

# Erlanger Police Department

Monthly Report

January 2021

## Monthly Summary



A recruitment poster for Erlanger Police Department. The poster features a police officer standing next to a black dog. The text on the poster includes: "Erlanger Police Department", "NOW Hiring Lateral POLICE OFFICER", "Are the opportunities and benefits not meeting your expectations? Would you like to work for an agency that values you and your family?", "Lateral Police Officer Salary Dependent on Years of Service and Certifications", "Whole Family Insurance Plan", "12-Hour Workday With Every Other Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Off", "Paid Sick and Disability Leave", "11 Paid Holidays", "Maternity and Paternity Leave", "College Tuition Reimbursement", "Take Home Vehicle", "Lonecity Pay", "Lateral Candidate must possess a valid P.O.P.S. certification or out of state equivalent recognized by The Kentucky Law Enforcement Council (KLEC)", "Application and Resumé Deadline is February 12th:", "505 Commonwealth Ave. Erlanger, KY 41018 or charlie.loudermilk@erlangersp.com (859) 777-7599", and "www.erlangerkv.gov".

## MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Kim Klare was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and Kyle Thornberry was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Both promotions went into effect January 1.
- Erlanger PD hosted FATS(Firearms Training Simulator) this month. We trained most departments in Northern Kentucky on current trends in Law Enforcement. This month CRO Loudermilk opened up training to the public and City Council. We also were able to get several members from the media to attend the training. We felt it was important to try and get the public not only to see situations officers are faced with, but show how quickly officers have to make a decision, sometimes life or death.
- Patrol dealt with the first real snow event this winter, working countless traffic collisions in and around the city, to include I-75 and I-275. These type events are draining on man power. Patrol handled these events flawlessly.
- All non essential employees have returned to their offices and we have nobody working from home at this point.
- Call volume has slowed somewhat after the Holidays which has allowed us to catch up some administrative tasks to include reevaluating some policy and procedures that need updated.
- Command Staff began preparing the budget for fiscal year 2021/2022.
- The department is currently accepting applications for a lateral officer to replace a vacant position left by Officer Sanchez.
- Sergeant Thornberry is still in attendance at the National Forensics Academy in Knoxville Tennessee. This is a 13 week nationally recognized forensics program that will help Erlanger Investigators to continue to handle all crime scenes independently with no outside assistance from other agencies.

# Monthly Calls for Service

	January
<b>Incident Type</b>	
<b>Citation</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Arrest</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Abandoned Vehicle-OTP</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Accident-Hit Skip</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Accident-No Injuries</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Accident-w/Injuries</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Alarm</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Animal-Complaint</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Assault</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Assault-w/injuries</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Assist-Fire</b>	<b>137</b>
<b>Assist-Other Agency</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Assist-Police</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ATL</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Child Abuse</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Child Found</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Criminal Mischief</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Custodial Interference</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Damage to Property</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Dispute-Active</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Dispute-Inactive</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Domestic Trouble</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Drug Activity</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Drunk Driver/DUI</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Emotional Crisis</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Fight</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Fireworks Complaint</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Foot Patrol</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Fraud</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Gun-Subject w/</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Harassment/Stalking</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Indecent Exposure</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Intoxicated Person</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Kidnapping/False Imprisonment</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Lockout Veh/Res</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Loud Music/Noise Complaint</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Loud/Disorderly Subjects</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Missing Person/Runaway</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Motorist Assist</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Open Door/Window</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Overdose/Medication</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>Panhandling</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Parking Complaint</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Property-Lost/Found/Assist</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Prowler</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Public Contact/Complaint</b>	<b>94</b>
<b>Pursuit</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Rape/Sexual Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Repo/PP Tow</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Shooting/Gunshot Wound</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Shoplifting</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Shots Fired</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Special Area Check</b>	<b>131</b>
<b>Speeding/Reckless Vehicle</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>SRO/Detail/Home Visit</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Stabbing</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Suspicious Activity</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Suspicious Person/Vehicle</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>Theft</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Theft-From a Motor Vehicle</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Theft-Motor Vehicle</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Traffic Complaint/ Investigation</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Traffic Stop</b>	<b>471</b>
<b>Trespass</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Trouble</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>Trouble-Employee/Customer</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Trouble-Juvenile</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Trouble-Landlord/Tenant</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Trouble-Neighbors</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Trouble-Refusing to Leave</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>TX</b>	<b>138</b>
<b>Vacation/Business Check</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>Vehicle Fire</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Warrant-Arrest</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Warrant-Search</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Weapon-Subject w/</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Well Being Check</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Wires Down</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1847</b>

