



**CITY OF DANBURY**  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE  
375 MAIN STREET

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August 25, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Mark D. Boughton  
Members of the City Council

From: Patrick A. Ridenhour, Chief of Police

Subject: **Police Department Monthly Report  
August 2016**

I submit this report of the activities of the Danbury Police Department for the month of July.

**Personnel**

Not available at this time.

**Community Services** (See attached)

**Training**

8/1-5 Crisis Intervention Technician – P.Os. Zalenski & Anderson  
8/3-5, 8-12 Patrol Rifle Training & Qualification – Various Officers  
8/14-19 NTOA Conference – Lt. Sturdevant

**Chief's Significant Meetings**

8/1 9-1-1 Oversight Board  
8/1 Union Rep Meeting  
8/1 ShopRite Preview  
8/2 Office of Project Excellence Meeting  
8/2 Danbury Parking Authority Meeting  
8/2 City Council Meeting  
8/3 ShopRite Ribbon Cutting/Grand Opening  
8/3 FBINAA Quarterly Meeting – Coast Guard Academy  
8/4 Joe Estey – IXP  
8/4 Community Welcome Reception – New Hope Baptist Church  
8/5 *Tribuna* Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting  
8/8 Union Grievance

8/8 Interview Process Review – Human Resources  
8/9 New Hire Interviews – Human Resources  
8/9 Noise Busters Introduction Meeting  
8/9 IXP Personnel Meeting  
8/10 Mayor’s Cabinet Meeting  
8/10 Finance Dept. Meeting  
8/10 CityCenter Overview Meeting  
8/11 Mayor’s Executive Leadership Team  
8/11 Lawsuit Status Meeting  
8/11 Public Safety – EAP  
8/11 New Hire Interviews – Human Resources  
8/12 *The News-Times* Introduction Meeting  
8/12 Harambee Center Awards Dinner  
8/15 WWII Remembrance Ceremony  
8/15 9-1-1 Oversight Board  
8/15 3-1-1/Noise Abatement Meeting  
8/16 Danbury Housing Authority Picnic  
8/16 PD Personnel Fundraiser  
8/17 Lateral Police Officer Meeting – Human Resources  
8/18 Engineering Introduction  
8/21 Long Ridge Road Home Owners Association Meeting  
8/23 Crisis Negotiation Team – Sgt. Mable  
8/23 Planning Department – Sharon Calitro  
8/25 Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce – Leadership Danbury  
8/29 Quarterly Finance Meeting  
8/30 Booting System  
8/30 Danbury FOP Meeting  
8/31 Kennedy Flats Management Team

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick A. Ridenhour  
Chief of Police

PAR:mrl  
Attach.



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Patrick A. Ridenhour, Chief  
Department of Police  
375 Main Street

Lt. Vincent P. Daniello  
Community Services Division  
(203) 797-4577

To: Patrick A. Ridenhour – Chief of Police

From: Vincent P. Daniello – Lieutenant

Re: Community Services Division – Activity Reports & Staffing Levels  
July 15, 2016 – August 15, 2016

Date: August 22, 2016

**Community Conditions Unit:**

(Sgt. Antonelli, Officers T. Zalenski, S. Cameron, M. Morrill, R. Anderson)

**-See attached report - Sensitive Information -**

**Community Affairs Unit:** No officer assigned

*(-1 Officer) Responsibilities divided amongst Lt. Daniello and CSD*

**-No report attached**

**GTF/UNIT:**

(P.O. K. Utter)

**See attached report - Sensitive Information**

**City Center Liaison:**

(P.O. R. Perun)

**-See attached report**

**Police Activities League:**

(No police personnel assigned)

**No Report**

**School Based Officers:**

(P.O. S. O'Brien, P.O. M. Martinez, P.O. B. Hayes, P.O. R. Morlock)

**No Report**

**\*\*\*Current Staffing Levels\*\*\***

1 Lieutenant  
1 Sergeant  
10 Patrol Officers (-1)



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Department of Police  
375 Main Street

Matthew McNally, Lieutenant  
Patrol Division

Date: August 18, 2016

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Chief Patrick A. Ridenhour  
From: Lt. Matthew McNally  
Subject: **Police Explorer Monthly Activity Report – July 2016**

