

# *Crescent City Police Department*

*2013*

## *Annual Report*



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# **Crescent City Police Department**

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Crescent City Police Department is to work in partnership with the community to protect life and property and to enhance the quality of life in our city through proactive problem solving, fair and equitable law enforcement, and the effective use of resources.

## **CORE VALUES**

Commitment – Community- Pride- Integrity

## **MOTTO**

“Always Moving Forward”

## **DEPARTMENT VISION**

The Crescent City Police Department is committed to hiring and promoting talented officers and professional staff. While employing the highest standards of performance, we reflect the values of Crescent City to the people who live, work, and visit here.

Through community partnerships, problem-solving strategies, innovation, and adaptability to an ever-changing environment, we are devoted to enhancing the quality of life experienced by the people within our community.

We strive to preserve and protect the public trust placed in us by adhering to the highest standards of honesty and ethical practices.

## GOALS

- To instill public confidence in the department by maintaining a high degree of professionalism, dedication, and expertise in the development of police service
- Promote partnerships with our community based on truth, honor, and integrity
- Require proactive strategies to improve the utilization of patrol and investigative resources in the identification, arrest, and conviction of individuals committing criminal activity within our community.
- To deliver efficient and effective police services in an ethical and professional manner that inspires confidence and trust from those we protect and serve
- Strive for organizational excellence by inspiring employees to perform to the best of their abilities and by recognizing employee achievements



Chief Plack and Lieutenant Scott

**“Dedicated to the Community”**

## *Law Enforcement Code of Ethics*

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception; the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held as long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will consistently strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession...law enforcement.



Greetings:

On behalf of the Crescent City Police Department family, I present to you our 2013 Annual Report. This is a comprehensive report on our goals and accomplishments in 2013.

I am pleased to report that the focus and accountability of our officers, as well as the assistance of our partners within the community including other Local, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies, have once again led to crime reduction in 2013. We have made great progress in 2013 with further enhancing our community involvement which has undoubtedly led to this reduction. Our notable goals and successes this year include crime reduction, equipment purchases, improved training for officers and instructors, and acquiring a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant offered by the U.S. Department of Justice, which was afforded to only twenty-two (22) other cities in the state of California.

In the next year, we will maintain our focus, our partnerships, and our efforts to engage the community in an endeavor to continue to push down crime numbers and to improve our quality of life. The CCPD is looking toward the future of a safer and secured community through implementation of new initiatives and even further increased community interaction that is affordable to us through the technology available to law enforcement.

As another year passes as your Chief of Police, the Department has continued to strive through reductions in financial resources and limited manpower allotments. However, the efforts the Department has made have been reflected in positive changes for the community. This cannot be more evident as we continue to affect and improve the quality of life for all of our visitors, business owners, youth, seniors, local agencies, and of course our beloved citizens who consistently support our undertaking in reducing crime in our city through continued professional proactive law enforcement.

Our citizens are extremely supportive of our efforts of proactive patrol and follow-up investigative techniques. Those endeavors, in conjunction with our unique programs, have helped curtail crime in our community, and our citizens continuously praise our Department in public forums, especially at City Council meetings.

This report presents both a statistical overview of crime in our community and efforts to deter criminal activity. It also provides a glimpse of the services provided by the Crescent City Police Department, and what the Department has accomplished with City and community support during the past year.

Programs that have been in existence for numerous years are continuing to grow and this could not be any more evident than in our Crime Free Multi Housing (CFMH) Program which has flourished by attracting additional partners into the fold such as First Five Del Norte, Tobacco Use Prevention Program (TUPP), Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Del Norte County Child Care Council, Child Abuse Prevention Council and the

Del Norte County Unified School District who allows officers to instruct in Gang Resistance Education and Training, otherwise known as the G.R.E.A.T. Program. Agreements between the Crescent City Police Department and our partners focus on an understanding that it is imperative to improve personal safety for the youth in our community. Rural Communities Housing Development who own the apartment complexes associated with the CFMH properties has also stepped up and will be installing additional security and safety devices such as motion detection equipment and video surveillance which is a costly venture. It will however enhance the protection of our citizens and improve law enforcement opportunities to apprehend individuals who violate the law. It is these kinds of partnerships that foster our success in making this a strong viable community with the children being the foundation of our future.

Our commitment to becoming a model law enforcement agency is paramount in our daily undertakings with the foothold being the partnership between law enforcement and the community which is established through excellent communications. These lines of communication are reflected in the overall decrease in calls for police services which have been reduced to 9,910 for the year 2013 from over 12,000 for the year of 2012. It is our belief that this reduction is a direct result of the Department's response to problems and concerns which has led to an overall decrease in crime as noted below.

Compared to last year, in 2013 the City experienced an overall decrease of seventy-six percent (76%) in Part One Crimes of homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, vehicle theft, larceny, theft, and arson. Furthermore, crime statistics for drunk driving and drug arrests have also been reduced by over fifty percent (50%) from last years figures. Concurrently our traffic issues (citations issued, traffic accidents, traffic deaths) have also declined, although sadly, the number of people injured in traffic accidents rose slightly.

In one of most significant accomplishments this year, the Police Department, along with the Community Development Department, the Public Works Department, and several other partners, addressed the issue of the area behind Safeway that over time has become a significant problem in the City. Not only did the area pose an imminent and substantial threat of endangerment to individuals who lived around the area due to health and safety issues, it was problematic for the surrounding businesses in the area and their customers due to crime and aggressive pan-handling. As a result, a proposal was made to attempt to clean up the area, and in doing so, also alert those living in the area to community resources that were available to them. Last November, for three straight weeks, from dawn until dusk, the three departments worked together, along with numerous volunteer and nonprofit organizations, responding to the area to ensure that the individuals residing there were given ample opportunities to find alternative living accommodations before the removal of debris and the undercutting of the shrubbery and overgrown matter commenced. Then the real work began. Assisted by the Alder Camp Inmate Work Crew and Fire Safe Council, approximately 20 acres were cleared of brush, debris, trash, appliances, vehicles, etc. using backhoes, dump trucks, and cutting equipment. This resulted in filling three 40-yard dumpsters which was comprised of 22,540 pounds of trash & debris, or 11.27 tons, and over 20 shopping carts alone were pulled from the Elk Creek. This project not only beautified the community but made an immense positive



impact on public services; as calls for services (Fire, Police, EMS) declined significantly following the project and these services were able to be redirected to more important calls to better and more effectively serve the community.

In other related accomplishments, during 2013, the Police Department has continued and enhanced the following programs and projects:

- Chatting with the Chief – This weekly radio show addressed topics that were important for the community to be aware of from scams, quality of life issues, drug awareness classes for schools, government agencies and businesses, blight, training opportunities, firearms, and use of force.
- Blight – Working with the Fire Department and the Code Enforcement Department, city blight continues to diminish. This year several dilapidated and unsafe buildings were demolished.
- Department Property Room Transition – We continue to aggressively destroy property and evidence per state code in order to reduce backlog and convert our evidence room and storage area to full compliance with the California POST Management Recommendations, which is of paramount importance.
- Training – Staff training has been an ongoing priority for the officers protecting the city as they are continually attending training to maintain their perishable skills, enhance their proficiency, expand their knowledge, and further their expertise in new cutting edge techniques expected of today's professional law enforcement officer. Our emphasis on continuing education for all staff improves service and reduces errors, thus eliminating costly liability issues. In 2013, officers attended over 824 hours of training.

As in past years, in 2013 we are committed to continuing in our mission to provide a safe community for our citizens and visitors, focusing on high visibility, proactive enforcement and rapid response to calls for service. It is our genuine desire that this year will be met with a continued steady progress and be able to surpass last year's many accomplishments and exceed your highest expectations. Working together, we have no doubt we can achieve this and so much more!

In closing, I would like to extend my appreciation to the community, and the City Council for allowing me the opportunity to make this Police Department one of the finest in our city's proud history. I have been blessed in so many ways during my 40 year career in law enforcement. Overall, I have had overwhelmingly positive opportunities during this journey. As I approach my eleventh year of service as your Chief, nothing has been more rewarding than to lead this Department and to be surrounded by such an amazing group of men and women who do exceptional work. Their passion for the community and this Department is second to none. We have shared many wonderful accomplishments and worked through some extremely difficult challenges, but we always did it together and came out of it stronger for it. I am so thankful for their extraordinary work and the staff's willingness to help take such great care of the community. It is with mixed emotions, that I am announcing 2014 is the year that it is time for me to move on and allow someone else to take the helm and steer this ship into the future of uncertainty. It has truly been honor and privilege to be a part of this

organization. I want to thank the members of the Department for their hard work and express my gratitude for their service. I am extremely proud of each and every one of them, and I am more than confident their continued success in the coming years as I bid these dedicated officers, our volunteers, and my administrative staff farewell.

Best regards from the Chief of Police and the men and women of the Crescent City Police Department.

Douglas Plack  
CHIEF OF POLICE



# Strategic Plan 2014

Adopted: February 3, 2014

***Vision:***

The City of Crescent City will promote health, safety quality of life and community pride for our residents, businesses and visitors through leadership, teamwork, and values.

***Mission:***

The purpose of Crescent City is to promote a high quality of leadership, services, and life to our residents, businesses, and visitors by providing the most efficient, innovative and economically sound municipal services, based on our diverse history, culture and unique natural resources.

***Values:***

Accountability

Honesty & Integrity

Excellent Customer Service

Effective & Active Communication

Community Partnerships

Fiscal Responsibility

**Goals**

Goal 1 Support quality services community safety and health to enhance the lives of our citizens and visitors.

Goal 2: Promote a thriving local economy

Goal 3: Attain the highest levels of organizational excellence

**Goal 1: Support quality services community safety and health to enhance the lives of our citizens and visitors**

<b>Objectives</b>
1. Collaborate with other agencies and departments, to aid citizens.
2. Maintain responsible fiscal management and accountability.
3. Develop and maintain information and communication consistently through departments and to the public.
4. Maintain a strong commitment to public safety (including Police, Fire, Streets, Water, Sewer and Emergency Management) to ensure the City is one of the safest Cities in the United States with a population under 10,000.
5. Provide and maintain an efficient, adequate infrastructure to provide for current and future community needs.
6. Continue Health in all Policies (HiAP) as adopted by Resolution No. 2013-29

<b>Priorities</b> With Related Objectives	<b>Responsible Department</b>
Emergency Management Performance Grant for Security Enhancements at Water and Wastewater Facilities:	PW
Expand the Crime Free Multi Housing Program to include three (3) additional program participants. As of December 2011 the program had five (5) apartment complexes participating in the Program (1,2 & 4)	PD / HA
Maintain existing levels of Police patrol services (4)	PD
Maintain a balanced budget (with recurring revenues sufficient to cover recurring expenditures) which complies with sound financial management practices, provides for optimal staffing levels, and minimizes service level reduction (2)	Finance
Enhance the Volunteers in Police Service to be more visible in the community, provide support for police personnel and create a link between the police and the community (1, 3 & 4)	PD
Continue emergency management training (NIMS/SEMS) for City staff and coordinate training and emergency planning efforts with the County: (1, 3 & 4)	FD / PD
Enhance the Volunteer Fire Department by continuing a commitment to training. (1 & 4)	FD
Review and update annually the five year capital improvement plans and implement projects as adopted for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The City’s Waste Water Treatment Facility and Sewer System.</li> <li>• The City’s water system: Financing for Infrastructure Improvements</li> <li>• City Streets</li> <li>• Drainage System</li> <li>• City Facilities</li> <li>• Vehicle Replacement Plan (2, 4 &amp; 5)</li> </ul>	PW
Evaluate sewer rate structure: (2, 4 & 5)	PW, Finance
Continue to update and evolve City Web Site as needed.	I.S.

