

JONESBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

2022 Annual Report



From the Chief

Thank you to the citizens of Jonesboro for your continued support for me, our officers, and the staff of our department as we serve and protect the community in which we work and live. My appreciation for the working relationships we have within our community has grown over my many years of service and especially as Chief of Police.

As in previous years, we experienced many challenges existing in law enforcement. However, our department has remained committed to providing the highest possible level of police service to our community. Despite the city's continued growth, the crime rate has remained steady and crimes against persons are actually down, so our efforts are paying off. Utilizing a new, unique patrol schedule that enables proactive policing, capitalizing on enhanced technology, research and analysis through our Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) and taking advantage of the partnerships facilitated by our fourteen federal task force officers, we are able to provide the professional law enforcement services that our citizens deserve and are entitled to receive.

We strive to ensure that all citizens are served in a professional, ethical, and equitable manner that respects individualism. Our goal is greater accountability of officers while respecting civil rights and liberties. This mission is the goal that we place upon ourselves every day.

Our department can only provide this outstanding level of service because of the diligence of our dedicated group of men and women who compose the Jonesboro Police Department. The JPD is proud to call these officers their own and is truly grateful for their loyalty, commitment, and service to the community of Jonesboro.



Respectfully your

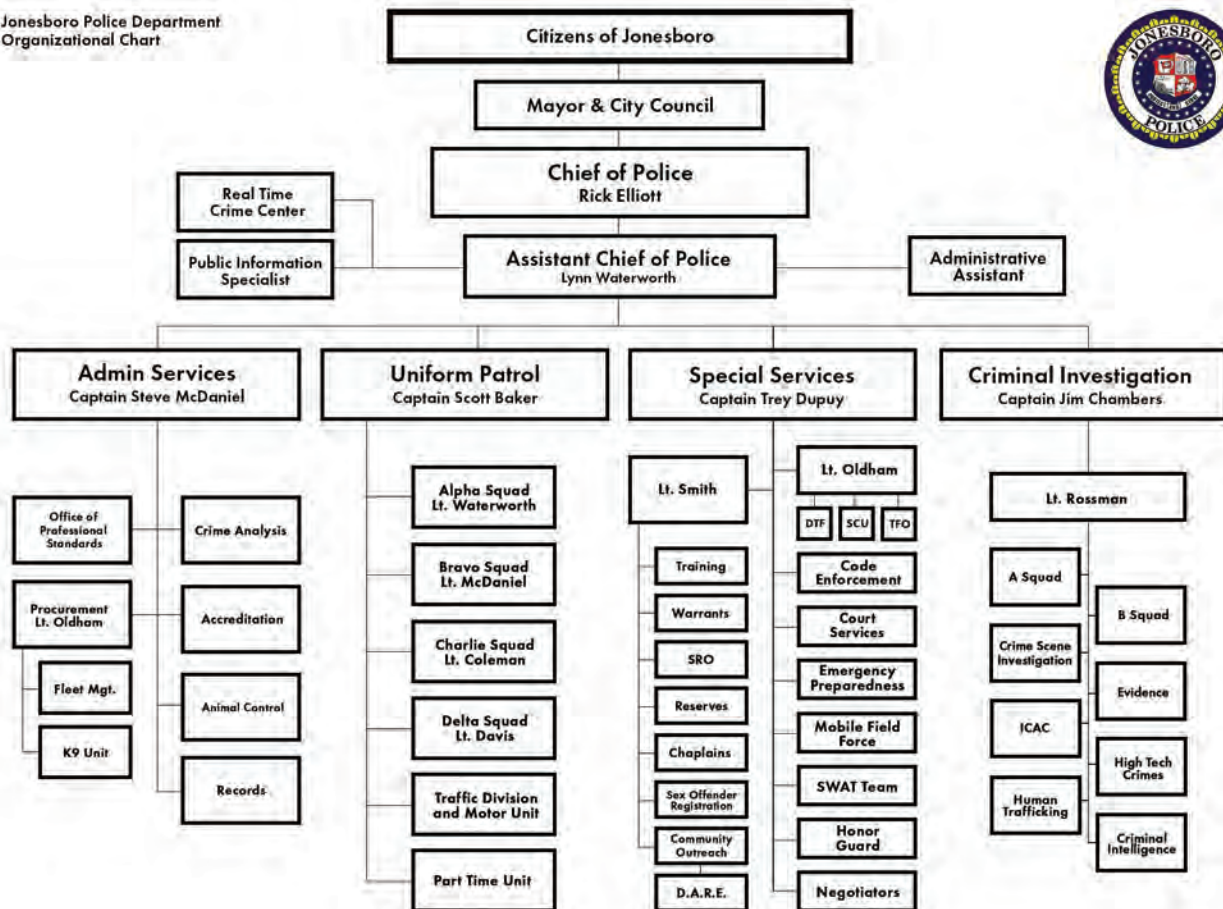
Chief Rick Elliott

MISSION STATEMENT

“The City of Jonesboro Police Department shall strive to ensure that all of our citizens are served in a professional, ethical, and equitable manner that respects individuals, protects our democratic ideals and system of government, pursues greater accountability of police, greater public share in decision making and greater concern for civil rights and liberties.”

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Jonesboro Police Department
Organizational Chart



Keeping you in Touch!



Our social media pages have over 65,000 followers!

Follow Us!!!



Jonesboro Police Department

66K followers • 38 following



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Keeping in touch with the community is important to the JPD. Our public information team includes both a full-time Public Information Specialist and a Social Media Specialist. The team is responsible for communicating our messages, from

breaking news to community events and safety warnings.

FOIA Requests 932

Video Redactions 714

2022 at a Glance

In 2022, 12,860 Incident reports were made. There were 47,164 calls for service, 20,490 traffic stops, and 389 extra patrols logged

A total of 3,286 accidents were reported, six fatality accidents

