SHERMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT



2021

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF



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Chief Zachary Flores

I am proud to present the Sherman Police Department's 2021 Annual Report. The City of Sherman has continued to see record growth and has been fortunate to be the recipient of major industrial investments. In 2021, we focused on planning for the future in order to prevent lapses in the quality of service as we continue to grow.

It is recognized that the Police Department is but one piece of the larger picture which is the city government as a whole. In order to be strategically, operationally, and financially responsible, we began the ongoing process of strategic planning as it relates to our operations and staffing.

Both a five-year strategic operations plan and a five-year strategic staffing plan were initiated and published, providing a roadmap for our citizens, staff, and city management to look to for direction as to where the Department is heading. I am confident this planning will pay dividends as the City continues to grow.

Also, in planning for the future, we acted on the start of construction on our new police headquarters facility. Completion of the facility is scheduled to be completed in the first quarter of 2023.

Thank you for your interest in the Sherman Police Department. We look forward to continuing to grow with and serve you.

Mission Statement

We stand to prevent, reduce, and disrupt crime and disorder by aggressive, professional, and compassionate enforcement of the law.

Motto



Values

Integrity Compassion Professionalism Fairness/Equality Lovaltv Leadership Courage Teamwork

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUREAUS



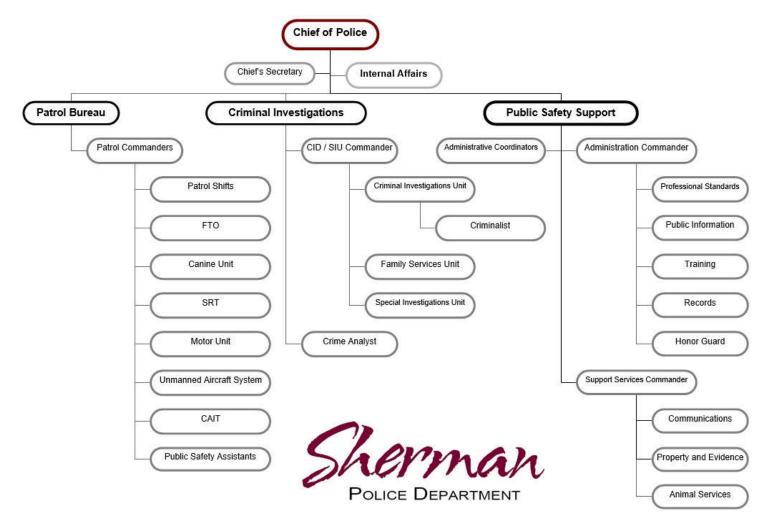
Bruce Dawsey Assistant Chief Patrol



Jason Jeffcoat
Assistant Chief
Criminal Investigations



Wes Trisler
Assistant Chief
Public Safety Support



BUDGET

	2020		20	21
	Personnel	Total Budget	Personnel	Total Budget
Law Enforcement	\$7,766,634	\$8,842,618	\$8,093.976	\$9,316,745
Public Safety Support	\$1,473,154	\$2,120,330	\$1,459,651	\$1,982,045
Animal Services	\$607,172	\$947,431	\$618,650	\$983,170
Total	\$9,846,960	\$11,910,379	\$10,172,277	\$12,281,960



PERSONNEL

	2020	2021
Sworn Officers Hired	1	1
Non-Sworn Officers Hired	6	6
Civilians Hired	3	10
Background Investigations	38	72
Retention Rate		
Law Enforcement	91.6%	104.6%
Civilian	86.7%	106.4%

TRAINING HOURS

	2020	2021
Officers	9,830	11,772
Communications Officers	983	585

TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Achieved Texas Police Chiefs Association Year 3 Continued Recognition On September 9, 2021, the Texas Police Chiefs Association reviewed and accepted the Year 3 Annual Report to maintain recognized status. Recognized status was awarded in 2018 to include a four-year period with Annual Reports due in Years 1, 2, and 3 showing continued compliance. Year 4 will require a full review.



Motor Unit Addition

The Department acquired an additional motorcycle for the Motor Unit. The additional unit should allow us to have an impact on reducing traffic accidents through direct traffic enforcement.



