



**CITY OF DANBURY**  
**DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**  
**120 MAIN STREET**

September 28, 2004

**ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF**  
**(203) 797-4614**

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor Mark D. Boughton  
Members of the Common Council

**From:** Captain Arthur Sullo, Acting Deputy Chief

**Subject:** **Police Department Monthly Report**  
**September 2004**

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

**Personnel**

Department – 150 sworn personnel. 4 officers remain out on injury leave.

**Community Services** (See attached)

**Training**

9/13-9/15 Collision-Crime Scene Diagramming – Advanced Class – P.O. Brevard  
9/14 New Legal Developments – Det. Capt. Weston, Capts. Mulvey & Wendel,  
Det. Sgt. Lopes

9/15-11/17 States Attorney Class – P.O. Kruijs

9/27-9/28 Undercover Operation Two Day Training – Det. Lopez

9/27-10/5 Telecommunication (Dispatcher) Training – P.O.s Perun, Guertin, Simon  
& Elste

9/28 COLLECT Recertification – Many Officers

9/28 Law Enforcement Response to Weapons of Mass Destruction – Sgt.  
McNally

9/29 New Legal Developments – Capts. Sullo, Myles & Shanahan

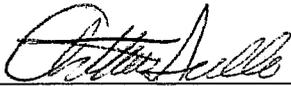


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**Chief Paquette's Significant Meetings**

- 9/1 Communications System Testing – City Hall
- 9/2 Retirement Dinner – Deputy Chief Mark Rosato
- 9/8 Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – City Hall
- 9/9 Meeting – FBI Agents
- 9/10 Boehringer Ingelheim 9/11 Luncheon – DFD, New Street

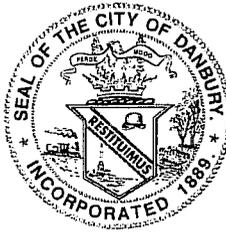
Respectfully submitted,



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Captain Arthur Sullo  
Acting Deputy Chief of Police

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Attach



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## DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

### COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

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**DATE:** FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2004  
**TO:** ROBERT L. PAQUETTE, CHIEF OF POLICE  
**CC:** ACTING DEPUTY CHIEF A. SULLO  
**FROM:** LIEUTENANT PETER F. GANTERT  
**RE:** SEPTEMBER 2004, ACTIVITY REPORT: COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

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Chief Paquette,

The following is a brief overview of activities engaged in by officers of the Community Services Division for the time period of August 15, 2004 to September 15, 2004.

**Community Services Division: Commanding Officer:**

Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert (203.797.4577)

Numerous meetings were attended to coordinate the police departments' response to downtown events and citywide issues and upcoming special events. Additional meetings were attended to address downtown safety and quality of life issues.

Work was performed on all open grants assigned to the Community Services Division with the State of Connecticut's Office of Policy and Management, Department of Justice and Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Numerous events and meetings were organized, participated and planned by members of the Community Services Division during the month to include the following:

- **Citizens Police Academy-** Currently recruiting and planning the next session of the Citizen Police Academy for the fall of 2004. Anyone interested in attending should contact the community Affairs Office at 797 4644 – seats will be filled quickly.

Community Services Division – 116 Main Street – Danbury, Connecticut 06810  
Phone: 203.797.4577 Fax: 203.796.8018  
P.Gantert@ci.danbury.ct.us