## Goal 2: Thriving Local Economy

<b>Objectives</b>
1. Optimize additional revenue sources.
2. Support community organizations that provide measurable services.
3. Research ways to increase tourism and funding for tourism promotion.
4. Collaborate with other jurisdictions and non-profits to maximize regional effectiveness and increase funding opportunities.

<b>Priorities</b>	<b>Responsible Department</b>
With Related Objectives	
Pursue funding for the re-construction of Front Street (1 & 3)	PW
Develop a Master Plan for the City RV Park; <b>Completed</b> ; Complete Improvements <b>October 2014</b> , evaluate the fee schedule and create a marketing program, <b>October 2014</b> (1)	Planning and PW
Develop a Way Finding Program for the City: <b>Completed</b> Pursue funding for its implementation: (1 & 3)	Planning and PW
Complete the project design for the Beach Front Park Master Plan: <b>Completed</b> ; Develop an implementation plan: <b>Completed</b> ; Pursue funding for implementation. (1 & 3)	Planning, PW and Pool
Help facilitate the coordination of community wide events. (2 & 4)	Admin
Review and update annually the City fee schedule: (1)	Finance/Admin
Evaluate the City's Municipal Code and Policy's to streamline procedures for permits that ensure timely services to applicants while providing maximum opportunities for meaningful participation in the review and decision-making process: Planning Department (1 & 2)	Planning
Support community partners in their vitalization efforts: the Crescent City Harbor, the Crescent City Airport, the Elk Valley Rancheria's hotel/convention center/casino project (2 & 4)	City Council
Work with the Chamber of Commerce and Visitor's Bureau to complete a comprehensive tourism marketing strategy and a funding strategy with specific work plan objectives and measurements (2 & 4)	Admin
Continue to market the Swimming Pool and partner with Promote Our Pool. (1 & 3)	Pool
Develop a comprehensive Code Enforcement Program which may include but is not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential Rental Housing Inspection Program (ordinance)</li> <li>• Code Enforcement Cost Recovery Program</li> <li>• Maintenance and rehabilitation of vacant and neglected buildings. (ordinance)</li> </ul>	
Pursue grant funding resources and evaluate other revenue opportunities	Admin
Develop an Economic Development Strategy	Admin

### Goal 3: Attain the highest levels of Organizational Excellence

<b>Objectives</b>
1. Provide a result based organization which utilizes community involvement, innovation, transparency and leadership.
2. Develop and maintain responsible fiscal management and accountability.
3. Continue to train and educate employees and managers in order to provide exemplary performance in their field.
4. Develop a strategy for the improvement or reconstruction of City Facilities.
5. Develop plans for the safe and efficient operations of internal infrastructure.
6. Incorporate technological advancements in City processes.
7. Continue to recognize exemplary employee performance.
8. Continue Health in all Policies (HiAP) as adopted by Resolution No. 2013-29

<b>Priorities</b>	<b>Responsible Department</b>
With Related Objectives	
Maintain a balanced budget (with recurring revenues sufficient to cover recurring expenditures) which complies with sound financial management practices, provides for optimal staffing levels and minimizes service level reduction (2)	All Departments
Adopt a strategy for the reconstruction or improvement of all city facilities: (4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Station Seismic Retrofit</li> <li>• City Hall Remodel for enhanced safety, accessibility and efficiency</li> <li>• Housing Authority Remodel for enhanced safety, accessibility and efficiency</li> <li>• Police Department and City Hall:</li> </ul>	Admin
Adopt a strategy to increase the use of the Cultural Center: Evaluate the re-use to a city hall facility. (4)	Admin
Develop and maintain a records management program for the City to maintain organization and streamline processes and procedures. (5 & 6)	All Departments
Review and update annually Technology Improvement Plan.(3, 5 & 6)	IS
Upgrade the internal purchase order process (Work Flow System) (3, 5 & 6)	Finance
Provide continuing education and training for staff, city council, commissioners and committee members. (1,3 & 7)	All Departments
Comprehensive review and update, as necessary, policy and procedures to reflect legal issues and changes as needed. (1 & 2)	All Departments

## *Crescent City Council Members*



**Rich Enea, Mayor**

**Term: November 2010 to November 2014**



**Richard Holly, Mayor Pro Tem**

**Term: November 2012 through November 2016**



**Ron Gastineau, Councilmember**

**Term: November 2012 through November 2016**



## *Crescent City Council Members*



**Kathryn Murray, Councilmember**

**Term: November 2012 through November 2016**



**Kelly Schellong, Councilmember**

**Term: November 2010 through November 2014**

## *Crescent City's Finest*



**Chief D. Plack**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 40 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 11 years**

Specialty Training includes: BA in Criminal Justice, Minor in Business, POST Executive Management, FBI National Academy, LEEDS Certified and Law Enforcement Executive Development Certified



**Lieutenant G. Scott**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 16 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 15 years**

Specialty Training includes: Field Training Officer, Property & Evidence Manager, Arson Investigation and School Resource Officer



**Sergeant E. Apperson**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 15 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 13 years**

Specialty Training includes: Field Training Officer, Firearms Rangemaster, Advanced Armorer, School Resource Officer, Force Option Simulator Instructor, Gang Recognition and Active Shooter Response

## *Crescent City's Finest*



**Corporal J. Wright**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 27 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 6 years**

Specialty Training includes: K9 Program Manager, Crime Free Multi-Housing Management and Active Shooter Response



**Detective K. Doyle**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 41 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 22 years**  
**Retired: May, 2012**  
**Continues with the department as a Reserve Officer**

Specialty Training includes: Field Training Officer, Reserve Officer Coordinator, Investigations training in Backgrounds, Officer Involved Shootings, Child Abuse, Fingerprinting, Internal Affairs, Deaths, Interview & Interrogations, Crime Scene and Forensics



**Officer E. Capon**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 17 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 9 years**  
**Retired: December, 2013**

Specialty Training includes: Traffic Collision Investigations

## *Crescent City's Finest*



**Officer J. Gill**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 10 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 6 years**

Specialty Training includes: Field Training Officer, School resource Officer, Crisis Management for Schools, Crime Scene Investigations, Interview & Interrogations, Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T) and Active Shooter Response



**Officer A. King**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 11 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 8 years**

Specialty Training includes: K9 Handler, K9 Drug Recognition and Patrol Techniques, Narcotic Investigation, Impact Weapon Instructor and Active Shooter Response



**Officer Y. Lo**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 6 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 4 years**

Specialty Training includes: Active Shooter Response

## *Crescent City's Finest*



**Officer A. Lopez**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 7 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 2 years**

Specialty Training includes: Drug Abuse Recognition, Drug Use Recognition and Active Shooter Response



**Officer J. Owen**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 7 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 7 years**

Specialty Training includes: Field Training Officer, Narcotics Investigations, Forensic Interviews and Active Shooter Response



**Officer J. Sullivan**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 6 years**  
**Service with Crescent City Police: 5 years**

Specialty Training includes: Drug Use Recognition, Active Shooter Response

## ***Crescent City's Finest***



**Officer C. Votruba**

**Years in Law Enforcement: 8 years**

**Service with Crescent City Police: 6 years**

Specialty Training includes: K9 Handler, K9 Drug Recognition and Patrol Techniques, School resource Officer, Interview & Interrogation, Glock Armorer and Active Shooter Response

## *2013 Department Training*

<b>Chief Plack</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	May 1	Crisis Management for Rural Schools	2.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>38.5 hrs.</b>
	<b>Lt. Scott</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody
Dec. 31		Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
March 11		Field Training Officer Update	24. hrs.
March 26		Training Management Course	24. hrs.
June 6		EPAS	4.0 hrs.
	<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>88.5 hrs.</b>	
<b>Sgt. Apperson</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.

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		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	Jan. 27	Armorer Course	20 hrs.
	Jan. 29	Advance Armorer Course	20 hrs.
	April 22	Force Option Simulator Instructor	40 hrs.
	June 7	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>120.5 hrs.</b>
<b>Cpl. Wright</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	March 20	Canine Program Management	24 hrs.
	April 6	Saving Lives One Stop at a Time	0.5 hrs.
	May 1	Medical Marijuana & Street Contacts	1.0 hrs.
	June 6	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
	Dec. 29	LASER	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>74.0 hrs.</b>
<b>Det. Doyle</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.



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		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	June 7	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>40.5 hrs.</b>
<b>K9 Officer King</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	Jan. 1-	Routine K9 Training	
	Dec. 31	with K9 Apollo	49 hrs,
	June 6	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>89.5 hrs.</b>
<b>K9 Officer Votruba</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.

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		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
Jan. 1-		Routine K9 Training	
Dec. 31		With K9 Ares	29 hrs.
April 6		Saving Lives One Stop at a Time	0.5 hrs.
May 1		Medical Marijuana & Street Contacts	1.0 hrs.
May 16		Narcotics Investigations for Patrol	16 hrs.
June 7		EPAS	4.0 hrs.
Dec. 28		LASER	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>95 hrs.</b>
<b>Officer Gill</b>	June 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	Dec. 29	LASER	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>44.5 hrs.</b>
<b>Officer Lo</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.

## *2013 Department Training*

		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	April 6	Saving Lives One Stop at a Time	0.5 hrs.
	May 1	Medical Marijuana & Street Contacts	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 28	LASER	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>46.0 hrs.</b>
<b>Officer Lopez</b>			
	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	April 6	Saving Lives One Stop at a Time	0.5 hrs.
	May 1	Medical Marijuana & Street Contacts	1.0 hrs.
	June 6	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
	Aug. 21	Drug Abuse Recognition	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>50.0 hrs.</b>
<b>Officer Owen</b>			
	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.