## Year-To-Year Summary

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
<b>Incident Type</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>#</b>
<b>Assault</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Assault w/injuries</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Domestic Trouble</b>			<b>604</b>	<b>633</b>
<b>Drug Activity</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Emotional Crisis</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>265</b>
<b>Gun-Subject w/</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>

Kidnapping/False Imprisonment	1	0	0	1
Missing Person	81	77	79	58
Rape/Sexual Assault	3	6	7	13
Robbery	12	8	11	5
Shooting/Gunshot Wound	23	3	4	5
Shots Fired	26	16	26	63
Stabbing	4	3	1	5
Theft	409	290	214	163
Theft From A Motor Vehicle	95	75	79	73
Theft of Motor Vehicle			57	50
Weapon- Subject w/	2	11	26	34
Total Calls of Service	24341	24189	26081	27509

## Traffic Unit

The traffic unit continues to address the increased amount of semi trucks that are attempting to travel through the Cherry Tree subdivision. The traffic unit has issued multiple state citations for various traffic violations involving semi trucks inside neighborhoods. The traffic unit continues to show enforcement in areas not only that the police department determines to be needed but listening to the citizens in regards to where they would like to see more enforcement such as on Sunset Avenue. The traffic unit values the citizens input and encourages all citizens to call with any traffic related issues they might see. They have been trained on the installation and set up of the speed signs so they can be maintained and functioning full time. Due to Covid, in-service class, and paternity leave, the amount of active time for the traffic unit this month has been very limited.

*\*\*The traffic unit was struck hard by COVID this month and therefore did not work their normally scheduled hours.*

Koenes		
Speeding		20

Seat Belt		
Child Safety Seat		
Cell Phone		
DUI		
PCS		
Marijuana		
Paraphernalia		
Other Traffic Charges		20
Arrests		1
Traffic Complaints		1
Parking Complaints		1
Collision Reports		
Offense Reports		
Total		43

Handlon		
Speeding		4
Seat Belt		
Child Safety Seat		
Cell Phone		
DUI		
PCS		
Marijuana		
Paraphernalia		
Other Traffic Charges		8
Arrests		

Traffic Complaints		3
Parking Complaints		
Collision Reports		7
Offense Reports		
Total		22

## Canine Unit

**Narrative:** During the month of January the Erlanger Canine Unit had a combined 12 uses for detection and patrol work. The Canine Team Hartke/Keno completed their 16 hours of training. The Canine Team Clark/Bodo completed 16 hours of training. The canine teams assisted the Independence Police Department, and the Edgewood Police Department during the month of January. K9 Bodo is still hindered by a back injury but has improved greatly and is advancing towards his training and usage being normal again.

<u>Clark/Bodo</u>	
Vehicle Sniff	6
Perimeter Security	0
Suspect Track	1
Arrest	4
Assist other Agency	3
Training Hours	16
Total Uses	7

<u>Hartke/Keno</u>	
Vehicle Sniff	5
Perimeter Security	0
Apprehension	
Arrest	3
Assist other Agency	2
Training Hours	16
Total Uses	5

### Notable Uses

**Comments:** On January 2, 2021 at approximately 2325 hours Edgewood Officers were out with a suspicious vehicle on the lot of the old K-Mart building. Edgewood officers requested a K9 for a vehicle sniff. Officer Hartke arrived on scene and deployed K9 Keno; being a nationally certified canine team through NAPWDA and OPOTA to detect odors as marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, heroin, and their derivatives for a vehicle sniff. During the initial pass around the vehicle K9 Keno showed changes of behavior by changes of breathing patterns, change of search pattern and gait at the drivers side open door, a bag on the ground that the driver dropped after he got out of the vehicle, and the passenger side door. During the detail pass around the vehicle K9 Keno showed



changes of breathing, gait and change of search pattern at the drivers side open door and then taking big breaths on the driver's seat. Search of the vehicle yielded a black wallet on the driver's seat that contained a small clear baggie containing methamphetamine and on the passenger seat two clear bulb pipes with a burnt residue.

