NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT:

2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

It is my honor to present the Annual Report for the Neptune Township Police Department for 2025. As your Chief of Police, I hope that this report serves as a testament to the dedication, commitment and hard work of our exemplary officers and staff who work to serve this community. The priority of the Neptune Township Police Department is to protect our community, prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime. In order to achieve this goal, this department and it's leadership remain focused on:

Community Policing & Engagement: The NTPD is an agency that recognizes the importance of civic engagement, and works hard to follow our core values of being Noble, Trustworthy, Professional and Diverse. Our supervisors and officers have worked diligently to strengthen relationships with residents, local businesses and community organizations. Our officers have been actively engaged in crime prevention initiatives, community outreach programs and educational campaigns. We believe that fostering a sense of unity and shared responsibility is integral to maintaining a safe and vibrant community.

Training & Education: The Neptune Township Police Department is committed to ensuring our officers are equipped with the latest training and resources to handle the diverse challenges that we may face. This year, we implemented dozens of new training programs including those focused on Mental Health, Community Engagement, and the Supervision, Leadership, and Mentoring the next generation of officers.

Advanced Technology & Equipment: Innovative technology that enhances our capabilities are embraced by the NTPD, and continue to be implemented to prevent crime and improve our investigative process. This coming year, we are planning to implement several new programs that will increase our community engagement and interaction, supported by state of the art equipment and technology.

To the residents of Neptune Township, I am proud to lead this agency and continue to prioritize positive change, forward thinking, being open minded, accountability, transparency, professionalism and leading by example. I assure you I will rise to the challenge in continuing to build off Neptune Township Police Department's strong history of community outreach and establishing new partnerships with community organizations to facilitate open and positive dialogue. To the Police Officers and staff of the NTPD, I am extremely proud and thankful for everything you do. You have made our community a better place to live and raise a family. Your sacrifices in keeping our community safe does not go unnoticed. I am proud to lead this department and all of the hard-working men and women who proudly provide public safety services and work to enhance the quality of life to all of our residents and visitors. It is truly an honor to be your Chief.

Chief of Police Anthony Gualario

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MISSION STATEMENT

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Neptune Township Police Department is to consistently work to improve the quality of life for all citizens of and visitors to our community. To promote effective partnerships and encourage community involvement to address crime, the fear of crime and other community concerns.

OUR VISION

The vision of the Neptune Township Police Department is to be regarded by our community and our profession as a professional, proactive, and premier law enforcement agency in Monmouth County, and the State of New Jersey. Furthermore, we strive to be an asset to other law enforcement agencies by providing assistance and support as needed in a respectful and helpful manner. The Neptune Township Police Department is also dedicated to offering its employees a safe and healthy working environment and we strive to be the ideal employer for law enforcement personnel in Monmouth County. The Neptune Township Police Department's vision is the driving force behind our success and it gives the Department a clear direction and path to follow.

CORE VALUES

NOBLE
TRUSTWORTHY
PROFESSIONAL
DIVERSE

COMMAND STAFF

ANTHONY GUALARIO
CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Gualario is a proud native of Neptune Township and graduated from Neptune High School in 1990. Upon his graduation, he chose to serve our nation with the United States Army. During his service, he was stationed at Fort Drum, New York, assigned to the 10th Mountain Division. While serving, he was deployed to Southern Florida following the devastating Hurricane Andrew in 1992 as part of "Joint Task Force Andrew", the largest relief operation in United States history. He was then deployed as part of "Operation Restore Hope" to Somalia as the country located in the Horn of Africa experienced a massive humanitarian disaster and complete breakdown of civil order. His commendable military service during these challenging deployments earned him accolades such as the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Emblem, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Ribbon, and New Jersey's highest military distinction, the Distinguished Service Medal, for his valorous actions in a combat theater. He remains involved with the armed forces and serves as a life member and Junior Vice Commander of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post #1333 in Neptune Township.

During his 28-year career with the NTPD, Chief Gualario served in a number of supervisory positions. In 2008 he was promoted to Sergeant in charge of Traffic Safety. In 2012, he was promoted to Lieutenant in patrols as a Shift Commander. In 2013 he was reassigned as an Administrative Lieutenant in charge of Internal Affairs, administered grants, accreditation manager and other administrative duties. In 2016 he was promoted to Captain as the Division Commander of the Professional Responsibility Division overseeing Internal Affairs, Detective Bureau, Traffic Bureau, Identification Bureau, Accreditation, Training, Grants, Forfeiture, Special Law Enforcement Officers, Budgeting, Administration and many other duties. In May of 2023 he was sworn in as Deputy Chief of Police overseeing the day-to-day operations.

Chief Gualario has continued his pursuit of professional excellence outside of the workplace as he attended the prestigious Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Quantico, Virginia graduating the 274th Session and the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership (West Point) Academy. Chief Gualario holds a Master's Degree in Administrative Science and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University, as well as a Postgraduate Certificate in Law and Public Safety Administration and an Undergraduate Certificate in Criminal Justice Education from the University of Virginia.