## *2013 Department Training*

		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	May 16	Narcotic Investigations for Patrol	16 hrs.
	June 6	EPAS	4 hrs.
	Dec. 28	LASER	8 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>64.5 hrs.</b>
<b>Officer Sullivan</b>	Jan. 1-	Lexipol Custody	1.0 hrs.
	Dec. 31	Lexipol Search & Seizure	1.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Evidence	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Firearms & Control Devices	2.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Field Investigations	8.1 hrs.
		Lexipol Vehicle Operations	3.8 hrs.
		Lexipol Arrest & Detention	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Ethics	2.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Equipment	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Traffic	0.9 hrs.
		Lexipol Shooting Policy	1.4 hrs.
		Lexipol Use of Force Policy	1.5 hrs.
		Lexipol Personnel	7.2 hrs.
		Lexipol Officer Safety	2.8 hrs.
	May 20	11550 Drug Recognition	16 hrs.
	June 7	EPAS	4.0 hrs.
	Aug. 21	Drug Abuse Recognition (DAR)	8.0 hrs.
	Dec. 28	LASER	8.0 hrs.
		<b>Total Training:</b>	<b>72.5 hrs.</b>

## **Total Department Training Hours**

**824**

# *K9 Program*



**K9 Apollo and K9 Ares**

## *K9 Apollo*



During 2013, Apollo completed approximately 49 hours of routine maintenance training. The training consisted of obedience, tracking, narcotic detection and patrol work. Training was completed on and off duty. The Brookings Police Department also was incorporated in the training regimen. Apollo was deployed multiple times in 2013 for a variety of circumstances including, searching vehicles for illegal narcotics, to searching for wanted subjects. Apollo also assisted in a variety of different situations including, conducting foot patrols and serving as backup while violent suspects were taken into custody. Apollo was also utilized by various departments including the Del Norte County Sheriff's Office, the California Highway Patrol and California State Parks. Apollo also located various illegal narcotics during 2013, including methamphetamine, marijuana and a variety of prescription narcotics. Apollo also located smoking instruments used in the consumption of these illegal narcotics.

## *K9 Apollo*

### **LIFETIME SEIZURES BY APOLLO:**

18 Pounds, 2 Ounce, 24.9 Gm of marijuana

1 Ounce, 1.7 GM concentrated cannabis

2 Oxycontin

30 Benzodiazepam

30 Hydrocodone

11 Vicodin

35 Ativan

18 Meth pipes

2 Cocaine straws

46 Marijuana pipes

19 Hypodermic syringes

5 Ounces, 26.4 GM methamphetamine

.07 GM Cocaine





**Apollo's days out and about...**



## *K9 Ares*



On July 14, 2012 I began a new journey as a K9 Handler. I traveled to Oxnard California, where I was teamed up with K9 Ares. While in the Oxnard area, K9 Ares and I spent six weeks learning how to work with each other as a team. Ares and I were guided by the expertise of Dave, Debbie and Daniel Inglis, of the Inglis Police Dog Academy.

K9 Ares and I had a couple of challenges to overcome during the first couple of days together. Ares arrived into the United States on July 13, 2012, only a couple days before the training class began, which did not give time for Ares to adjust to his new environment before the training began. Ares was also trying to learn a new name. By the third day of training he really began to start figuring out his name and we hit it off together.

K9 Ares original name is Qou-Vadis Von Lunsholz. I was informed Ares was a competition canine while he was in Germany. Ares is classified as a Shutzhund 3 competitor. Shutzhund class canines are trained in the areas of tracking, bite work and obedience, just to name a few. These types of activities are ideal for a canine to transition into law enforcement work.

K9 Ares and I received 200 hours of training during the patrol portion of the class and 80 hours of narcotic detection. During the narcotic detection training, Ares was certified as a narcotic detection canine. Ares is able to locate Methamphetamine, Ecstasy, Cocaine, Heroin and Marijuana in buildings, open areas and vehicles.

## *K9 Ares*

During the patrol class, Ares and I were certified in handler protection, obedience, tracking a suspect in buildings and open areas. Ares and I graduated from the training on August 24<sup>th</sup> and we returned to Crescent City on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Ares has been deployed approximately 100 times since beginning his career with Crescent City Police. Ares has assisted the Del Norte County Sheriff's Department and the California Highway Patrol for various narcotic detection searches, building searches and suspect tracking. Ares has been deployed to track wanted subjects, once for an article search and multiple times during foot patrols in the business district, Jed Smith Shopping Center, Beach Front Park, Brother Jonathan Park, Del Norte High School home football games and other local area schools. Ares continues to make an impact on the community by working hard for the citizens of Crescent City.



## ***K9 Ares***

### **LIFETIME SEIZURES BY ARES:**

3.5 pounds, 2 ounce Marijuana

2 ounce Methamphetamine

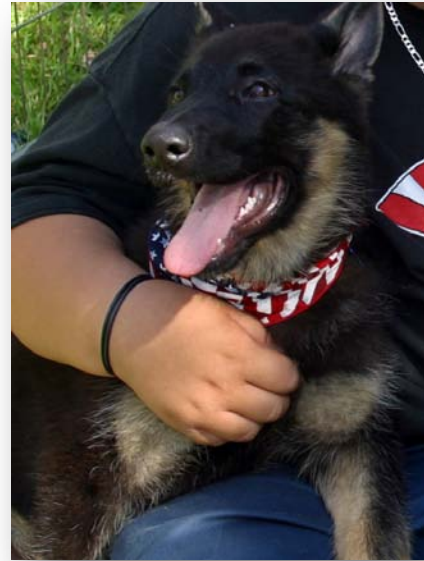
2.1 grams LSD

2 pounds Psilocybin Mushrooms



*In Loving Memory*

# *K-9 Zeus*



*Born: May 31, 2004*

*Passed away: February 2, 2012*



*Began Service with  
Crescent City Police  
Department: 2005*

## *In Loving Memory*

### *Lifetime Seizures by Zeus*

**Methamphetamine: 6 ounces, 34 grams**

**Marijuana: 23 pounds, 11 ounces, 51 grams**

**Heroin: 11.4 grams**

**Methamphetamine Pipes: 14**

**Marijuana Pipes: 54**

**Marijuana Bong: 4**

**Syringes: 71**



In 2012, The Crescent City Police Department saw the loss of K9 Zeus. Zeus was placed with Officer King for the remainder of his life which ended on 02/02/2012. Apollo and Zeus were roommates until the day he passed. Apollo and Zeus would frequently lie in the same spot in the front yard of Officer King's home; taking turns keeping each other's spot warm under a large tree where the sun shone through in a specific spot. Following Zeus's death, Apollo occupied that specific spot for 12 hours, only leaving it to walk to Zeus's kennel a short distance away to check for him.

## *In Loving Memory*



*Don't grieve for me, I served you well  
I loved you more than you could tell  
I am now an angel in blue  
I laid my life on the line for you  
I wore my badge with honor everyday  
To keep citizens safe and out of harm's way  
So when you see a badge worn with pride  
Remember their comrades and friends that have died*

*In Loving Memory*



*Zeus' shadow box can be found in the front lobby of the police department*

## *Dogs Detecting Drugs Discreetly*

A service provided for parents and business owners, this program is a confidential method to determine if someone you love or someone working for you is using illegal drugs in your home or business. This is a free drug detection service and is the first municipal program of its type. The program is only *one* tool available to parents and business owners to combat the problem of illegal drug use in our community. This program can protect you and your family or your business with a discreet inspection by a trained and certified police K-9 team. Our K-9 teams can detect such drugs as Marijuana, Cocaine, Heroin, Ecstasy, Methamphetamine, and Xanax. This service is non- confrontational and confidential.

For parents and guardians concerned with possible drugs in their home this service offers parents and guardians a way to confirm or refute the presence of drug activity inside the home. This is a tool for parental guidance and a way to safeguard your children. Research indicates that three out of four kids who try marijuana will experiment with more addictive, life-threatening drugs. This service will give you a snap-shot in time identifying any drugs, drug paraphernalia or residue on clothing and other material handled by drug exposed hands in the location at that moment.

For the business owner or operator, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration reported that approximately 77% of illicit drug users in the United States are employed. They further indicated that approximately 67% of all work related accidents are the direct result of substance abuse. Accidents, lost time and employee hiring all cost the business owner. Drug testing options are viable for hiring and targeted intervention procedures; however, using drug detection dogs is a less invasive method of eradicating drugs from the workplace. Employers, by law, must make every effort to maintain a drug-free workplace. This program gives you a very reliable, discreet method of protecting your business.

A drug-free workplace will have reduced workers compensation claims, reduced damage to company property and reduced lawsuits due to injuries. Signs of abuse to look for are frequent unexplained absences, erratic work patterns, reduced productivity, overreaction to criticism, and an indifference to personal hygiene. To maintain a drug-free workplace don't be an enabler by ignoring or covering up the problem. Do not try to intervene on your own. Seek qualified professional assistance, intervention from a support system may motivate the abuser to get treatment and make changes.

If any drugs and associated paraphernalia are found during the search, they will be removed and disposed of by the K-9 officer. No arrests will be made unless the parent or business owner feels there is no other alternative. This program is intended to give parents and business owners assistance in preventing illegal drug use.



## *Volunteers in Police Services*

The Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) are a group of highly dedicated adult volunteers that assist the Crescent City Police Department with numerous tasks and community oriented projects. During 2013, the department had seven active VIPS members.

Originally created under the acronym of SCOP (Senior Citizens on Patrol), the program was modified to allow adult volunteers of any age. The department coordinator for this program is Sergeant Erik Apperson and meetings are held monthly at the police department.

Volunteers in this program are 18 years of age or older. They can be identified by the white uniform shirts that they wear and shoulder patches that display the word "Volunteer".

Volunteers are part of this particular program for various reasons. Some are hoping to gain experience and develop a reference of work ethic that will assist them with starting a career in law enforcement. These younger volunteers are often former Explorers or and/or individuals hoping to join the Police Academy. Others simply want to help their community during spare time and chose to do that by volunteering at the local police department.

Being a successful volunteer with the Crescent City Police Department takes a high level of dedication. As the program is self-driven, it takes goal oriented people with a sense of loyalty to the mission of this agency to do well.

Volunteer duties include patrol, K-9 training, assisting the Crime Free Multi-Housing Coordinator, security checks, welfare checks, reporting hazardous or unusual conditions, parking enforcement, vehicle inspection logs, active roles in helping with traffic safety investigations, and Explorer Advisers.

The Crescent City Police Department is extremely proud of the men and women that make up the volunteer program. They are a testament to the department goal of pride in this community.



**Victoria and Anthony Zizzo, active VIPS for over 10 years**

## *Explorer Post 108*

The purpose of Law Enforcement Exploring is to provide young adults who may be interested in a career in law enforcement with a comprehensive program of training, competition, service and practical experiences. Character development, physical fitness, good citizenship and patriotism are integral components of the overall program. Through their involvement in the program, Explorers develop an awareness of the purpose, mission and objectives of law enforcement agencies. Law Enforcement Career Exploring is open to young men and women ages 14 through 20 years old with an interest in learning more about careers in the field of Law Enforcement.

Nationally, over 30,000 Explorers and 8,000 adult volunteers participate in Law Enforcement Exploring. The program highlights include: the National Law Enforcement Exploring Leadership Academies, ride-alongs, career achievement awards, National Law Enforcement Exploring Conferences, and scholarship opportunities.

The support of the Chief Executive Officer of the agency, along with a dedicated cadre of law enforcement professionals and adult volunteers who provide adult leadership, is essential to the success of any Post. The Chief Executive Officer is Police Chief Douglas Plack. The primary Advisor for the Explorer Post is Sergeant Erik Apperson. He has been serving as the Post Advisor since 2003. The other Advisors and adult volunteers for the program are Nate Trimm, Robin Patch and Elizabeth Mitchell.

