

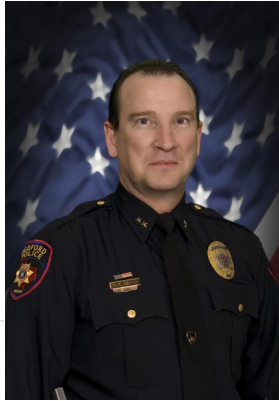


*Celebrating*  
**50**  
*Years*

**2014**

Bedford Police Department Annual Report

# Message from Police Chief Roger Gibson



It's with great pleasure that I present our 2014 Annual Report. The Annual Report provides an overview of our crime and traffic stats, along with a brief summary of all the Divisions that report under the Police Department.

2014 marked our 50th year of providing police services. It was a year that set the foundation for some exciting new programs and services that will become available in 2015. The following is an overview of a few of these programs and services:

**Repeat Victimization Unit:** The Department received a competitive grant to collaborate with the Hurst Police Department to open a storefront operation for the Repeat Victimization Unit. Additionally, Hurst Police Department secured a grant to hire a Mental Health Coordinator that will serve the cities of Hurst, Euless and Bedford. The storefront will be located along the border of both Hurst and Bedford to serve those seeking assistance regarding domestic violence and mental health related issues.

**Bedford 1 Community:** In November 2014, the Department filled the new position of Crime Free Multi-Housing Technician in order to begin a Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. Since that time, numerous hours have been devoted to the planning and development of the program. The program, called Bedford 1 Community, is set to launch in early to mid 2015.

**Surveillance Camera Program:** Implementation began on a grant funded city-wide video camera system. The program will enhance our volunteer program (V.I.P.S.). The cameras will be operational in January 2015.

Other highlights included adopting a Distracted Driving Ordinance, the continuous decline in property crimes (lowest number since 1995), and a very positive Citizen Satisfaction Survey (overall satisfaction rating of "Excellent" or "Good" totaled 92.4%).

The Bedford Police Department strives to provide exceptional police services to the community. We encourage citizen participation and welcome feedback from the community. We look forward to continuing to serve the citizens of Bedford and those visiting our community in 2015.

## Mission Statement

The Bedford Police Department and its members believe in the dignity and worth of all people. We are committed to:

