



LOCUST POLICE DEPARTMENT

2016 ANNUAL STATISTICS

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SUMMARY OF 2016 STATISTICS

OFFENSE TYPES/INCIDENT REPORTS

Law enforcement activities in the city of Locust for 2016 resulted in a banner year for the city in terms of low criminal activity, and continued to show that city residents and visitors enjoy a safe environment, and a peaceful atmosphere for a city that is showing obvious signs of growth. Statistics documented by the Locust Police Department for the 2016 calendar year showed roughly a 5% decrease in documented offense types and recorded incident reports, a decrease in overall larceny and fraud activity, and continued with an extremely small average daily occurrence of reported larceny or assault activity.

For the year, the Locust Police Department continued with its policies of reports being documented for dispatched calls where interaction with the public occurred. This still resulted in the aforementioned 5.3% decrease in documented incident reports compared to 2015, and reported offenses documented in those reports decreased by 4.6% from the previous year.

General service call types were down 6.9% from the previous year, and these non-criminal call types continue to represent the largest percentage of dispatched calls received. EMS and Fire calls where the department assisted did increase by 12% which can continue to be expected as the city grows as well as due to residents native to Locust continuing to grow older.

General investigation call types were also down 2.9% from the previous year. Calls considered as general investigation are also often non-criminal in nature but do require investigation by the department to determine. Of note in this category, disturbance call types were down 3.6%. Two missing person reports for the year were not determined to involve foul play and those "missing" were located.

General law enforcement/criminal activity offense types that were reported decreased by 3.2% for 2016. Decreases were seen in traffic offenses that required an incident report, trespassing, vandalism, and the "other illegal activity" categories. Slight increases were seen in the property damage, warrants, harassment, and weapons violations categories.

Some of the most promising statistics were seen in the category involving call types related to property and financial crime. Overall, there was a 15.6% decrease in call types related to theft or fraud. Breaking this down further, there was a 15.2% drop in business related larcenies, a 6.9% decrease in fraud type reports, and a 62.1% decrease in larcenies from vehicles with only 11 reported for the year. There was a 26.3% increase in thefts related to residences however the total number was only increased by 5 for the year from 19 in 2015 to 24 in 2016. Overall, personal larceny affecting persons, vehicles, or residences continued to be extremely low showing a daily average occurrence of just 0.10.

Alcohol and drug related offense types increased by 16.7% for the year from 108 in 2015 to 126 in 2016. The only notable increase within this section is the 44.8% increase in reported DWI offense types. Reported DWI offense types would represent incidents where arrests were made.

More promising statistics were seen in the physical crime category as only 19 assault type offenses were reported for the year, a decrease of 40.6%. This statistic represents a daily average reported occurrence in Locust of just .05 times.

Other offense types reported for 2016 were 5 sex offenses and 1 death investigation. The sex offenses reported either were confirmed to be unfounded or an arrest was made. The death investigation was believed to not involve foul play however autopsy results to confirm investigative findings was not yet available as of the time of this report.

BUSINESS/NEIGHBORHOOD PATROLS

For 2016, business and neighborhood patrols logged by the department increased by nearly 300 to 18,417 for the year. This number continues to show a dedication by the department to adequately patrol businesses and neighborhoods in the city. This represented a logged patrol average of Locust businesses and neighborhoods of 50.5 daily, up from the 49.6 average in 2015.

ARREST CHARGES

Arrest charges made by the Locust Police Department in 2016 remained relatively similar to the number of charges in 2015. For the year, the Locust Police Department made 263 arrest charges, nine less than in 2015 for a decrease of 3.3%. The three usual charge types again topped the stat list with driving while impaired, failure to appear, and misdemeanor larceny charges leading the way. As seen compared to the high overall activity numbers for the year listed below, this statistical decrease is a positive one indicating less criminal activity in a growing city for the 2016 calendar year.

CITATION CHARGES

Citation charges for 2016 saw an increase which would indicate increased traffic enforcement for the year by Locust officers, continued increases in traffic through the Locust area, or a combination of both. An overall 28.4% increase in citation charges were recorded compared to 2015 and represented 1,439 total citation charges. Increases were seen in every citation category utilized in statistical tracking with the exception of the general criminal offense category that recorded the same number of charges as the previous year. Locust officers continued to show efficient use of police discretion as well with averages showing 119.9 citation charges issued monthly and an average of 113.8 warnings issued also monthly.