COMMAND STAFF

MICHAEL MCGHEE
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Michael McGhee began his law enforcement career in the Neptune Township Police Department in 1999 after graduating the New Jersey State Police Basic Course for Police Officers 201st municipal academy in April of 2000. D/C McGhee has held various roles during his tenure beginning in the patrol division and later transitioned into roles such as a member of the Quality of Life/Street Crimes Unit, School Resource Officer, GREAT instructor and as a Juvenile Detective. In 2011 he was promoted to Patrol Sergeant. Shortly after, in November 2012, he was promoted to the position of Detective Lieutenant, overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Detective Bureau. Two years later he would be reassigned as an Administrative Lieutenant in Internal Affairs, while also being the Grants Officer, Training Officer and handling the responsibilities as the department's Public Information Officer.

In August 2016, he was promoted to the rank of Captain assigned to lead the Operations Division, overseeing patrols and Street Crimes Unit. In early 2022 he was reassigned as the Administrative Captain, overseeing the Detective Bureau, Records Bureau, Traffic Bureau, the Special Law Enforcement Officers, recruitment and other administrative duties. In September 2023, he was sworn in as Deputy Chief of Police.

D/C McGhee was born, raised and still resides in Neptune Township. He attended Neptune Public Schools graduating from Neptune High School in 1995. As a decorated high school student-athlete, D/C McGhee attended The College of New Jersey, where he continued his academic and soccer career, before transitioning to play college football for three years. Obtaining a degree in Criminal Justice, D/C McGhee was hired by the Neptune Township Police Department soon after graduation. During his law enforcement career, D/C McGhee had the privilege of coaching boys' basketball at Neptune High School, coaching recreation soccer, Little League baseball and most recently as a coach in the Neptune Travel Soccer program where he also served as a member of the board. D/C McGhee is a Monmouth County 200 Club Commendation Award recipient and has attended high level training including the NJ State Association of Chiefs of Police West Point Command & Leadership Academy, New Police Chiefs Orientation School, Police Executive Institute, the FBI-LEEDA Executive Leadership Institute, Penn State High Impact Supervision and both the New Jersey State Police and NYPD Homicide Investigators Course. D/C McGhee also holds a Master's Degree in Police Graduate Studies from Seton Hall University.

COMMAND STAFF

MICHAEL D'AMICO
CAPTAIN, OPERATIONS DIVISION

Captain D'Amico attended Neptune High School and graduated in 1988. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and attended basic training in Parris Island, S.C. He served at various duty stations during his time in the Marine Corps; attending infantry training at Camp Lejeune, N.C., Marine Corps Security Forces School in Virginia Beach, Virginia and was assigned to Naval Weapons Station Keflavik, Iceland. He finished his military service at Headquarters Marine Corps in Washington D.C. Capt. D'Amico was hired as a Patrol Officer in 1996 and is a 30 year veteran of the Neptune Township Police Department.

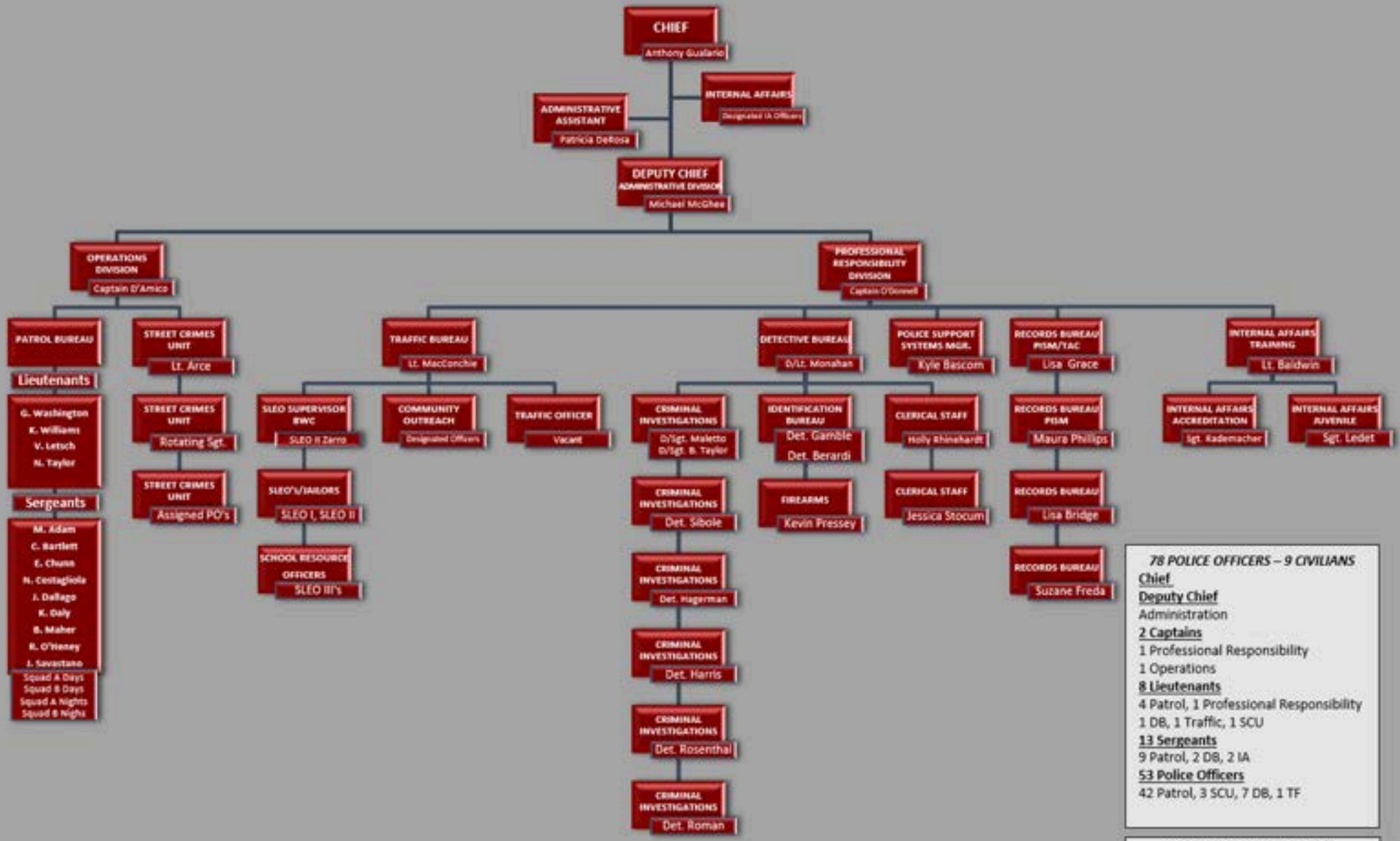
Capt. D'Amico began in the Patrol Division and transitioned to the Quality of Life/Street Crimes Unit and the Detective Bureau. He was promoted to Sergeant and reassigned to the Patrol Division and was promoted to Lieutenant in 2014 where he was assigned to the Detective Bureau. He was promoted to Captain in 2022 and is currently in charge of the Operations Division overseeing the Patrol Division and the Street Crimes/Quality of Life Unit. Capt. D'Amico holds a Masters Degree in Administrative Science and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