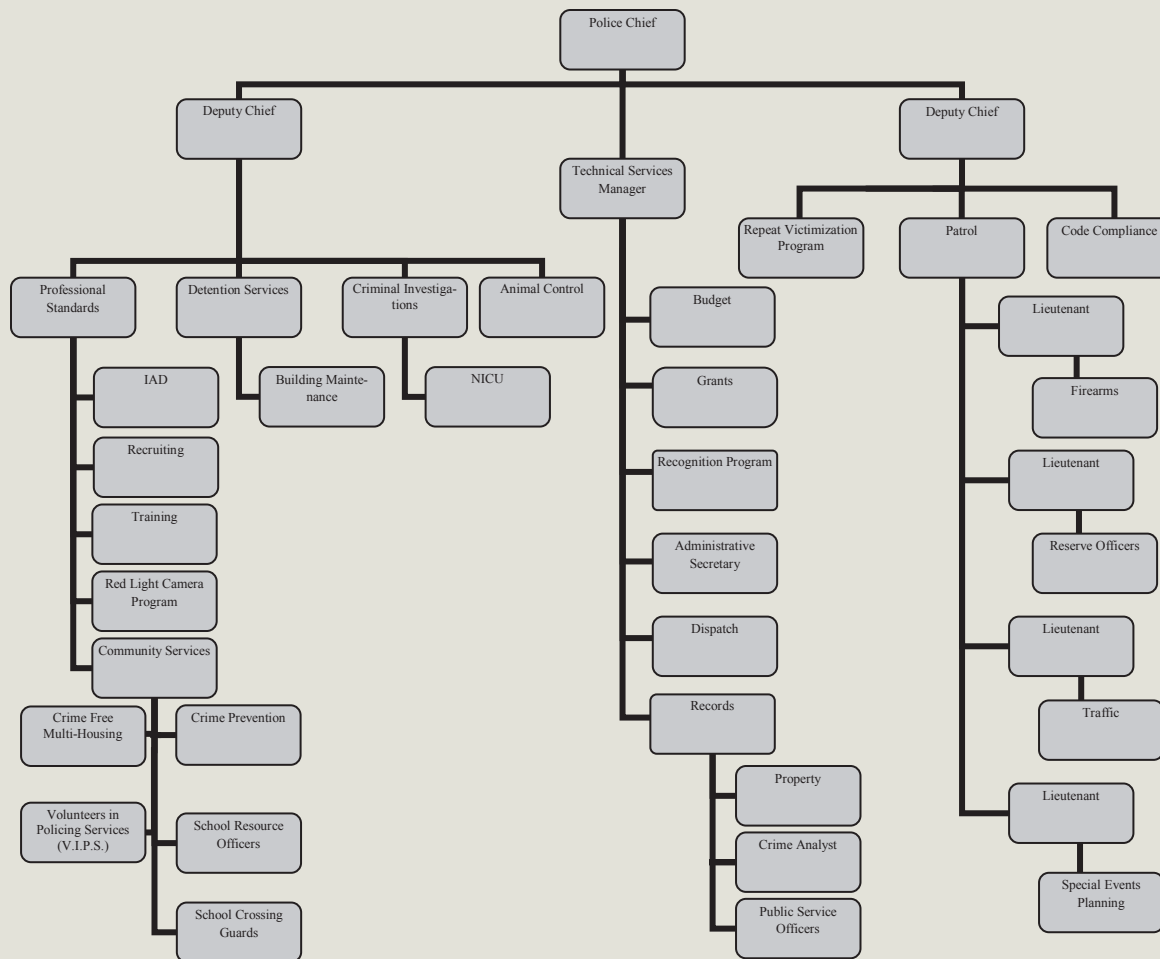
- Providing high quality community-orienting policing services with sensitivity;
- Protecting constitutional rights;
- Problem solving;
- Teamwork;
- Openness;
- Planning for the future; and
- Providing leadership to the police profession.

The commitment of the Bedford Police Department is to provide high quality law enforcement services to the citizens of this community. In addition, the Police Department is committed to the philosophy and organizational strategy of community-policing. Community-policing promotes a partnership between citizens and the police department and is based on the premise that the police and community must work together to improve the quality of life within the community. In the pursuit of these commitments, our mission statement is adhered to in the fulfillment of all departmental activities.

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# Organizational Structure



## Department Budget

GENERAL FUND	FY 2013/2014	FY 2014/2015	% Chg
Personnel Services	\$9,741,892	\$10,035,434	+3%
Supplies	372,955	403,130	+8%
Maintenance	96,845	96,760	-1%
Contractual Services	318,810	430,490	+35%
Utilities	147,750	119,100	+24%
Debt & Transfers	3,235	3,240	+0.01%
Capital Outlay	140,000	160,380	15%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$10,821,487</b>	<b>\$11,248,534</b>	<b>+4%</b>

## Notable Information

The above budget information does not include the following funds:

\*Drug Enforcement Fund, which totals \$5,000

\*Traffic Safety Fund, which totals \$285,096

Personnel represent 89% of the Police Department's total budget.





## Calendar Year 2014

# Crime Statistics

### ABOUT STATISTICS

In this area, law enforcement agencies report their crime statistics under one of two reporting systems, either UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) or NIBRS (National Information Based Reporting System). There are distinct differences between the two reporting systems. The FBI describes the difference as follows:

“In the (UCR) Summary reporting system, the “Hierarchy Rule” governs multiple offenses reporting. If more than one crime was committed by the same person or group of persons and the time and space intervals separating the crimes were insignificant, then the crime highest in the hierarchy is the only offense reported. Agencies do not use the Hierarchy Rule in the NIBRS. If more than one crime was committed by the same person or group of persons and the time and space intervals were insignificant, all of the crimes are reported as offenses within the same incident. For example, if a criminal burglarizes a residence and assaults the inhabitant, only the assault is reported as it takes precedent over the burglary (in UCR reporting) on the Hierarchy Rule. NIBRS reports all offenses involved in a particular incident (i.e. one burglary and one assault).”

