



POLICE DEPARTMENT APRIL 2021 MONTHLY REPORT

STATISTICS:

	APRIL 2020	APRIL 2021	+/-	2020 YTD TOTAL	2021 YTD TOTAL	YTD +/-
MPD Arrests	50	60	10	223	210	-13
Calls For Service	1392	1309	-83	6880	5401	-1479
Dispatch Calls	2019	2348	329	10180	8926	-1254
MPD Accidents	13	22	9	69	85	16
Grant Hours Worked	15	107	92	81	154	73

INCIDENTS OF NOTE:

*MPD along with Bridgeway and OSF conducted a Drug Take Back Day where people can drop off old or unused prescription and over the counter drugs to be disposed of. The event was highly successful. Approximately 53 pounds of prescription and over the counter drugs were taken in. The weight does not reflect the packaging of the drugs. Each pill is taken out of its respective container. In past years MPD has taken the drugs to the Morton Crime Lab and turned over to the DEA for disposal. This year in coordination with OSF and Bridgeway, the drugs were taken to OSF Pharmacy staff for disposal. Thank you to Karen Cole and Debby Jo Metsker from Bridgeway and Amber Woods from OSF for making this a successful event.

*MPD along with the FBI, Knox County and Warren County Sheriff's Depts conducted search warrants in a major investigation in Monmouth and the surrounding area. A search warrant was conducted where approximately \$99,000 in cash was seized, several vehicles were seized, and numerous open vehicle titles were seized. This aspect of the investigation centered around the theft, storing and sales of catalytic converters. Alleged hundreds of catalytic converters were being housed in Monmouth and Warren County. They were awaiting being taken to Iowa to be sold as scrap. The contents of the converters, platinum, palladium, and rhodium makes this type of illegal activity very lucrative. There is also a drug aspect of this investigation that is continuing.

*Several Safety Committee meetings were held with members of the City and Police and Fire Departments. A "Slip Trip And Fall" program was completed and will be implemented City wide.

*Chief Switzer held meetings with MPD dispatchers and MPD officers. These department meetings are intended to be held at least on an annual basis but have not been due to COVID. Moving forward, these meetings will continue now that COVID restrictions are easing.

STAFF TRAINING:

*MPD officers will begin in person training classes again when they become available.



EQUIPMENT RELATED ISSUES:

*The issue MPD had with the server for our WatchGuard in-car camera system has been resolved. The previous server failed and will be replaced with a cloud-based storage system via WatchGuard. As before, video from the squad cars is downloaded whenever a squad car pulls into the garage. Now, instead of being stored locally on a server at MPD, it will go to the cloud-based system.