A total of 11,402 citations and 6,635 warnings were issued across all JPD divisions (including animal control and code enforcement)

There were 1,809 Felony arrests and 4,769 Misdemeanor arrests, totaling 6,578. There were a total of 276 DWI/DUI arrests

Major Crimes Against Persons totaled 514, with nine murders, 40 Robberies, and 335 Aggravated Assaults

Crimes Against Property numbered 5,518; of these, 400 were theft from a motor vehicle and 891 were breaking and entering

Crimes of Proactive Policing were 4,082, including 1,744 drug and narcotic violations and 915 drug equipment violations

Other Crimes numbered 5,801, with 1,035 from intimidation

CID was assigned 1,992 cases and closed 2,092 (105%)

CID also solved (via arrests or issue of warrants) all of the 2022 homicide cases with a 100% clearance rate

WHO WE ARE

HUMANITIES TASK FORCE

'To protect and serve' can look different from one minute to the next. The ever-growing number of calls related to a mental health crisis, substance abuse, and overdose-related calls, and the high number of homeless people in our community have become an increasing concern. Many times, these issues go hand in hand. The JPD has gathered a group of officers to work on how to address these issues and formed the Humanities Task Force (HTF) within our agency. Shortly after, we were also privileged to be part of the founding of the even larger Humanities and Resource Team (HaRT), consisting of numerous community-wide partners dedicated to addressing these issues.



In this photo, Ofc. Daniel Gifford is seen walking with a 91-year-old homeless man who had been sleeping along a ditch bank - the HTF worked with HaRT to locate housing for him.

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM



The Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is relatively new to law enforcement, but JPD recognized the value of this type of training for officers when working with individuals in a mental health crisis. Beginning in 2018 and going beyond the state's academy initial introductory training, JPD now has over 70 CIT-certified officers and five certified CIT trainers!



Our goal is to continue to train additional new and veteran officers to ensure that every officer receives this certification as soon as possible.



WHO WE ARE

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



The office of Community Outreach is about more than just events. We want to make lasting connections as we serve our community!

Jonesboro Police Department
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Are you a Hometown Hero? We are hiring Certified Officers NOW! 🚔 👤 👤

Our next hiring test for Certified Officers ONLY is on February 8. It's not too late to apply! Visit jonesboropolice.com/joinjpd to make a change in your career and make a difference in the Jonesboro community.

SUPERHEROES NEEDED
NOW HIRING CERTIFIED OFFICERS

[JONESBOROPOLICE.COM](https://jonesboropolice.com)
Now Hiring Superheroes! Apply Now

Community Involvement Events	133
Applications Processed	321

1 Comment 2 Shares

Like Comment Share

Officers fill a number of roles in our community. An integral part includes serving as a school resource officer in every school district in our city.