**Comments:** On January 11, 2021 at approximately 1414 hours Officer Clem initiated a traffic stop on interstate 75 south mile marker 183.3. Officer Clem requested a K9 for a vehicle sniff. Officer Hartke arrived on scene and deployed K9 Keno; being a nationally certified canine team through NAPWDA and OPOTA to detect odors as marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, heroin, and their derivatives for a vehicle sniff. During the initial pass around the vehicle K9 Keno showed changes of behavior by changes of breathing patterns, change of search pattern and gait at the drivers side open door and at the passenger side front door. During the detail pass around the vehicle K9 Keno showed changes of breathing, gait and change of search pattern at the drivers side open door and then taking big breaths on the driver's seat and the passenger side front door. Search of the vehicle yielded a clear plastic baggie with a blue folded paper containing a white powder suspected to be heroin in-between the passenger front seat and center console. In the glove box a loaded syringe with a clear substance. Numerous syringes located throughout the vehicle. A white powder substance on the floor board that matched the powder in the folded paper. A mason jar of THC butter and a rubber tie off located on the passenger.

**Comments:** On Sunday January 10, 2021 at 1447 hours, Sergeant Clark responded to Turfway Road at Olympic Blvd for a traffic collision with injuries. One of the involved parties was injured resulting in her transport to the hospital. The subject's young child (approx. 10yoa) was left to wait for his father to pick him up. The child was shaken up and scared from the collision, and became more upset watching his mother being transported in an ambulance. Sergeant Clark went and deployed Bodo for a public contact to keep the child calm. The child pet Bodo, asked questions about Bodo, and spoke with Sergeant Clark about his dogs. Bodo helped calm the child until his father arrived reducing the stress of the traumatic event. After the child was picked up by his father, Bodo was put up and the scene was cleared.

**Comments:** On Thursday January 14, 2021 at 2135 hours, the canine team Clark/Bodo were requested by the Edgewood Police Department to assist with a vehicle sniff. The canine team arrived moments later and began their investigation whilst initiating officers were working on their paperwork and checks. Sergeant Clark made contact with the lone vehicle occupant and advised him of the vehicle sniff, had him step out of the vehicle, and pat him down for weapons.

Canine Bodo was then deployed for a vehicle sniff. The canine team Clark/Bodo are a nationally certified dual purpose canine team through the North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA). More specifically, canine Bodo is trained to detect and alert to the odors of marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, heroin, and any of their derivatives. Starting the sniff, Bodo pulled very hard towards the rear of the vehicle where the suspect was standing. Clark pulled him away from the suspect and began sniffing the vehicle again. Bodo showed changes in behavior (search area, posture, targeted area of focus) at the passenger side door and window on multiple passes around

the vehicle. At each pass of the vehicle, Bodo continued to pull back to the suspect. The changes in behavior exhibited by canine Bodo provided police with probable cause to search the vehicle, and suspect.

A search of the vehicle yielded multiple glass smoking pipes with visible residue, and a large torch style lighter. The suspect was found to be in possession of a glass vile which contained a crystalline rock substance identified as methamphetamine.

## **Criminal Investigative Division**

This month in working with Applied Digital Solutions, Irecord, we were able to get the new interview room camera system into service. This gives officers a much better platform to record interviews and share them with the appropriate agencies. The Public Works and IT Departments were also instrumental in the completion of this project. The city-wide camera system project has finished the bid process and soon should have a vendor picked to install cameras.