KEVIN O'DONNELL
CAPTAIN,PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY DIVISON

Capt. O'Donnell's law enforcement career began in 1998 as a Dispatcher and Class II Special Law Enforcement Officer with the Avon-by-the-Sea Police Department. He was hired as a Police Officer by the Neptune Township Police Department in 2000. He was assigned to Neptune High School as a School Resource Officer in 2009 and to the Criminal Investigations Unit of the NTPD Detective Bureau in 2013 – before being promoted to Sergeant in 2014. Shortly after being promoted to Sergeant, Capt. O'Donnell was reassigned from the Detective Bureau to the Professional Responsibility Division where he still serves today. As Captain of the Professional Responsibility Division, he manages and supervises numerous areas of administration encompassing the Internal Affairs Unit, Detective Bureau, Records Bureau, Traffic Bureau, Accreditation, Community Outreach, Narcan supply, Grants, Training, and other duties. Over the span of his career, Capt. O'Donnell has been recognized for his service in several ways, including being presented with a Monmouth County 200 Club Outstanding Performance Award in 2016. Capt. O'Donnell has also maintained a steady involvement in community outreach initiatives over the years, especially ones that involve youth sports. Capt. O'Donnell has been a volunteer coach in the Neptune Travel Soccer program in addition to being a referee and volunteer coach in a multitude of other youth sports.

Captain O'Donnell was born and raised in Neptune Township and is a 1994 graduate of Neptune High School where he was a three-sport athlete. He then continued his academic and athletic career at the college level, playing basketball all four years and graduating from William Paterson University in 1998 with a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology with a Criminal Justice concentration. In 2019, he earned a Master's Degree in Human Resources and Training Development from Seton Hall University within the Police Graduate Studies Program.