These reporting differences can lead to significant discrepancies when accurately attempting to compare crime statistics where some report under UCR and some report under NIBRS.

In order to make an "apples to apples" comparison with other agencies, the Bedford Police Department is now providing annual violent crime and property crime data in both NIBRS and UCR formats on our website at [www.bedfordpolice.com](http://www.bedfordpolice.com).

## Department Statistics - Three Year Comparison

	2014	2013	2012
<b>Budget (millions)</b>	\$11.2	\$10.8	\$10.5
<b>Police Staff:</b>			
<b>Commissioned/Peace Officer</b> (Does Not Include 3 Frozen Positions)	80	81	80
<b>Non-Commissioned/Civilian</b>	58	56	52
<b>UCR Crime Rate Per Resident</b>	3.8%	3.0%	2.8%
<b>Calls for Service</b>	22,331	23,329	25,360
<b>Priority 1 Calls</b>	2,798	2,969	3,753
<b>Priority 1 Response Time</b>	5:29	5:40	5:01
<b>Traffic &amp; Non-Moving Citations</b>	22,305	16,393	13,683
<b>Vehicle Accidents</b>	1,459	1,582	1,624
<b>Adult Arrests</b>	2,435	2,578	2,802

### UCR vs NIBRS Part I Crime

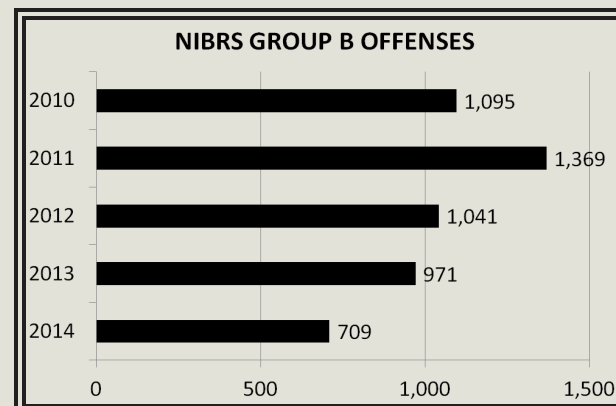
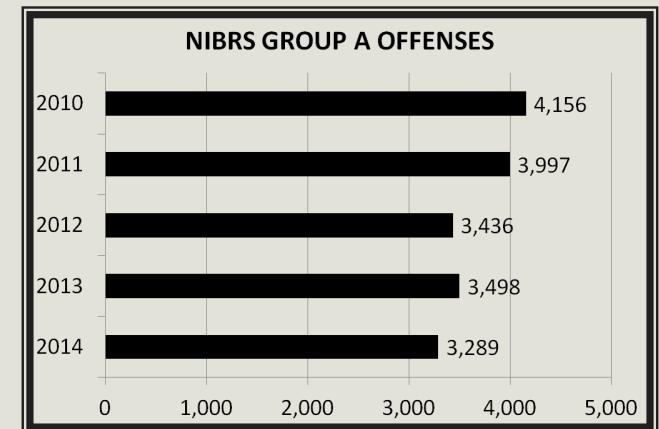
	UCR			NIBRS		
	2014	2013	2012	2014	2013	2012
<b>Violent Crime:</b>						
<b>Murder</b>	1	1	1	1	2	1
<b>Rape</b>	19	17	24	32	24	29
<b>Robbery</b>	28	29	28	28	37	29
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	156	134	88	178	166	110
<b>Property Crime:</b>						
<b>Arson</b>	0	0	0	1	2	2
<b>Burglary</b>	201	244	265	206	250	274
<b>Theft</b>	1,005	991	903	1,038	1,075	1,023
<b>Auto Theft</b>	67	53	64	68	69	82
<b>TOTALS</b>	1,477	1,469	1,373	1,552	1,625	1,550