This month the CID investigated a sexual assault that resulted in an arrest. Detectives are also investigating another sexual assault and a string of business burglaries. Warrants have been obtained for the business burglary suspects and for a theft of water that occurred.

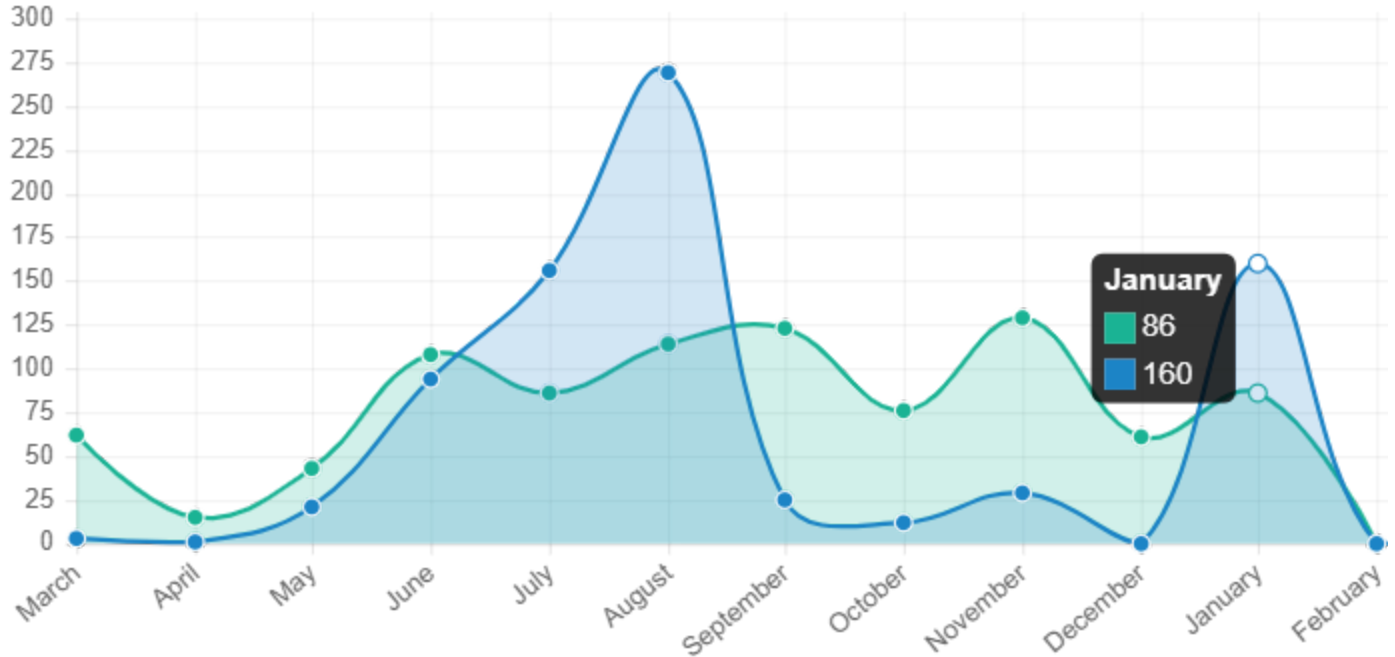
## Community Resource Officer

Members of the Erlanger Police Department that are active members of the Erlanger/Elsmere FOP Lodge 55 participated in a different style of Cops and Kids for Christmas gifts this year. Erlanger Police Department led the Fire Truck that had Santa inside throughout the city. Programs and outreaches have been limited still due to COVID-19.

## Training / Evidence Management

### Evidence January 2021

As shown in the below graphical representation 160 items of evidence have been destroyed pursuant to court orders. Eighty six items were taken into evidence with nearly 40 of those items taken to the Kentucky State Police Laboratories for further examination. **TOTAL ITEM COUNT 10,699**



The City of Erlanger is hosting the annual Kentucky League of Cities Firearms Simulator Training (FATS) thru February 11, 2021. The equipment and curriculum is designed to put officers through a series of response to resistance scenarios. These “virtual,” calls for service include, but are not limited to emotionally disturbed persons, “suicide by cop,” COVID-19 positive personal protection and the “duty to intervene.”