The Crescent City Police Department is proud to have an extremely active group of Explorers. These people are the young men and women that can be seen nearly every weekend volunteering their time to help with events and functions within the Crescent City area. They wear the light blue uniform shirts and participate in nearly every community oriented event our town has to offer. Crescent City Police Explorers can easily be found helping with annual events such as the Relay for Life, Sea Cruise, Fourth of July Festival, Del Norte County Fair, Every 15 Minutes, Veterans Day Parade, Christmas Parade, The Jaycees Tournament and just about every other local, community-based activity.

As highly visible as our Police Explorers have become, they are often helping with duties behind the scenes of public view. Regular duties of Explorers include Crime prevention services, bicycle safety inspections, disabled motorist assists, complaint reception, child identification fingerprinting for parents/legal guardian, agency information booth at career fairs and community events, agency telecommunications/dispatch center assistance, assistance with organized searches for lost/missing persons and traffic/crowd control at parades, festivals and other community events.

Another notable duty regularly conducted by the Crescent City Police Explorers is security inspections of our local businesses. Often times, after regular business hours, the Explorers can be found canvassing the business district checking doors and windows to make sure these businesses are less vulnerable to criminal activity. Explorers will inspect all of the locks to make sure the structures are secure and in most cases, will leave behind a small red card with the date and time of the inspection. On more than one occasion, these inspections have unveiled businesses left unsecure.

During the calendar year of 2013, Explorer Post 108 logged over 1,390 hours of community service. This included several details where they served as extra eyes and ears for the Crescent City Police Department. Whether the assignments include helping with training at the police department, providing a uniform presence at public events, bike patrol, documentation of graffiti,

## *Explorer Post 108*

clerical duties or simply helping out wherever needed, Explorers from Post 108 were always motivated and happy to be involved. Currently, Explorer Post 108 has about seventeen Explorers that show up for regular meetings, every Monday night. It's at these meetings that Explorers receive valuable training on topics related to law enforcement and participate in teambuilding exercises.

Aside from the valuable training they receive weekly, Crescent City Police Explorers have been hosting the Redwood Coast Explorer Leadership Academy since 2003. What started as a weekend event designed to further train our local post has evolved into a weeklong training destination for other Explorer programs around California and Oregon. Explorers receive training by way of lectures and scenarios from some of the most highly trained professionals available. Explorers are trained in categories of Drug Awareness, Cultural Diversity, Ethics, Investigations, Crime Prevention, Leadership, Uniform Preparation, Gang Awareness, First Aid Response, Disaster Scenario Response, Traffic Enforcement, Bike Patrol, Firearms Safety, Physical Fitness, Teambuilding, and Defensive Tactics and so on. The event concludes with a graduation ceremony where Explorers are recognized for personal and group achievements. The graduation ceremony is always open to the public.

Crescent City Police Explorer Post 108 is undoubtedly an asset to the Crescent City Police Department as well as this community and most of all to the youth involved. The Crescent City Police Department recognizes the effort put forth by our young men and women in this program and presents Explorer Post 108 as a standard for the success of this agency.



# ***G.R.E.A.T.***

## ***Gang Resistance Education and Training***

The Gang Resistance Education and Training, also known as G.R.E.A.T., is a school-based, police officer instructed classroom curriculum. With gang prevention as its primary objective, the program is intended as an immunization against delinquency, youth violence, and gang membership. G.R.E.A.T. has developed partnerships with nationally recognized organizations, such as Boy Scouts of America and the National Association of Police Athletic Leagues. These partnerships encourage positive relationships among the community, parents, schools, and law enforcement officers.

G.R.E.A.T. lessons focus on providing life skills to students to help them avoid using delinquent behavior and violence to solve problems. The G.R.E.A.T. Program offers a continuum of components for students and their families.

The program consists of four components:

- 13-session Middle School curriculum
- Elementary School curriculum
- Summer Program
- Families Training

The goal of the G.R.E.A.T. program includes preventing youth crime, violence, and gang involvement while building a positive relationship among families, law enforcement and our young people to create a safer and healthier community. In March, Officer Gene Votruba, Volunteer Richard Enea and Volunteer Melodee Mitchell instructed the program. In May they held an informal graduation ceremony for the graduates, which included the entire Sixth Grade Student Body from Crescent Elk Middle School. Students received certificates, badges and t-shirts. The successful completion of this class has yielded many benefits as well as improved behavior in some of the young participants.



# *Crime Free Multi-Housing Program*



## *"Keeping Illegal Activity Off Rental Property"*

The Crime Free Multi-Housing Program is a crime prevention program designed to reduce crime, drugs, and gangs on apartment properties. The Crime Free Multi-Housing Program was successfully developed by the Mesa Arizona Police Department in 1992 by Police Officer Tim Zehring. The International Crime Free Programs have spread to nearly 2,000 cities in 44 U.S. States, 5 Canadian Provinces, Mexico, England, Finland, Japan, Russia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Afghanistan, and Puerto Rico.

The Crescent City Police Department adopted the program in 2005. Property managers can become individually certified after completing training in each phase while the physical property itself can only be certified upon completion of all three phases. The anticipated benefits of a fully certified property are reduced crime, a more stable resident base, and reduced exposure to civil liability. During 2013, five apartment communities continue to stay fully certified in the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program and passed their annual inspection.

### **The Crime Free Multi-Housing Apartment Communities Include:**

#### **Seabreeze Apartments**

1045 E. Condor Ave.

Manager: Vada Carroll, Tabitha Davis

#### **Totem Villa Apartments**

1085 US Hwy. 101 N

Manager: Tabatha Davis

#### **Seagull Villa Apartments**

655 Pacific Ave.

Managers: Dan Gerose

# *Crime Free Multi-Housing Program*

## **Crescent City Senior Apartments**

1125 Oregon St.

Manager: Rod Nielson

## **Maple Cove Apartments**

577 I St.

Manager: Joseph Bier

### **The Benefits of Crime Free Multi-Housing Include:**

- A stable, more satisfied tenant base with an increased demand for rental units with a reputation for active management.
- Lower maintenance and repair costs with increased property values.
- Improved personal safety for tenants, landlords, and managers.

The reason the Crescent City Police Department continues to train apartment communities and conducts three phases of training is a result of seeing the change first hand in our community. In 2012, the Crescent City Police Department has continued its partnership with First 5 of Del Norte in making a positive impact in the community. Totem Villa Apartments and Seabreeze Apartments both have community rooms with educational computer software provided by First 5. The community rooms serve as a safe place for children to play, gather, and stay involved with apartment activities. The Crime Free Multi-Housing Program, along with First 5 are looking forward to expanding the community rooms to the other apartment complexes that become certified in the program. In addition the Seagull Apartments and Seabreeze Apartments continue monitoring their properties with a 24 hour security cameras.

### **The Three Phases of the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program:**

#### **Phase I - Management training (8-Hours)**

Instructed by the Crescent City Police Department with guest speakers

- Crime Prevention Theory
- CPTED Theory (Physical Security)
- Benefits of Resident Screening
- Lease Agreements and Eviction Issues
- Crime Free Lease Addendum
- Key Control and Master Key Use

# ***Crime Free Multi-Housing Program***

- On-Going Security Management Monitoring and Responding to Criminal Activity
- Gangs, Drugs Activity, and Crime Prevention
- Legal Warnings, Notices and Evictions Working Smarter with the Police,
- Fire and Life Safety Training Community Awareness (A 100-page Crime Free Multi-Housing Manual is supplied with additional handouts.)

## **Phase II - Survey by the Crescent City Police Department**

- Crime Prevention through Environmental Design Survey (CPTED)
- Minimum door, window, and lock standards compliance inspection
- Minimum exterior lighting standards evaluation
- Key Control procedures evaluation
- Landscape and maintenance standards compliance

## **Phase III - Community Awareness Training**

- Annual crime prevention taught by the police department and property management
- Community awareness and continuous participation is encourage

This Certificate expires every year unless it is renewed in following the compliances with phases I & II

# Crime Free Multi-Housing Program



## *Field Training Program*

The Field Training Program is intended to facilitate a peace officer's transition from the academic setting to the performance of general law enforcement patrol duties of the Crescent City Police Department. Although an officer graduating from a P.O.S.T Basic Academy has received a thorough introduction to basic law enforcement subjects, that officer cannot be expected to immediately assume the full responsibilities of an experienced officer. New officers must receive additional training in the field, on actual calls for service, where they can learn from officers who already have practical patrol experience. Field training introduces a newly assigned officer to the personnel, procedures, policies, and purposes of the Crescent City Police Department and provides the initial formal and informal training specific to the department and the day-to-day duties of its officers.

In order to make the new officers' field training as effective as possible, they are assigned to a Field Training Officer (FTO). The FTO is an experienced officer selected and trained to conduct this type of training. It is the responsibility of the FTO to thoroughly review the field training program guide materials with the newly assigned officer (henceforth referred to as the trainee) and to demonstrate proper patrol procedures. Trainees will be required to perform various law enforcement duties under the guidance and supervision of their assigned FTO and a Field Training Program. The trainee's performance will be evaluated by the FTO and monitored by the Field Training Supervisor (FTS) through daily and monthly reviews. The Crescent City Police Department Field Training program consists of 14 weeks of intensive training. The Field Training Program for the Crescent City Police Department generally has several officers assigned to training of new officers. Not only have the officers tested to become an FTO, but are required to have experience in law enforcement, and are selected by the Police Chief.

Lt. Garrett Scott is the Crescent City Police Department Field Training Supervisor. Field Training Officers for 2013 include Sergeant Erik Apperson, Officer Justin Gill and Officer Jennifer Owen.



# ***MADD***

## ***Mothers Against Drunk Driving***



Chief Plack and Officer Anthony Lopez  
Officer Lopez has won the MADD Award for both 2012 and 2013

***“An average drunk driver has driven drunk 80 times before their first arrest.”***  
***(Centers for Disease Control - 2010).***

MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving), founded in 1980 by a mother who lost her daughter in a crash, is an organization devoted to eliminating drunk driving. MADD’s mission statement is: “The mission of Mothers Against Drunk Driving is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking”.

On December 8, 2011, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) announced a reduction in fatalities associated with drunk driving for 2010. Data from NHTSA shows a drop of 4.9% from 2009 (10,759) to 2010 (10,228) Jan Withers, MADD National President, applauded the decrease but advised, “One life impacted by this terrible crime is one life too many...”

MADD, an original supporter of legislations such as, the national .08% BAC (Blood Alcohol Concentration) and the 21 minimum drinking age, continues to promote mandated ignition interlock devices for convicted drunk drivers. MADD has a goal for the cars of tomorrow to automatically detect a driver’s sobriety level. MADD will also continue to support law enforcement at the local level through their “Hero” awards focused at recognizing proactive law enforcement officers.

## *Life Saving Medal Awarded to Sergeant*



Crescent City Police Sgt. Erik Apperson received a medal and a standing ovation on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 for his rescue of an injured woman stranded among the rocks and rising tide after a fall at Enderts Beach in April.