This month the explorer program was in full swing starting with the **Danbury Fair Mall Fireworks** display on **Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**. This date was a reschedule from the night before, July 1<sup>st</sup>, due to anticipated inclement weather. This reschedule greatly affected the participation of members of the post. The relationship between the Danbury Fair Mall and the Danbury Police Explorer program is a strong community partnership that dates back to the very first Danbury Fair Mall Fireworks display over a decade ago. Danbury Fair, under Macerich, Inc., has been a strong supporter of the Danbury Police Explorers and this support has been lead by current General Manager, Maura Ruby. The explorers have worked with mall security in all its incarnations, and one of the staple events is the annual fireworks evening. This year we had approximately 34 explorers of the post on hand to supplement the security personnel on property. Explorers conducted informational/ safety patrols in the early part of the evening. Once the fireworks began, the explorers took up traffic control positions throughout the mall property and assisted the Special Events hired DPD officers with getting the thousands of vehicles safely out of the mall parking lot and onto the roadways.



2016 Mall Fireworks detail

On July 9th, 22 members (16 explorers and 6 adult advisors) of the Danbury Police Explorer Program Post #33 attended the National Law Enforcement Explorer Conference. This is a bi-annual conference that brings Explorer posts from across the nation together to compete in obstacles and attend seminars. This year, the NLEEC was held at the Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona.

While at the NLEEC, the post had 4 teams compete in 5 individual team competitions, which were split up to 2-3 competitions per team. We also had a 9 person drill team competed in a drill competition, where they got to show off their fancy footwork and synchronized timing in front of judges. Although we did not win in this competition, the judges did inform our team that he was looking forward to seeing our team compete again in 2018 at the next NLEEC. They stated that they anticipate a stronger finish there for Danbury. Along with the competitions, Post #33 also took advantage of the many educational and training seminars being offered during this week. Federal agents from the different agencies,(FBI, DEA, ATF, USP, etc.), who work in the field presented and taught the seminars.

In addition to the training and educational seminars, and the competitions, our Post was also part of the NLEEC Staff providing 24/7 security patrols and operating the security office. The explorers, under the direction of an advisor, were broken into shift details and we covered various shifts, several overnight, patrolling and responding to calls for emergencies, suspicious activity, and other needs of the conference. This afforded our youth an opportunity to get real-time hands on experience, and they also were able to interact with many law enforcement personnel, to include the NAU Police, Arizona Public Safety, and federal agencies such as Secret Service, and Homeland Security. It was exceptionally busy, as Arizona was having a heightened state of alert for law enforcement with nightly anti- police protests in Phoenix and Tucson. There was concern and intelligence that the protests could make the way to Flagstaff.

Competition scoring was conducted digitally and as of the date of this report, we have still not received our team's scores and grade standing. This was the first time that the NLEEC has used digital electronic scoring and there have been many problems. They did present awards to the top 5 posts per competition, but we evidently did not place in any event as a top 5 team. We have been assured that we will have our scores, grades and comments emailed to us on or around August 30<sup>th</sup>. We definitely preferred the hand written scoring sheets, where we were able to get the sheets on the last day for review.

On Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, I was the guest lecturer for a session of Advisor training. I presented on the North East Regional Law Enforcement Education Association from here in Connecticut, of which we are a founding member, and the tremendous success we have had with the annual Cadet Police Academy held at the University of Hartford.

Besides the NLEEC, Post #33 took advantage of their surroundings. They visited the Grand Canyon's Southern Rim near Cameron, Arizona. The Post also went on an afternoon visit to, Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument, the Kaibib National Forest and the pueblos of Wupatki National Monument, Arizona.

We are proud of our performance at this event. With over 7,000 law enforcement explorers and their advisors representing hundreds of law enforcement exploring programs, both nationally and from the international community, the Post feels that the experience was well worth the cross country trip.



