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Saint Paul Police

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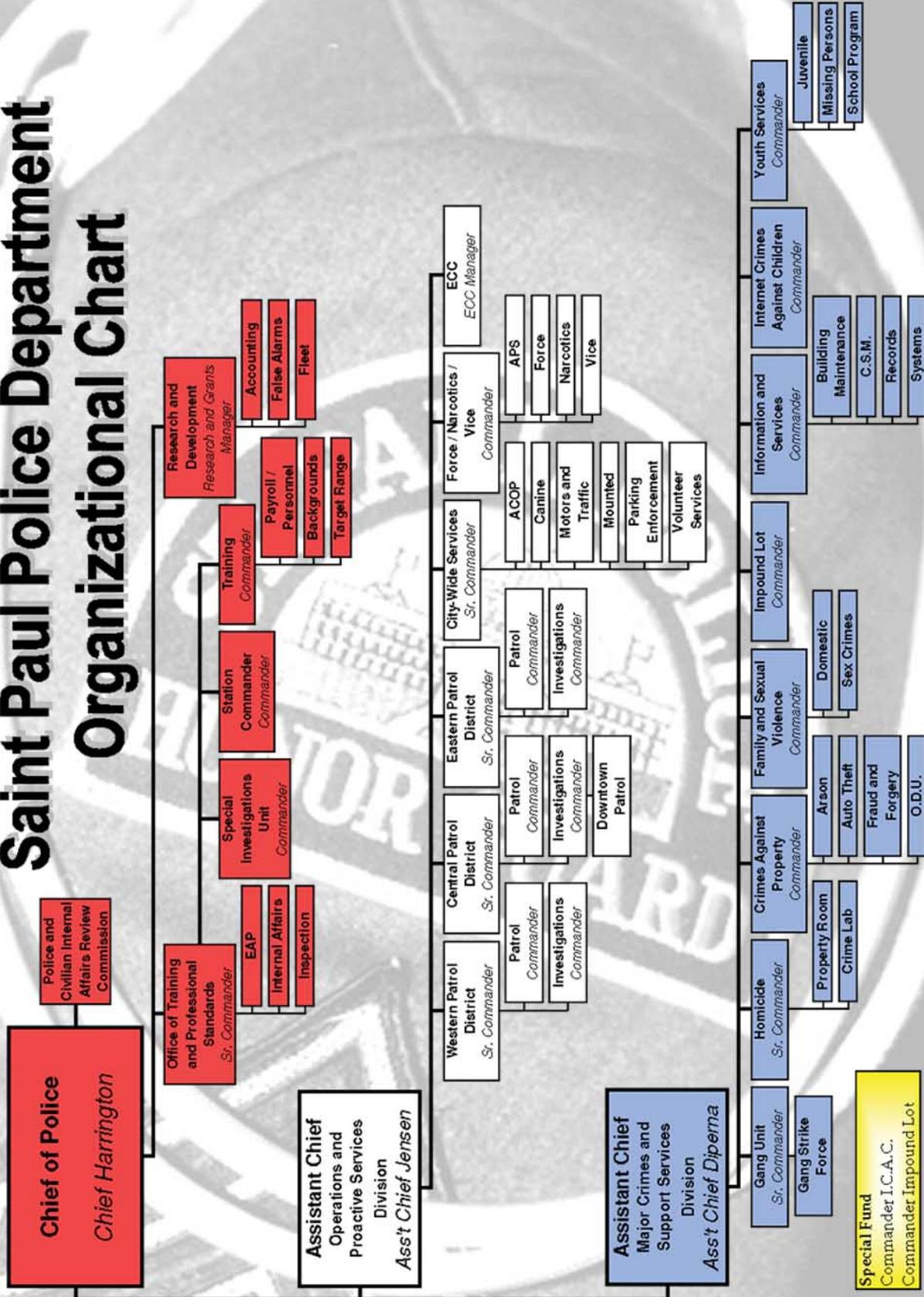
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*Sergeant Gerald Vick
August 22, 1963 - May 6, 2005*



"The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are as bold as a lion."
- Proverbs 28:1



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Officer Kyle Kaszynski
March 4, 1966 - December 22, 2005

"It is not how these officers died
that made them heroes,
it is how they lived."

- Vivian Eney



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A message to the community and my fellow officers:

"It's not how these officers died that made them heroes, it is how they lived." These words etched in stone under the baleful gaze of a stone lion were the backdrop of where I and other officers have stood in silent and tearful tribute to those whose tour has ended.

These words stand as a reminder of the real greatness of these, our fallen brothers. While we do not ever want to forget the sacrifice these officers made as they worked, it is clear that these heroes were so much more than the badges that they carried and the uniforms they wore so proudly.

We remember and honor the officers whose names appear on the walls of the monuments in Washington D.C. and at our state capitol. We express our gratitude to their families for their sacrifice. We remember our officers with vigils and ceremonies that are held to pay tribute to peace officers who gave their lives in the line of duty. The bagpipers play, colors are presented, rider-less horses march, wreaths are laid, candles are lit, 21 guns are fired, black bands appear across badges, and a mournful lone bugle sounds out taps.

The reason these ceremonies are held is simple. It is written on the hearts of all of us who have ever worn the shield or the star and who has lost someone. It can be summed up in three simple words, "Lest We Forget." We honor their memories by remembering the lives of the officers whose names are written on the wall and by carrying on the legacy of their work.

There is a song that says "All gave some. Some gave all." Remember that "all gave some" every day they wore a badge and the ones who gave all used to be the ones who gave some until that fatal day. Each one of us who wears the badge shows that same courage every day when we go to work and walk the point. We all know that we may walk that point a thousand times and come out unscathed or just once and not come home.



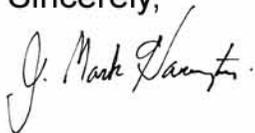
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A great chief once said, "It is not the critic who counts. The credit belongs to those who are actually in the arena; whose face is marred by the dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions and spends themselves in a worthy cause; who at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who, at worst, if they fail, at least fails while daring greatly." All of our fallen officers have been in the arena – they gave their all so that others could lie safely unaware of the dangers we see. What greater love than to lay down one's life for strangers one never knew.

