

ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROTECTING THE PUBLIC BY RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY CONCERNS, MAINTAINING PUBLIC TRUST, AND PROACTIVELY ENFORCING THE LAW.



ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CORE VALUES

WE ARE R.I.C.H. IN OUR CORE VALUES. OUR CORE VALUES REPRESENT OUR ORGANIZATION'S HIGHEST PRIORITIES, OUR DEEPLY HELD BELIEFS AND ARE OUR FUNDAMENTAL DRIVING FORCE. THEY ARE THE HEART OF WHAT OUR ORGANIZATION AND OUR EMPLOYEES STAND FOR.

RESPECT:

WE MUST RESPECT OURSELVES, OUR PEERS, THOSE WE SERVE, AND THE SANCTITY OF THE LAW AND THE INSTITUTION OF THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE WILL FAITHFULLY AND WITHOUT BIAS HONOR OUR OBLIGATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY WE PROUDLY SERVE.

INTEGRITY:

WE BELIEVE INTEGRITY IS CHARACTER IN ACTION. WE WILL ALWAYS STRIVE TO BE MORALLY AND ETHICALLY AWARE, RESOLUTE, AND ABOVE REPROACH REGARDLESS OF OUR DUTY STATUS.

COURAGE:

WE RECOGNIZE THAT "COURAGE IS NOT THE ABSENCE OF FEAR, BUT THE MASTERY OF IT." WE STAND FIRM IN THE FACE OF DANGER AND ACCOUNTABILITY. WE WILL CONFRONT ALL THREATS TO THE SAFETY, SECURITY, AND HONOR OF OUR PROFESSION AND OUR COMMUNITY WITH INTELLIGENCE AND VIGOR.

HONOR:

WE ARE COMMITTED TO UPHOLDING THE HONOR AND INTEGRITY OF OUR PROFESSION BY PROVIDING HONEST AND FAITHFUL POLICE SERVICE TO ALL WHO MAY BE IN DANGER OR DISTRESS.





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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

ON BEHALF OF THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022. THIS ANNUAL REPORT WILL PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CRIME STATISTICS, ARREST STATISTICS, AND STAFFING LEVELS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT IS TO PROVIDE A SNAPSHOT OF THE INCREDIBLE WORK DONE BY THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT. ALTHOUGH THIS REPORT BREAKS DOWN STATISTICAL INFORMATION, IT DOES NOT CAPTURE THE COURAGEOUS AND HARD WORK OUR OFFICERS DO DAILY. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE IS A STATISTICAL COMPARISON OF CRIME DATA COLLECTED WITHIN OUR CITY AND OFFERS A PERSPECTIVE OF THE CRIME THAT OCCURS WITHIN THE CITY OF ANDERSON. DATA FOR THE REPORT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE NUMBERS AND PERCENTAGES PROVIDED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

AS EXPECTED, AFTER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, OUR CRIME STATISTICS ARE UP FROM 2020 TO 2021. THIS INCREASE IN CRIME IS NOT A SURPRISE DUE TO HOW OUR CITY AND COUNTRY WERE IN LOCKDOWN, SCHOOLS WERE CLOSED, AND PEOPLE WORKING FROM HOME AND ALL AROUND WERE NOT GETTING OUT OR BEING SOCIAL. A FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON OF PART 1 CRIMES GIVES THE BEST OVERALL SUMMARY OF OUR YEAR-END SITUATION. IN COMPARING 2022 TO 2019 AND 2018 BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, OUR PART ONE CRIME STATISTICS ARE LESS. IN THE WAKE OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF OUR EVER-CHANGING JUSTICE SYSTEM, JAIL CLOSURES, LACK OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY FILINGS ON OUR CASES, AND THE GENERAL DECRIMINALIZATION OF SO MANY PENAL CODE STATUTES, IT IS IMPRESSIVE TO WATCH OUR OFFICERS STAY COMMITTED TO KEEPING OUR CITY SAFE AND THRIVING.

WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT ALTHOUGH MANY THINGS ARE STACKED AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT, OUR OFFICERS REMAIN COMMITTED AND WORK TIRELESSLY WITH POSITIVE MORALE. WE CONTINUE TO FILL SPECIALTY ASSIGNMENTS AND GROW OUR DEPARTMENT IN NUMBERS AND SPECIALTY ASSIGNMENTS. WE HAVE FOCUSED ON OUR DETECTIVES DIVISION AND MADE SURE WE STRUCTURE OUR DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE WE ARE VICTIM-FOCUSED. MY PRIORITY IS TO ENSURE THAT OUR OFFICERS ARE HERE TO FIGHT FOR AND SPEAK FOR THE VICTIMS IN THE CASES WE WORK. WE CONTINUE TO STAFF OUR PROBLEM ORIENTED POLICING UNIT (P.O.P.), TRAFFIC DIVISION, CANINE OFFICERS, DRONE TEAM, CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATORS, MULTI-AGENCY S.W.A.T. MEMBER, AND WORK WITH OUR CITY CODE ENFORCEMENT TO COMBAT BLIGHT AND OTHER QUALITY OF LIFE CRIMES AND SAFETY ISSUES.