We take serving the needs of the community and its youngest citizens very seriously. We have officers who fulfill duties teaching DARE and have the longest running DARE program in the state!



Keeping our kids safe is job ONE for our school resource officers. During the summer of 2022, all the SROs worked with every school district and all the officers of JPD to complete on-site training in critical incident response.

JPD tested over 100 potential candidates for officer jobs during 2022.

Thankfully, 29 joined our ranks!



WHO WE ARE

CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY



CPA Session XIII graduates



New CPA classes are formed every spring and fall.
Join us!!



CPA Session XIV graduates

Our Citizen Police Academy continues to provide us with an overwhelming number of citizens who want to learn more about who we are and what we do here at JPD. During 2022, we graduated 46 more citizens from the program in two CPA classes, bringing our total number of people reached through this program to over 350!!!



WE ARE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY



Color Run



Trunk or Treat





Torch Run



Special Olympics

WHO WE ARE



Patrol and Traffic Division Officers serve as first responders to critical incidents, conduct initial follow-up, respond to calls for service, and enforce criminal statutes and municipal ordinances. Officers of the Patrol Division serve as the “guardians” of the community and continue to fulfill our mission by ensuring public safety through constitutional policing, commitment to public service, and valuing the sanctity of life.



2022 saw a 33% reduction in fatality accidents

Calls for Service 68,043

Reports Taken 12,865

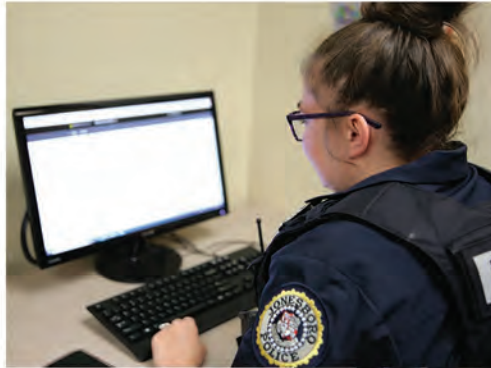
Accidents Investigated 3,281

Misdemeanor Arrests 6,202

Felony Arrests 2,717



PATROL & TRAFFIC DIVISION



These officers are also often the faces you see not only at a traffic stop or accident scene, but they also devote many hours to patrolling neighborhoods and answering calls for assistance.



WHO WE ARE INVESTIGATIONS



In 2022, 100%
of homicide
cases were
solved

Officers are assigned to a variety of investigative functions and are tasked with the follow-up on patrol reports and the development of cases to avert criminal activity of all types. These investigators work cases associated with primarily felony incidents, including drug trafficking, internet crimes, burglary, fraud, and theft.

Investigations Worked 1,992

Guns Seized 493

Misdemeanor Arrests 137

Felony Arrests 872



STREET CRIMES UNIT



Investigators Worked 296

Guns/Drugs Seized - 50 guns, 232 drug items



SCU's Primary responsibility is to identify and focus on high-risk repeat offenders and areas with a high volume of violent and drug-related crime. They also help with the arrest of high-risk offenders.

DRUG TASK FORCE

Investigators assigned to the 2nd Judicial Drug Task Force work with officers from all over NEA to combat drug crimes as a team.



DTF Drug Cases 703

Our Crime Scene and evidence section worked over 100 crime scenes during 2022 and processed over 25,000 evidential items. Our ICAC unit continues to combat internet predators, processing numerous tips and making 22 offender arrests.



HT Forensic Processing 395

Child Pornography Arrests 22



WHO WE ARE

REAL TIME CRIME CENTER



Live Video Feeds Monitored 579

Case Assists 1,035



The RTCC enhances officer productivity by quickly providing information pertinent to criminal investigations and providing officers with real-time alerts on stolen vehicles.

In 2022, we continued to enhance the capabilities of the Real Time Crime Center by further building out the camera resources in the city - almost 100% of the money used was from non-matching grants!

RTCC assists
up 80%

During the coming year, we will deploy additional cameras and license plate readers in strategic locations, continue our community partnership projects, and work with the public to identify, deter, and stop crime.



