## Erlanger Police Department

Monthly Report

**MAY 2019** 

## **Monthly Summary**

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## **Monthly Highlights**

- The first Corporal process in Erlanger Police
   Department history came to a close. Ofc. Nezi and
   Ofc. Day will be promoted to the rank of Corporal
   July 1, 2019.
- Officers Jeff Jansen and Clayton Dennison were sworn in on May 13th and left for the Academy on May 20th.
- Officer Kenneth Lovelace was sworn in on May 20th.
- Sgt. Rigsby graduated from APS on May 17th.
- EPD was well represented at the Police Memorial Event on May 15th.
- Officer Charles Laudermilk was sworn in on May 28th
- EPD held a Cop on the Rooftop event on May 31st to raise money for special olympics



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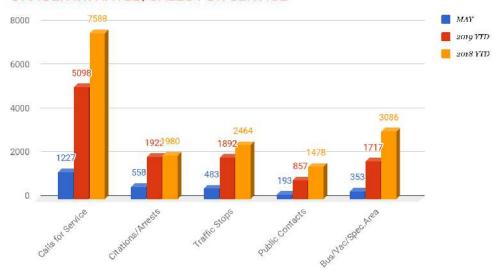
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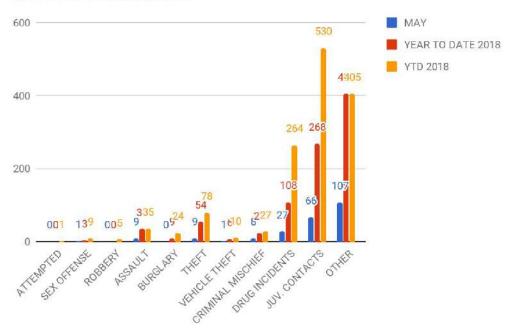
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# **Monthly Calls for Service**

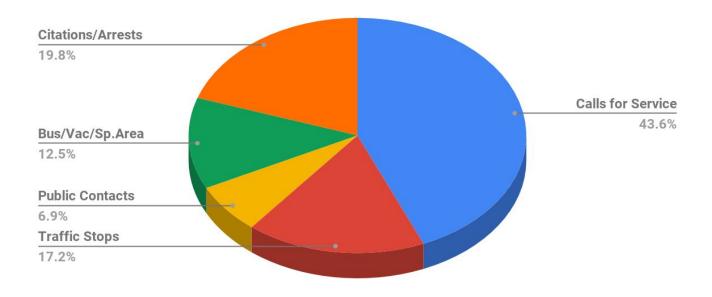
#### OFFICER INITIATED/CALLS FOR SERVICE



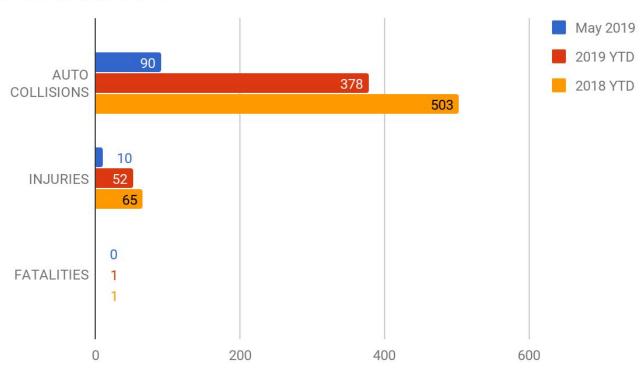
### REPORTED OFFENSES



## **Self Initiated Calls May 2019**



## **AUTO ACCIDENTS**



## **Monthly Highlights**

## **Criminal Investigative Division**

#### Narrative: .

This month the CID wrapped up a multi agency investigation and soon will be moving into the next phase of the investigation. Detectives continue to investigate the "Swatting" incident on Rosary Drive and have consulted with several different agencies reference the incident. The CID and Police Social Service Coordinator Rebbeca Strouse handled 39 cabinet reports this month. The ECAT team continue to assist the NKDSF with operations in and around Erlanger recording 6 arrests and 10 assists to other agencies. The ECAT team is also assisting with theft and other CID cases this month.