These officers gave us the ultimate gift and we are better for having ever so briefly been in their company. For those of us who remain, let us celebrate the life of these heroes by seeking to carry on their legacy in our work. They knew not that it was the day and we know not. That did not stop them from going forth and in their memory we too must go forth.

Lest we forget the sacrifices our heroes have made, for as it is written in stone "it is not how these officers died that made them heroes it is how they lived." May the last name on the wall remain the last name on the wall.

Sincerely,



John M. Harrington
CHIEF OF POLICE



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The central focus of the Saint Paul Police Department Special Investigations Unit (S.I.U.) is the gathering of intelligence and investigating organized crime, homeland security issues and other investigations as assigned by the chief. The unit serves as the department's main point of contact with federal agencies on homeland security issues. Additionally, this unit provides assistance and investigative support to outside agencies as well as investigative and technical assistance to units inside the department.

Several members of S.I.U. are assigned to various task forces such as the FBI Organized Crime Task Force, FBI Fugitive Task force, U.S. Marshal's Service Fugitive Task Force, and the Joint Terrorism Task Force. SIU is a constant partner with the United State Secret Service in VIP protection details as they occur in and around Saint Paul. S.I.U. provides consultation, planning, support, and operational resources in the City of Saint Paul for visits from the President of the United States, government officials, dignitaries from around the world, and celebrities. The unit serves as the main point of contact for the Saint Paul Mayor's Office and City Council for threat assessments and protective intelligence.

Many of S.I.U.'s specialized investigations resulted in arrests, state and federal indictments, and seizures of large sums of money and vehicles. S.I.U. assisted in many homicide investigations from both inside and outside the City of Saint Paul in 2005 and 2006.

In 2006, Sergeants Dunaski, Mead, and Duff of S.I.U. were awarded the Saint Paul Police Medals of Merit for the investigation in the shooting death of Officer James Sackett in 1970. The cold case homicide investigation lead to the convictions of two men last year.



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E.A.P.
In 2005, the Employee Assistance Program (E.A.P.), like the entire department, experienced a difficult year filled with sadness and tragedy.

In May, the department suffered a tragic loss with the line of duty death of Sergeant Gerald Vick. The unit's immediate response was two fold; support of both employees and the Vick family. Our goal that morning was to provide initial psychological first aid for all employees. An irreplaceable resource were the the Saint Paul Police Department Chaplains who responded immediately and stayed throughout the funeral and following weeks. Post funeral, we offered opportunities to debrief in small work groups. We also chose to utilize only facilitators with Saint Paul Police Department connections, tapping into retirees, peer counselors, and former E.A.P. personnel. Over 30 non-mandatory debriefings were held and approximately 55-60 percent of all employees attended.

From this tragic incident, we learned much including what services worked well for our employees and families and others that could be enhanced. Sadly, the unit had to put these services into practice again during 2005. As the year was ending, the department suffered another loss of an active officer. Officer Kyle Kaszynski, who was on leave providing security training in Iraq, was tragically killed. We again provided support to both employees and families.

Also in 2005 and 2006, the E.A.P. responded and provided services for ten critical incidents for both the Saint Paul Police Department and outside agencies. Services in this area included over 60 hours of debriefings and 81 hours of outreach to assist in managing trauma and traumatic stress.

E.A.P. staff also provided over 23 trainings in proactive management in numerous areas including substance abuse, suicide prevention, critical incident stress management, cumulative stress, occupational stress, department policy and protocol, and balancing law enforcement and families.

What we learned in recent years has already directed our plans as we prepare for reestablishing the peer counseling program, long-term services and trainings, and preparation for upcoming trials. An area we are moving towards will be a stronger identification of wellness services provided by establishing a wellness team, which involves closer relationships between the gym, chaplains program, and the E.A.P. The goal is to promote a comprehensive health model of physical, spiritual, and emotional needs and resources for all employees and families.



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A.C.O.P. (A Community Outreach Program) is one of the strongest examples of the Saint Paul Police Department's commitment to community oriented policing. The A.C.O.P unit consists of one sergeant, twelve officers, and two community liaison officers. The A.C.O.P office is located in the Saint Paul Public Housing's McDonough Town Homes Family Housing Site.

Our A.C.O.P unit works in partnership with the Saint Paul Public Housing Agency and responds to calls for service in the public housing sites. More importantly, the staff dedicates most of their time to proactive measures to improve the quality of life in the public housing developments.

One such measure was a training session that the A.C.O.P. officers presented in conjunction with the Saint



Paul Police Department Narcotics Unit. In a response to the request by the public housing site management, a drug recognition class was developed and presented to managers, assistant managers, and other front line staff who are required to be in the homes of the public housing residents.



In 2005, the A.C.O.P. unit established two PAL (Police Athletic League) teams and a "homework helper" session. The homework helper program has been very rewarding for the 25 kids in the program as many friendships between the officers and kids have been created.



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In 2006 the A.C.O.P. unit partnered with the City of Saint Paul's Summer Youth Employment program, the Saint Paul Public Housing Agency, the Conflict Resolution Center, and several other organizations and provided a youth leadership course and employment opportunities for 20 public housing teens.



The participating teens attended mini courses highlighting a variety of topics such as how to interview for jobs, leadership, and problem-solving techniques. They also worked in a variety of jobs

that included office/clerical work, youth activities program supervision, and landscaping.

Our 2006 Youth Leadership & Employment program also assisted with the planning and production of the Saint Paul Public Housing Agency's citywide National Night Out that was held at the Dunedin Homes development.

The A.C.O.P. unit teamed up with PAL and developed a flag football league. This league was comprised of 120 kids between the ages of 12 and 16 who live in Saint Paul public housing.



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The Saint Paul Police Department Canine Unit was established in 1958 and is one of the oldest canine units in the country. The canine unit is housed at the Timothy J. Jones Training Facility, which consists of a kennel facility, offices, classroom, and a training field.

All of the canines are trained as basic patrol service dogs and are cross-trained for either narcotics or explosives detection. We have fourteen canines trained for narcotics detection and six canines trained for explosives detection.

The canine unit functions as a support unit for the operations and support services division. Canine units are on patrol 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Canine unit officers perform the same basic duties as the district patrol officers. In addition, canine officers respond to situations that can utilize the canines locating abilities, such as, building searches, tracking of suspects, evidence searches, narcotics searches, bomb sweeps, and physical apprehensions of fleeing suspects. In 2005, canine teams were involved in over 2,600 such incidents.