TRAFFIC CRASHES

Traffic crashes reported in the city for 2016 were 220, up a significant 43.8% from the previous year when reported crashes were at 153. This total number would include all reported crashes which would also represent parking lot fender benders. The increase of 67 reported crashes for the year however would include a significant number of reported crashes on streets or highways in Locust. This increase may or may not be related to the traveling speed limit through Locust being changed to 45 mph the previous year, increased traffic flow through the Locust area overall, or the need for additional traffic control at certain intersections in the city

such as Meadowcreek Church Road or Browns Hill Road and West Main Street. A more in-depth look at crash report locations and factors was not conducted due to deficiencies in how statistical reports on crashes are produced in the current system and in the interest of time in having this annual report produced without further delay.

OVERALL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

Overall, numbers related to dispatched calls and case numbers generated in 2016 compared to 2015 is where the growth of the city is most evident. In total, 5,585 calls were either dispatched to or initiated by the Locust Police Department in 2016, a 9.4% increase from the previous year. Additionally, case or incident numbers generated by the department in 2016 were 2,869, a 7.9% increase from 2015. As the city continues to grow in population and economic development, these numbers will continue to increase which would warrant consideration of additional staffing for the Locust Police Department in the near future.

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Offenses/Incident Reports Statistics Key

Call/Offense Types

Escorts Provided – General, Business Closing, Child Custody Exchange, Funeral, Etc.
Assist EMS/Fire – Medical Or Fire Calls With Law Enforcement Assistance/Involvement
Calls For Service – Various Community Service Or Non-Criminal Dispatches, Animal Complaints, Etc.
Mutual Aid – Help Requested And Given To Other Agencies
Assist Motorist – Stranded Motorists, Keys Locked In Vehicle, Flat Tires, Etc.

Alarm Calls – Business, Residential Alarm Activation Responses
Disturbances – General, Various, Or Domestic Disturbance Responses
Suspicious Activity – Dispatched Reports Of Suspicious Activities, Vehicles, Or Persons
Investigations – General, 911 Hang-Ups, Suicide Threats, Open Doors, Etc.
Property Calls – Reports Of Lost Or Found Property
Missing Persons – Reports Of Missing Or Found Individuals

Business Larceny – Larcenies Reported From Locust Businesses
Fraud – Counterfeiting, Forgery, Obtaining Property By False Pretense, Identity Theft, Etc.
Residential Larceny/Minor Larceny From Person – Breaking & Entering, Larcenies From Residences
Vehicle Larceny – Breaking & Entering, Larceny From/Of Vehicles

Traffic Offenses – Traffic Offenses That Result In Other Charges, Arrests, Vehicle Towed, Etc.
Property Damage – Malicious Damage To Businesses, Residences, Vehicles, Minor Vehicle Crashes
Warrants – Arrest Warrants, Court Processes Served
Harassment – Harassing Phone Calls, Communicating Threats, Etc.
Trespassing – Unlawful Entry, 1st Or 2nd Degree, Etc.
Other Illegal Activity – Resist, Obstruct, Or Delay, Vehicle Pursuits, Lesser Charges, Etc.
Ordinance Violations – Violations Of City Ordinances Investigated Or Committed
Vandalism – Defacement Of Property, Minor Arson, Etc.
Juvenile Violations – Illegal Activity Committed By Or Against Juveniles
Weapons Violations – Unlawfully Carrying Concealed Weapon, Possession By Felon, Etc.

Drug Offenses – Possession, Distribution, Intent To Sell, Etc. Involving Illegal Drugs
Alcohol Charges – Charges Involving Alcohol Other Than DWI
DWI – Driving While Impaired Reports

Assaults – Calls Related To Assaults, Affray, Etc.

Sex Offense – Reports Of Or Offenses Involving Unlawful Sexual Activity
Personal Larceny – Serious Larceny Or Robbery Including Strong Arm, With Dangerous Weapon, Etc.
Murder – Homicide

Death Investigation – Non-Criminal Investigations Of Unattended Deaths, Suicide, Etc.