Members of the Crescent City Police Department and the Explorers' Academy crowded the Flynn Center as Police Chief Doug Plack draped the department's Medal of Life-Saving Service around Apperson's neck.

It's the first time the Crescent City Police Department awarded a medal for an officer's performance, Plack said. He then recounted how a trip to the beach with his family April 28 turned desperate for Apperson and the woman he rescued.

"Taking charge and talking to people in high stress situations isn't as easy as some people might believe," Plack said. He credited the rescue to "a combination of training and experience as the foundation, coupled with selfless efforts of Sgt. Apperson (and) the coordinated effort with the Search and Rescue Team."

Apperson carried the woman, 63-year-old Gail Eierweiss, of Richmond, over his shoulder out of the surf and up on shore when Search and Rescue volunteers arrived. Search and Rescue were able to get the woman up the mile-long path to a waiting ambulance.

Eierweiss sustained fractures to her pelvis and sacrum, Plack said.

"Helping our citizens and visitors is part of the reason individuals become police officers," he said. "Each day our officers put their own lives on the line without regard for reward and unfortunately we do not always recognize their efforts."

Written by: Jessica Cejnar at The Daily Triplicate

## ***2013 LEADN Awards***

The LEADN (Law Enforcement Administrators of Del Norte) awards ceremony is an annual event for all local law enforcement agencies. This awards ceremony is a public recognition to law enforcement personnel and community members for their outstanding performance and commitment to their organizations and community. We are proud to announce the 2013 LEADN award recipients:

**Officer of the Year:** Officer Jennifer Owen

**Reserve Officer of the Year:** Reserve Officer Keith Doyle

**Special Recognition Award:** Rebecca Neilsen- RCHDC

**Special Recognition Award:** Robin Patch

**Police Chief Commendation Award:** Officer Justin Gill

**Community Recognition Award:** California Auto Image

**Community Recognition Award:** City of Crescent City Public Works Department

**Community Recognition Award:** City of Crescent City Community Development Department



Rebecca Neilsen- RCHDC

*Community Development Department*



**Clean up behind  
Safeway**



## *Community Development Department*

The Crescent City Police Department and the Community Development Department work together to improve the quality of life for all of the residents and visitors of Crescent City by:

Towing Abandoned Vehicles

Sharing Information and Records

Identifying Problem Properties

Contacting Problem Property Owners and Issuing Citations

Conducting Records Checks on Individuals at Problem Properties

Identifying Criminal Activities at Problem Properties

Serving Inspection Warrants

Conducting Cleanup Operations

## *Shop with a Hero*



The Rotary and Wal-Mart teamed up together to put on the "Shop-With-A-Hero" Program. The program gave an under privileged child a \$50.00 gift certificate for purchases at Wal-Mart. The program is designed to show children the importance of giving and allow them the ability to purchase gifts for their loved ones.

This event was held on December 7th, 2013 from 0800 to 1000 hours. The uniformed safety personnel arrived in their vehicles, patrol units, fire units, etc. and escorted up to two children at a time and assisted them in shopping with their gift certificate. This was a great opportunity for our safety personnel to show a positive image to children. When each child was done shopping they were able to go to the front of the store where the gifts were wrapped and given to their parents to place under the tree for Christmas.

## *Project ChildSafe®*

Project ChildSafe® is a nationwide program whose purpose is to promote safe firearms handling and storage practices among all firearms owners through the distribution of safety education messages and free firearm safety kits. The kits include a gun-locking device and a brochure that discusses safe handling and storage practices.

The program was developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation®, the trade association for the firearms and ammunition industry. For years, Project ChildSafe was a component of “Project Safe Neighborhoods,” a federal gun violence-prevention initiative, and was supported by grants from the U.S. Department of Justice with additional funding from NSSF®. Today, due to federal budget tightening, Project ChildSafe is sponsored solely by the firearms industry through NSSF.

Formed in 1961, NSSF manages a variety of outreach programs for its more than 7,000 members, with a special emphasis on efforts to promote firearm safety education. Project ChildSafe is an expansion of NSSF's Project HomeSafe program that was created in 1999 to educate gun owners about their responsibilities to safely handle and properly store firearms in the home with the goal of preventing accidents involving children.

NSSF was appointed by the U.S. Department of Justice to administer Project ChildSafe because of NSSF's experience and expertise in providing gun locks and safety education messages to firearms owners nationwide through the Project HomeSafe program. NSSF supplies safety kits, which include a gun lock and accompanying educational material on firearm safety, to its program partners and provides additional support and media outreach materials.

The gun locking device distributed in the Project ChildSafe program is a cable-style gun lock that meets the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) current testing protocol standard (F2369-04) and the protocols established by the California Department of Justice. Cable locks require that many types of firearms be unloaded before the cable lock is installed, providing an extra level of safety.

Project ChildSafe operates in cooperation with law enforcement departments that provides the firearm safety kits free of charge to gun owners. Since 2003, Project ChildSafe has distributed more than 35 million safety kits to gun owners in all 50 states and in the five U.S. territories. Project ChildSafe's success is attributable to law enforcement, elected officials, community leaders, state agencies, businesses and individuals who have worked to help raise awareness about the importance of securely storing firearms in the home.





# National Take Back Program

Starting in 2010 and continuing, the Crescent City Police Department in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) give the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous, expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Citizens can bring medications for disposal to the Crescent City Police Department. The service is free and anonymous, with no questions asked. The event is held on a specific date each year, and to continue this very important program, the Crescent City Police Department has extended the program throughout the year, Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm excluding holidays.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that 70% of people abusing prescription drugs obtain them through friends or relatives, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

In October 2013, Americans turned in 647,211 pounds (324 tons) of prescription drugs at more than 5,683 locations operated by the DEA in all 50 states, a record 4,114 agencies participating. To date, the amount of prescription drugs collected by the DEA and its partners has totaled 3.4 million pounds (1733 tons).

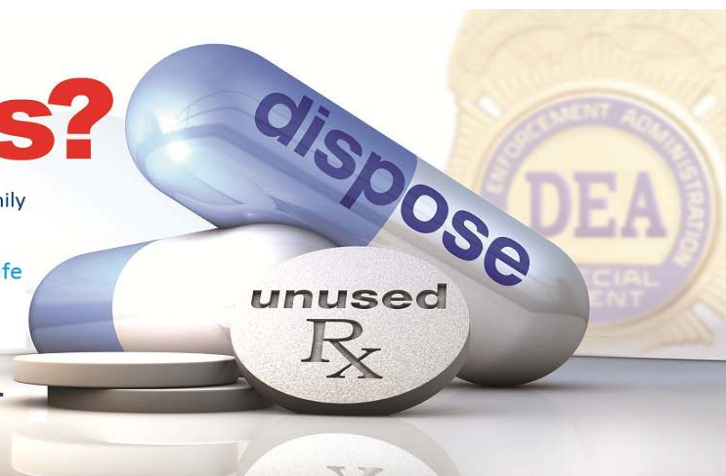
The Crescent City Police Department welcomes all of our citizens that would like to participate and help us make this a healthier and drug free community.

## Got Drugs?

Most abused prescription drugs come from family and friends. You could be a drug dealer and not even know it.

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal Sat. April 30th at the Police Department or the Sheriff's Office.

Visit [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov) or call 800-882-9539 for more information.



## *Traffic Decoy*

The Crescent City Police Department utilizes many different traffic enforcement methods to assist with the reduction of traffic violators and complaints. The most popular deterrent is Debbie the Traffic Decoy. Debbie has been a member of the Crescent City Police Department for the past five years. Debbie assists the Police Department dealing with traffic related complaints and she enjoys hanging out around our local schools. Debbie's efforts and assistance have resulted in less traffic related complaints and traffic violations. Based on the reduction in traffic violations, fewer citations were issued. Keep up the great work Debbie.



## *2013 Department Statistics*

### **Felony and Misdemeanor Arrest Totals**

#### **Part 1 Crimes**

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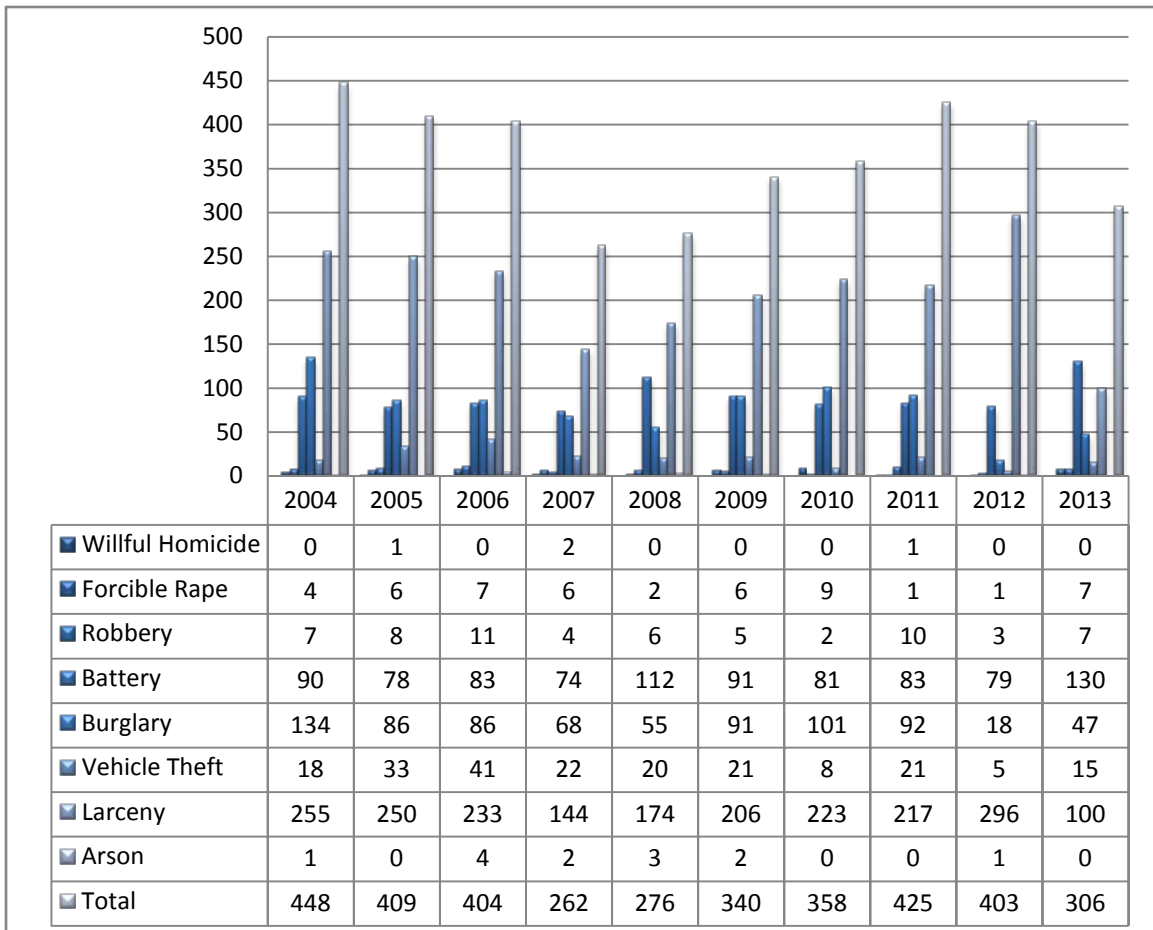
*2013 Arrest Totals*