Each year the canine unit hosts a 12-week basic police canine school. Canine teams from the five-state area have been trained by the canine unit trainers. The class includes Saint Paul officers and officers from more than a dozen outside police agencies. During the fall of 2005, our head trainer, assisted the government of Brazil in the training of 12 canines for explosives detection. The canine unit also conducted a narcotics detection school in the fall of 2005 for numerous police agencies.



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Saint Paul canines and handlers are certified during regional United States Police Canine Association (U.S.P.C.A.) trials and in 2005 and 2006 received top honors from the region 18 trials. Canines are judged in obedience, agility, evidence search, and criminal apprehension abilities. Five Saint Paul canine teams also competed in the U.S.P.C.A. national trials held in Evansville, Indiana in 2005 and placed fourth in the national team competition.



The Saint Paul Police Canine Unit hosted the U.S.P.C.A. National Field Trials in 2006, September 24th through September 29th. One hundred and twenty-one canine teams from across the country competed for national certification. The Saint Paul Police Canine Unit won the third place trophy for the department team competition. The week was highlighted with a public demonstration at Midway Stadium that was attended by over 5,000 people.

The Saint Paul Police Canine Unit was featured in 2005 in a two-hour documentary on police canines which was aired nationwide on the Animal Planet Network. Japanese Public Television also aired a one-hour documentary featuring the Saint Paul Canine Unit. Locally, KARE-11 televised a special news segment featuring the spring basic canine school held by the Saint Paul Canine Unit.

The Saint Paul Police Canine Unit strives to uphold the department's commitment to community policing. Officers, in addition to patrol duties, are involved in providing canine demonstrations for schools, block clubs, civic and business organizations, and churches throughout the year. During the Minnesota State Fair, canine officers perform public demonstrations each evening in the canine building on the fair grounds. These demonstrations allow thousands of people to see and hear what the canine officers do on a day to day basis.

The Saint Paul Police Department Canine Unit is recognized nationally and internationally as one of the finest canine units anywhere.



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The mounted police unit has been in existence since 1995 and currently consists of both part and full-time riders. The part time riders are officers normally assigned to other duties, who supplement the unit for large events and special details. The unit is supervised by a sergeant from the Saint Paul Police Department City Wide Services Section.

The mounted police unit maintains six horses for patrol use and is a year-round patrol asset that performs daily patrols on horse-back throughout the city. Patrols are conducted in the downtown area, commercial districts, and residential neighborhoods throughout the city.

Officers in the unit respond to calls and focus attention on problem areas as requested by the city's patrol districts. In addition to the normal patrol duties, the officers work every major crowd event in the city. Because of their size and mobility the mounted police are able to move through and control large crowds with less effort than officers on foot.



The mounted unit works closely with other mounted units in the region often providing mutual aid and training support to units that operate seasonally. The officers participate in regional and international training to better serve the community. Officers also make educational presentations on request to various civic and school groups.

In addition to the law enforcement aspects of the mounted police unit, they are extremely popular with the public. The presence of the horses draws people to talk to the officer which provides many citizens their first contact with the police.



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Parking enforcement provides city-wide coverage enforcing both City of Saint Paul parking ordinances and state statutes. The parking enforcement officers work in all areas of the city and cover special events in addition to their daily patrol assignments to ensure compliance with existing parking regulations. They are responsive to complaints from the public, city council and civic groups. The non-sworn officers help facilitate the flow of traffic and improve neighborhood safety by removing abandoned or hazardous cars from the streets and alleys as well as issuing citations for violations, and assisting sworn officers as required.

The unit also works with the courts, violations bureau and public works to help ensure parking complaints are quickly addressed and that parking regulations are understood by the public.

The program serves as an entry level non-sworn position in the Saint Paul Police Department, giving promotional opportunities to the position of sworn police officer. Parking enforcement officers work a variety of shifts that allow them to complete their required education and skills training in order to be license eligible for a police officer position. As city employees, they are also eligible to participate in the city's tuition reimbursement program.

Parking officers are required to enter a law enforcement degree program, maintain satisfactory progress and grades in that program, and complete skills training within four years of appointment.



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The primary duties of the Saint Paul Police Department Traffic Enforcement Unit are to enforce the many state and local traffic laws and ordinances throughout the City of St. Paul. Some of the officers are specially trained to operate the department's Harley Davidson motorcycles in a secondary unit called the motor unit. The remaining officers patrol in unmarked traffic vehicles on a daily basis.



Traffic complaints continue to be the most frequent complaint received by the Saint Paul Police Department. In keeping with the philosophy of community oriented policing, the traffic enforcement unit officers respond to citizen complaints about specific problems anywhere within the city limits. These complaints are received directly by

the traffic enforcement unit or by the patrol districts as a result of their interaction with block clubs, neighborhood groups, district councils, etc. Traffic officers specialize in speed, commercial vehicle laws, and DWI enforcement. This small group of officers is also responsible for the majority of the thousands of traffic violations cited in Saint Paul.

In 2006 the traffic enforcement unit issued approximately 40,000 violations to drivers who disobeyed various laws. This unit was also responsible for many Driving Under the Influence (DUI) arrests and serious injury accident investigations.

In 2005, this unit was recognized by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for efforts in traffic endeavors such as "operation nightcap" and "operation safe & sober". Officers from this unit were recognized by MADD for their efforts in the Ramsey County DUI Court program. The program involved house visits to chronic DWI offenders who want to change their lives and remain sober. The police participation in this program has helped many DUI offenders remain sober which has improved their lives as well as the overall safety of the citizens of Saint Paul.



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The motor officers do daily traffic enforcement duties; however they specialize in patrolling on motorcycles in ways that are unique to motorcycles. They are designed to patrol in congested traffic areas that are difficult to patrol in squad cars. The officers also patrol Saint Paul's many walking/biking pathways on a regular basis. The motor officers also assist in many dignitary escorts, parades and large gatherings where their maneuverability is an advantage. Details performed by the unit include the Taste of Minnesota, Cinco de Mayo, Grand Old Day, Lightning Run for Diabetes, Twin City Marathon, Bikers in Need, Motorcycle Safety Day at the Minnesota State Fair, and various sporting events that required their special escort skills.