## Community Resource Officer

Howell Elem. had a celebration for Police and Fire Dept. members

EPD went to the grand opening of Perfetti VanMelle



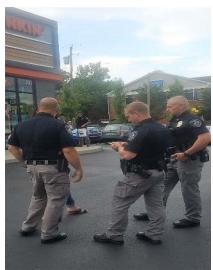




"Coneys with a Cop" was held at Skyline Chili on May 20th.



### COP ON A ROOFTOP - DUNKIN DONUTS MAY 31ST - TO BENEFIT SPECIAL OLYMPICS







We had a very busy month. Events included the Hero's Weeks at Howell Elementary, Little Links Learning, Kenton County Alliance and Optimist Club. The second week of May was also Police Memorial Week. We attended the NKY Police Memorial services along with the laying of a wreath for fallen KSP Trooper Robert Miller at Forest Lawn. The Memorial Day Parade was attended by a large group of our Department.

Our community events included our first ever Coneys with a COP at Skyline. There was a great turnout for this event.

We also had our annual COP on a Rooftop event for KY Special Olympics at the new Dunkin Donuts on Dixie Highway. The public supported this very well and we collected over \$1,300.00 for Special Olympics!

Our next community event will be on June 6th at Lloyd for the annual Touch a Truck which includes all of the City Departments. It will be held in the Lloyd Lot from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. We will have another event to meet our Police Officers on June 15th, at Flagship Park. The event is called "Police & Pilates" and will be from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM. Please come out and join us. It free to the public.

## **Training**

Officer Involved Domestic Violence was our May topic as recommended as a high risk, critical task. Our officers reviewed department policy on Domestic Violence, current KRS and protective order requirements.

May 2019 included several training certifications for our officers. Most notably, Sgt. Rigsby graduated from the Academy of Police Supervision. Det. Loos and Ofc. Koenes certified in an advanced course in the use of force at the with the Force Science Institute. Ofc. Eagler became certified to teach strategies and tactics of patrol stops at the Kentucky State Police Academy. Ofc. Sanchez and Ofc. Dettmer certified in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement. Detectives Lyle and Auton attended a regional Outlaw Motorcycle Gang Seminar in Columbus, Ohio. Crisis Intervention training was completed by Ofc.Clem and Ofc. Ellison.

Sgt. Rice and Ofc. Eagler attended the quarterly highway safety grant meeting / training at the Florence City Building to discuss below 100, seatbelt, and traffic enforcement initiatives.

Initial set ups for training requirements were held with 4 new officers this month. Active Shooter Training preparations and planning with Erlanger Elsmere Schools, Fire Departments and Police are ongoing. Kenton Dispatch will also be attending.

Planning is ongoing for the June 10-11 firearms training at the Airport Range. Firearms instructors also met with sales reps from Bud's Guns in Lexington regarding recent purchase orders and firearms equipment upgrades, bids and sales information. Delivery was taken on 2 new duty pistols and 4 new duty rifles.

Final preparations are being made for the evidence tracking software upgrade set to be converted June 3, 2019.

Arrangements were made to replace a worn treadmill in the city's fitness room in June.

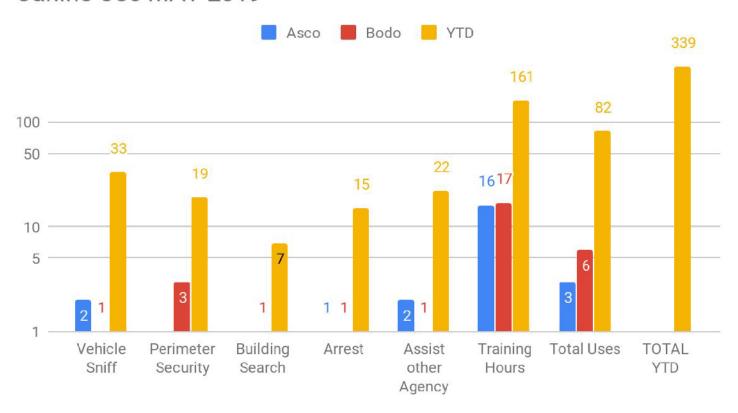


Sgt. Rigsby graduated from APS on May 17th

### **Canine Unit**

Narrative: Both K9 teams trained for a total of 16 hours during regular training days. The teams received a new Demonet competition style bite suit to by utilized during training days. Officer Clark and K9 Bodo received a letter from Florence PD for their efforts in locating and apprehending an escaped prisoner on May 11th.