**Felony Arrest Total: 313**

**Misdemeanor Arrest Total: 1,207**

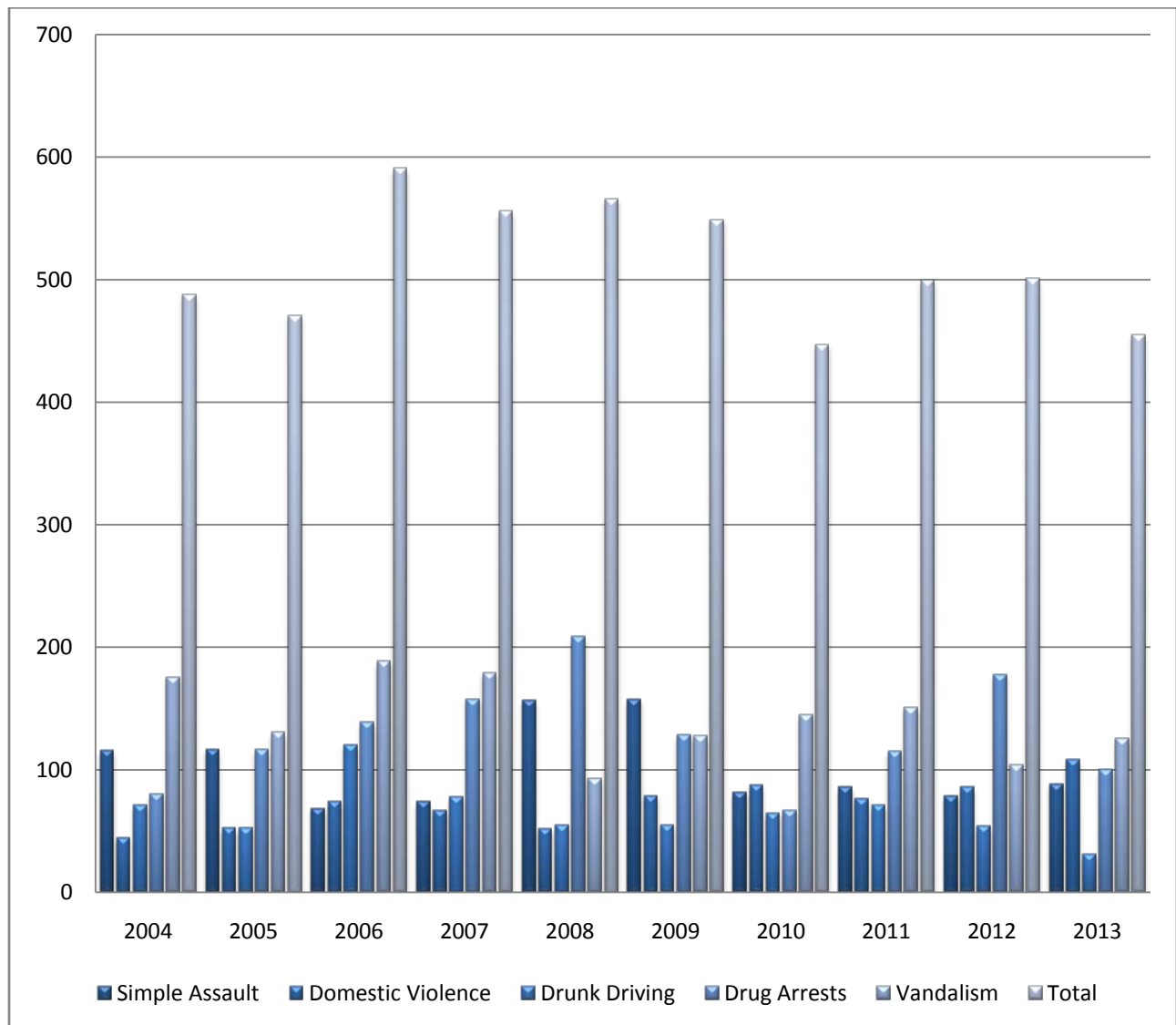
## Part 1 Crimes 2004-2013

	'04	'05	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13
<b>Willful Homicide</b>	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Forcible Rape</b>	4	6	7	6	2	6	9	1	1	7
<b>Robbery</b>	7	8	11	4	6	5	2	10	3	7
<b>Battery</b>	90	78	83	74	112	91	81	83	79	130
<b>Burglary</b>	134	86	86	68	55	91	101	92	18	47
<b>Vehicle Theft</b>	18	33	41	22	20	21	8	21	5	15
<b>Larceny</b>	255	250	233	144	174	206	223	217	296	100
<b>Arson</b>	1	0	4	2	3	2	0	0	1	0
<b>Total</b>	448	409	404	262	276	340	358	425	403	306



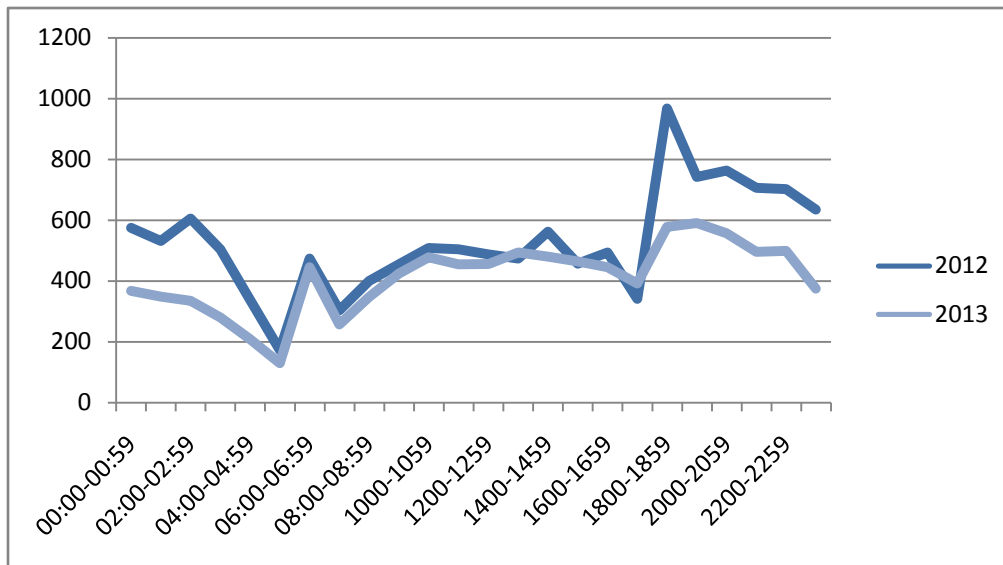
## *Crime Statistics 2004-2013*

	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13
<b>Simple Assault</b>	116	117	69	74	157	158	82	86	79	89
<b>Domestic Violence</b>	45	53	74	67	52	79	88	77	86	109
<b>Drunk Driving</b>	71	53	120	78	55	55	65	71	54	31
<b>Drug Arrests</b>	80	117	139	158	209	129	67	115	178	100
<b>Vandalism</b>	176	131	189	179	93	128	145	151	104	126
<b>Total</b>	488	471	591	556	566	549	447	500	501	455



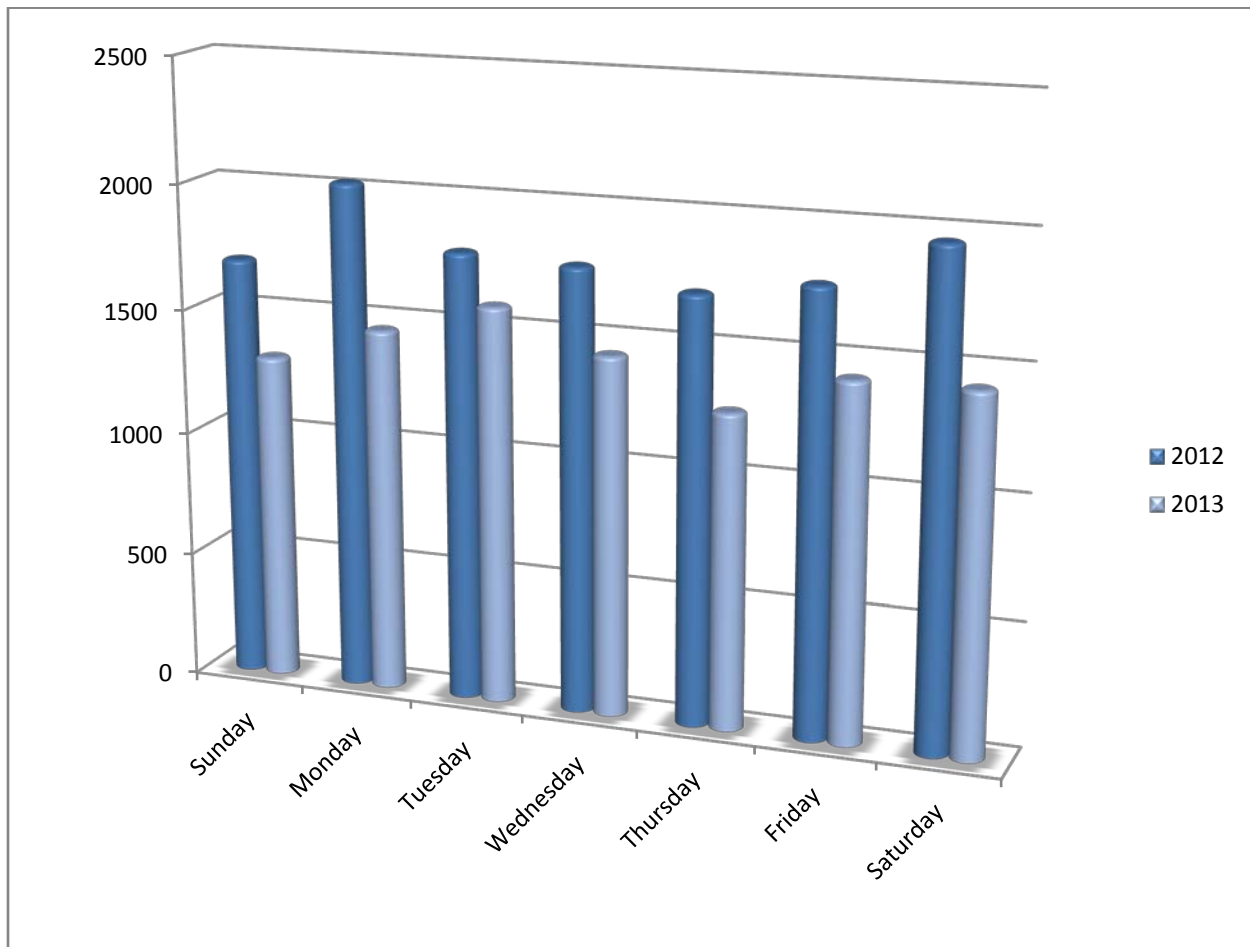
## *Calls For Service by Hour of Day*

Time Period	2012	2013
00:00 - 00:59	575	368
01:00 - 01:59	532	349
02:00 - 02:59	606	335
03:00 - 03:59	505	281
04:00 - 04:59	338	209
05:00 - 05:59	173	130
06:00 - 06:59	474	446
07:00 - 07:59	304	257
08:00 - 08:59	400	348
09:00 - 09:59	455	425
10:00 - 10:59	509	478
11:00 - 11:59	505	455
12:00 - 12:59	488	456
13:00 - 13:59	474	494
14:00 - 14:59	563	480
15:00 - 15:59	457	465
16:00 - 16:59	494	446
17:00 - 17:59	342	392
18:00 - 18:59	968	578
19:00 - 19:59	743	591
20:00 - 20:59	764	557
21:00 - 21:59	707	496
22:00 - 22:59	703	499
23:00 - 23:59	635	375