Six of the motor officers went to Washington D.C. in 2006 to escort survivors of officers killed in the line of duty during police memorial week. This included the family of Sgt. Gerald Vick whose name was placed on the Law Enforcement Memorial in 2006.

The Saint Paul Police Motor Unit continued to lead Minnesota in the training of officers from different agencies in the proper use of motorcycles in law enforcement. The quality of this training has been noted as the best available police motor officer training in the state.



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The Saint Paul Police Department Volunteer Services Unit reviews and approves event permits for the City of Saint Paul. The unit coordinates the police reserve, internship program, ride-along program, chaplain program, police band, police explorer program, and the police honor guard. The unit is also the chair for the city's monthly special event meeting.

Four hundred and two permits were processed in 2006. There were 314 Class B permits issued for small block parties, community festivals and special events having over 5,000 attendees. National Night Out was a major success with 116 permits issued. The unit also issued 80 permits for moving events or demonstrations such as parades, races and public assemblies. One hundred fifty-two patrol district ride-alongs were processed and twenty-two interns were scheduled and mentored.

In 2006, the police reserve program has 103 current members who assisted with 159 events. The reserves also conducted 228 patrols during the year including patrol of parks, city buildings, schools and problem properties throughout the city. Reserve officers volunteered approximately 13,000 hours. Their service significantly assisted the sworn officers especially at special events, and supported many events that may otherwise have not been able to occur.



The police band attended approximately 40 events and donated approximately 6,000 hours. The police honor guard participated in approximately 50 details.

Volunteer services continues to provide great opportunities for citizens to become involved and aid both the police department and the community in a variety of positions.



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The western district continued our outreach efforts with many community groups and district community councils. A strong emphasis was placed on improving the quality of life in the neighborhoods we serve in the district.

Western district investigators conducted "operation masterlock", which was focused on burglary/safe job investigations into two separate groups of people living/working in the western district. With the help of S.I.U. and linear analysis, these two groups were divided into one group for us and one group for the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office, who were assisting. Following leads, conducting surveillance, and using informants, west investigators made several arrests, recovered guns and other evidence, shut down the crews, and identified a prostitution ring, drug ring, and a gun-selling ring. Numerous criminal identities were learned and very valuable information was obtained, along with making great cases.

The western district continued to target underage college drinking parties with the assistance of the Zero Alcohol Provider (ZAP) Program. Working in a collaborative effort with neighborhood district councils and local college institutions, officers conducted sweeps and proactive patrol details during spring and fall semesters. Officers routinely visited locations of underage parties, issued citations, and arrested individuals for underage drinking violations.

During the months of September through November 2005, the western district initiated a Comprehensive Area Reclamation Enterprise detail called Operation C.A.R.E. . The mission statement for the C.A.R.E. detail stated: To improve the perception & reality of crime in the western district targeted zones by responding to organized neighborhood issues, individual citizen concerns and behavior affecting the quality of life for the people for whom we serve. The detail was focused in both the Thomas-Dale and Summit-University neighborhoods with the major objective of arresting the most serious criminals in the targeted zones. Objectives also included liquor law and other licensing compliance checks, multi-housing unit inspections, code enforcement sweeps for unkempt or unsafe residential properties, and fire prevention and fire code issue education and enforcement. A total of over 145 arrests were made as a result of the C.A.R.E. detail.

Other proactive details in the western district to improve our residents quality of life each year included the Minnesota Street Rod Program, Grand Old Day Parade Detail, Rondo Day Festivities, Taste of Frogtown Event, and Reclaim the Streets.

In June of 2005, western district officers, in coordination with the Compass Youth Art Program, worked in our parking lot to create a beautiful multi-cultural mural which now adorns the outer walls of our 615 West University location. This summer program paired young teen artists with our police officers in working hand-in-hand to create a mural which all community residents can be proud of.



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For the fifth straight year during the month of December, the western district sponsored our yearly Shop With a Cop program in collaboration with the Wilder Foundation, District 7 & District 8 Community Councils, Life Track Resources, and the God Squad. Western district officers took a few hours to shop with underprivileged children at the Midway Wal-Mart store. At the conclusion of the shopping event, all attendees gathered at the West Minnehaha Recreation Center to wrap gifts and enjoy pizza. The funds utilized for this ongoing program come from both private and non-profit donations. Over 45 children participated in the event.

The western district building committee has started planning a new headquarters. The site is located at Hamline and St. Anthony and the anticipated opening of the new district office, combining both the north and south offices, will be November 2007.

The western district realized an overall reduction in part I offenses and quality of life-related crimes. The reduction may correlate with the implementation of community policing tactics and ongoing positive relationships with the community as well as proactively introducing specific crime reduction strategies when issues arise. The western district continues to be a safe place for all to work, live and play.



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The Eastern District continued to build on strong relationships with Eastside residents, businesses and district councils. As a result, we have a safer community and we have developed a stronger police response to ongoing criminal and quality of life issues throughout the district.

One of our initiatives originated through the design and implementation of a Comprehensive Area Reclamation Enterprise (C.A.R.E.) detail. C.A.R.E. focused on bringing members of our community and various city departments including: police, code enforcement, fire, parks and recreation, city and county attorney's office together in a unified front to address crime patterns in the Dayton's Bluff and Railroad Island neighborhoods. The detail resulted in 2031 police contacts, 322 arrests, 20 arrests/non-booked, 118 criminal citations, 583 traffic citations, 263 field interview cards, and 142 knock and talks / proactive police visits.

We were also successful in developing a stronger relationship with our communities of faith through the police chaplain program and the God Squad. These relationships were invaluable to bringing a new understanding to social issues and also give us an opportunity for referral when a police response is not appropriate.

Our partnerships also extended to district councils, neighborhood block clubs, business owners, and communities of faith. Utilizing crime mapping information, officers were able to focus their time on targeting problem areas. These efforts were supplemented by officers working the Payne-Arcade, Railroad Island, and Dayton's Bluff beats.

Our district entered into a partnership with "Partners for Violence Prevention" and six other domestic abuse advocate agencies. This unique opportunity allowed us to survey our officers' needs with regards to domestic situations and potential barriers between the victim and police when the victim is a new immigrant or comes from a diverse ethnic background. On October 16th, 2006, this partnership dedicated a domestic assault prevention billboard above the eastern district headquarters. We are hopeful our findings will help us assess our current protocol for handling domestic violence and work more efficiently at reducing these offenses.