Neptune Township Police Department
Table of Organization



78 POLICE OFFICERS – 9 CIVILIANS

Chief

Deputy Chief
Administration

2 Captains
1 Professional Responsibility
1 Operations

8 Lieutenants
4 Patrol, 1 Professional Responsibility
1 DB, 1 Traffic, 1 SCU

13 Sergeants
9 Patrol, 2 DB, 2 IA

53 Police Officers
42 Patrol, 3 SCU, 7 DB, 1 TF

ISSUED: December 31, 2025

NOBLE ▪ TRUSTWORTHY ▪ PROFESSIONAL ▪ DIVERSE

PERSONNEL ROSTER

Current as of: 12/31/2025

Chief Anthony Gualario
Capt. Michael D'Amico
D/Chief Michael McGhee
Capt. Kevin M O'Donnell
Lt. Vincent D Letsch
Det/Lt Paul T Monahan
Sgt. Michael Adam
Det. David T Gamble
Lt. Jose L Arce
Lt. Robert L Baldwin Jr
Sgt. Eric P Chunn
PO Javaughn Rogers
Lt. Nicholas Taylor
Lt. Gregory Washington
Det. Louis Berardi
PO Christopher Niskoch
PO Marques Alston
Lt. James MacConchie
PO Kevin Schuster
Lt. Kaan Williams
Det/Sgt Frank Maletto
Sgt. Kristopher Daly
Sgt. Jason Rademacher
Det. Christopher Sibole
Det/Sgt Bryan Taylor
Sgt. Mysonn Ledet
Sgt. Bryan Maher
Sgt. Robert O'Heney
Sgt. Carrie Bartlett
PO Brian Bucossi
Sgt. Jesse Dallago
PO Robert Layton
PO Erik Gullestad
Sgt. Joseph Savastano
Det Robert Hagerman
Det. Darell Harris
PO Casey Crawford
PO Shane Leaming
PO Evan Pollara
PO Richard Brogley
Sgt. Nicola Costagliola
PO Danielle DePalma
PO Aaron Haskins
PO Matthew McDonough
Det. Owen Rosenthal
PO Robert Vetrano
PO Ryan Calabro
PO Tressa Yurman
PO Malcolm Jenkins
Det. Milton Roman
PO Matthew Simpson
PO Richard Cuttrell
PO Morgan Holland
PO Bryan Jones
PO Cadell Kennedy
PO Kylee Jazikoff
PO Vincent Zenna
PO Krista Panariello
PO Ryan Santos
PO Jaheem Woods
PO Sheena Benites
PO Mi'Jaut Berry
PO Steven Kontogiannis
PO James Weinberg
PO Bryan Bolch
PO Briant Nixon
PO Dylan Tortorelli
PO Bernie Garcia Aguirre
PO Yasmeen Jones Muhammad
PO Dylan McLearen
PO Aaron Robertson
PO Nicholas Turi
PO Colleen Brennan
PO Eddie DeLaFuente
PO Eric Farrington
PO Gabriela Montes
PO Robert Newman
PO Trevor Barber
PO Alexander Finlay
PO James Martin
SLEO III Raymond Nolte
SLEO III Felix Torres
SLEO III Richard Schwerthoffer
SLEO II Charles Theodora
SLEO II Michael Zarro
SLEO I Javier Duran
SLEO I Liam Musa
SLEO I Carlos Perez
Lisa Grace
Maura Phillips
Jessica Stocum
Patricia DeRosa
Holly Rhinehardt
Kyle Bascom
Lisa Bridge
Suzanne Freda
Kevin Pressey

PERSONNEL UPDATES

NEW HIRES

P.O. Colleen Brennan
P.O. Eddie DeLaFuente
P.O. Eric Farrington
P.O. Gabriela Montes
P.O. Robert Newman
P.O. Trevor Barber
P.O. Alex Finlay
P.O. James Martin
P.O. Javier Duran (Attending Academy)
P.O. Brian Kelly (Attending Academy)
P.O. Ajee Patterson (Attending Academy)
P.O. Tyrell Wigfall (Attending Academy)

PROMOTION

Sergeant Nicola Costagliola

RETIREMENTS

P.O. Matthew Kocen
P.O. Douglas Mattia

RESIGNATIONS

Sergeant Aaron Lay
P.O. Joshua James

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Officers, SLEO's and Civilian Staff earned a combined 2,589 credit hours of training in 2025, topics included:

- Active Shooter
- Autism and Law Enforcement
- Humane Law Enforcement
- Bias Incident/Crime Training
- Confined Space Rescue
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Document Fraud
- Domestic Violence
- Emotional Survival
- Emotionally Disturbed Persons
- Field Training Officer
- Financial Crimes
- Gang Awareness
- Cold Case Investigations
- Methods of Instruction
- Missing Persons Investigations
- Internal Affairs
- Police Patrol Bike
- Bomb Threats and Swatting
- Fatal Accident Training
- Taser Operators Training
- Traffic Crash Reconstruction
- School Bombing Incidents
- Use of Force
- Vehicular Pursuit

POLICY UPDATES

All of the below Standard Operating Procedures were updated in 2025:

- Internal Affairs
- Evidence And Property Control
- Field Reporting System
- Special Operations
- Employee Injury Investigation
- Records Access And Security
- Prisoner Holding Procedures
- All Hazards Plan
- Arrest and Transportation
- Search Procedures
- Use of Force
- Weapons and Ammunition
- Transitional Duty
- Alternate Care for Arrestee Dependents
- Arrestee DNA Specimen Collection
- Emotionally Disturbed Persons
- Police Involved Motor Vehicle Crash Investigations
- Communications
- Critical Incident Stress Management
- Motor Vehicle Impound and Inventory
- Confidential Informants
- Consular Notification and Access
- Body Worn Cameras/Mobile Video Recorders
- Early Intervention System
- Organization and Administration
- Domestic Violence Investigations
- Honor Guard
- Strip and Body Cavity Searches
- Mobile Data Terminal MDT
- Employee Involved Domestic Violence

DEMOGRAPHICS

NEPTUNE TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY
Zip Code: 07753
28,061 Residents (2020)
8.67 Square Miles
260 Miles of Roadway

Demographics	Neptune Township Census (2020)	Neptune Township Police Officers (12/2025)
White	48%	69%
Black	31%	23%
Hispanic	16%	7%
Asian	2%	1%
Other	3%	0%

RECORDS BUREAU & STATISTICS

The Neptune Township Police Department Records Bureau plays a crucial role in the area of law enforcement. Prompt and accurate processing and dissemination of the police reports and associated paperwork is an integral part of the judicial process. The Records Bureau is staffed by two Records Clerks and two Terminal Agency Coordinators who report to a Captain.