## *Calls For Service by Day of the Week*

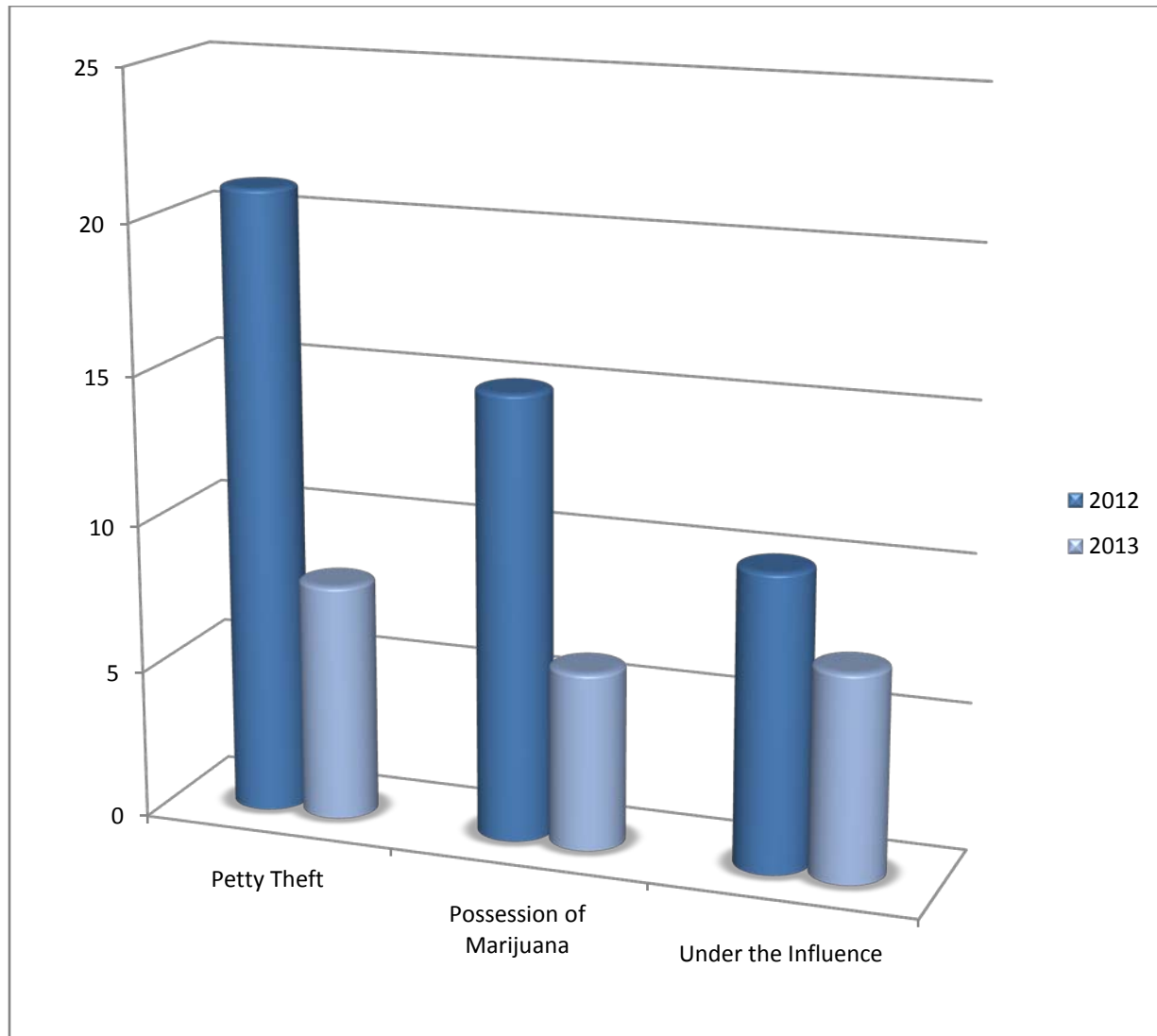
Day of the Week	2012	2013
Sunday	1,695	1,311
Monday	2,026	1,458
Tuesday	1,790	1,589
Wednesday	1,770	1,437
Thursday	1,702	1,259
Friday	1,770	1,426
Saturday	1,961	1,430





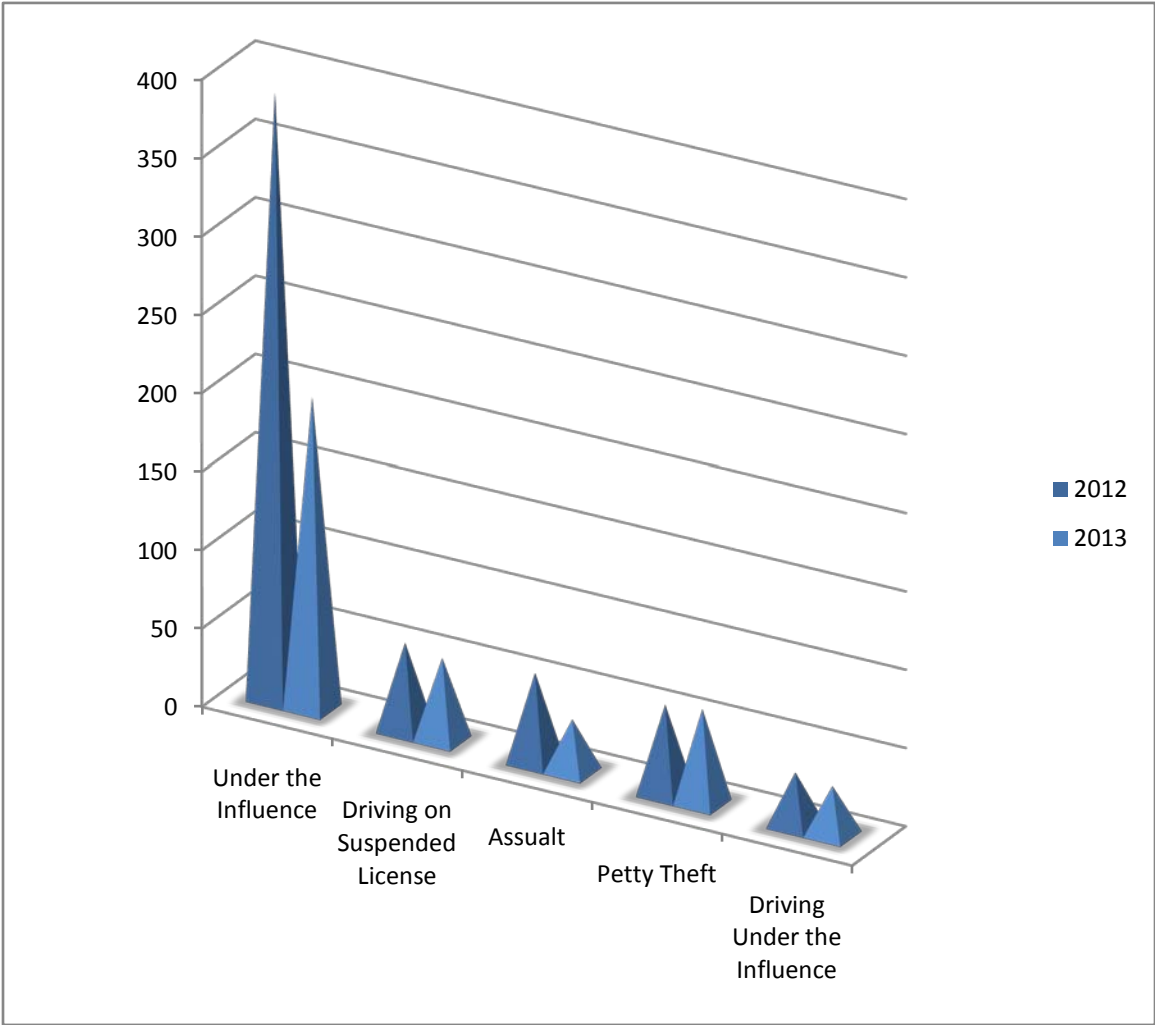
## *Most Common Juvenile Arrests*

	2012	2013
<b>Petty Theft</b>	21	8
<b>Possession of Marijuana</b>	15	6
<b>Under the Influence</b>	10	7



# *Most Common Adult Arrests*

	2012	2013
<b>Under the Influence</b>	387	198
<b>Driving on a Suspended License</b>	56	52
<b>Assault</b>	57	33
<b>Petty Theft</b>	57	60
<b>Driving Under the Influence</b>	34	31