- **Child Passenger Safety Fitting Station** – Weekly at CSD Building Monday mornings by appointment. Currently our department has twelve federally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians, two of which are Federally Certified Instructor. This month **82** car seats were checked/installed. For appointments or additional information concerning our fitting station contact the Child Passenger Safety Team at 743-6314. **YTD 462**
- **Deployment of VMS Trailer**- The VMS (Variable Messaging System) trailer has been deployed on city streets to make the motoring public aware of their illegal operating speed and also provides them with needed safety information. Recently it has been deployed to the following locations Bacus Ave., W. Wooster, Williams St., Casper St. and Virginia Ave.
- **Tribuna Crime Prevention/Education Articles**- Bi monthly crime prevention/education articles written by members of the Community Affairs office.
- **Police and You**- Outreach program in partnership with the Tribuna newspaper designed to educate their readers to the American Justice System, introduce them to their local police and explain Connecticut State Laws & Local Ordinances. This program is a condensed Citizen Police academy provided at the Tribuna offices with interpreters.
- **Project HomeSafe** – A firearm safety program supported by the Lt Governors Office. We received approximately 1000 gunlocks to distribute free of charge to individuals wishing to secure their firearms. This is our third year involved in this program and we have distributed approximately 700+ gunlocks.
- **Tribuna “How your Police Department Operates”**: Members of the Brazilian community see first hand how the Danbury police department operates on a daily basis. Citizens are introduced to the American criminal justice system and their local police department. All takes place at police headquarters. (October 27, 2004)
- **Child Passenger Safety Clinic** – In partnership with Greentree Toyota, Danbury Hospital & Fairfield County Safekids over 30 car seats were inspected/installed.
- **Child Passenger Safety Course** – Officers from the Community Policing Unit attended a four-day CPS Technician course put on by FCSK and instructed by Officer Mortara at the Brookfield Volunteer Fire Department.
- **City Hall Health Fair** – Officers from the Community Services Division provided information on a number of crime prevention topics along with providing crucial Child Passenger Safety literature. CSD also provided approximately 200+ free gunlocks as part of our participation in Project HomeSafe. We also distributed over 150+ copies of ComputerCop software as a part of this fair.
- **PraxAir Safety talk** – Officers presented a crime prevention/personal safety lecture to it's employees.

**Community Policing Unit:**

Sergeant Rory DeRocco (203.796.1635)

- ❖ **Community Policing Unit: Bicycle patrol: 7 officers {1 Ofc Vacant}**: Officers Timothy Strano, Marcel Kruijs, Paul Carroccio, Tom Collins, Steven Cameron, Michelle Brown, Lenny Labonia, {Vacant}

A one-year leave of absence has been granted to Officer Trevor Horten, so he could seek other employment with a Port St Lucie, FL Police Department. With this LOA the Community Policing Unit is one Office short at this time.

Monthly activity: The community policing officers made **(5)** arrests this month, **(1)** for warrants and **(2)** drug related, **(3)** parking tickets were issued, and **(36)** State infractions were also issued, including **(4)** for drinking in public, **(3)** for loitering and **(4)** for simple trespass. In addition the above enforcement activity they handled **(64)** calls for service.

Officers are currently addressing the issues at Kennedy Ave Park. Currently officer are coming in at 07:00 hrs and monitoring and managing this area for criminal and quality of life issues.

Substantial time is also being spent on the Salvation Army illegal dumping issue.

**Graffiti Task-force: 1 officer:** Officer Kenneth Utter (203.796.1662)

The Graffiti Task-force is tasked with the identification of graffiti, graffiti writers as well as the clean up of graffiti on public property. Officer Utter continued his partnership with the court system, coordinating community service ordered work by GA#3. This has resulted in the removal of thousands of dollars worth of damage at no cost to city residents.

In addition to the above listed duties this position has been expanded to target illegal-dumping issues plagued by the city and it's residents.

**Community Affairs Unit:**

Sergeant {Vacant} (203.797.4644)

- ❖ **Community Affairs Unit: 2 Officers 1 Civilian:** Ofc. Mortara, Ofc. Bobel, Advocate Sheree Surdam

The community Affairs Unit is tasked with the responsibility of all community outreach and safety programs conducted by the Danbury Police Department. In addition to this, the Community Affairs unit is responsible for crime prevention activities, injury prevention, Total Occupant Safety, Neighborhood mediation along with our new VALE program. Officer Bobel and our Information System will also fall under this unit's supervision, which includes the overseeing of our critical IMS/RMS/MDC systems.