# NIBRS Crime Statistics

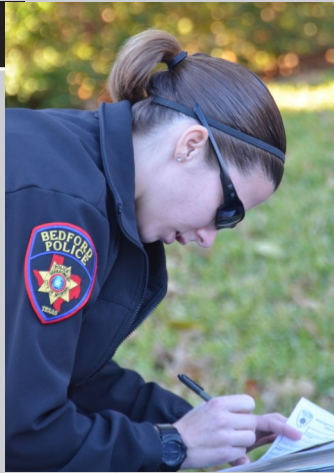
Group A	2014 Offenses
Arson	1
Assault, Aggravated	161
Assault, Simple	312
Assault; Intimidation	109
Bribery	1
Burglary (Breaking & Entering)	204
Counterfeiting & Forgery	64
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	303
Drug & Narcotic Violations	372
Drug Equipment Violations	212
Embezzlement	3
Fraud; False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	18
Fraud; Credit Card/ATM Fraud	94
Fraud; Wire Fraud	0
Fraud; Impersonation	200
Gambling; Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0
Homicide; Murder & Non-Negligent Manslaughter	1
Kidnapping/Abduction	12
Larceny/Theft; Pocket-Picking	1
Larceny/Theft; Purse Snatching	1
Larceny/Theft; Shoplifting	267
Larceny/Theft; From Building	64
Larceny/Theft; From Coin-Operated Machine	2
Larceny/Theft; From Motor Vehicle	291
Larceny/Theft; Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	59
Larceny/Theft; All Other Larceny	347
Motor Vehicle Theft	69
Pornography/Obscene Material	5
Prostitution	0
Robbery	28
Sex Offense; Forcible Rape	16
Sex Offense; Forcible Sodomy	2
Sex Offense; Sexual Assault with an Object	1
Sex Offense; Forcible Fondling	12
Sex Offense; Incest	0
Sex Offense; Statutory Rape	3
Stolen Property Offenses	27
Weapon Law Violations	27

Group B	2014 Offenses
Bad Checks	5
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violation	7
Disorderly Conduct	45
Driving Under the Influence	165
Drunkenness	202
Family Offenses; Non-Violent	22
Liquor Law Violation	30
Peeping Tom	0
Runaway	59
Trespass of Real Property	33
All Other Offenses	141



# Patrol Division

The Patrol Division encompasses the largest number of personnel in the Police Department. The Patrol Division's primary responsibilities are responding to calls for service and providing preventative neighborhood patrols. In addition, the Patrol Division utilizes volunteers who serve as Police Reserve Officers and can assist the Patrol Division in their daily operations.



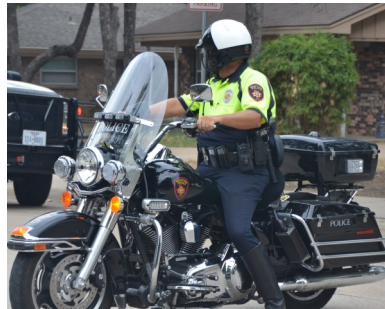
	2014	2013	% Chg 13-14
Calls for Service	22,331	23,329	-4%
Officer Initiated Calls	32,609	32,088	2%
Traffic Citations	4,898	4,718	4%
Adult Arrests	2,435	2,578	-6%

# Traffic Division

The Traffic Division is responsible for responding to accidents and providing education on occupant safety. In addition, this Division is charged with the responsibility of gaining compliance with state traffic laws and city ordinances through selective traffic enforcement programs. The Traffic Division is comprised of five motorcycle officers and two traffic car officers.



