, ETC.)	280	19
DESTRUCTION/DAMAGE/VANDALISM OF PROPERTY	290	48
PORNOGRAPHY/OBSCENE MATERIAL	370	26
WEAPON LAW VIOLATIONS	520	86
ANIMAL CRUELTY	720	17
MURDER AND NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	09A	4
FORCIBLE RAPE	11A	66
FORCIBLE SODOMY	11B	22
SEXUAL ASSAULT WITH AN OBJECT	11C	2
FORCIBLE FONDLING	11D	65
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	13A	286
SIMPLE ASSAULT	13B	1242
INTIMIDATION	13C	357
SHOPLIFTING	23C	434
THEFT FROM BUILDING	23D	194
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	23F	215
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS OR ACCESSORIES	23G	31
ALL OTHER LARCENY	23H	466
FALSE PRETENSES/SWINDLE/CONFIDENCE GAME	26A	446
CREDIT CARD/AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE FRAUD	26B	43
IDENTITY THEFT	26F	30
HACKING/COMPUTER INVASION	26G	1
DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS	35A	865
DRUG EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	35B	501
BETTING/WAGERING	39A	1
PROSTITUTION	40A	6
COMMERCIAL SEX ACTS	64A	1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	90C	98
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	90D	299
FAMILY OFFENSES, NONVIOLENT	90F	6
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	90G	7
TRESPASS OF REAL PROPERTY	90J	167
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	90Z	1321

Lafayette Police Training Center

The training center serves a variety of needs for the police Department. This multi-use facility is used for hosting classes, monthly shift trainings, applicant testing and officer fitness testing, to name a few.



LPD Training Center Facility usage in 2024

Classes hosted in 2024:

National Polygraph Academy - 400hrs
ILEA instructor development - 40hrs
Crisis Intervention Team – 40hrs
Hotel drug interdiction – 16hrs
Field Training Officer – 24hrs
Public Leadership – 24hrs
Cellebrite – 80hrs

Additional use hours in 2024:

Mat room – 120hrs
Firearms simulator – 24hrs
General classrooms – 108hrs

Polygraph

The Lafayette Police Department's Polygraph Program supports both criminal investigations and pre-employment screenings. Additionally, the program may offer polygraph assistance to other departments in support of their law enforcement missions.

Polygraph Examiners are chosen based on specific qualities and proven expertise. Their training includes a 400-hour basic examiner course, followed by an internship under the mentorship of an experienced examiner.

2024 LPD Polygraph roster:

Chief Scott Galloway, Lt. Dan Long, Lt. Michael Brown, Sgt Jeromy Rainey,
Detective Kevin Miller, Detective Khoury Elias

2024 Animal Control Department (ACO)

The City of Lafayette Animal Control Department is staffed by four dedicated officers and led by Chief Animal Control Officer Sarah Goans. In 2024, the department responded to approximately 3,980 calls for service. These calls covered a wide range of situations including stray animals, suspected neglect or abuse, wildlife incidents, and support requests from both the Lafayette Police and Fire Departments.

Animal Control operates in close coordination with the Patrol Division and follows law enforcement protocols. All Animal Control Officers (ACOs) regularly attend both in-person and virtual training opportunities across the country to stay current with best practices, legal standards, and tactical methods in the field.

Officers Mitchell Burchfield and Spencer Hitchcock joined the department as its newest members and successfully completed the Field Training Officer (FTO) program in the spring of 2024. In October, Officer Burchfield and Officer Aaron Gravely attended Module A of the Code 3 Associates training program in Austin, Texas. This nationally recognized and Colorado State University-accredited program focuses on the law enforcement components of animal control. Upon completion of the first two modules, participants earn certification as National Animal Cruelty Investigators.

2024 Animal Control Roster

- **Sarah Goans** – Chief Animal Control Officer
- **Aaron Gravely** – Animal Control Officer
- **Mitchell Burchfield** – Animal Control Officer
- **Spencer Hitchcock** – Animal Control Officer