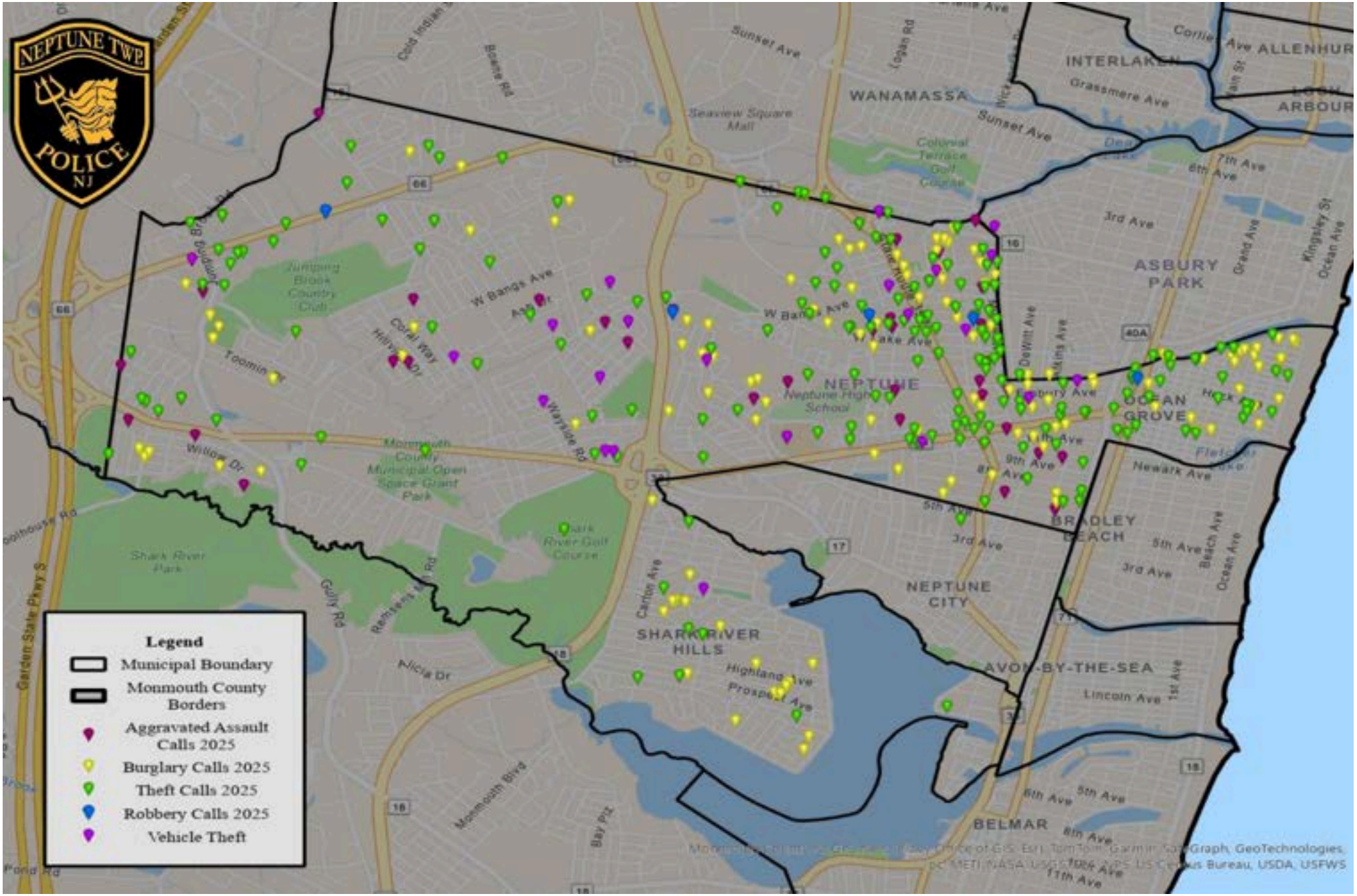
In 2025, the Neptune Township Police Department received 33,604 calls for service, most requiring a police report. During this year, the Records Bureau processed 3,075 Report (OPRA) Requests (including police reports and Body Worn/Vehicle video footage), and provided discovery on 245 cases.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORT

The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) is official data on crime in the United States, published annually by the FBI. The UCR separates crimes into two categories: Violent Crimes and Property Crimes. Aggravated Assault, Forcible Rape, Murder, and Robbery are classified as Violent Crimes. Burglary, Larceny/Theft and Motor Vehicle Theft are classified as Non-Violent/Property Crimes. Data for the last four years in Neptune Township can be found below.