We also continued to target problem properties by utilizing a crime-free multi-housing officer. In 2005, 146 problem tenants were evicted from rental properties through the hard work of the officer and the cooperation of property owners and managers. There were two owner-occupied properties in the Eastern District that officers, code enforcement, fire inspectors, F.O.R.C.E., crime-free multi-housing officer and city attorneys/community prosecutors worked on as nuisance properties.



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Our newest neighbor, the Mexican Consulate, stepped up in addressing concerns from our fast growing Latino community. They attended meetings and provided services when requested. The Payne Avenue Business Association (P.A.B.A.) provided special funding that allowed our beat officers to do some proactive work along the avenues.

The Hmong-American Partnership (HAP) and the eastside officers participated in two of the community's problem solving projects: the first was the Hmong football league and the get to know your neighbors cookout at the HAP. Our goal was to launch youth-led initiatives and build a stronger community partnership with eastside neighborhoods. Both events were successful and brought a greater understanding of HAP's role on the eastside.

The second project was the YMCA and Saint Paul Police Department sponsored "Slamming for Safety". This basketball tournament drew over 300 participants. Our goal was to provide a social and entertainment outlet for youth and to raise safety awareness. We assisted in bringing over 20 social service agencies to the YMCA who provided information on services and outreach programs for youth and new immigrant communities.



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The central district was once again home to several events in 2005 and 2006. They included the Winter Carnival, Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Cinco de Mayo, Melaleuca Freedom Festival, Taste of Minnesota, Rondo Day Drum Competition, Rice Street Festival, Rib Fest, and the Hmong New Year festival. All events went well and brought thousands of people to Saint Paul.

Central district officers worked proactively on gang issues, graffiti crimes on the West Side, and at the same time respond to a 2.5 percent increase in total calls for service. In addition, central district officers were very involved with working with the homeless population downtown, working in partnership with providers of homeless services, the business community, and the people who live and work downtown. We continued to push forward the newly created police homeless outreach program (P.H.O.P.), striving to provide quality police service for everyone who lives and works in downtown Saint Paul. The Saint Paul Police Department, along with our partners, received the State of Minnesota award for 'Leadership in Ending Long-Term Homelessness'.

Central district officers worked in a concentrated effort on Rice Street consisting of a Comprehensive Area Reclamation Project (C.A.R.E.) detail and a program new to the department called G.R.I.D. This was an effort by officers to try and combat crime in grid 90 of the district. We partnered with the Ramsey County Sheriff's office in this endeavor.



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The Saint Paul Police Department Narcotics Unit processed more than 1100 arrests, conducted in excess of 50 search warrants, and made over 100 arrests stemming from office investigations. In addition, they recovered approximately 1,044 grams of cocaine HCL, 3,404 grams of cocaine base (crack), 392 ounces of marijuana and 406 marijuana plants, 3,693 grams of methamphetamine, 84 grams of MDMA (Ecstasy), 70 grams of Oxycodone, 13,717 grams of khat, and also confiscated 32 guns.

Several investigations during 2006 focused on structured organizations involved in national and international drug trafficking. Two investigations included "Operation Wild Kingdom" which focused on and ultimately dismantled the Saint Paul branch of the "All Mighty Latin King Nation," a ruthless street gang responsible for drug trafficking and violent crimes and "The Royal Family". These cases resulted in approximately 30 federal indictments in Wild Kingdom and 15 federal indictments. Both cases significantly impacted the drug supply in Saint Paul.

The Saint Paul Police Department Vice Unit conducted over 15 prostitution sweeps with 65 arrests. There were 328 liquor compliance checks conducted with 42 failures. Vice unit staff conducted over 70 pawn shop inspections and confiscated over 470 stolen items with a value well over \$200,000. The vice unit also worked on human trafficking issues and chaired the "Gerald D. Vick Human Trafficking Task Force." The task force contained members from state and federal law enforcement and prosecutorial offices. The task force investigated suspected human trafficking cases and coordinated services for victims to include immigration, housing and legal services.



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The Crimes Against Property (C.A.P.R.O.P.) Section consists of the following units: fraud and forgery unit, auto theft unit, arson unit, and the ordnance disposal unit. These units are responsible for investigating property crimes in the City of Saint Paul. Each unit has its own specialized mission. The year 2005 resulted in an increase in auto theft, ordnance disposal, and fraud and forgery cases. In 2005, Saint Paul saw a decrease in arson-related crimes.

The auto theft unit is responsible for investigating motor vehicle thefts, attempted thefts, stolen vehicle recoveries and "chop shop" investigations. The unit is also responsible for the arrest and charging of adult perpetrators. Auto thefts increased 22 percent from 2004 to 2005. The number of auto theft reports declined 9.5 percent in 2006. The unit's participation in the auto theft prevention program grant has helped to reduce auto thefts in Saint Paul.

The arson unit is staffed by a police sergeant who is assigned to work with the fire department investigators to determine the "cause and origin" of fires in Saint Paul. The unit worked closely with the homicide unit on fatal fires and worked side by side with the fire department to assist in crimes that are firerelated. Arson reports decreased 31 percent in 2005 and increased 29 percent in 2006.



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The fraud and forgery unit is responsible for investigating forgery, credit card fraud, embezzlement, counterfeit checks, money, and credit cards. The unit also investigates identity theft, theft by swindle, financial exploitation of vulnerable adults and many other forms of fraud. Fraud-related crimes increased steadily over the past several years due in large part to increased use of computers and the Internet. Fraud cases increased 17 percent in 2005 and fell slightly by 1.6 percent in 2006. In 2005, the fraud unit conducted an undercover sting operation related to construction fraud in the early summer of 2005. It was a huge success and we received a great deal of positive feedback both from the community and other law enforcement agencies. To help combat these crimes, the Saint Paul Police Department participated in the Minnesota Financial Crimes Task Force. The cases assigned to that investigator increased 161 percent in 2006. Our investigators also partnered with the US Postal Service, the Secret Service, Immigration Customs Enforcement, and other federal and state agencies to investigate and charge suspects in fraud cases.