ALL OF THIS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM OUR CITY COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER, ALONG WITH THE POSITIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE OTHER CITY OF ANDERSON DEPARTMENTS. ALSO, THE PASSING OF MEASURE "A" SALES TAX INITIATIVE BY OUR INCREDIBLY SUPPORTIVE CITIZENS HAS MADE ALL OF THIS POSSIBLE AND HELPED US BUILD ONE OF THE PREMIER AGENCIES IN THE NORTH STATE. WITHOUT A DOUBT, THIS SUPPORT AND ALL THESE PROGRAMS CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONTINUED SUCCESS OF COMBATING CRIME AND KEEPING THE CITY OF ANDERSON A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY.

Jon Poletski

JON POLETSKI CHIEF OF POLICE

OVERVIEW

THIS ANNUAL REPORT PROVIDES A LOOK AT CRIME WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. MANY THINGS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE CRIME RATE, INCLUDING:

- THE ECONOMY
- INFLATION
- CHANGES IN POPULATION
- DECRIMINALIZATION OF LAWS AND DRUGS
- LACK OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT
- PRISON RELEASES
- COUNTY JAIL BED SPACE
- Lack of prosecution of crimes
- THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



PROACTIVELY ENFORCING THE LAW, PREVENTING CRIME, APPREHENDING CRIMINALS, PROTECTING LIFE AND PROPERTY, PRESERVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE, AND WORKING WITH OUR COMMUNITY TO COMBAT CRIME IS THE PRIORITY OF THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT. POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL WORK DILIGENTLY, EMPLOYING STRATEGIES TO FIGHT CRIME AND WORK WITH OUR CITIZENS AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

IN 2022, THE CITY OF ANDERSON EXPERIENCED A 37.6% INCREASE IN TOTAL PART I CRIMES FROM 2021. THERE ARE SEVEN CATEGORIES OF PART I CRIMES: HOMICIDE, RAPE, ROBBERY, ASSAULT, BURGLARY, LARCENY, AND MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT. THE FOLLOWING TABLE PROVIDES THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PART I CRIMES REPORTED IN EACH CATEGORY FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

PART I CRIMES	2021	2022	% CHANGE	RAW CHANGE	
HOMICIDE	O	0	O	O	
RAPE	7	11	+57%	+4	
ROBBERY	5	12	+140%	+7	
ASSAULT	50	47	-6%	-3	
VIOLENT CRIME SUMMARY	62	70	+12.9%	+8	
BURGLARY	47	72	+53.2%	+25	
LARCENY	172	268	+55.8%	+96	
VEHICLE THEFT	59	58	-1.7%	-1	
PROPERTY CRIME	278	398	+43.2% +120		
TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES	340	468	+37.6% +128		

Arrest Made







IN 2022, ANDERSON POLICE RESPONDED TO A TOTAL OF 14,176 INCIDENTS AND MADE A TOTAL OF 1,820 ARRESTS.

NOT ALL OF THE CRIMES REPORTED ARE PART I CRIMES. EXAMPLES OF OTHER TYPES OF CALLS FOR SERVICE INCLUDE PROWLER CALLS, ABANDONED VEHICLES, LOST MISSING PERSONS. CHILDREN. TRAFFIC SPEEDING VEHICLES. TRAFFIC COLLISIONS. FINANCIAL CRIMES, IDENTIFY THEFT, ANNOYING TELEPHONE CALLS, DRUNK DRIVERS, CITIZEN ASSISTS, DISTURBANCES, MEDICAL AID CALLS, INCOMPLETE 9-1-1'S, EXTRA PATROLS, DRUG CRIMES AND MANY MORE. ALL OF THESE CALLS FOR SERVICE CREATE AN INCIDENT TO WHICH ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS. AND COMMUNITY OFFICERS RESPOND. EACH OF THESE CALLS HAVE AN INTERACTION WITH PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS, AND/OR PUBLIC SAFETY RECORDS CLERKS.

FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON TOTAL PART I CRIMES



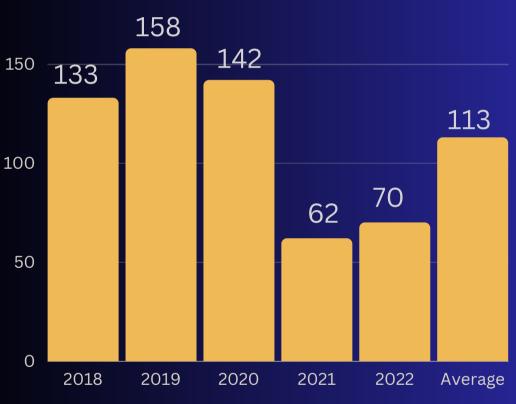


VIOLENT CRIME

IN 2022, THERE WERE 70 CASES OF VIOLENT CRIME (HOMICIDE, RAPE, ROBBERY, AND ASSAULTS) COMPARED TO 62 IN 2021, AN INCREASE OF 12.9%.

FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON VIOLENT CRIME

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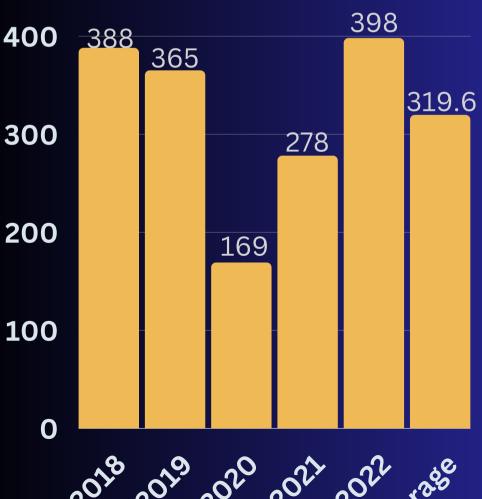




PROPERTY CRIME

IN 2022, THERE WERE 398 PROPERTY CRIME CASES INVOLVING BURGLARY, LARCENY, AND MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT, COMPARED TO 278 CASES IN 2021; AN INCREASE OF 43.2%.







GENERAL ARREST STATISTICS

THE BELOW ARREST STATISTICS INCLUDE INFORMATION ON ALL PEOPLE ARRESTED IN 2022 FOR ALL CRIMES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PART I CRIMES.

TOTAL ARRESTS FOR ALL CRIMES IN 2022 WAS 1,820. COMPARED TO 1,196 ARRESTS IN 2021, THIS IS A RAW INCREASE OF 624 ARRESTS, WHICH IS A 52.17% INCREASE.



TRAFFIC STATISTICS

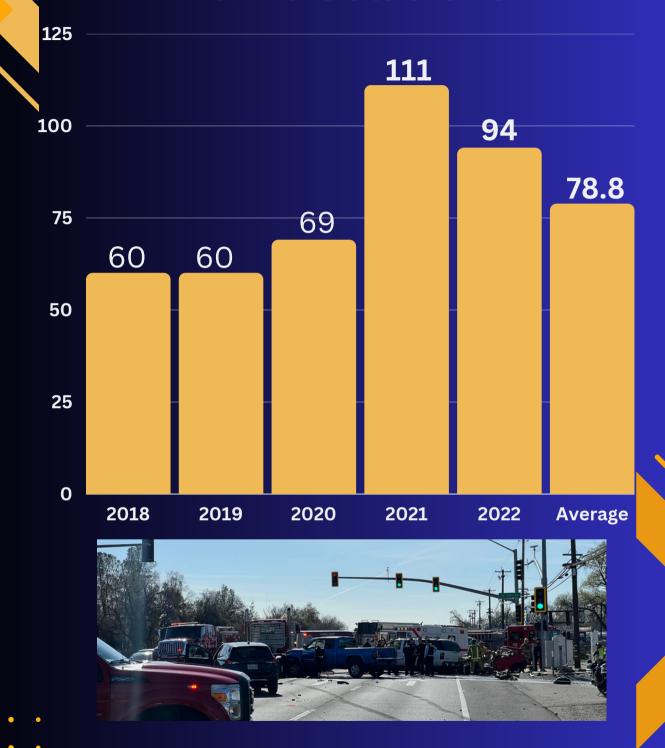
THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS HAD ONE FULL-TIME TRAFFIC OFFICER SINCE LATE 2020. THROUGH THE ACQUISITION OF GRANT FUNDING, THE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATES IN MULTI-AGENCY DRIVING UNDERTHE-INFLUENCE CHECKPOINTS AND SATURATED PATROLS, WHICH THE OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY FUNDS. OUR TRAFFIC OFFICER ALSO RESPONDS TO ASSIST WITH OTHER PATROL-RELATED CRIMES. IN ADDITION, HE SERVES AS ONE OF OUR DEPARTMENT FIELD TRAINING OFFICERS. THIS OFFICER IS VERY BUSY WITH ALL THIS WORK AND THE BURDEN OF KEEPING UP WITH TRAFFIC-RELATED GRANTS AND ENFORCEMENT.