2016 NLEEC Competitive Drill Team with a judge from CBP



Educational Training Seminar Attendance



Hiking the Volcano Lava Field



Working NLEEC Security



Our 2016 National Law Enforcement Explorer Conference Travel Team At Northern Arizona University



Dinner at Black Bart's Old West Theater Show



Exploring a 1000 year old pueblo ruin at Wupatki

On Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>, while twenty-two of our Post were out at the NLEEC, the remaining members of the Post were back in Danbury, assisting with the change in command and swearing in of the new Danbury Police Chief, Patrick Ridenhour. Explorers helped provide parking assistance and directions for the attendees and honored guests.



Change of Command Detail



Meeting the "new" Chief Pat Ridenhour

## 2016 Cadet Police Academy Results-

Also on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, the North East Regional Law Enforcement Education Association's 7<sup>th</sup> annual Cadet Police Academy began at the University of Hartford campus. The Academy ran from July 22<sup>nd</sup> for the adult staff; the 23<sup>rd</sup> for the cadets to arrive and who were graduated on July 30<sup>th</sup>, and the adult staff secured on July 31<sup>st</sup>. We ran some of the administrative executive staff operations, as well as the Academy Shooting Program at the DEEP Firing Range located in Glastonbury; required for the week long in-residence academy that caters to approximately 450 cadets and staff. This is no small feat, as we also had 33 cadet/explorers of our own program in attendance at the academy for the week in the various different programs. PO David Antedomenico was the Shooting Range Director, and PO Stephan Cameron, returned back to the Mountain Bike Program as its Assistant/Co-Director. I continued assisting the current academy Director and Assistant Director, filling the role as an Assistant Director, an instructor in the Advanced Program and also assisted with PO Antedomenico at the Range as an .

As stated, our Post had 33 explorers attend the academy. Each had to pay the \$465 fee by raising their own money, as did the adult advisors who work the academy. In the past the Post has been able to offer some financial assistance, to help our explorers attend, but due to continued lackluster fundraising this past year, the program did not have the money to assist with the costs for all. This was the third year that we were unable to

obtain scholarships for those economically challenged explorers in the program to attend, resulting in a smaller attendance number. We started with 33, and graduated all 33 as well, even after a couple of trips to St. Francis hospital for some minor injuries.

We had many explorers win awards this year and or receive honors upon graduation. Their efforts were stellar, as usual, and several of our explorers were in competition for the coveted awards against other explorers from our post. Also, many of our explorers were put in leadership positions for their various programs throughout the week. Needless to say we are very proud that all of our explorers successfully graduated. This was the largest group we ever had attend.

In the Basic Program, there are 4 squads of approximately 35 cadets. Each squad is led by a squad leader/guidon, chosen by the Drill Instructors assigned to that squad. The squads are identified as Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta squads. We had explorers in all four squads. In the drill competition between the four squads, Delta squad won first place for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in a row. That squad had 3 of our explorers in it. Several of the Danbury Explorers were assigned as their squads Guidon or as squad leader, throughout the week.

In the Advanced Program, which is known as the competition year, we had several explorers win awards. ***Explorer Sergeant Gabriella Espinal took home the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Award in the Female Physical Agility. She also shot a perfect 300 score on the pistol range as well. Her perfect target helped propel our shooting team into a Third Place Shooting Team Award, with Explorer Corporal Matt Regalado and Explorer First Class Chris Quinde.***

In ***Crime Scene Investigation, Explorer Miashel Palta took 2<sup>nd</sup> Place and Wilfry Goris got 3<sup>rd</sup> Place honors.*** This seemed to set a theme for the Danbury competitors, as we dominated the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place spots in the various competitions

***Explorers Matt Regalado scored a 2nd place award in Building Search competition, while Joshua Hibbard brought home 3<sup>rd</sup> Place*** in the same event.

***Crisis Intervention saw 2<sup>nd</sup> Place go to Justin Cordero, while the 3<sup>rd</sup> Place award went to fellow Danbury Explorer Luis Masincho.***

We also provided a four man honor/color guard to the Wednesday morning formation as well

An excellent training and educational experience was had by all. Also, Officer David Antedomenico was chosen to be the next Assistant Academy Director, which is the first two years of the four year commitment where he will be the Cadet Police Academy Director for the 2019-2020 academy years!