UCR Crime	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change
Aggravated Assault	84	72	61	66	8.2
Burglary	117	87	72	48	-33.3
Motor Vehicle Theft	34	41	23	13	-43.5
Murder	6	1	0	0	0
Rape	6	9	5	6	20
Robbery	15	13	15	7	-53.3
Theft	678	840	816	732	-10.3

CRIME MAP


NEPTUNE TWP
POLICE
NJ
Legend
Municipal Boundary
Monmouth County Borders
Aggravated Assault Calls 2025
Burglary Calls 2025
Theft Calls 2025
Robbery Calls 2025
Vehicle Theft
WANAMASSA
INTERLAKEN
ALLENHURST
ASBURY PARK
OCEAN GROVE
NEPTUNE
NEPTUNE CITY
SHARK RIVER HILLS
BRADLEY BEACH
AVON-BY-THE-SEA
BELMAR
Sunset Ave
Seaview Square Mall
Colonial Terrace Golf Course
Grassmere Ave
Corlies Ave
Main St
3rd Ave
6th Ave
7th Ave
Grand Ave
Kingsley St
Ocean Ave
Jumping Brook Country Club
W Bangs Ave
Coral Way
Hillview Dr
Troomin Dr
Willow Dr
Warrigle Rd
Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant Park
Neptune High School
DeWitt Ave
Atkins Ave
Lake Ave
Heck Ave
9th Ave
Newark Ave
5th Ave
Beach Ave
Shark River Park
Shark River Golf Course
Gully Rd
Ramtons Mill Rd
Garden State Pkwy S
Boathouse Rd
Carlton Ave
Alicia Dr
Highland Ave
Prospect Ave
Monmouth Blvd
Bay Pz
Pond Rd
Lincoln Ave
1st Ave
11th Ave
Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA, USFWS

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Neptune Township Police Department's Community Liaison Officer Program assigns various officers to active community and homeowners groups to act as a point of contact for general, non- emergent concerns. The program is designed to deepen engagement and provide meaningful interaction between our residents and officers.

- Silver Vistas Residents Association & Neptune Township Lion's Club: Capt. Kevin O'Donnell
- Midtown Urban Renaissance Corporation: Lt. Robert Baldwin
- Shark River Hills Property Owners Association Inc.: Lt. James MacConchie
- Gables Residents Association: Sgt. Mysonn Ledet
- The Central Jersey Club of the Nation Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs: D/Sgt. Bryan Taylor
- The Villas at Jumping Brook Homeowners Association: Sgt. Michael Adam
- Winding Ridge Tenants Association: Sgt. Michael Adam
- Seaview Island Residents Association: Sgt. Carrie Bartlett
- Ocean Grove Homeowners Association: P.O. Tressa Yurman

Capt. Kevin O'Donnell

Lt. Robert Baldwin

Lt. James MacConchie

Sgt. Mysonn Ledet

D/Sgt. Bryan Taylor

Sgt. Michael Adam

Sgt. Carrie Bartlett

P.O. Tressa Yurman

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Community Outreach Officers work with a multitude of agencies and businesses to coordinate special events and ensure a safe environment for all. This Department recognizes the importance and community value of these events, as well as our responsibility to facilitate and ensure the safety for all participants. Some of the events coordinated by the Neptune Township Police Department in the past year include:

- Emergency Services Youth Camp
- Fly with a Cop
- Girl's Got Game Basketball Tournament
- Faith and Blue Weekend
- Hooked on Fishing, Not on Drugs
- Community Clean-Up
- JumpStart Academy at Neptune High School
- Torch Run for Special Olympics NJ
- Toys for Tots & Holiday Senior Food Deliveries
- Trunk or Treat
- Touch a Truck
- Coffee with a Cop
- School District Sporting & Academic Events
- Cops vs Kids Kickball
- Shop with a Cop
- Read Across America
- Bicycle Safety Day

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NEW INITIATIVES

Law Enforcement Against Drugs and Violence (LEAD)

In 2025, we proudly announce the start of Neptune Township's "Law Enforcement Against Drugs and Violence" (LEAD) program, a collaboration with the Neptune Township School District! As the first LEAD instructor, Lt. Gregory Washington presented lessons to fifth-grade students at all of Neptune's elementary schools beginning in fall 2025 and continuing into 2026. Chief Anthony Gualario and Superintendent Tami Crader attended one of the first sessions to show their support for the program. The LEAD program is a nationally recognized, evidence-based curriculum designed to prevent alcohol and substance abuse. The program works to achieve this goal through education and mitigation of risk factors associated with problem behaviors. Some of the lessons include setting achievable goals, effective communication, conflict resolution, and decision making. This program aims to empower young adults to make positive choices, avoid negative influences, and encourages parents and guardians to discuss these skills with their children at home.

New Vehicle Design

In 2025, the Neptune Township Police Department went gray! The NTPD has started to transition to a new design for our 2025 Ford Police Interceptors that includes a modernized aesthetic and a grey paint scheme. The design pays tribute to the colors of Neptune Township's Scarlet Fliers with red and black coloring, with traditional features including the American Flag and "EMERGENCY 9-1-1", as well as the NTPD motto "Proudly Serving Our Community". The graphics are highly reflective, and the vehicles are clearly marked with "POLICE" on all sides to ensure we remain easily visible and recognizable to the public. The new design also includes vehicles with subdued graphics, which is utilized by our traffic bureau for DUI, aggressive driving, and speeding enforcement. For the next couple of years, you will see NTPD officers patrolling with both our new and old designs, but these will gradually be phased out as the older patrol vehicles reach the end of their useful life.

Besides the new design, all of our patrol vehicles are equipped with the best equipment available from industry-leading technology companies, including a camera system on each side of every marked car. Our new patrol vehicle graphics are a part of our commitment to public safety and ongoing efforts to establish strong relationships with the community we serve. We believe that by creating a more engaging image for our police department, we are sending a clear message that we value and care about Neptune Township and all of our residents, businesses, and visitors. These vehicles are more than just a way of getting around, they are "offices" staffed by Police Officers 24x7x365 and are a symbol of honor, integrity, and dedication to community. Remember, although our patrol vehicle design is changing, you can still expect the same professional public safety service from our officers!