The ordnance disposal unit (O.D.U.) handled all calls within the city for explosives, explosive devices, and incendiary devices. The O.D.U. also conducted training and responded to incidents throughout the state by assisting agencies that do not have the expertise or equipment to handle calls involving explosives or shock-sensitive chemicals.

The O.D.U. is equipped to handle multiple incidents involving chemical and biological threats and has been working very closely with the State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency



Management. As a result of various grants and State input, the O.D.U. has implemented a rapid response capability, which allows a single bomb technician to respond statewide to assist local agencies with incident management until a full response arrives. In 2005, bomb-related calls were up 12.5 percent. In 2006, cases assigned to O.D.U. for follow up decreased by 12 percent.



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The Saint Paul Police Department Family and Sexual Violence Unit (F.S.V.U) in 2005 and 2006 worked on reactive investigations and proactive approaches to help victims and families of physical, mental and sexual abuse. Our goal was excellence in investigations, empathy and compassion to the victims and their families, and a commitment to educating victims, families, and the public about the issues surrounding abuse in an effort to reduce future harm.

Family Violence: This portion of the F.S.V.U investigates cases involving domestic assaults, strangulations, as well as violations of orders for protection, terroristic threats, and interference with 911 calls.

Accomplishments by the unit for 2005 included:

- January and February - trained the emergency communication center and all sworn personnel in the new domestic abuse protocol.
- March - the domestic abuse protocol was implemented.
- July and August - patrol personnel in the three districts were trained in the new strangulation law which went into effect on August 1, 2005.

There were 19 percent more cases assigned in 2005 than in 2004.

Sex Crimes: This portion of the F.S.V.U investigated cases of sexual assault allegations wherein the suspect may be known or unknown to the victim. Sex Crimes also investigate cases of child abuse, which may be physical or sexual in nature.

There were several high profile cases for the unit in 2005 and 2006. They included a case in which two young Hmong girls were kidnapped and assaulted in a park in March. The girls were later released by their assailant. The suspect, was subsequently identified, charged and convicted.

Community Notification and Registration: This portion of the unit notifies the community when a level 2 or 3 sex offender is released in a particular area. They also works with the offenders and the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension in keeping the offenders' registration current. They prepared cases for prosecution for those offenders who violated the registration law. They also sat on an end of confinement review committee and assisted in determining the assigned level of the sex offenders about to be released.



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Accomplishments for the two officers working this assignment included holding 17 level 3 community notification meetings and sending out over 12,000 mailings advising citizens about level 2 sex offenders.

Officers implemented a provision enacted by the legislature requiring homeless sex offenders to check in on a weekly basis with the officers at the police department. In essence, having the police officers serve as their probation officers.

The officers, in conjunction with probation officers, made compliance checks of the level 3 sex offenders living in the city.

The F.S.V.U received national recognition this year from the U.S. Attorneys Office for a case involving the manufacturing of child pornography. The F.S.V.U also worked on several noteworthy cases which gained significant media exposure. The F.S.V.U was recommended for a unit citation for their dedication and hard work in 2006.



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The St. Paul Police Gang Unit was formed in May of 2005. Its mission is to provide high visibility, effective prevention, interdiction, investigation, and prosecution of gang activity. This includes investigation and enforcement Saint Paul neighborhoods and at major events. It also partners with outreach programs such as the Police Athletic League, Night Moves lemonade stands, and G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training).

In Saint Paul, the gang unit estimates there are approximately 3,000 gang members and these numbers relate to a rise in violent crime. Many homicides, assaults, and drive-by shootings each year are gang and/or drug related.

The basic strategy of the unit is two-fold. First, unit members are present at the places that gang members are known to frequent to deter and prevent criminal activity with prevention techniques and a visible presence. Second, gang unit members conduct interdictions of criminal gang activities. This includes high visibility patrol, arrests for criminal behavior, field interviews of possible gang members, and investigations of reported gang activity.

In 2005 and 2006, the gang unit worked with patrol districts on their special enforcement projects such as CARE. These projects provided training for officers and the community on gang resistance. We also provided gang activity prevention in the targeted areas. We walked foot beats with community members and also provided staff to assist in the saturation of problem areas. We assisted other units in the Saint Paul Police Department and other departments in combating gang activity. The gang unit assisted with over 700 investigations including the apprehension of suspects, tailing of suspects, and/or execution of search warrants on suspects homes. (Such as homicide, narcotics, and property crimes investigations.)



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The Saint Paul Police Impound Lot functions and is intended for the storage of vehicles which have been removed from Saint Paul streets and properties in order to preserve the public safety and welfare, and for purposes of investigation. The impound lot also provides assistance to the Saint Paul Public Works Department during the winter months by operating an impound lot for storing and handling snow emergency tows.

The impound lot received and stored approximately 13,000 vehicles in 2005. 64.9 percent of those were released to their rightful owner. In 2006, the impound lot received and stored 12,236 vehicles, of those 70.5 percent were released to their owner. The remaining vehicles were disposed of according to law.

The impound lot continued working with the business review council in 2005. The result was a strategic plan now being used to guide and focus the function and mission of the impound lot for the next several years. The impound lot also moved to address its secure storage responsibility by replacing its outdated security cameras in 2005 with a progressive and comprehensive digital security surveillance system. The system went on-line in March 2005 and has already been useful in reducing claims against the city. The impound lot is now auctioning some of the vehicles that revert to the custody of the city through an on-line auction site.

Along with other recycling initiatives in 2006, the impound lot executed a contract to provide certified mailing services. The certified letters mailed by the impound lot are now processed on-line and uploaded to the internet. Each mailing uses only one sheet of paper and costs \$.40 less thereby constituting a cost-savings for the city and a significant reduction in the amount of paper consumed and finding its way into the waste stream.

The Internet Crimes Against Children (I.C.A.C.) Task Force continues its work as part of a national program funded by the U.S. Department of Justice. The task force's role is to coordinate the investigations of the exploitation of children via the Internet. Crimes investigated include the solicitation of children for sexual purposes and the manufacture and/or distribution of child pornography. The task force includes the states of North Dakota and South Dakota, as well as 20 law enforcement agencies throughout Minnesota.

The task force participated in 400 new investigations in 2006. Task force members conducted numerous Internet safety presentations, reaching over 7500 people and 640 law enforcement personnel.



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The Saint Paul Police Department Youth Services Section is made up of the juvenile unit and the schools resources officers unit.