2016 Cadet Police Academy Graduates



*2016 Cadet Police Academy Graduates*



*Morning Formation Colors Gabby Espinal shoots perfect 300 Matt Cisewski shoots The DEEP Shooting Range*

To get a glimpse into life at the 2016 Cadet Police Academy, please go on Facebook by liking Cadet Police Academy. There is an excellent video presentation, bios of the executive staff, and photo's of the activities throughout the week. You will surely be impressed!

Also, I want to thank all of our civilian associate advisors, and in particular Dan Cohn (IXP PSA), Steven Wong, Meighan McNally, Kirsten Dean and Special Agent Brianna McNally, Diplomatic Security Service for taking the time off from their respective employers, to attend the entire week. Their commitment to the success of the Post is limitless. To the other civilian advisors who had to stay behind and run the weekly meetings and keep up on the other 55+ explorers, I extend my gratitude as well. A mere thank you just doesn't seem enough.

As the summer has progressed we ended the month with 77 Explorers registered. We already have several prospective new explorers waiting to join the ranks on September 8<sup>th</sup>, at our scheduled First Night open house. As several of our most senior explorers age out, or move on to college, military service or careers, we will fill their openings in September

Respectfully submitted,

*Lt. Matthew McNally*

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Post Advisor/Program Coordinator

<b>I. Membership</b>	
# of Explorers Enrolled	78
# of Advisors Enrolled	16

<b>II. Hours-Explorer</b>	
Total Job Hours	5897.25
Total Training Hours	525.50
Total Explorer Hours	6422.75

<b>III. Hours-Advisor</b>	
Total Job Hours	1360.50
Total Training Hours	42.75
Total Advisor Hours	1403.25



Image by Associate Advisor Kevin Almeida

**2016 UNIFORM CRIME REPORT  
CITY OF DANBURY**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Forcible Rape	6	1	1	0	0	0	0						8
Robbery	4	3	3	5	6	6	9						36
Assault	2	0	1	2	5	5	5						20
Burglary	5	10	12	10	15	7	15						74
Theft	69	81	77	60	71	58	69						485
Motor Vehicle Theft	12	15	5	3	9	20	7						71
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>105</b>						<b>694</b>

**2015 UNIFORM CRIME REPORT  
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	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Forcible Rape	4	11	1	4	3	1	2						26
Robbery	4	7	5	6	3	4	5						34
Assault	2	2	5	4	4	4	6						27
Burglary	20	15	25	9	17	15	9						110
Theft	84	67	73	90	86	76	68						544
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	9	9	15	4	4	11						56
Arson	0	0	2	0	1	0	0						3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>101</b>						<b>800</b>

**2016 DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS  
CITY OF DANBURY**

**CALLS FOR SERVICE**

**2016**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>3,902</b>	<b>3,959</b>	<b>3,908</b>	<b>4,876</b>	<b>4,435</b>	<b>4,673</b>	<b>5,004</b>						<b>30,757</b>

**2015**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
<b>Calls for Service</b>	<b>5,274</b>	<b>5,030</b>	<b>6,445</b>	<b>5,701</b>	<b>7,049</b>	<b>6,263</b>	<b>6,121</b>						<b>41,883</b>

**TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS**

**2016**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Property Damage	208	312	300	302	371	301	322						2,116
Personal Injury	38	48	26	46	41	47	44						290
<b>Total Traffic Accidents</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>366</b>						<b>2,406</b>

**2015**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Property Damage	326	340	382	211	334	312	329						2,234
Personal Injury	79	50	76	83	90	96	109						583
<b>Total Traffic Accidents</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>438</b>						<b>2,817</b>

**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT**

**2016**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Verbal Warning	151	117	136	218	141	131	148						1,042
Written Warning	16	13	7	34	18	13	11						112
Moving Violation	198	167	134	1,890*	298	365	500						3,552
<b>Total Enforcement Action</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>2,142</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>659</b>						<b>4,706</b>

**2015**

	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Verbal Warning	155	116	93	203	55	199	90						911
Written Warning	11	5	20	44	6	22	24						132
Moving Violation	125	67	211	1,325*	159	837*	609*						3,333
<b>Total Enforcement Action</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>1,572</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>723</b>						<b>4,376</b>

\*Traffic Enforcement Grant(s)