## Canine Use MAY 2019



#### **Notable Uses:**

May 11, 2019--On May 11, 2019 at approximately 1702 hours, Officer Clark and canine partner Bodo were requested by the Florence Police Department and the Boone County Sheriff's Department to track a fleeing prisoner. The suspect escaped out of the back seat of a Florence Police cruiser after making police believe he was having a medical emergency. The suspect fled into a heavily wooded area where the initial pursuing officer lost visual of the suspect. Boone County Sheriff Department's K9 team Deputy Hehman and canine partner Mike responded to track the suspect. After approximately 30 minutes of tracking, Deputy Hehman requested a second canine respond due to he and his partner tiring. Officer Clark and Bodo arrived approximately 45 minutes into the manhunt for the suspect. Officer Clark gathered information from officers on scene, and started a track for the suspect from a drainage tunnel where wet footprints were observed. Bodo tracked the suspect through the woods leading to an abandoned house on Limaburg Road. Officer Clark gave announcements for the suspect's surrender at an open rear door to the residence. The suspect almost immediately announced his surrender. Officer Clark and Bodo gave several more commands for the suspect to show himself. The suspect surrendered and laid on the floor to be taken into custody. Bodo maintained control over the suspect by barking, while the suspect was taken into custody. The suspect was

in custody for a full extradition warrant out of Texas. Additionally, the suspect was charged with Escape, Fleeing or Evading Police, and Burglary. Through the investigation, it was learned that the suspect was using the drainage tunnels underneath KY 18, and Limaburg Road to run back and forth between to escape pursuing police. Both the Florence Police Department and the Boone County Sheriff Department were very grateful of the work provided by K9 Bodo. (19-9130)

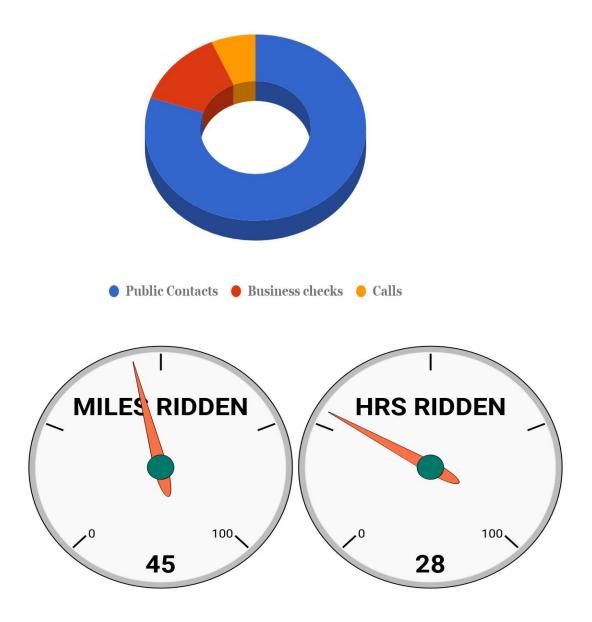
May 13, 2019--On May 13, 2019 at approximately 2345 hours Police Units were called to the area of 442 Forest Ave for a suspicious pick up truck that has been running for approximately 20 minutes. On scene, a white male and white female were observed in the vehicle. The male subject fled the scene as Sgt. Girdler was turning around to get in position on the vehicle. Officers attempted to locate the male, but he was not located in the area. The female, Mackenzie Bennett, was located hiding in the rear passenger area of the vehicle. She appeared extremely nervous and fidgety. When she exited the vehicle she left the rear passenger side door open.