In August of 2005, the Police Athletic League program was established in the juvenile unit to promote positive relationships between police officers and inter-city youths through community-based educational and recreational opportunities.

The Saint Paul Police Cops & Kids program which has been organized through the juvenile unit for the past four years was a success in 2005 and 2006. Gifts, clothes, and gift certificates were purchased and given to ill and terminally ill children at Gillette and Children's Hospitals in Saint Paul.

In 2006, the juvenile unit continued its strong working relationship with Ramsey County Courts, the school district's action committee, the Minnesota Gang Strike Force, and other community agencies to help prevent crime in the City of Saint Paul.



The school resource officer unit works with the Saint Paul Public School District to provide a high level of safety for schools.



The unit provided a high level of safety for schools by conducting foot and squad patrol of the school grounds checking for individuals loitering or acting in an inappropriate manner. School resource officers actively intervened when they observed fighting, loud boisterous behavior that disrupted the school, as well as juveniles that caused damage to school property, promoted gang activity, or that committed other criminal acts. The unit established a partnership with the Saint Paul Police Department Gang Unit to gather valuable information on the youth gang activities within the schools.



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The monumental process of deploying Records Management System (RMS), PacketCluster, and PacketWriter software to all suburban police departments countywide was initiated through the Saint Paul Police Department's systems and records units. These programs are an electronic process of writing police reports and collecting and distributing data. Having these deployed countywide ensures timely and accurate data sharing between the participating agencies, including criminal history checks, crime investigations, etc.

2006 was a very successful and productive year for systems staff. Phase one of the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) upgrade was implemented. A great deal of cooperative work with vendor Motorola and emergency communication center staff resulted in this substantial upgrade to Saint Paul Police Department's CAD system. This brought upgraded CAD services to Saint Paul Police Department, Maplewood Police Department, White Bear Lake Police Department and the Ramsey County Sheriff's Department.

The RMS was upgraded to enable the accurate counting of officer tagging counts. PacketCluster was upgraded to enable National Crime Information Center 2000 compliance. The Saint Paul Police Department Systems Unit help-desk services have been improved. Two major firewalls were configured and installed in the computer room. Additional work and equipment has made the Saint Paul Police Department's network more robust and less susceptible to failure. The most current version of PacketCluster message switch between CAD and squad laptops is working well with the upgraded CAD. A media server was configured to handle storage and retrieval of audio recordings of officer and investigator interviews. This facilitated the Ramsey County Attorney's Office move to digital media for interview documentation. Fifteen new ruggedized laptops were purchased as replacements for squads. The Saint Paul Police Department participated in the Short-term Offender Program (STOP) with Ramsey County Community Corrections (RCCC). RCCC is now automatically provided with summary info on probation clients who have had contact with police. Systems staff arranged for the feed of data on registered sex offenders, Field interview data, and RMS data to the Research and Development Unit's CrimeGIS crime mapping program. A revised Teleserve reporting system was set up for the three patrol districts. The city attorney's office was provided with a revised and limited access to the Saint Paul Police Department RMS. Systems staff worked with libraries to test six libraries for accessibility by officers equipped with laptop computers. An automated and much needed Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) compliant crime stats reporting module in RMS was implemented for the Saint Paul Police Department.



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System staff's continued working with suburban Ramsey County police departments with their wireless access to the CAD message switch (PacketCluster), laptop-based police reporting services, connection to Criminal Justice Data Network (CJDN), Records Management System (RMS) services and help-desk services. Continued work by systems staff brought several improvements to their computer capabilities. Major portions of RMS were upgraded so that suburban departments now have access to their legacy data. A tape backup system was installed to give the Saint Paul Police Department and suburban agencies an improved backup to RMS data. Minnesota Offense Code (MOC) based crimes stats reporting were implemented for suburban departments as part of their RMS services.

The records unit has been working with the systems unit and a vendor to implement a scanner-based records storage process. This will allow for digitizing of paper documents received with current electronic reports. This will also provide a replacement for microfilming paper police reports from 2000 to 2003, when RMS was implemented. There is considerable work to be done to complete this implementation.

The records help-desk continues to field Saint Paul Police Department and suburban queries on services and problems encountered with PacketWriter, PacketCluster and RMS. Several records staff attended a Bureau of Criminal Apprehension-sponsored seminar on Uniform Crime Reports (UCR). Along with training provided by systems staff and the records help-desk officer helped prepare review officers for use of the UCR-based crime stats module in RMS.



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Part 1 Offenses

2003/2006 Part 1 Actual Offenses

* Totals reflect actual offenses, not reports written.

PART 1	YEAR END TOTAL				PERCENT CHANGE		
	2003	2004	2005	2006	'03/'04	'04/'05	'05/'06
Homicide	20	20	24	17	0.0%	20.0%	-29.2%
Rape	217	219	209	197	0.9%	-4.6%	-5.7%
Robbery	638	678	778	849	6.3%	14.7%	9.1%
Aggravated Assault	1,303	1,491	1,411	1,403	14.4%	-5.4%	-0.6%
Burglary	3,074	3,210	3,484	3,349	4.4%	8.5%	-3.9%
Commercial	570	---	---	---	---	---	---
Residential	2,504	---	---	---	---	---	---
Theft	8,376	7,882	7,761	6,616	-5.9%	-1.5%	-14.8%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2,090	1,944	2,448	2,138	-7.0%	25.9%	-12.7%
Arson	202	227	153	182	12.4%	-32.6%	19.0%
Crimes Against Persons **	1,540	1,730	1,644	1,617	12.3%	-5.0%	-1.6%
Crimes Against Property***	14,380	13,941	14,624	13,134	-3.1%	4.9%	-10.2%
Total Part 1	15,920	15,671	16,268	14,751	-1.6%	3.8%	-9.3%

2003/2006 Part 1 Reported Offenses

* Totals reflect reports written, not actual offenses.