For Department stats please see the attached department Activity Report prepared by Officer Bobel.

Attached to this activity report is a notice from the State of Connecticut / DOIT reminding & encouraging us to review and obtain a maintenance contract for our collect infrastructure. As the memo states it is the agencies responsibility not DOIT to do so. I am recommending & requesting that we review this issue further and obtain such a maintenance contract if need be.

*Effective August 1, 2004, Sergeant McNally has been reassigned to the Training Division (Capt Mulvey) to coordinate the department Homeland Security issues, Special Events, Explorers and Evidence Technician Supervisor. In addition to these duties he is also retaining the responsibility of supervising our School Based Officer program, which will include the reassignment of officers Dinardo, O'Brien, Hayes, Tragni and T.Frinton.*

❖ **Child Passenger Safety:** (Officer Mortara @ 203.743.6314)

Child Restraint Systems Checked/Inspected this month: **82**

*\* Up-coming Special events: Special Event will no longer be reported in this activity report – for further information Capt Mulvey should be contacted.*

**Special Programs Unit:**

Is directly supervised by the Commanding Officer of the Community Services Division and consists mainly of support services for the department. Under this unit are two fulltime units staffed by two sergeants and one civilian. In addition to this there are four part-time units staffed on an as needed basis, which consist of the Honor Guard, Chaplains, Recruiting Officer and Mobile Operations Center Team. For monthly activity relating to these units please see below.

❖ **Police Activities League:** Sergeant Robert Guerrero (203.778.4725)

Sgt. Guerrero currently runs PAL operations with the assistance of Ret. Detective Lt. Thomas Mack. Pal has started up their annual car raffle. Anyone interested in obtaining a raffle ticket can contact PAL at 778-4725.

❖ **Communications / Fleet Management:** Sergeant Joseph Brunelli, SPO Newkirk (203.797.4673)

Sgt. Brunelli is tasked with the daily duties of managing and supervising the department's school crossing guards and dispatchers. In addition to this he is responsible for overseeing our fleet of vehicles to keep them in operating condition.

**School Crossing Guards:**

Sgt Brunelli has requested a meeting with the Chief's office, BOE and the mayor's office to discuss the current problems with the school crossing guards program. This is being done in hopes of addressing these issues in a proactive manner so this program is operating efficiently and providing the appropriate coverage of our crossings.

**Miscellaneous Info:**

Stolen Motor vehicles: **15**      Stolen License Plates: **6**

**Fleet Status Report:**

\*See attached report

- ❖ **Honor Guard: 3 Sergeants 18 Officers:** Sgt. Brian Murphy, Sgt. John Browne, Sgt. Scott Fabich

As of September 10, 2004 Chief Paquette has given Sgt Murphy responsibility of overseeing the honor guard with the acceptance of my resignation letter.

*Honor Guard activity will no longer be included in the Community Services Division's monthly activity report.*

- ❖ **Recruiting Officer:** Officer Jay Mortara – Assigned as needed (203.743.6314)

Currently the Danbury Police Department is not involved in active recruiting. We have currently developed a recruiting brochure in cooperation with the city Personnel Department that will be used by this unit at any event.

Upcoming Scheduled Recruiting Events:

None

Recruiting Events Attended this Month:

None

- ❖ **Mobile Operations Center Team:** Lt. Gantert, Sgt. Williams, Lopes, Russo & Officers LeRose, Mortara, Maher, Bobel, Lobraico

Officers are responsible for the operation and supervision of this vehicle during any emergency deployment or scheduled event where this vehicle can be utilized.