	2014	2013	% Chg
Accident Reports	1,459	1,582	-8%
Hit and Run Accidents	148	144	3%
Fatality Accidents	3	3	0%
Traffic Citations	14,723	8,858	+66%



# Dispatch Division

Averaged 242 Calls Per Day in 2014\*

The Dispatch Division assists the public with emergency and non-emergency requests for assistance and the prompt and accurate dispatching of police, fire and emergency medical personnel.

When a call from the public is received, the Dispatch Division determines the nature and location of the emergency, determines the priority of the call, and dispatches the appropriate emergency units as necessary.

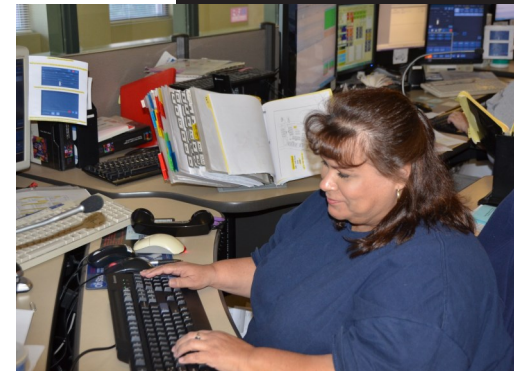
The Dispatch Division is the base operation for all radio traffic and the collection and dissemination of information relating to public safety incidents and the responding personnel.

\*Includes Police, Fire & EMS Calls for Service

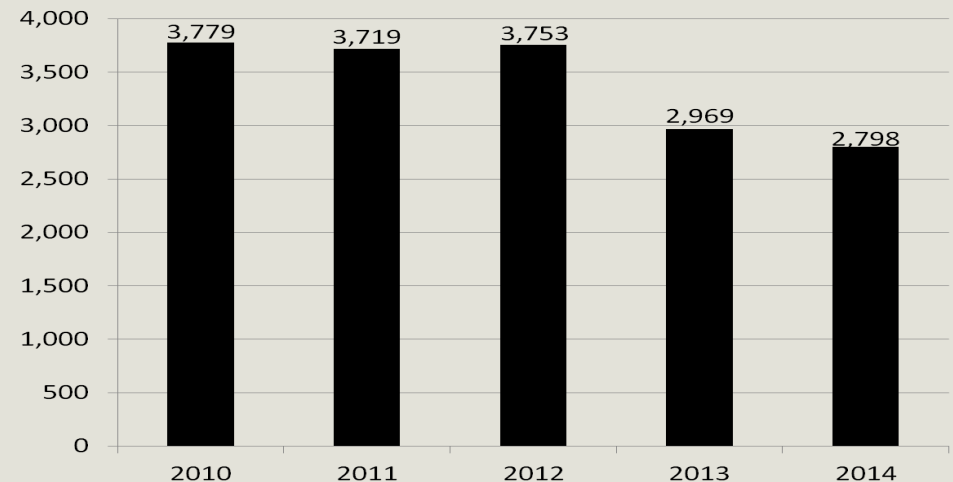


## Calls Received

9-1-1 Calls = 28,578  
Non-Emergency Calls = 59,877



## Priority 1 Calls for Service — Five Year Overview





# Detention Services



The Detention Services Division is responsible for the care of all incarcerated prisoners. The Division also provides housing for Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainees. In addition to the Detention Facility, this Division oversees the daily maintenance of the entire Law Enforcement Center.

Detention Officers are responsible for completing an administrative process once an inmate is released into their custody. This includes collecting information, conducting property inventory, taking photographs, and fingerprinting inmates upon arrival.

## Facility Facts

- Composed of 22 Cells
- Can house 80 Inmates
- Processed 2,435 Bedford Inmates
- Processed 4,749 ICE detainees

# Repeat Victimization Unit

The Repeat Victimization Unit (RVU) program creates an opportunity to reduce repeat victimization and reduce the need for repetitious police response to the same location/victim. The Unit shows signs of success as they continue to decrease the number of repeat victims that occur each year. In 2014, a grant was secured for a new storefront operation with the city of Hurst along with a Mental Health Coordinator. Also in 2014, the Unit received national and international media attention along with a Senate proclamation for having an innovative approach to addressing citizens who fall victim to mental health issues.