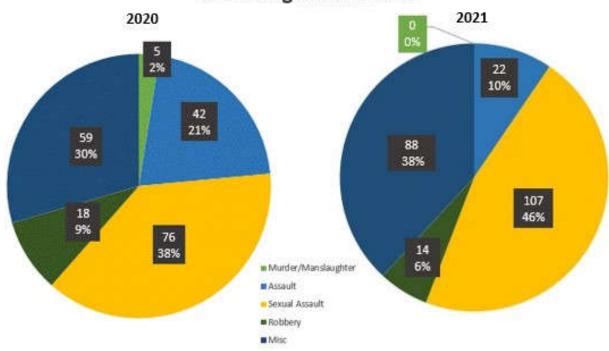
New PD Headquarters - 2600 W. Travis

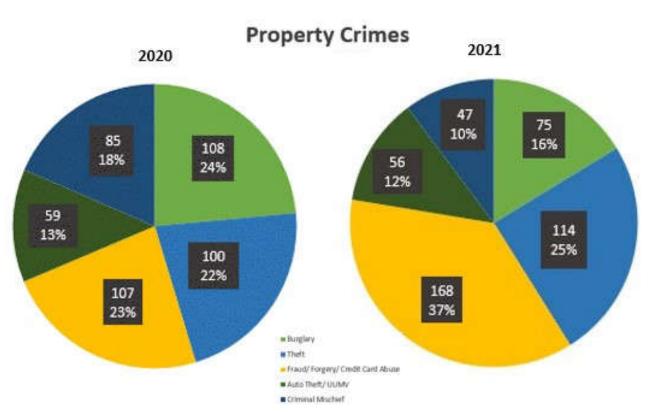
2021 saw the groundbreaking for the new PD Headquarters located at 2600 W. Travis Street. Under the direction of Hidell and Associates Architects and Byrne Construction Service, work is well underway. The new headquarters will see a main facility and an annex building for a total of 33,000 sq. ft.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS - CID

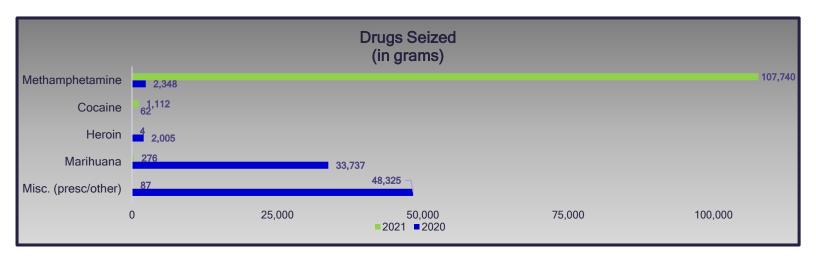
Crimes Against Persons





	2020	2021
Total Callouts	130	121
Cases Assigned	668	694
Cases Cleared	790	655

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT (SIU)



	2020	2021
Total Civil Seizures	8	2
Value	\$76,937	\$2,083
Federal Seizure Value	0	0
Cases Assigned	94	53
Cases Cleared	25	9





CID saw a slight increase in the number of overall cases in 2021. Crimes Against Persons saw a 15.5% increase in overall cases while Property Crimes only saw a .22% increase. CID managed to clear 94% of the cases assigned in 2021.

SIU saw an overall decrease in the number of illegal narcotics that were seized, with the exception of methamphetamine which saw a 4,489% increase. This increase was due to several large seizures by SIU throughout the year. SIU continued to increase the number of conspiracy cases worked through the Texoma Violent Crime Task Force.

PATROL

	2020	2021
Citizen-Initiated Calls for		
Service	21,976	22,263
Officer Self-Initiated Calls	4,616*	12,304
Total Calls for Service	32,390	35,123
Traffic Stops	5,798*	7,937
Response Time (Priority One)		
(average - in minutes)	4.35	
*decrease due to COVID-19 precautions		

Officers were allowed to make traffic contacts again as normal. The overall number of traffic stops decreased but the calls for service increased significantly. Officers were able to reduce the priority one response time this year to well under the five-minute goal that was set.