## *Traffic Accident Statistics*

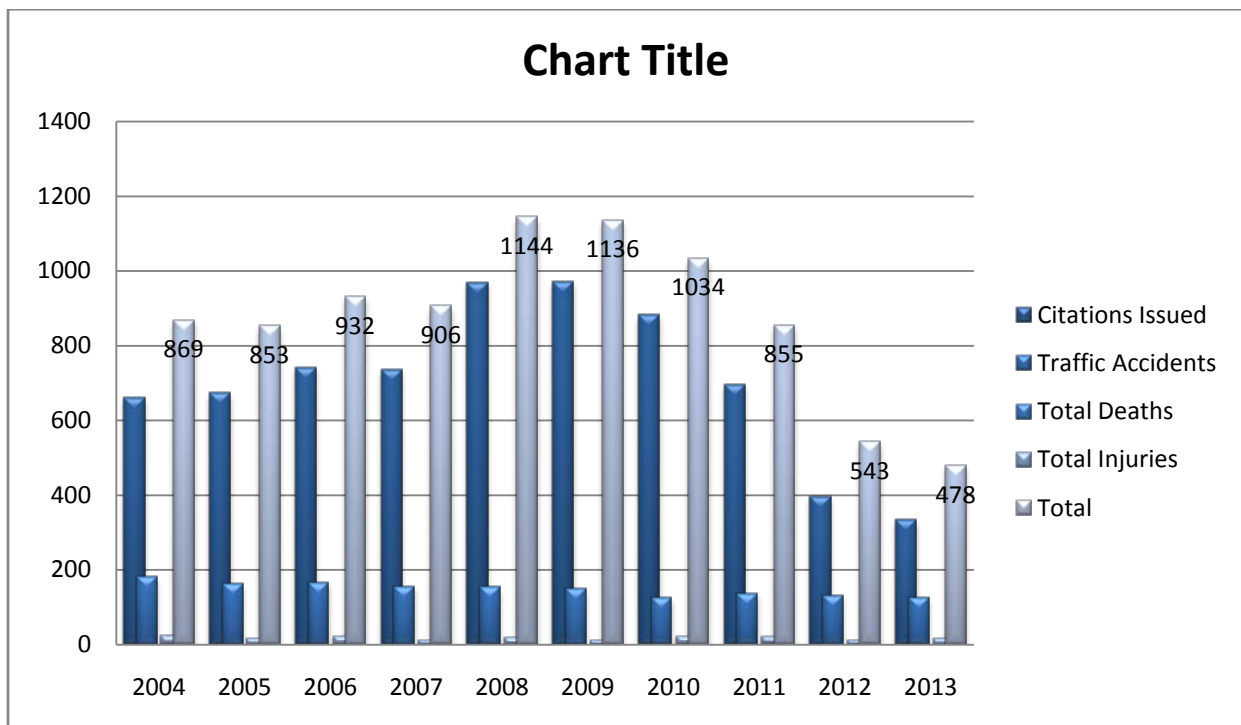


<b>Most Common Accident Locations</b>	<b>Number of Accidents</b>
<b>Private Property</b>	41
<b>Highway 101 at Northcrest Drive</b>	8
<b>Highway 101 at Elk Valley Road</b>	7
<b>100-800 blocks of L Street</b>	7
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Street at M Street</b>	5
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Street at L Street</b>	5
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Street</b>	5

In 2013, the Crescent City Police Department responded to 127 traffic accidents with a total of 17 injuries. In 2012, the department responded to 132 accidents with 13 injuries. The employees of the Crescent City Police Department would like to remind everyone to please, drive safe.

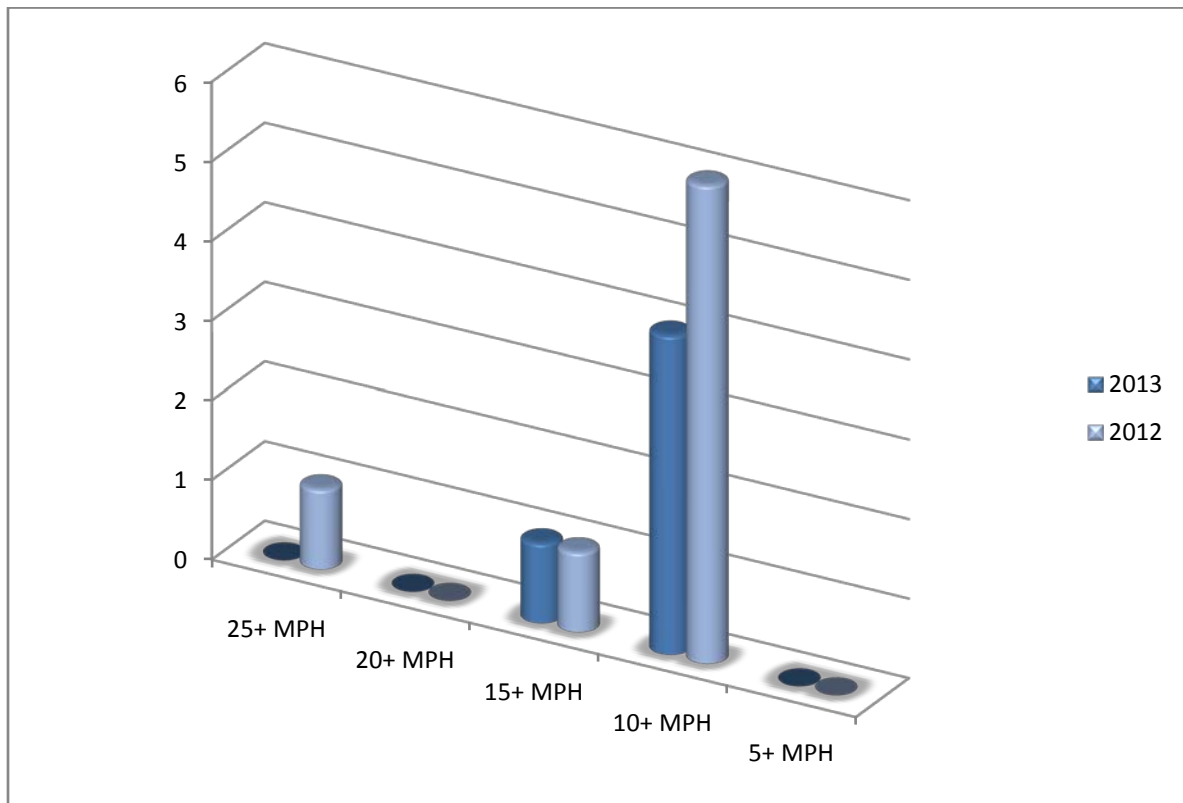
## *Traffic Statistics 2004-2013*

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<b>Citation Issued</b>	661	673	742	736	970	972	883	698	398	334
<b>Traffic Accidents</b>	183	163	167	157	154	152	128	136	132	127
<b>Total Deaths</b>	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Injuries</b>	25	17	23	13	19	12	23	21	13	17



## *Excessive Speed Violations*

	2012	2013
<b>25 MPH or more over posted speed</b>	1	0
<b>20 MPH over posted speed</b>	0	0
<b>15 MPH over posted speed</b>	1	1
<b>10 MPH over posted speed</b>	6	4
<b>5 MPH over posted speed</b>	0	0



## *2013 Citations Issued*

<b>CITATION</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>
After stop/yield to through traffic	2	1
Battery	7	8
Criminal Threats	1	2
Curfew, minor (2300-0500)	0	9
Defective Windshield	2	1
Drive/suspended license/reckless driving	4	5
Drive while license suspended	7	15
Drive while license suspended for DUI	2	1
Driver not Restraining Child	1	1
Driver's license not in possession	2	2
Exhibition of Speed	1	3
Fail to provide evidence financial responsibility	32	21
Headlamps required	12	8
Illegal camping within city limits	2	9
Juvenile probation violation	2	1
Local warrant/Misdemeanor	3	28
Maintain lighting devices in good repair	1	1
Mandatory seatbelts	1	1
Outside Agency Warrant- Misdemeanor	6	7
Petty theft	33	37
Possession of Concentrated Cannabis	1	1
Possession marijuana, less than 1 ounce	3	4
Possession marijuana, specific circumstances	5	3
Possession of tobacco	17	1
Provisional license	4	1
Stop for posted stop sign	42	36
Stop for red signal	6	5
Stop lamp required	12	4
Trespass	2	14
Two tail lamps required	12	3
Under the influence	5	2

## *2013 Citations Issued*

<b>Unlicensed driver</b>	26	27
<b>Unregistered vehicle</b>	65	44
<b>Unsafe lane change</b>	1	2
<b>Unsafe speed</b>	9	5
<b>Unsafe turn movement or without signal</b>	1	2
<b>Vandalism, damages</b>	2	1

## *Crime Tip Hotline*

# **Report Suspicious Activity Make the Call**

In continued attempts to be totally accessible to the community we serve, the Crescent City Police Department has instituted a Crime Tip Hotline. The telephone message system can be utilized by citizens to report on going suspicious or problem activity occurring in or near their home or businesses, including suspected drug dealing, abused or neglected children, domestic violence, persons of interest, or any other suspicious, possible criminal activity. The Tip Hotline is an unmanned telephone line that goes directly into the office of the Chief of Police to ensure confidentiality. Individuals may leave their name and contact information or remain anonymous. The information provided will be forwarded to the appropriate agency or department while maintaining the confidentiality of the caller.

# **Crime Tip Hotline**

# **707-218-4229**



## *Chatting with the Chief*

In 2009 Chief Plack started a program called “Chatting with the Chief”. The program is designed to give the citizens of Crescent City an opportunity to come together and voice concerns or general inquiries on a variety of topics. For the past three years and continuing, Chief Plack can be heard on the radio (KPOD 97.9) every Monday morning from 8:40-9:00am. On air, Chief Plack discusses current topics that may affect our community. A yearly schedule of these topics can be found on our website at [www.crescentcity.org](http://www.crescentcity.org).

Chief Plack also has a “Meet & Greet” once a month. During the months of November through May, on the third Wednesday of each month, Chief Plack can be found at Tomasini’s Enoteca from 3:00-5:00pm. This is an opportunity for the citizens to sit down with the Chief and discuss concerns, problems, complaints or suggestions regarding their neighborhood or the community. June through October, you’ll be able to find the Chief conducting his “Meet & Greet” at the Del Norte County Fairgrounds on the first Saturday of the month at our local Farmer’s Market.

1/7/13	Winter Driving
1/14/13	Working Safely at Home
1/21/13	Panhandling Ordinance: What the Public Needs to Know
1/28/13	New 2013 Laws
2/4/13	Is Your Child Ready to be Left Alone at Home?
2/11/13	What Parents can do to Stop School Violence
2/25/13	City Trash Receptacles
3/4/13	What To Do If You Witness a Crime
3/11/13	Home Safety Checklist
3/18/13	What Parents Can Do About Bullying
3/25/13	Preventing Mortgage Fraud
4/1/13	Service Animals in Public Places
4/8/13	Cough Medicine Abuse: Checklist For Parents
4/15/13	What Students Can Do To Stop School Violence
4/22/13	Take Back Program (6)
4/29/13	Abusive Behavior in a Dating Relationship
5/6/13	Bath Salts

## *Chatting with the Chief*

5/13/13	<b>Reporting Tagging Incidents</b>
5/20/13	<b>Spam/Unwanted Text Messages/E-Mails</b>
6/3/13	<b>Revisiting Skate Park Rules</b>
6/10/13	<b>Telemarketing Frauds</b>
6/17/13	<b>Laws Pertaining to Fireworks</b>
6/24/13	<b>Report Fireworks Complaints</b>
7/1/13	<b>Crescent City Fireworks Ordinance</b>
7/8/13	<b>What is a Private Person Arrest Form</b>
7/15/13	<b>Regulations of Fires on the Beach</b>
7/22/13	<b>How You Can Make a Difference About Aggressive Panhandling</b>
8/5/13	<b>Safety Tips at the County Fair</b>
8/12/13	<b>What Can I Do To Prevent A Personal Attack</b>
8/19/13	<b>What Steps Can You Take To Prevent Car Theft</b>
8/26/13	<b>Back To School Safety Tips</b>
9/9/13	<b>Preventing Burglary of Home or Office</b>
9/16/13	<b>What To Do During a Home Invasion</b>
9/23/13	<b>What is CPTED</b>
9/30/13	<b>How To Be a Good Witness</b>



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*We hope you have enjoyed our 2013 Annual Report.  
The men and women of the Crescent City Police  
Department believe in the future of our City.*

*We thank you, the community, for supporting us in  
our efforts and we look forward to another  
productive year!*