PART 1	YEAR END TOTAL				PERCENT CHANGE		
	2003	2004	2005	2006	'03/'04	'04/'05	'05/'06
Homicide	20	21	25	17	5.0%	19.0%	-32.0%
Rape	224	225	226	202	0.4%	0.4%	-10.6%
Robbery	650	684	781	857	5.2%	14.2%	9.7%
Aggravated Assault	1,314	1,497	1,415	1,412	13.9%	-5.5%	-0.2%
Burglary	3,094	3,232	3,494	3,370	4.5%	8.1%	-3.5%
Commercial	574	664	871	734	15.7%	31.2%	-15.7%
Residential	2,520	2,568	2,623	2,636	1.9%	2.1%	0.5%
Theft	8,421	7,945	7,786	6,648	-5.7%	-2.0%	-14.6%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2,229	2,085	2,575	2,285	-6.5%	23.5%	-11.3%
Arson	202	227	153	183	12.4%	-32.6%	19.6%
Crimes Against Persons **	1,558	1,743	1,666	1,631	11.9%	-4.4%	-2.1%
Crimes Against Property***	14,596	14,173	14,789	13,343	-2.9%	4.3%	-9.8%
Total Part 1	16,154	15,916	16,455	14,974	-1.5%	3.4%	-9.0%

* Reported Homicide totals include justifiable; 0 in 2003, 1 in 2004, 1 in 2005, 0 in 2006

** Includes Homicide, Rape, Aggravated Assault.

*** Includes Robbery, Burglary, Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson.

Part I statistics obtained from Saint Paul Police Department Systems Unit.



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Adult Arrest Totals

2005 SPPD Arrest Totals					
*2005 juvenile arrest statistics are not included.					
Offense	Total	Gender		Age	
		Male	Female	18-29	30+
Homicide	18	14	4	14	4
Rape	50	48	2	28	22
Robbery	147	139	8	107	40
Agg Assault	622	493	129	352	270
Burglary	238	220	18	117	121
Theft	268	200	68	130	138
MV Theft	342	289	53	232	110
Arson	5	4	1	1	4
Total Part 1	1,690	1407	283	981	709
Vandalism	189	155	34	112	77
Weapons	295	277	18	209	86
Narcotics	1,281	1,104	177	719	562
DUI	568	450	118	251	317
Other Assaults	668	595	73	312	356
Forgery/Counterfeit	185	106	79	82	103
Fraud	502	344	158	302	200
Stolen Property	134	102	32	70	64
Prostitution	99	11	88	24	75
Other Sex Offense	134	131	3	44	90
Bookmaking	6	6	0	4	2
Numbers & Lottery	1	1	0	1	0
All Other Gambling	2	2	0	1	1
Against Family	324	299	25	123	201
Liquor Laws	51	44	7	31	20
Disorderly Conduct	197	170	27	103	94
Vagrancy	28	24	4	10	18
Curfew/Loitering	0	0	0	0	0
Runaway	0	0	0	0	0
*Other Except Traffic	4,689	3,791	898	2,361	2,328
Total	11,043	9,019	2,024	5,740	5,303

2005 Arrests by Gender:			
	Part I	Part II	Total
Male:	83.3%	81.4%	81.7%
Female:	16.7%	18.6%	18.3%

2005 Arrests by Age:			
	Part I	Part II	Total
18-29	58.0%	50.9%	52.0%
30+	42.0%	49.1%	48.0%

Data provided by the Saint Paul Police Department Systems Unit



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Adult Arrest Totals

2006 SPPD Arrest Totals					
*2006 juvenile arrest statistics are not included.					
Offense	Total	Gender		Age	
		Male	Female	18-29	30+
Homicide	13	12	1	8	5
Rape	32	32	0	14	18
Robbery	164	148	16	110	54
Agg Assault	649	539	110	385	264
Burglary	294	279	15	174	120
Theft	268	178	90	132	136
MV Theft	327	281	46	236	91
Arson	10	8	2	3	7
Total Part 1	1,757	1477	280	1,062	695
Vandalism	188	162	26	122	66
Weapons	345	329	16	262	83
Narcotics	1,381	1,169	212	816	565
DUI	586	475	111	262	324
Other Assaults	612	554	58	302	310
Forgery/Counterfeit	159	75	84	64	95
Fraud	465	321	144	270	195
Stolen Property	157	135	22	81	76
Prostitution	66	36	30	16	50
Other Sex Offense	178	171	7	43	135
Embezzlement	3	0	3	1	2
Gambling	1	1	0	0	1
Against Family	312	280	32	125	187
Liquor Laws	55	52	3	44	11
Disorderly Conduct	211	164	47	114	97
Vagrancy	56	46	10	22	34
Curfew/Loitering	27	24	3	17	10
Runaway	0	0	0	0	0
*Other Except Traffic	4,619	3,801	818	2,403	2,216
Total	11,151	9,248	1,903	6,009	5,142

2006 Arrests by Gender:			
	Part I	Part II	Total
Male:	84.1%	82.7%	82.9%
Female:	15.9%	17.3%	17.1%

2006 Arrests by Age:			
	Part I	Part II	Total
18-29	60.4%	52.7%	53.9%
30+	39.6%	47.3%	46.1%

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2005 PCIARC								
Classification	Disposition							Total
	Unfounded	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Policy Failure	Complaint Withdrawn	Awaiting Disposition	
Excessive Force	17	60	4	0	0	0	0	81
Discrimination	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work Place Conduct	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Improper Conduct	4	1	8	8	0	0	0	21
Improper Procedure	10	24	26	14	1	0	2	77
Poor Public Relations	10	1	39	4	0	0	0	54
Missed Court	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	46	87	77	28	1	0	2	241

2005 PCIARC		
Charges	Force	75
	Non-Force	130
Firearm Case Review	Firearms-Justified	10
	Firearms-Not Justified	1
Case Review	Meetings Held	8
	Cases Reviewed	50

2006 PCIARC		
Charges	Force	68
	Non-Force	106
Firearm Case Review	Firearms-Justified	6
	Firearms-Not Justified	0
Case Review	Meetings Held	9
	Cases Reviewed	60

2006 PCIARC								
Classification	Disposition							Total
	Unfounded	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Policy Failure	Complaint Withdrawn	Awaiting Disposition	
Excessive Force	6	38	24	0	0	0	1	69
Discrimination	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Work Place Conduct	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	7
Improper Conduct	0	0	5	36	0	1	6	48
Improper Procedure	10	31	10	10	0	3	3	67
Poor Public Relations	22	12	42	2	0	1	0	79
Missed Court	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	4
TOTAL	38	81	83	52	1	5	14	274

Data provided by the Saint Paul Police Department Office of Professional Standards

