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POLICE

2013
Annual Report

Message from the Chief of Police



Dear Provo Residents and Visitors:

Welcome to the 2013 Annual Report of the Provo Police Department. My most significant event of 2013 was being selected to lead this police department and to work with the citizens of Provo. I began working here in mid-December 2013 and I am happy to be both a resident and the Chief of Police.

During 2013, the City was recognized by several national news outlets as one of the most livable cities in the United States. In addition to our fine schools, medical facilities, and recreational opportunities, each of the awards mentioned the low crime rate and feeling of safety in Provo.

We in the Police Department are proud to be part of that equation. The 105 sworn officers and 60 civilian employees of the Provo Police Department work hard each day to ensure that the people who live and visit our City feel safe.

We operate under a philosophy of community policing which places high regard of involving our community members in our prevention and response, practicing problem-solving on the issues that confront us, forming partnerships to maximize resources, and dividing the City into designated patrol beats which provide us with geographical responsibility.

Working under the leadership of Mayor John Curtis, the Provo Police Department is committed to consistent improvement in our service delivery by using the program outlined in Stephen M. R. Covey's "The Speed of Trust", we look forward to meeting you and strengthening our level of trust.

Thank you for helping us do our jobs and for recognizing the excellent work of the Provo Police.

Sincerely,

John King
Chief of Police



Mission Statement

We work with citizens to improve quality of life, safeguard liberties, solve problems, and stop crime.

We provide proactive service in a professional, compassionate manner.

Department Values

P.R.I.D.E

- P** - *Pride in ourselves*
- R** - *Respect for our community*
- I** - *Integrity of our profession*
- D** - *Dedication to our work*
- E** - *Excellence in our service*



Office of the Chief Command Staff



Captain Jerry Harper
Operational
Support Services



Captain Cliff Argyle
Special Operations
Division



Captain John Geyerman
Patrol Division



Lieutenant Mathew Siufanua
Public Information Officer
(PIO)



Lieutenant Jeff Lougee
Office Professional
Standards and Training
(OPST)

Office of the Chief

Office of Professional Standards and Training

OPST is dedicated to fostering a culture of integrity among Provo Police Department staff by educating employees and promoting and ensuring ethical behavior. In 2013, 193 employee attended training, a total of 21,705 hours and 283 different classes.

The goal of the OPST is to assure that the integrity of the department is maintained through a system of internal discipline where objectivity, fairness, and justice are assured by an intensive, impartial investigation and review process.

OPST will verify that complaints are thoroughly investigated in the fairest possible way, with the goal always being to discover the truth of the matter at issue. By fulfilling the following responsibilities, we help ensure that the Provo Police Department maintains the highest ethical and training standards.

Types of Complaints	Officer Dispositions	Actions Taken Against Officers
Criminal - 3	Sustained - 1	Letter of Caution - 1
	Unfounded - 2	None - 1
		None - 1
Demeanor - 8	Not Sustained - 6	Counseling - 1
		None - 3
	Sustained - 2	Counseling - 2
Improper Conduct - 17	Not Sustained - 7	Counseling - 1
		None - 6
	Sustained - 6	Counseling - 1
		Demotion - 4
		Warning Letter - 1
	Unfounded - 3	Counseling - 1
		None - 2
	Witness - 1	None - 1
Neglect of Duty - 1	Sustained - 1	Oral Reprimand - 1
Policy Violation - 2	Not Sustained - 1	None - 1
Racial Profiling - 2	Not Sustained - 1	None - 1
	Unfounded - 1	None - 1
Traffic - 1	Not Sustained - 1	None - 1

Office of the Chief

Office of Professional Standards and Training

Our OPST Division not only takes care of our training and professional standard requirements, they also coordinate the Police Department efforts for the annual Provo City Food Drive.

The Police Department collected **8,004 lbs.** of food, and boxes upon boxes of winter coats to donate. 2013 was a huge success!



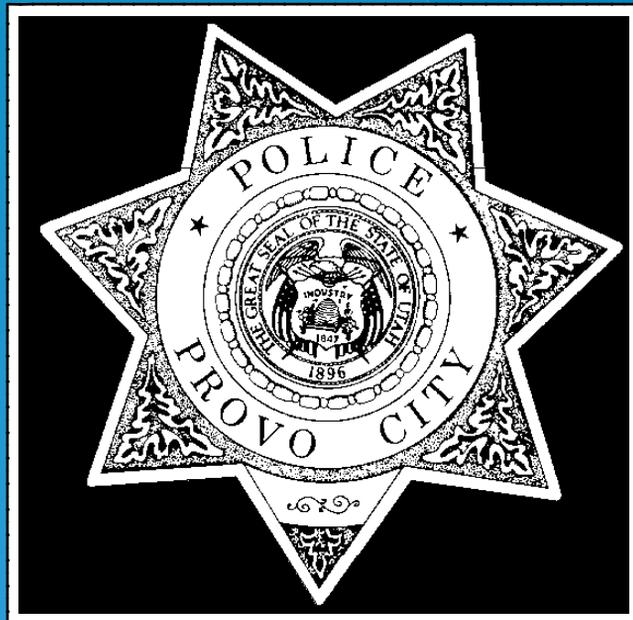
Patrol Division

Under the command of Captain John Geyerman, the Patrol Division functions as the most visible unit of the department, serving as its backbone and works with the citizens of Provo in a competent and proficient manner.