K9 Asco was deployed for a vehicle sniff. The K9 was started at the rear passenger side of the vehicle, and walked counter-clockwise around the vehicle. On the first pass the K9 gave a head hook and body axis change at the open door, but did not enter the vehicle. His sniffing was observed to be accelerated as though he had located a trained odor. K9 continued to walk around the vehicle, and on the second pass he immediately jumped inside the vehicle through the open rear door. This behavior indicated that he was following the previous odor to locate the source. Because of his behavior, it was obvious that the K9 was following a trained narcotic odor. Due to the dangers of an accidental ingestion of a narcotic by the K9 he was not allowed to find the source of the odor. He was immediately removed from the vehicle.

A search of the vehicle located a black box which contained several syringes, and a plastic bag containing several other items of narcotic paraphernalia with residue. That box was inside a purse which contained several empty pill bottles with Bennett's name on them. A further search of the purse located another syringe, and a folded dollar bill which contained suspected heroin. A plastic bag was also located in the purse which contained suspected crystal methamphetamine. Bennett was also found to have two outstanding warrants for her arrest. She was arrested and charged with two counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance 1st Degree—Heroin and Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, and the two outstanding warrants (Boone and Kenton Counties). She was lodged at the Kenton County Detention Center. (19-9281)

## **Activity**

## **Public Contacts/Business Checks/Calls**



Narrative: Bike units were very active this month. They had a strong presence at the annual Lion's Festival and intervened with physical disputes at the event. They completed dozens of after hour business checks and conducted numerous traffic stops. Bike patrol was also highly visible during the Memorial Day parade, the Cop on a Rooftop fundraiser and the Coney with a Cop event.

#### **Police Explorers**

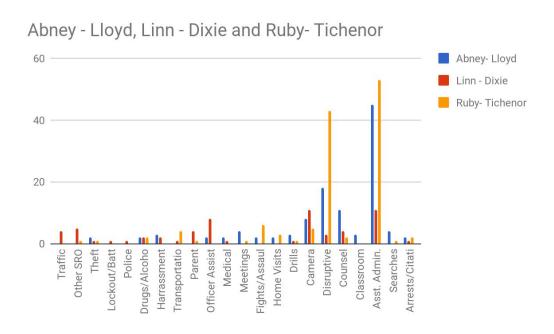


The Explorers had another excellent showing this month at our annual competition. Despite the fact that only 3 current members have any experience at competition they placed in multiple events again this year.

Domestic Disturbance - 5th Place Traffic Collision - 5th Place Crime Scene - 3rd Place Arrest, Search & Seizure - 1st Place

They also had some success with individuals, Thomas Daugherty scored 2nd place in the men's agility course and Aleatha Brown scored 1st Place in the women's agility course. It's been another great year. Thanks to everyone for your support.

#### **School Resource Officers**



#### **Lloyd** - SRO Scott Abney

Narrative: Relatively quiet month considering it's the last month of school. More disruptive students than normal and a couple smells of marijuana were the extent of the activity.

#### **Dixie** - SRO Gary Linn

Narrative: One student charged with harassment. Theft of money and money was recovered no charges.

Two possession drug cases both handled with school discipline.

The good news:The Odyssey of the Mind Team just placed 8th at the 2019 Odyssey of the Mind World Finals. We completed against fellow state and national champions. Out of the hundreds of the teams that start the season, we are officially in the top 8. Please congratulate Colton Bachinski, Matthew Kane, Ian Storrs, Amy Hendrix and Carly McGee.

#### <u>Tichenor</u> - SRO Roger Ruby

Narrative: More disruptive students this month than normal and more fights/assaults. There were 2 seperate assaults that involved female students. Charges were filed in both cases and the suspects were not permitted back in the building for the remainder of the school year. There was a bicycle stolen from TMS bike rack by a student and a theft report was completed but the victim's parent did not want to file theft charges.

#### Lindeman, Miles, - SRO Joel Shepherd

Narrative: In May I finished the year with chess tournaments at Lindeman and Miles with the winners of both schools playing each other for the championship. I also worked on several radios, performed 7 home visits, and mentored 3 students. Ofc Nottingham and I presented a STAND update to the Kenton County Alliance and shared with them the effectiveness of the program. I also talked with a representative of the Kenton County Schools being interested in implementing the STAND program in their district. Lastly, Ofc Nottingham and I will be working on the STAND tests, parent video presentation, and inventory to finish out the month of May.