TRAFFIC



	2020	2021
Total Crashes Reported	1,628	2,273
Crashes Investigated	725	829
Blue Form Crashes	903	968
Traffic Fatalities	7	4
Hit and run Collisions	436	476
DWI Arrests	169	204
Intoxication Assault	0	6
Intoxication Manslaughter	0	0
Other Criminal Traffic Cases	10	16

Traffic crashes reported to the agency this year remained relatively close to those reported in 2020. The number of crashes officers had to investigate rose by a little over 100. Traffic fatalities dropped by almost half this year which could have been affected by the new highway project lowering speeds on the highway, as well as officers being able to conduct traffic stops more frequently. The overall number of traffic stops did decrease this year due to limited staffing issues.

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM

	2020	2021
High-Risk Search Warrants Served	1	1
Barricaded Persons Incidents	1	2
Community Demonstrations	0	0
SRT Training Hours	64	88
Total SRT Unit Activations	3	4

In 2021, the Special Response Team conducted one-high risk warrant service and resolved two barricaded person events. All incidents were resolved successfully without injury or loss of life. SRT conducted 88 hours of monthly training as well as attending the state tactical officers conference.



K-9

	2020	2021
Deployments	197	182
Narcotics Searches	108	122
Narcotics Found (grams)	23,042.49	1,742.13
Tracks	11	8
Community Demonstrations	8	6

Officer Ross and Officer Anderson took on the tremendous responsibility of hosting the USPCA Region 20 K9 trials. This included arranging for lodging for traveling teams, as well as the event locations, logistics for needed assets, securing raffle and prize items, and arranging the awards banquet. They did this all while keeping up with their training leading up to the event and working shift.

Officer Anderson and K9 Jaeger also participated and advanced on the television show, America's Top Dog.



DETENTIONS

	2020	2021
Total Arrests	1,292	1,719

The total number of arrests for 2021 increased 33% compared to 2020. It should be noted, COVID-19 mandates from the Grayson County Sheriff's Office limited the inmate capacity of the Grayson County Jail which played a major factor in the lower number of arrests for that year.

SUPPORT SERVICES

	2020	2021
Items Received	5,478	4,163
Items Disposed	24,224	4,248

	2020	2021
Misdemeanor Cases Filed (est.)	796	918
Felony Cases Filed (est.)	640	690
Open Records Requests		
Worked by Records/PIO	842	590
Involving City Atty / AG Office	301	405
Reported Entered into RMS	5,234	4,033
Crash Reports Entered Online	724	872
PSA Reports	819	626

	2020	2021
911 Calls for Service	28,582	29,537
Non-Emergency Calls for Service	83,814	84,667
Total Police Calls for Service (only)	112,39	114,204
911 Calls Answered within		
10 seconds	97.28%	97.01%
11-15 seconds	1.75%	1.68%
16-20 seconds	.47%	.55%
21-40 seconds	.43%	.62%
41-60 seconds	.05%	.08%
61-120 seconds	.02%	.04%

	2020	2021
# of dogs brought in	1,637	1,140
# of dogs adopted	672	502
# of cats brought in	801	744
# of cats adopted	332	476
# calls responded to / complaints		
addressed	2,765	1,534

Property and Evidence

The first half of the year was dedicated to converting evidence from UCRS, an old records management system, into RMS, our current records management system, which caused the disposal number to be significantly lower.

Records

Misdemeanor and felony cases show a slight increase over the previous year. Filing cases has been simplified and as a result, became more cost-effective by giving access to the District Attorney's Office to our video system.



Communications

The Communications Center continued to work together as a team throughout the pandemic to ensure the citizens of Sherman received prompt and professional service when they called for emergency services. The Center took on additional responsibilities to include dispatching emergency calls for Animal Services and limited dispatching for Sherman Independent School Police. The total number of phone calls to the Center rose slightly; however, the Center was able to answer 97.01% of our 911 calls within 10 seconds of receipt (the national standard is 90%).

Animal Services

During Animal Services' first year under the leadership of the Sherman Police Department, they became fully staffed with five Animal Services Officers and one full-time Animal Services Assistant. A full-time Registered Veterinary Technician and a part-time contracted Surgery Tech were added in order to successfully reduce a backlog of spays and neuters on previously adopted animals. A new Animal Services Ordinance was adopted in September 2021 that allowed for the implementation of a new Animal Services Standard Operating Procedure by November of 2021.