Collisions	2021	2022	Change	Raw Change
Property Damage Only	76	66	-13.16%	-10
Injury Collision	34	28	-17.65%	-6
Fatal Collisions	1	0	-100%	-1
Total Collisions	111	94	-15.32%	-17





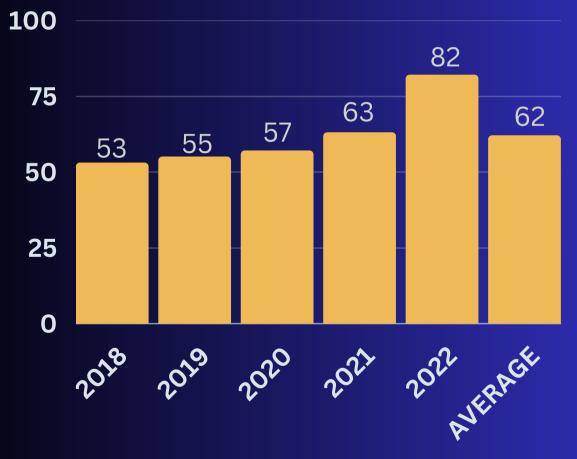
Five-Year Comparison Traffic Collisions



DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE

THE ANDERSON POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE IT A PRIORITY TO FOCUS ON DUI-RELATED TRAFFIC COLLISIONS. WE HAVE JOINED ALLIED AGENCIES TO EDUCATE AND TARGET DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK DILIGENTLY TO COMBAT THOSE WHO DRIVE WHILE INTOXICATED.

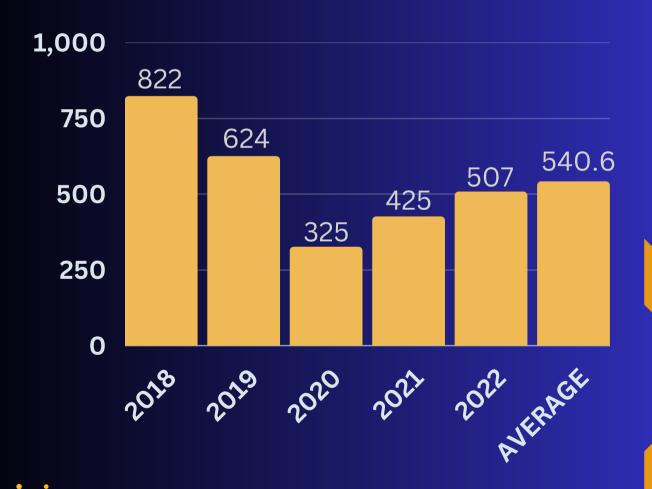




TRAFFIC CITATIONS

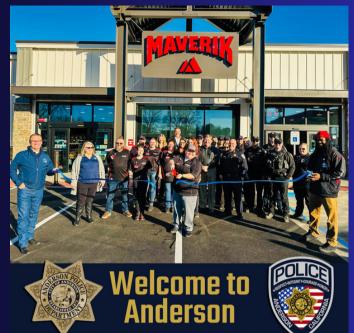
TRAFFIC CITATIONS **ARE** ISSUED **PRIMARILY** BY **OUR DEPARTMENT** TRAFFIC OFFICER; HOWEVER. ALL **OFFICERS** ISSUING **PARTICIPATE** IN TRAFFIC RELATED CITATIONS. IN 2022, THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED INCREASED TO 507 FOR THE YEAR. COMPARED TO THE 425 ISSUED IN 2021, THIS IS UP BY 19.29%.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT









MOSQUITO SERENADE
COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF
EASTER EGG HUNT
TRUNK OR TREAT
BATTLE OF THE BADGES
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
CHRISTMAS IN ANDERSON
LIBRARY STORYTIME WITH A COP
SCHOOL STORYTIME WITH A COP
FRAUD PREVENTION FAIR
SNAP
ANDERSON GREETERS
TEEN CENTER CHRISTMAS GIFTS

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HOMECOMING PARADE
K9 DEMONSTRATIONS
ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION FAIR





CHIEF JON POLETSKI

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