TRAINING

On-Site Classes Completed 35

Total Hours Trained 16,672

Total Classes Completed 177



COURT SERVICES

Total Probationers 11,160

In Compliance 80%

Fees Collected 86%



RECORDS



Records Processed 24,357

Correspondence Completed 3,855

FOIA Requests Completed 932



WE ARE HERE TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY



K-9

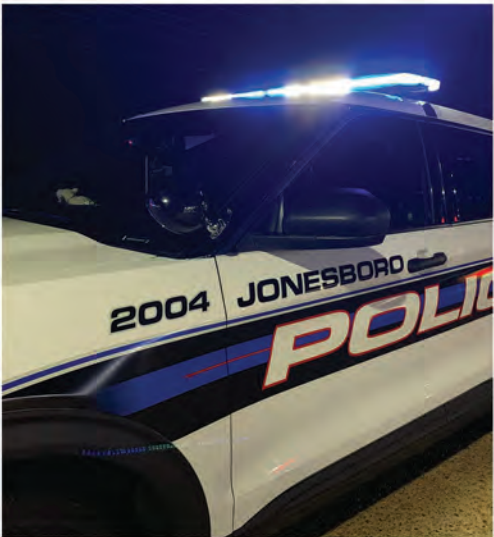
The department's K-9 officers and their K-9 partners can provide effective patrol efforts through the enhanced abilities of the canine. These teams conduct high-visibility patrols and assist by tracking and locating suspects and evidence under challenging circumstances. During 2022, these teams were utilized 1,691 times, apprehending suspects and locating many articles, such as weapons and illegal narcotics. The K-9 Unit engages with the community more casually through demonstrations they conduct throughout the year.



SWAT



The Special Weapons and Tactics Team is a part-time unit specially trained to respond to critical incidents, such as high-risk warrant service, barricaded subjects, and hostage rescue, as well as handling security operations at special events.



The SWAT team also incorporates two physicians, two paramedics, and certified reserve police officers. These additional support officers can provide medical attention to victims, fellow SWAT operators, or others during a critical incident.



2023 GOALS

BETTER CUSTOMER SERVICE

Enhanced customer service will help promote goodwill and trust between officers, the agency, and the community

Customer service training will help provide officers with additional tools to navigate their dealings with the public

Further revamping the FTO program to include customer service and community policing training

Implementation of a new call type of 'community engagement' to foster an increased commitment to meeting community members during positive interactions

YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Research youth-focused policing strategies

Designate certain officers to work on juvenile matters, including investigating crimes with juvenile victims and suspects and following up on runaway reports. They would also be liaisons with parents, school personnel, school resource officers, and the Craighead County Juvenile Office and work with community partners to identify programs or activities that can be conducted that will engage youth

Develop a strategy to enhance public safety, ensure you are held appropriately accountable, and empower them to live productive, law-abiding lives

REDUCE EXPOSURE TO LIABILITY

Review and update policies and training to ensure that we are adhering to best practices

Seek enhanced means of tracking high liability incidents such as the use of force and accidents

Seek means to track, manage, and provide additional insurance coverage for all outside employment that pertains to the use of police authority