The Patrol Division is made up of Officers who patrol in cars, motorcycles, bicycles, as well as on foot. The Patrol Division also includes specialists who perform crime analysis, animal control, and parking enforcement.

The primary objective of the Patrol Division is to protect the safety and security of all citizens living in, or visiting, Provo City.

The Patrol Division's daily efforts include much more than writing a ticket or taking a report; it means working with the community to prevent crime, proactively addressing traffic concerns and solving community problems. The partnership we have with our community is crucial to our success.



Patrol Division

Traffic Unit



The Traffic Unit is comprised of three Officers and one Sergeant. Traffic Personnel are responsible for traffic enforcement as their primary mission of service while still assisting patrol officers for in-progress incidents, traffic accidents and other priority calls for service.

Our Motor Officers were utilized in several tactical deployments to ensure safety and traffic control throughout the year. These included various city sanctioned marathons/runs, the Freedom Festival, National Night Out, Freedom Academy Assembly, Crosswalk Enforcement details, River trail patrols, allied agency parades, funeral processions, and escorts for Dignitary and National events.

Patrol Division

K-9 Officers



Patrol Division

Animal Control



In 2013, our Animal Control Officers handled 3, 946 cases including: animal bites, incidents with citations, impounded animals taken to the Animal Shelter, and nuisance investigations. They also responded to citizen service inquiries, setting of traps, and outside agency service calls.

In partnership with South Utah Valley Animal Shelter, our Animal Control Officers conducted two animal licensing clinics.

The Animal Control unit Assisted our Patrol Division on several major civic and special events by setting up barricades and assisting with traffic control.

Patrol Division



Our Provo City Parking Enforcement Unit plays an integral part in our success. In 2013 they issued 19,557 Parking Citations

They are also the eyes and ears for our police officers. They have assisted in locating DUI vehicles, criminal arrests, and in locating missing persons.

These parking enforcement officers attend patrol briefings on a daily basis to help them be informed on current situations and participate in any operational planning.

Special Operations Division

Under the command of Captain Cliff Argyle, the Special Operations Division is charged with the investigation of all types of criminal activity in the City of Provo.

This division is comprised of eight units: Criminal Investigations, Special Victims Unit, Special Enforcement Team, Utah County Major Crimes Task Force, Community Resource Officers, School Resource Officers, Victim Services and the Provo Police Volunteers (VIPS).

The primary goal for this unit is to ensure that all criminal investigations are complete and properly prepared for prosecution.



Special Operations Division

Community Resource Office



The Community Resource Office consists of one sergeant, three officers and a coordinator.

Their focus is on neighborhood-based problem-solving and crime prevention. Much of their work is accomplished by fostering working partnerships with a wide range of community members, agencies, businesses and service providers. The team organizes two Citizen Academy classes per year, and participates in Neighborhood projects, events, and presentations.

In the fall of 2013 the Team worked with the North Park NH Chair in securing a City Fund-Matching Grant to provide for two Murals along the Rivertrail. A local artist, community volunteers and the CRO team all participated in the project, which was completed in October.



Special Operations Division

Volunteers in Police Service



In 2013, our volunteers worked 4221 hours. This is an average of 13 hours a day, or \$113,250 in monetary value.

There are 14 individuals who respond to calls and assist our patrol officers, three interns, 15 Youth Explorers and 54 Mobile Watch Members.

Our volunteers assist us with:

- Traffic Control
- Graffiti Abatement
- Parking Enforcement
- Respond to select 911 Calls
- Help locate stolen vehicles and missing people
- Neighborhood and Rivertrail Patrols
- Special Events

Operational Support Services

Under the command of Captain Jerry Harper, the Operational Support Services Division is essentially the hub of the police department. It is comprised of four units; Records, Dispatch, Quartermaster, and Special Events.

Records Department



The Records Unit answers telephone calls, assists the public & other city employees, and ensures all police reports are finalized and properly stored.

Operational Support Services

Special Events

From small community-based events to large scale marathons, Provo City is proud to host hundreds of events every year including: runs, walks, triathlons, farmers' markets, festivals and parades.

Our Office of Special Events handles the permit process for events that occur within Provo City. Through our one-stop permit process, an event organizer can work with Provo City Customer Service to plan all aspects of their event.