AWARDS

200 CLUB AWARDS

In 2025, Neptune Township Police Department Officers were recognized by the 200 Club of Monmouth County for their actions at various critical incidents in 2024. The 200 Club of Monmouth County is comprised of law enforcement officials, prominent businesses, and community leaders. Those recognized included:

- Det/Sgt. Frank Maletto, who responded to a water rescue incident in Ocean Grove. He observed three swimmers in distress who were unable to swim to shore. D/Sgt. Maletto entered the water along with ANSWER Water Rescue Team members as they worked to assist the swimmers safely to shore. D/Sgt. Maletto received a Commendation Award along with ANSWER team members.

- Det. Milton Roman, P.O. Aaron Haskins, P.O. Morgan Holland and P.O. Shane Leaming were recognized for an investigation that resulted in the seizure of a handgun. The officers attempted to stop a scooter which fled and was later located in Asbury Park. A defaced handgun was located hidden in the scooter. Following a thorough investigation, the officers were able to charge the suspect with multiple weapons offenses.

- P.O. Kylee Jazikoff and P.O. Steven Kontogiannis were recognized for their response to a serious motor vehicle crash in August of 2024. The officers arrived on the scene of the crash and found the driver to be unresponsive with no pulse, at which time they began CPR and utilized an AED. The victim was transported to the hospital and made a full recovery.

VFW #1333 PUBLIC SERVANT AWARDS

Police Officer Dylan McLearen received the 2025 Public Servant Award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1333 on Veterans Day. The VFW Public Servant Awards recognize EMT's, law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders, who are nominated by their respective agencies. These public servants are chosen in recognition of their consistent excellence in the performance of their duties, their consistent dedication to their official responsibilities over a period of years and their continuous growth in responsibilities and skills within their profession.

MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

NTPD Officers Brian Bucossi, Cadell Kennedy, and Nicholas Turi, who received "Recognition of Excellence - 34:4-50" Awards from Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) at a recent ceremony attended by Chief Anthony Gualario. These three officers were recognized for keeping our roads safe from impaired drivers by leading the NTPD with a combined total of 42 DWI arrests in 2024, including 16 for P.O. Buccosi, 14 for P.O. Kennedy and 12 for P.O. Turi.

RECRUITMENT

The Neptune Township Police Department Recruitment Unit attends community events and job fairs in Neptune Township and throughout Monmouth County as a part of our commitment to attracting qualified and diverse candidates to join the NTPD. In 2024, the NTPD began using PoliceApp.com to advertise job openings and accept applications. Job openings are also shared on social media, the department website, mobile app, and advertised on electronic sign boards. The Neptune Township Police Department is an equal opportunity employer in all facets of the hiring process.

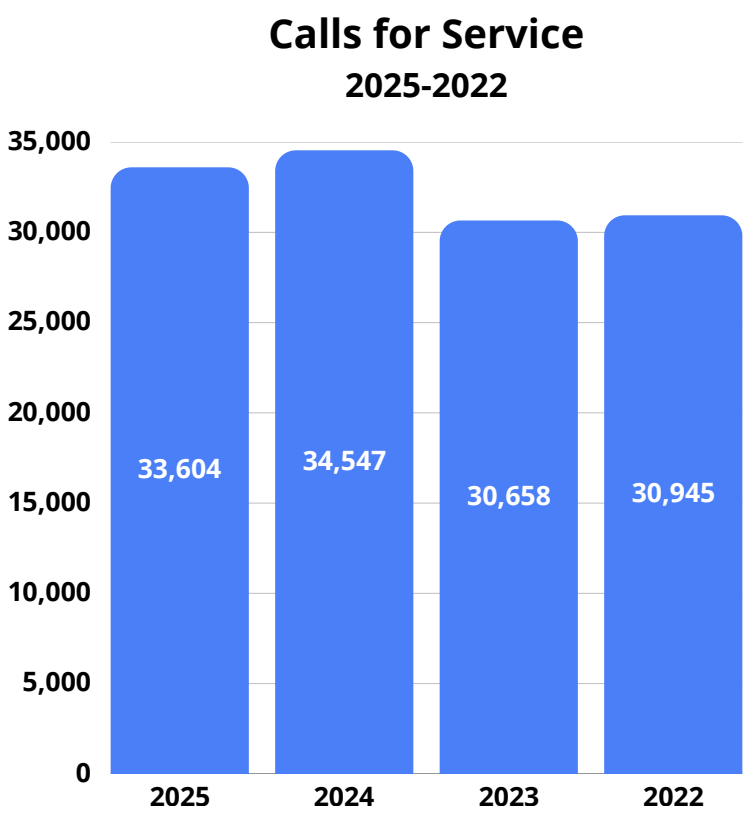
For questions regarding recruitment, visit NeptunePolice.org/careers and send any questions to Recruitment@neptunepolice.org.