10 YEAR STATISTICS

Incident	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	10 year Average
Population	71582	72282	73712	74696	75797	76990	77784	78576			N/A
Major Crimes Against Persons	333	353	411	389	396	416	510	579	563	519	446.9
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	2	4	4	4	7	4	8	11	8	9	6.1
Negligent Manslaughter	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.3
Kidnaping/Abduction	22	11	20	23	20	38	41	28	38	37	27.8
Forcible Rape	35	37	33	20	26	32	45	41	33	56	35.8
Forcible Sodomy	5	14	17	15	21	19	14	22	24	23	17.4
Sexual Assault With an Object	0	2	2	3	5	4	2	8	0	3	2.9
Forcible Fondling	18	9	8	9	12	3	8	16	12	12	10.7
Robbery	59	63	58	74	62	57	58	56	55	43	58.5
Aggravated Assault	178	205	260	229	243	259	334	397	393	335	283.3
Crimes Against Property	5616	6032	5652	6613	6022	6023	6012	7058	5364	5661	6005.3
Arson	13	8	9	11	12	11	2	13	14	11	10.4
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	1029	1233	1089	1566	1201	1174	1120	1080	881	922	1129.5
Pocket-picking	5	6	0	3	7	2	2	4	7	4	4.0
Purse-snatching	9	17	0	15	5	7	12	8	13	10	9.6
Shoplifting	473	470	539	400	385	488	426	303	202	303	398.9
Theft From Building	558	552	515	451	408	395	382	334	319	392	430.6
Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	0	4	0	8	1	7	2	1	2	2	2.7
Theft From Motor Vehicle	408	558	372	683	477	516	532	508	434	406	489.4
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	32	20	17	28	25	22	23	34	40	51	29.2
All Other Larceny	1488	1607	1415	1587	1614	1471	1411	1397	1219	1444	1465.3
Motor Vehicle Theft	100	88	98	126	174	184	153	219	235	233	161.0
Counterfeiting/Forgery	183	186	158	229	275	247	250	181	149	210	206.8
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	110	61	116	62	60	66	81	1250	281	133	222.0
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	209	225	173	187	211	251	328	316	290	224	241.4
Identity Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Stolen Property Offenses	64	63	50	89	94	93	121	102	84	92	85.2
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Of Property	893	922	1100	1173	1079	1085	1162	1306	1188	1216	1112.4
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bad Checks	55	20	10	6	6	4	5	2	6	8	12.2
Crimes of Proactive Policing	2509	2237	2386	2634	3066	3007	3191	3635	3996	4093	3075.4
Drug/Narcotic Violations	822	775	892	1068	1330	1350	1434	1664	1922	1745	1300.2
Drug/Equipment Violations	292	287	352	442	663	692	705	811	927	915	608.6
Pornography/Obscene Material	40	26	27	19	33	43	43	53	78	60	42.2
Gambling Equipment Violations	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.2
Prostitution	1	6	3	1	1	5	5	13	3	5	4.3
Weapon Law Violations	80	51	74	92	121	102	172	179	200	175	124.6
Curfew/Litering/Vagrancy Violations	8	8	11	26	9	5	6	10	2	2	8.7
Disorderly Conduct	153	164	157	141	157	134	201	185	196	214	170.2
Driving Under the Influence	424	318	273	291	221	172	169	209	326	289	269.2
Drunkenness	415	351	306	274	254	233	160	172	255	241	266.1
Liquor Law Violations	79	43	44	30	22	42	40	61	87	92	54.0
Trespass of Real Property	194	208	247	250	254	229	256	278	265	355	253.6
Other Crimes	14859	14314	13558	14518	10632	9160	9920	9797	11153	11645	11955.6
Not Reportable / Non-NIBRS	5507	5235	4756	5346	4641	4184	4870	4783	5750	5819	5089.1
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.2
Simple Assault	514	471	515	438	450	498	543	586	637	616	526.8
Intimidation	568	645	746	668	755	824	913	1002	938	1038	809.7
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Impersonation	0	6	8	8	10	11	7	10	20	10	9.0
Welfare Fraud	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	2	4	1.2
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Incest	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0.2
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.1
Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	0	0	0	0	5	4	2	0	0	2	1.3
Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	3	0.7
Runaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
All Other Offenses	8270	7957	7531	8058	4769	3638	3581	3412	3805	4152	5517.3
Total	23317	22936	22007	24154	20128	18606	19633	21069	21076	21918	21484.4

WE LOVE OUR COMMUNITY!





RECOGNITION AND HONORS

We want to share our success with the Community because your support is part of what makes our successes possible!

WE ARE HERE TO SHARE WITH OUR COMMUNITY

The department achieved Tier II status from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (ALEAP). This program consists of 173 standards that serve as benchmarks for professional law enforcement services. By completing and maintaining accreditation, an agency must meet standards relevant to everyday law enforcement activities and continually update department policies to comply with industry best practices.



Sergeant Shon Morris received recognition from the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Organization. Sgt. Morris was nominated by E-4 Zach Hobbs of the 153th Infantry 39th Battalion.



Chief Elliott received recognition from the Muslim Student Association.





Thank you to the Arkansas Coalition Against Sexual Assault, who nominated JPD for the 2022 NSVRC.

VISIONARY VOICE AWARD

Each year, the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) offers the Visionary Voice Awards, in conjunction with Sexual Assault Awareness Month each April, to recognize the creativity and hard work of individuals around the country who have demonstrated outstanding work to end sexual violence. Each year, state, territory, and tribal coalitions select an exceptional individual to nominate for the awards. Nominees may be partners from a local community or other outstanding individuals that have worked to end sexual violence.