Year	Emergency Mental Detentions	Domestic Violence
2010	375	521
2011	379	519
2012	352	397
2013	338	433
2014	377	502



# Criminal Investigations Division



**62% Clearance Rate for Persons Crimes**

The Criminal Investigations Division is responsible for investigating crimes against property and/or persons, and conducting special and undercover operations to include narcotics, gambling, organized crime, etc.

The Criminal Investigations Division is staffed with eight Detectives, four Investigators and two Crime Scene Technicians supervised by two Sergeants and one Lieutenant. In 2014, CID investigated 3,465 cases and maintained an overall clearance rate of 62% for persons crimes (compared to the national average of 48%) and 25% for property crimes (compared to the national average of 20%).

## Crime Scene Unit

*The Department has 2 full-time Crime Scene Technicians. It is the responsibility of the Crime Scene Technicians to preserve and collect physical evidence from crime scenes.*



## Persons vs. Property

**Persons crime** can be defined as a crime which is committed by direct physical harm or force being applied to another person. Persons crimes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Homicide
- Assault
- Sexual Offense
- Robbery
- Kidnapping

**Property crime** can be defined as a crime which involves personal property. Property crimes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Burglary
- Theft
- Auto Theft
- Criminal Mischief

# Records Division

*The Records Division is responsible for four distinct positions, each one encompassing a diverse set of duties.*

**Records Technicians** are responsible for entering all offense/incidents, arrest and accident reports into the Department's records management system, the management and retention of said records, and processing open record requests. In addition, this Division is responsible for the management of the City's business and residential alarm permit program.

**Property/Evidence** is responsible for receiving, releasing and the safekeeping of all property and evidence. The Property Technician must maintain the chain of custody for all evidentiary items. In 2014, the Property Division logged 5,182 pieces of evidence.

The **Crime Analyst** is charged with keeping officers and local agencies abreast of urgent suspect and/or officer safety issues as they arise. The Crime Analyst also analyzes data in order to assist in the strategic patrol deployments and investigation of criminal acts.

## Public Service Officers (PSO)

**Q:** What matters can Public Service Officers Assist with?

**A:** Public Service Officers can take incident or offense reports on virtually all cases that consist of no immediate threat. These reports can be generated via phone or in person. They also provide fingerprinting services to the public.

PSO's can be reached at 817.952.2440



### Record Stats

Processed 5,645 case reports

Fielded 12,010 phone calls

Assisted 6,706 customers

Processed 2,108 alarm permits

Distributed 154 crime bulletins

Logged 5,182 pieces of property



# Professional Standards

The Professional Standards Division encompasses several components of the Police Department: Internal Affairs, Recruiting, Training, Red Light Camera Program, Community Services, Bedford 1 Community Program, School Resource Officers, and School Crossing Guards.

**Training** is responsible for conducting and/or tracking the training of all Departmental personnel. In 2014, the Department received 8,003 hours of training.

**Recruiting** is responsible for processing the applications, administering the applicable testing, and conducting initial interviews of those individuals seeking employment with the Police Department.

The **Community Services Division** is responsible for providing citizens of Bedford with superior programs and services. Many of these programs focus on educating the community about crime and how to deter its occurrence. In 2014, the division conducted 373 educational, safety, and security presentations.

In late 2014, the Department began developing a Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. This program, known as Bedford 1 Community, is designed to:

- Strengthen relationships and intelligence with Apartment Managers
- Work closely with Code Compliance and Inspections regarding maintenance of apartment communities
- Strengthen the ability to effectively deter criminal elements

**Internal Affairs** is tasked with receiving and investigating citizen complaints and internal investigations that are assigned by the Police Chief. The Internal Affairs responsibility is to receive a complaint, conduct an impartial investigation, and make an unbiased disposition.