Memorial



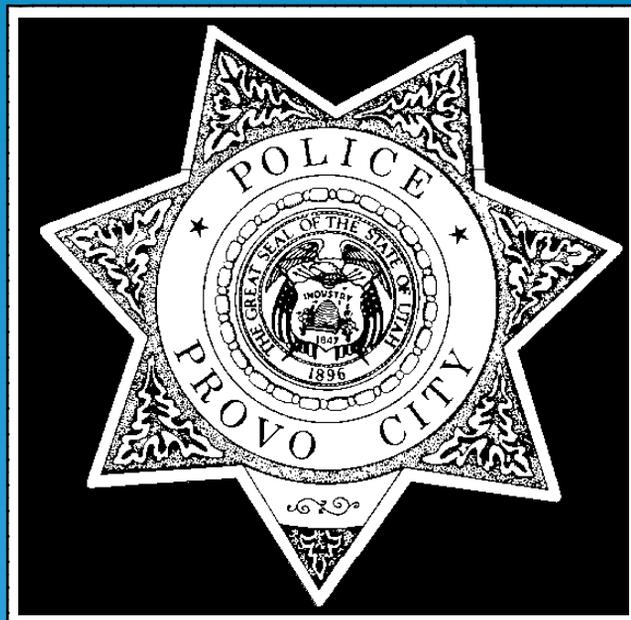
The Provo Police Department Honor Guard had the privilege of participating in the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, DC. Our Officers were humbled to attend this event that honors those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the safety and protection of our nation and its people.



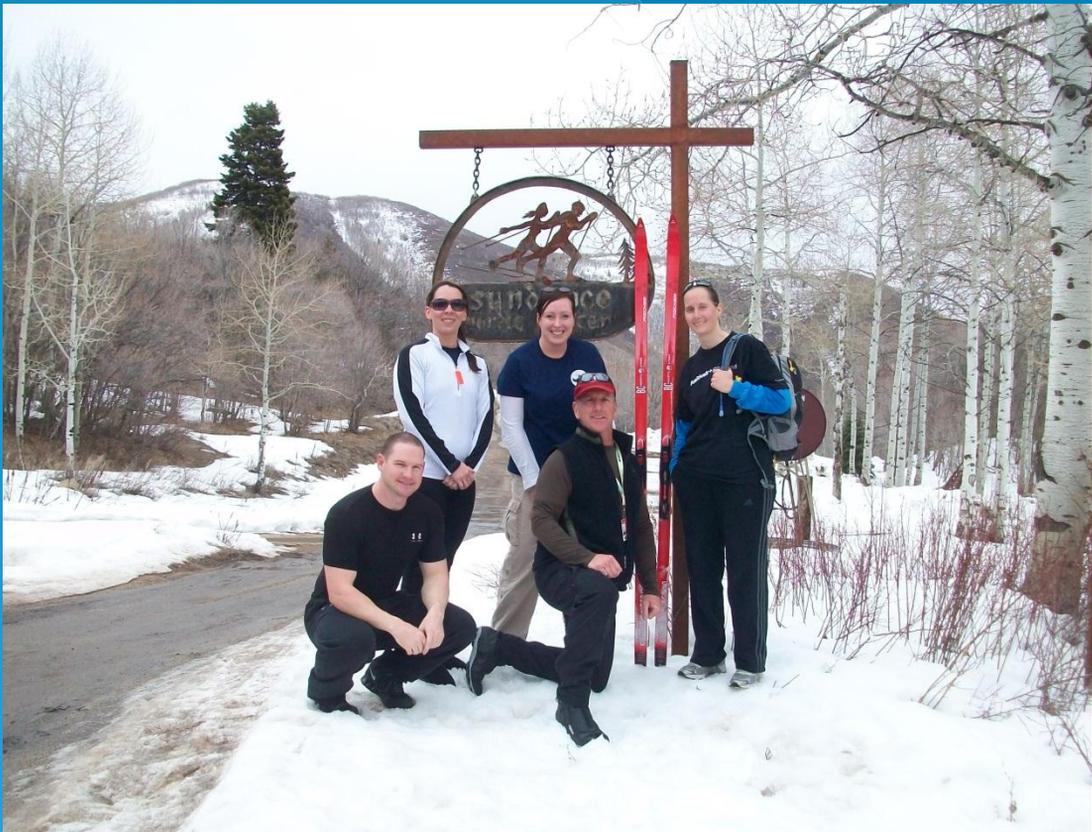
New Officers



We are excited to introduce two new members to our team;
Officers Colin Wood and Brooke Fox



Physical Fitness Team Activities Snowshoeing & Cross Country Skiing



Special Olympic Torch Run



Guns & Hoses Football Charity Game



Amelia Earhart Read-a-thon



Part I Crime Statistics

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) guidelines track eight “index Crimes” known also as Part I Crimes. The UCR system includes crimes that are most likely reported to the police and to occur with sufficient frequency to provide an adequate basis for comparison.

Part I crimes are reported to the FBI and include; Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Assault, Burglary, Theft and Arson.

Provo City experienced an 8% increase in 2013 compared to 2012.



In Memoriam

Honoring Those Who Made the Ultimate Sacrifice

Trent Halladay
July 22, 2006

Norman Kim Nisson
January 11, 1995

Frank J Tucker
June 16, 1904

William Strong
June 27, 1899

Albert H. Bowen
October 15, 1873