PROMOTIONS



Sgt. Brian Arnold, Sgt. Shane Fox, Lt. Royce Smith, Lt Lyle Waterworth,
Sgt. Anthony Zaffarano, Sgt. Erik Johnson

Captain Jim Chambers
Lt. Karen Oldham
Sgt. Dustin Smith



Lt. Nathan Coleman
Captain Scott Baker
Sgt. Jacob Daffron

YEARS OF SERVICE

30 years	25 years	20 years
Rick Elliott	Kenny Oldham	Morshaydrick Racy
	Tim Doyle	RJ Smith
		Sheridan Watts
15 years	10 years	5 years
Jon Baker	Chris Jefferson	Calvin Newman
Mike Brumfield	Bryan Davis	JR Chambers
Maurice Kinnard	Shane Fox	Rachel Griffin
Brandon King	Josh Landreth	Jake Jones
Heath Loggains		Tommy Miller
Brett Nolen		Ronnie Crain
PJ Williams		
David Stout		



AWARDS



The Police Medal of Valor shall be the second-highest award presented by the Jonesboro Police Department for heroism. To justify this award, the officer must have performed an outstanding act in the line of duty at the risk of life or serious bodily injury. This medal should be awarded for outstanding, selfless acts demonstrating personal courage and devotion to duty.



Officer's Medal

The Officer's Medal shall be the third-highest award presented by the Jonesboro Police Department for heroism. To justify this award, the officer must have performed an act of bravery or heroism through which the recipient demonstrates the characteristics of selflessness, personal courage, and devotion to duty.

Daniel Gifford
Maurice Kinnard
Joseph Branstetter
Greg Trout
Tommy Miller
Homero Gonzalez



Medal of Valor, Ptl. Corey Obregon



Medal of Valor, Inv. Nathan Ivy



Medal of Valor, Inv. Trent Talley





The Meritorious Service Medal, or Chief's Award, is reserved for presentation at the discretion of the Chief of Police to any Officer or Citizen for extraordinary service to the department or the community.



Meritorious Service, Det. Chris Pigg



Meritorious Service, Ofc. Joe Clay Young

Officer of the Year Madison Dobbs

The Officer of the Year is awarded to someone who exemplifies the highest courage, professionalism, or devotion to duty. Officer Madison Dobbs was recognized for her exceptional productivity, evidenced by the number of accident investigations she completed. Also, her dedication to serving, as she often received accolades from the community for her response to others and consistently positive attitude.



LIFE SAVING AWARD

Kara Austin
 Scottie Fleeman
 Daniel Gifford
 Zach Hobbs
 Cody Howard
 Tanner Huff
 Dalynn Johnson
 Sadie Magee
 Shon Morris
 Will Tate

Greg Trout
 Lyle Waterworth
 JR Chambers
 Troy Ellison
 Daniel Gifford
 Homero Gonzales
 Zach Hobbs
 Cody Jackson
 Corey Obregon
 Logan Mason



Shon Morris
 Tanner Seal
 Nathan Ivy
 Erik Johnson
 Will Tate
 Dalynn Johnson
 Trevor Sutton



10-8 Award Officer of the Month

Courtesy of
 First Community Bank



January	February	March	April
Tucker Harris	Tanner Seal	Keith Baggett	Tyler Williams
May	June	July	August
Austin Morgan	Chris Pigg	PJ Williams	Tanner Seal
September	October	November	December
Josh Landreth	Carma Butler	Cameron Harrison	Sgt. Morshaydrick Racy

WE LOVE OUR JOB!



Our favorite Meme



ALWAYS IN OUR MEMORY



Patrolman Vincent Anthony Parks, 38, of Jonesboro, passed from this life on Sunday, July 17, 2022, in Little Rock. He was born on March 25, 1984, in Jonesboro, to Jacquelyn Parks. As his friends knew him, Vinnie graduated from Kirby High School in Memphis, TN, and attended Arkansas State University. The family was the center of Vinnie's life, and he enjoyed spending time with them and watching his daughter dance. Vinnie began employment with the Jonesboro Police Department on June 13, 2022. After several weeks of in-house instructional training, he and his fellow recruit classmates started their coursework at the Central Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy at Camp Robinson in North Little Rock. Patrolman Parks passed away during training exercises. Vinnie leaves behind his wife, Christina Parks, daughter Viviana "Vivi" Parks, his mother, and a host of family and friends.



#BetterTogether