### 1 COMMUNITY PROPERTY



Community • Law Enforcement • Residents

**BEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
817-952-2127

## Internal Affair Complaints & Dispositions

2014 Stats	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Sustained	Cleared by Exception	Exonerated	Total
Informal	0	1	0	0	0	1
Formal	1	3	1	0	0	5
Internal	0	0	6	0	0	6
Total	1	4	7	0	0	12



# Specialized Units



## 2014 Facts

- 13 SWAT call outs
- Bedford SWAT Operators received 210 training hours and SWAT Negotiators received 32
- \$74,686 of currency seized by the Tarrant County Narcotics Unit
- Narcotics seized by K-9 in 2014
  - Meth - 63.3g
  - Cocaine - 12.2g
  - Ecstasy - 2.2g
  - Hashish - 2.8g
  - Prescription Pills - 67.6g
  - Marijuana - 4lbs 4.565oz

In late 2012, the cities of Bedford, Euless, Hurst, and Grapevine combined their tactical personnel and resources into one unit, the Northeast Tarrant County Area SWAT Team (NETCAST). Each department has 9 SWAT Officers and 3 Negotiators assigned to the unit on a part-time basis. These personnel are comprised of full-time certified officers, at various levels of rank from various divisions within the Departments.

The Tarrant County Narcotics Task Force is a combined effort from several local police agencies. The Unit is charged with narcotic enforcement in Tarrant County. The Department currently assigns one Investigator from Criminal Investigations to serve on the Task Force.

K-9 consists of one Police Officer and one canine, Bow. K-9 supports the City of Bedford, Tarrant County Narcotics Task Force, and other surrounding agencies, when needed. During 2014, K-9 was responsible for over 42 building and vehicle searches.



# Animal Control Division

The Animal Control Division is responsible for promoting responsible pet ownership and the adoption and/or alternate placement of adoptable animals. The Division provides humane care, treatment, and disposition of all sheltered animals. Further, the Division maintains the Animal Shelter, vehicles, and equipment in a sanitary manner that mitigates the potential for infectious disease transmission.

	Dogs	Cats	Total
Domestic Animals Impounded (Live)	691	546	1,237
Impounded Domestic Animals that are Adoptable	187	164	351
Adoptions for Domestic Animals	136	101	237
Owner Claims for Domestic Animals	313	31	344
Transfers for Domestic Animals	76	238	314
<b>TOTAL Domestic Animals Placed</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>895</b>
Euthanization - Temperament	75	91	166
Euthanization - Aggression	15	45	60
Euthanization - Health	72	51	123
# of Above Euthanizations that were Owner Requested	36	15	51
<b>TOTAL Euthanizations</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>349</b>
City Licenses Issued	1,571	270	1,841
Wildlife Relocated			527
Euthanizations - Wildlife			355



# Code Compliance



To report code violations call **(817) 952-2640** or submit complaints through "Better it in Bedford"  
[www.bedfordtx.gov/betterit/](http://www.bedfordtx.gov/betterit/)

Code Compliance is responsible for routine patrols and responding to calls for service relating to codes that affect the quality of life and aesthetics within the City. The Division attempts to gain compliance through cooperative efforts, follow-ups, and citations, when necessary. Code Compliance Officers investigate complaints concerning a variety of issues to include high grass and weeds, accumulation of trash and debris, illegal dumping and other nuisance-related violations.