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Offenses/Incident Reports

CATEGORY: GENERAL SERVICE

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Escorts Provided	329	27.4	388	-15.2%
Assist EMS/Fire	205	17.1	183	+12.0%
Calls For Service	66	5.5	53	+24.5%
Mutual Aid	64	5.3	81	-21%
Assist Motorist	29	2.4	39	-25.6%
2016 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2015 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	693	57.8	744	-6.9%

CATEGORY: GENERAL INVESTIGATION

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Alarm Calls	159	13.3	156	+1.9%
Disturbances	107	8.9	111	-3.6%
Investigations	100	8.3	88	+13.6%
Suspicious Act.	87	7.3	71	+22.5%
Property Calls	12	1	22	-45.5%
Missing Persons*	2	0.2	6	-66.7%
2016 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2015 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	467	38.9	454	+2.9%

*NO missing person's reports for 2016 included suspected foul play or went unsolved.

CATEGORY: GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT/CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Traffic Offenses	62	5.2	91	-31.9%
Property Damage	51	4.3	47	+8.5%
Warrants	50	4.2	41	+22%
Other Illegal Act.	29	2.4	35	-17.1%
Harassment	24	2	22	+9.1%
Juvenile Viol.	7	0.6	0	---
Weapons Viol.	7	0.6	1	+600%
Trespassing	6	0.5	9	-33.3%
Ordinance Viol.	5	0.4	0	---
Vandalism	1	---	4	-75%
2016 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2015 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	242	20.2	250	-3.2%

CATEGORY: PROPERTY/FINANCIAL CRIME

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Bus. Larceny	128	10.7	151	-15.2%
Fraud	54	4.5	58	-6.9%
Resd. Larceny	24	2	19	+26.3%
Vehicle Larceny	11	0.9	29	-62.1%
2016 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2015 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	217	18.1	257	-15.6%
TOTAL LARCENY OCCURRENCE (BUSINESS, VEHICLE, RESIDENTIAL, PERSONAL)	163	0.45 Avg. Daily Occurrence	200	-18.5%
PERSONAL LARCENY OCCURRENCE (VEHICLE, RESIDENTIAL, PERSONAL)	35	0.10 Avg. Daily Occurrence	49	-28.6%

CATEGORY: ALCOHOL/DRUGS

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Drug Offenses	71	5.9	67	+6%
DWI	42	3.5	29	+44.8%
Alcohol Charges	13	1.1	12	+8.3%
2016 TOTAL/ MONTHLY AVERAGE/ 2015 TOTAL/ % CHANGE	126	10.5	108	+16.7%

CATEGORY: PHYSICAL CRIME

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #	% Change
Assaults	19	1.6	32	-40.6%
2016 DAILY AVERAGE	.05	----	.09	----

CATEGORY: SERIOUS/VIOLENT CRIME

Call Type	2016 Total #	Monthly Avg.	2015 Total #
Sex Offense	5*	--	5*
Personal Larceny/Robbery	0	--	1
Murder	0	--	1

*Sex Offense # includes REPORTS OF sex offenses committed even if investigation revealed no misconduct OR offense occurred in a different jurisdiction.

CATEGORY: OTHER INVESTIGATION

Call Type	2016 Total #	2015 Total #
Death Investigation	1	3

2016 TOTAL OFFENSE TYPES AND INCIDENT REPORTS

2016 TOTAL OFFENSE TYPES/ MONTHLY/ DAILY AVG.	1770	148	4.9	<u>2015 #</u> 1855	<u>% Change</u> -4.6%
2016 TOTAL INCIDENT REPORTS COMPLETED/ MONTHLY/ DAILY AVG.	1580	132	4.3	<u>2015 #</u> 1668	<u>% Change</u> -5.3%

Area Patrols/Checks

Patrol Type	Total #	Monthly Avg.	Daily Avg.
Neighborhoods	9,779	814.9	26.8
Businesses	8,513	709.4	23.3
Requested House	83	6.9	---
Suspicious Vehicles	32	2.7	---
Special Investigation	6	0.5	---
Suspicious Persons	4	0.3	---
2016 TOTAL PATROLS/ DAILY PATROL AVG.	18,417	<u>2016 DAILY AVG.</u> 50.5	<u>2015 DAILY AVG.</u> 49.6