Scheduled Deployment:

None



Lieutenant Peter F. Gantert

Community Services Division



# DANBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

**August 16, 2004 – September 15, 2004**

## **August 16, 2004 – September 15, 2004**

Calls For Service - 5550

Arrests - 292

Parking Tickets – 149

MVA's

Property Damage Only – 2262

Personal Injury – 82

Evading Responsibility – 24

# Calls For Service Type Summary

August 16, 2004 - September 15, 2004

Type Of Call	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total
Abandoned Motor Vehicle	32	13	45
Abduction/Kidnapping	1		1
Administrative Call	247	66	313
Alarm/Hold Up Type	10		10
Alarm-Burglary	480	1	481
Animal Complaint	88	4	92
Assault	37	1	38
Assault With Weapon	1		1
Assault-In Progress	2		2
Assist EMS - Alcohol	66		66
Assist EMS - Bleeding	10		10
Assist EMS - Burns	1		1
Assist EMS - Cardiac Arrest	1		1
Assist EMS - Choking	3		3
Assist EMS - Crisis Intervention	35		35
Assist EMS - Fall	41		41
Assist EMS - Industrial Injury	2		2
Assist EMS - Man Down	35		35
Assist EMS - Overdose	2		2
Assist EMS - Unknown Medical	6		6
Assist FD	3		3
Assist FD - Lockout	12		12
Assist Other Agency	39	4	43
Attempt To Locate Person	3		3
Burglary	28	1	29
Burglary-In Progress	9		9
Car Jacking	1		1
Check Well-Being Of Person	30		30
Child Abuse	3		3
Criminal Mischief	73	9	82
Criminal Mischief-In Progress	4		4
Death-Untimely	1		1
Dispute-No Disturbance	37	2	39
Disturbance	125	22	147
Disturbance-Domestic	97	4	101
Disturbance-Fight	36		36
Disturbance-Noise	168		168
Driving Under Influence	4	1	5
Drowning	1		1
Drug Complaint	12	2	14
Escort	37	2	39
Fire	5		5
Follow-Up Investigation	60	113	173

# Calls For Service Type Summary

August 16, 2004 - September 15, 2004

Type Of Call	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total
Hold-Up	5		5
Illegal Dumping/Littering	8		8
Illegal Parking	80	49	129
Intoxication	63	5	68
Juvenile Complaint	17		17
Larceny	167	1	168
Larceny-In Progress	1		1
Lockout/Person Assist	79	13	92
Lost/Found Property	30	4	34
Lunch	644	5	649
Medical Assist	21	1	22
Missing Person	24		24
Motor Vehicle Stop		320	320
MV Complaint	117	3	120
MVA-Evading Responsibility	60	1	61
MVA-No Injuries	332	6	338
MVA-w/Injuries	71		71
Notification	4		4
Out Of Service	2	9	11
Phone Call	5		5
Police Information	2		2
Prevent Breach Of Peace	56	15	71
Property Check	33	74	107
Public Hazard	104	7	111
Radio Check	11		11
School Crossing	138		138
Sex Complaints	6		6
Special/Private Duty Assignment		6	6
Stolen/Recovered MV	32		32
Suicide	1		1
Suspicious Person/MV/Event	291	67	358
Threatening/Harassment	51		51
Traffic Duty	63	3	66
Traffic Enforcement	2	56	58
Trespassing	14	2	16
Unwanted Person	35	3	38
Warrant Service	31	4	35
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4651</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>5550</b>