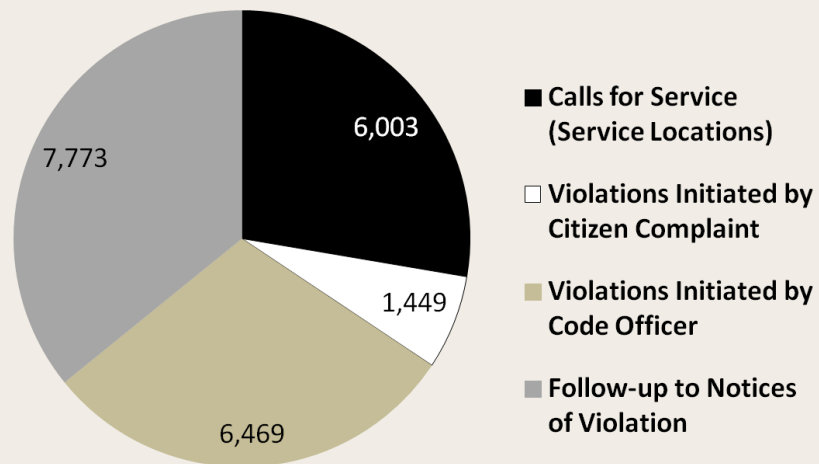


## Volunteers

In April 2014, the Police Department kicked off what would soon become a highly successful volunteer program named V.I.P.S. (Volunteers in Policing Services). The volunteer program is comprised of graduates from the Citizens Police Academy. They are people with ideas, talents and visions of the future, working together to create a better community for the citizens and visitors of Bedford.

The Department offers 21 regular assignment opportunities and 12 occasional assignments. Volunteers work in technical, professional and general support areas. In 2014, volunteers generously contributed approximately 7,275 hours (a 142% increase from 2013). The hours contributed equate to 3.5 full-time equivalents (FTE's) and \$170,235.

### 2014 Code Compliance Stats





# 2014 Annual Awards

## **COMMAND STAFF'S EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

Doug Crowell, Sergeant

## **NEW EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

Tony Pate, Police Officer II

## **CO-CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

Amanda Freeman, Dispatcher  
Nikki Burton, Record Technician

## **OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

Todd Davis, Police Officer II

## **SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR**

Loretta Helm, Detention Services Supervisor

## **LIFE SAVING AWARD**

Officer Jeff Pruett X 2  
Officer Neltonia Lovejoy  
Officer Miles McClain  
Officer Greg Panelli

## **Merit Awards**

Detention Division

Ron Wilkey, Lieutenant

Brian Meaders, Lieutenant

David Rutledge, Sergeant

Charles Cottongame, Corporal

Bobby LaPenna, Corporal

Tony Shelley, Detective

Wayne Moody, Detective

Glen Hlavinka, Detective

Clay Regan, Detective

Joey Gauger, Detective

Kevin Cole, Investigator

Tommy Christy, Police Officer II

Todd Davis, Police Officer II

Miles McClain, Police Officer II

Cameron Gregory, Police Officer II

Tara Noble, Police Officer II

Cord Alcala, Police Officer II

Robyn Selvidge, Lead Dispatcher X 2

Michelle Ricard, Dispatcher

Blanca Martinez, Dispatcher

Amanda Freeman, Dispatcher

Marcie McGary, Dispatcher

Kacie Tice, Dispatcher

Orlando Prieto, Dispatcher

Hiroko Laukhuf, Crime Scene Tech II

Brittany Grice, Crime Scene Tech I

Mark Massey, Police Chaplain

## **Employee of the Quarter**

Doug Crowell, Sergeant - 1st Quarter

Jeff Gibson, Sergeant - 2nd Quarter

Shane Bean, Corporal - 2nd Quarter

Virginia Escobar, Custodian - 2nd Quarter

Maria Zimmerman - 2nd Quarter

Mike Shikany, Sergeant - 3rd Quarter

Bobby LaPenna, Corporal - 3rd Quarter

Chris Miller, Police Officer II - 3rd Quarter

Nikki Burton, Records Tech - 3rd Quarter

Joey Gauger, Detective - 4th Quarter

The Annual Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, January 24, 2015, at the Pat May Center. The Awards Banquet is held each year to reflect on the accomplishments made by personnel and to honor the recipients of awards and those deserving special recognition. The Banquet is entirely funded each year by the generosity of local businesses, citizen sponsorship, the Department's Idea Committee special fundraising efforts.



# *For More Information*

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