ERPD will train Erlanger, Elsmere, Edgewood, Kenton County, Lakeside Park, Ft. Mitchell, Ft. Wright, Wilder, Bellevue, Villa Hills, Warsaw, and Independence Kentucky Police. Kenton Dispatch will also participate this year. Officers, Ohara, Nezi, Lyle and Loudermilk all instruct trainees. Several non sworn citizens will also experience the training including city, schools and private citizens interested in the program. ERPD is on track to train over 180 regional officers with the simulator.

The police department is in the process of an annual review of the response to resistance policy. All officers will review changes, in conjunction with the response to resistance training and testing.

Policy, Training and administrative procedures related to Power DMS have been coordinated with Ed Bailey in human resources. Mr. Bailey will be taking a more active role in administering city wide training, and document management administration in PDMS.

Planning continues for the 2021 Police Training and In-Service schedule. All sworn officers are required to attend a minimum of 40 hours of Kentucky Law Enforcement approved training during the calendar year. In addition to the DOCJT approved training, various other courses and seminars are being scheduled for our officers.

If readers would like any further information regarding ERPD Training / Evidence please contact T.O. Eagler at 859.393.5378.

**Bike Patrol**

No bike activity due to staffing limitations and weather

**Police Cadets**

Plans are being made to restart Cadet training

**School Resource Officers**

**Lloyd** - SRO Scott Abney

Narrative - Wasn't able to return to school until the 19th. Only 40 students were in the building each day. Besides the occasional assist for a troubled student, all of which were not attending school, there was no law enforcement activity.

Arrests/Citations		Meetings	
Asst. School Searches		Medical Assists	
Asst. School Admin.	23	Officer Assist	
Classroom Activity		Other S.R.O. Duties	
Counsel Students	6	Parent Consultations	
Dispatched Calls		Attended After School Events	
Disruptive Students		Traffic Details/Parking	
Camera Review	2	Transportations	
Drills	5	Lockouts & Battery Starts	
Home Visits	5	Harassment Investigations	
Fights/Assault/ Abuse of Teacher		Drugs /Alcohol Investigations	
Theft Investigations		Cases Referred to C.F.C.	
Other Investigations		COURT	

Days of School: 9

**Tichenor** - SRO Roger Ruby

Narrative: School didn't start back till January 19 and only half of the 6th grade was allowed in building per day.

Arrests/Citations		Meetings	
Asst. School Searches		Medical Assists	
Asst. School Admin.	15	Officer Assist	
Classroom Activity		Other S.R.O. Duties	4
Counsel Students		Parent Consultations	1
Dispatched Calls		Attended After School Events	
Disruptive Students	2	Traffic Details/Parking	
Camera Review		Transportations	
Drills	2	Lockouts & Battery Starts	
Home Visits	6	Harassment Investigations	
Fights/Assault/ Abuse of Teacher		Drugs /Alcohol Investigations	
Theft Investigations		Cases Referred to C.F.C.	
Other Investigations		COURT	

**Lindeman, Miles,** - SRO Joel Shepherd

**JANUARY 2021**

**radios=1**

**home visits= 6**

Returned to doing the crosswalk at Commonwealth and Baker.

Completed the STAND videos.

Worked with FRC coordinator and Family in Transition Coordinator to get food and gas to families in need.

Checked the 911 system at Miles and Lindeman and found it was defective. Info sent to Asst Super.

Delivered food to 5 families.

Delivered gas cards to a family.

Solved key issue for Arnett Elementary.

Completed camera video lof for Asst Superintendent Engel.

Set-up Google Classrooms for the Lindeman and Miles STAND programs.

Assisted Ofc Nunn in setting up STAND for Howell and Arnett.

Assisted with traffic at Lindeman dismissal when 4 bucket trucks had road blocked.

Assisted with traffic again at Lindeman when bucket trucks blocked the driveway again at dismissal.

Participated in FATS training.

Reviewed safety and drill policies with 2 new employees at Miles.