Arrests/Offense Charges/Counts

Charge	2016 Total #
Driving While Impaired	64
Failure To Appear	48
Misdemeanor Larceny	28
Assault On A Female	11
Possession Schedule VI	11
Obtaining Property By False Pretense	9
Minor Charges	9
Communicating Threats	8
Possession Schedule II	7
Probation Violation	7
Breaking & Entering	6
Larceny By Anti-Theft Device	6
Driving While License Revoked	5
Firearm By Felon	5
Assault & Battery	4
Delinquency Of A Minor	3
Habitual Felon	3
Possession Schedule I	3
Felony Larceny	2
Possession Intent To Sell & Deliver Schedule I	2
Possession Intent To Sell & Deliver Schedule VI	2
Possession Schedule III	2
Possession Schedule IV	2
Possession Stolen Goods	2
Resist, Obstruct, Delay	2
Shoplifting	2
Unauthorized Use Of Motor Vehicle	2
Concealed Weapon Violation	1
Conspiracy	1
Damage To Property	1
Financial Card Fraud	1
Flee To Elude	1
Forgery	1
Possession Drug Paraphernalia	1
Possession Heroin	1
2016 TOTAL ARREST CHARGES/ MONTHLY/DAILY AVG.	263 21.9/0.72
2015 TOTAL ARREST CHARGES/ MONTHLY/DAILY AVG.	272 22.7/0.75
% CHANGE	-3.3%

Citation Charges

CATEGORY: SPEEDING

Citation Charge	Total #
Speeding	621
Speeding In School Zone	23
Improper Equipment	2
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	646
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	53.8 / 1.8
2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	579 / +11.6%

CATEGORY: VEHICLE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
Expired Registration	166
Operate/Allow Vehicle With No Insurance	38
Expired/No Inspection	28
Fictitious/Altered Registration	20
Cancelled/Revoked Registration	14
Drive Motor Vehicle/Not Properly Registered	13
Vehicle Equipment Violations	11
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	290
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	24.2 / 0.8
2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	162 / +79.0%

CATEGORY: LICENSE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
Driving While License Revoked	111
No Operator's License	89
Other License Violations	8
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	208
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	17.3 / 0.6
2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	155 / +34.2%

CATEGORY: SAFETY/UNSAFE VIOLATIONS

Citation Charge	Total #
Seatbelt Violations	30
Fail to Stop/Stop Sign Or Red Light	28
Unsafe Movement/Passing	28
Child Restraint Violations	19
Careless & Reckless Driving	11
Fail To Reduce Speed	10
Fail To Yield	9
Lane Violations	9
Following Too Close	6
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	150
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	12.5 / 0.4

2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	98 / +53.1%
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CATEGORY: ALCOHOL/DRUG OFFENSES

Citation Charge	Total #
Driving While Impaired	32
Possess Open Container Of Alcohol In Vehicle	24
Possession Schedule VI	14
Possession Drug Paraphernalia	11
Possess Alcohol Under 21	8
Possession Schedule IV	2
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	91
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	7.6 / 0.3
2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	73 / +24.7%

CATEGORY: CRIMINAL/OTHER OFFENSES

Citation Charge	Total #
Misdemeanor Larceny	30
Other Charges	15
Concealed Weapon Charge	2
Flee To Elude	2
Hit & Run/Fail To Stop For Accident	2
Speed Competition	2
Parking Violations	1
2016 TOTAL CATEGORY CHARGES	54
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	4.5 / 0.2
2015 TOTAL / % CHANGE	54 / 0%

2016 TOTAL CITATION CHARGES	1,439
MONTHLY / DAILY AVERAGE	119.9 / 3.9
2015 TOTAL # / % CHANGE	1,121 / +28.4%

2016 REPORTED TRAFFIC STOPS WITH WARNINGS ISSUED – MONTHLY AVG.	113.8
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Traffic Crashes

2016 TOTAL REPORTED TRAFFIC CRASHES (STREET/HIGHWAY, PVA) / MONTHLY AVG. / DAILY AVG.	220 / 18.3 / 0.6
2015 TOTAL REPORTED TRAFFIC CRASHES / % CHANGE	153 / +43.8%

TOTAL DISPATCHED CALLS / GENERATED CASE NUMBERS
TWO YEAR COMPARISON

2016 TOTAL DISPATCHED CALLS / 2015 # / % CHANGE	5,585	5,105 / +9.4%
2016 TOTAL REPORT #S GENERATED / 2015 # / % CHANGE	2,869	2,659 / +7.9%