# Call Dispositions

August 16, 2004 - September 15, 2004

Disposition	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total
Abandoned MV	26	15	41
Administrative Assignment	67	13	80
Alarm/ Error	175		175
Alarm/ Hold Up Error	10		10
Alarm/ Hold Up Malfunction	9		9
Alarm/ Malfunction	30		30
Alarm/ Open Door	27		27
Alarm/ Other (Car/Fire/etc)	2	1	3
Alarm/ Secure	349	2	351
All Other Miscellaneous	2	2	4
Animal Bite	2		2
Animal Complaint	10		10
Animal Nuisance	16	1	17
Arrest Warrant Service	13	1	14
Assault-Simple	2		2
Assignment Complete/No Report	487	64	551
Assist Fire Dept./Ambulan	3		3
Assist Other Police Dept.	6	2	8
Assist/ Fire Department	129		129
Assist/ Motorist or Person	100	13	113
Assist/ Other PD	33	2	35
Attempted Larceny	1		1
Breach of Peace	24	3	27
Burglary-Commercial-Force	1		1
Burglary-Residence-Force	1		1
Burglary-Residence-Non-Force	3		3
Business Inspection-License	1		1
Civil Investigation	27		27
Complaint Cancelled	116	4	120
Criminal Mischief-Private Property	8	1	9
Crossing Guard Check	1		1
Cruelty To Animals	1		1
Disorderly Conduct	3		3
Dispute/ No Disturbance	226	15	241
Disturbance/ Fight	36	3	39
Door Checks	9	2	11
Drug Overdose	1		1
DUI-Liquor	1	3	4
Duplicate Call	124	2	126
E 911 Hangup/ Error	181	1	182
Escort Duty	2		2
False Fire ALarm	2		2
Family Dispute	7		7
Follow Up Investigation	18	38	56
Forgery-Of Symbols Of Value	1		1

# Call Dispositions

August 16, 2004 - September 15, 2004

Disposition	Dispatched	Self-Initiated	Total
Found Property	10		10
Fraud	2		2
Gone on Arrival	319	12	331
Graffiti		7	7
Harassment	2		2
Incident Report-Original Case#	27	1	28
Incident Unfounded	150	2	152
Internal Function	9	3	12
Internal Function-Training	1	1	2
Intox/ Disturbed Person	24	3	27
Juvenile Complaint	10		10
Kidnapping	1		1
Larceny-Commercial Bldg.	1		1
Larceny-From Motor Vehicle	2		2
Larceny-Miscellaneous <\$50	2		2
Larceny-Miscellaneous >\$50	1		1
Larceny-Of MV Documents	1		1
Larceny-Shoplifting <\$50	1		1
Larceny-Shoplifting >\$50	11		11
Liquor/ Tobacco Violation	1		1
Loitering	5		5
Lost Property	10	2	12
Medical Assist	68	2	70
Missing Adult (>16 Yrs.)	1		1
Missing Juvenile (7-15 Yrs.)	2		2
Motorist/Person Assist	26	1	27
Moving Violation	2	15	17
MV Accident-Evading Responsibility	2		2
MV Accident-Personal Injuries	3		3
MV Accident-Property Damage	25		25
No Report-Complaint Cancelled	82		82
Noise Complaint	14		14
Patronizing A Prostitute	1		1
Police Information	2		2
Prevent Breach Of Peace	42	6	48
Property Check	9	39	48
Prostitution	1		1
Pub. Indecency/Indecent Exposure	1		1
Public Hazards	40	4	44
Racing Motor Vehicles	5		5

# Call Dispositions

August 16, 2004 - September 15, 2004

<b>Disposition</b>	<b>Dispatched</b>	<b>Self-Initiated</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Sale Of Marijuana</b>	1		1
<b>School Crossing Assignment</b>	32		32
<b>School Crossing Security</b>	50		50
<b>Search Warrant Service</b>	1		1
<b>Stolen MV-Local/Recovered Local</b>	1		1
<b>Sudden Death-Apparent Overdose</b>	1		1
<b>Suspicious Activity</b>	146	53	199
<b>Theft Of License Plates</b>	9	2	11
<b>Theft Of Services</b>	1		1
<b>Threatening</b>	1		1
<b>Traffic Duty/ Assist</b>	27	2	29
<b>Traffic Light Out</b>	2		2
<b>Trespassing</b>	5	1	6
<b>Unwanted Person</b>	34	5	39
<b>Verbal Warning Issued</b>	38	113	151
<b>Written Warning Issued</b>		4	4
<b>Wrong Address</b>	1		1