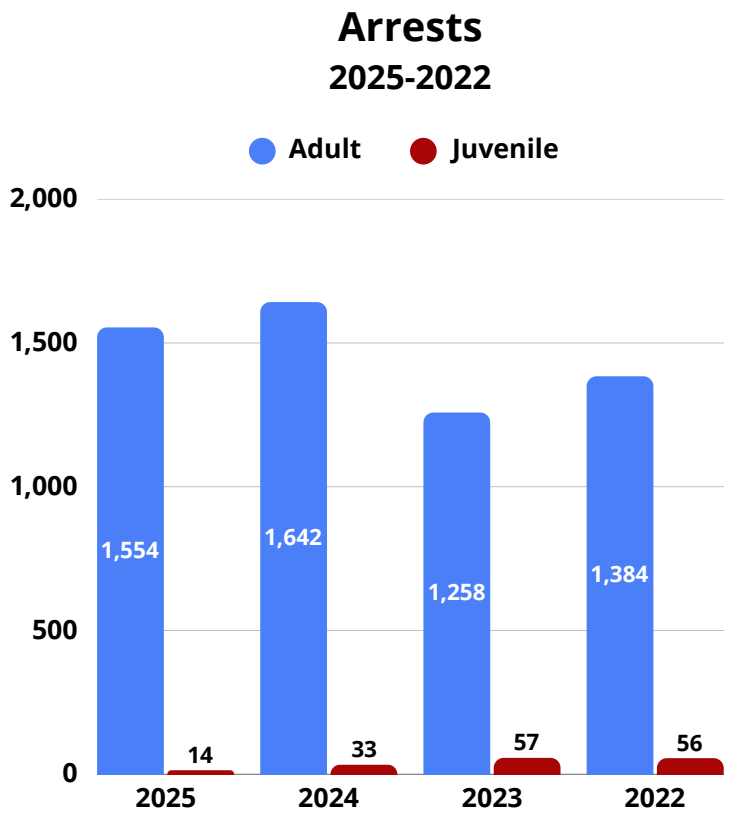
PATROL BUREAU

The Neptune Township Patrol Bureau is the largest and most visible part of the department, committed to improving public safety and quality of life for the residents in our community. The Patrol Bureau is on patrol in our community 24/7/365 and answers all calls for service, conducts investigations, and provides traffic and township ordinance enforcement.

At the end of 2025, the Patrol Bureau was staffed by four Patrol Lieutenants, eight Patrol Sergeants and forty one Police Officers. Eight Police Officers were hired and completed our rigorous Field Training program in 2025, with additional officers expected to graduate from the academy in 2026.

Patrol Bureau Statistics:





PATROL NOTABLE INCIDENTS

In 2025, the following officers were commended and recognized:

- Sgt. Bartlett, Sgt. Dallago, P.O. Schuster, and P.O. Gullestad were recognized for their response to a mental health crisis call involving an armed suicidal subject, which resulted in a taser deployment by the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office and the safe transportation of the subject to the hospital for treatment.
- Sgt. Chunn, PO Yurman, PO Bucossi, PO Santos, PO Jones, PO Berry, PO Tortorelli, PO Nixon, and PO M. Jenkins were recognized for their investigation into multiple motor vehicle burglaries. Their comprehensive investigation resulted in the arrest of the suspect and charges for Burglary, Criminal Attempt, Receiving Stolen Property, and Possession of CDS.
- P.O. Jenkins and P.O. Niskoch were recognized for their response to a mental health crisis call involving an armed suicidal subject. They quickly disarmed the subject upon arrival and were able to safely de-escalate the situation and transport the subject to the hospital for treatment.
- D/Lt. Monahan, D/Sgt. Maletto, D/Sgt. Taylor, Sgt. Savastano, Det. Rosenthal, Det. Harris, Det. Sibole, Det. Roman, and P.O. Simpson were commended for their tireless investigation into a missing juvenile, who was ultimately located safe in Pennsylvania. The investigation involved federal, state, county, and local agencies from NJ, NY, and PA.
- P.O. Haskins and the NTPD Street Crimes Unit were recognized for a narcotics investigation which resulted in the execution of a search warrant, four arrests, and the seizure of a handgun and various narcotics.
- P.O. Vetrano was recognized for an investigation following a motor vehicle crash. During his investigation, he determined the driver to be intoxicated from an unknown narcotic and placed him under arrest. The driver began to resist arrest, and while officers fought with him, P.O. Vetrano located and removed a fully loaded handgun with a high-capacity magazine from his possession.
- Sgt. O'Heney, P.O. Roman, P.O. Leaming, P.O. Haskins, and P.O. Holland of the NTPD Street Crimes Unit were recognized for their assistance with an investigation into an illegal marijuana dispensary. The investigation resulted in a large-scale search warrant involving three locations and the arrest of thirty-two (32) subjects for various narcotics charges. Also seized during the searches were over $100,000 in currency, two handguns, 22 vehicles, and large quantities of various narcotics. The investigation involved federal, state, county, and local agencies.
- Sgt. Savastano, P.O. Alston, P.O. Berry, P.O. Brogley, P.O. Newman, and S.O. Perez were recognized for their response to a medical emergency involving an unresponsive driver. The officers worked together to deliver CPR and life-saving measures until the arrival of EMS, which resulted in the subject regaining consciousness.

PATROL NOTABLE INCIDENTS

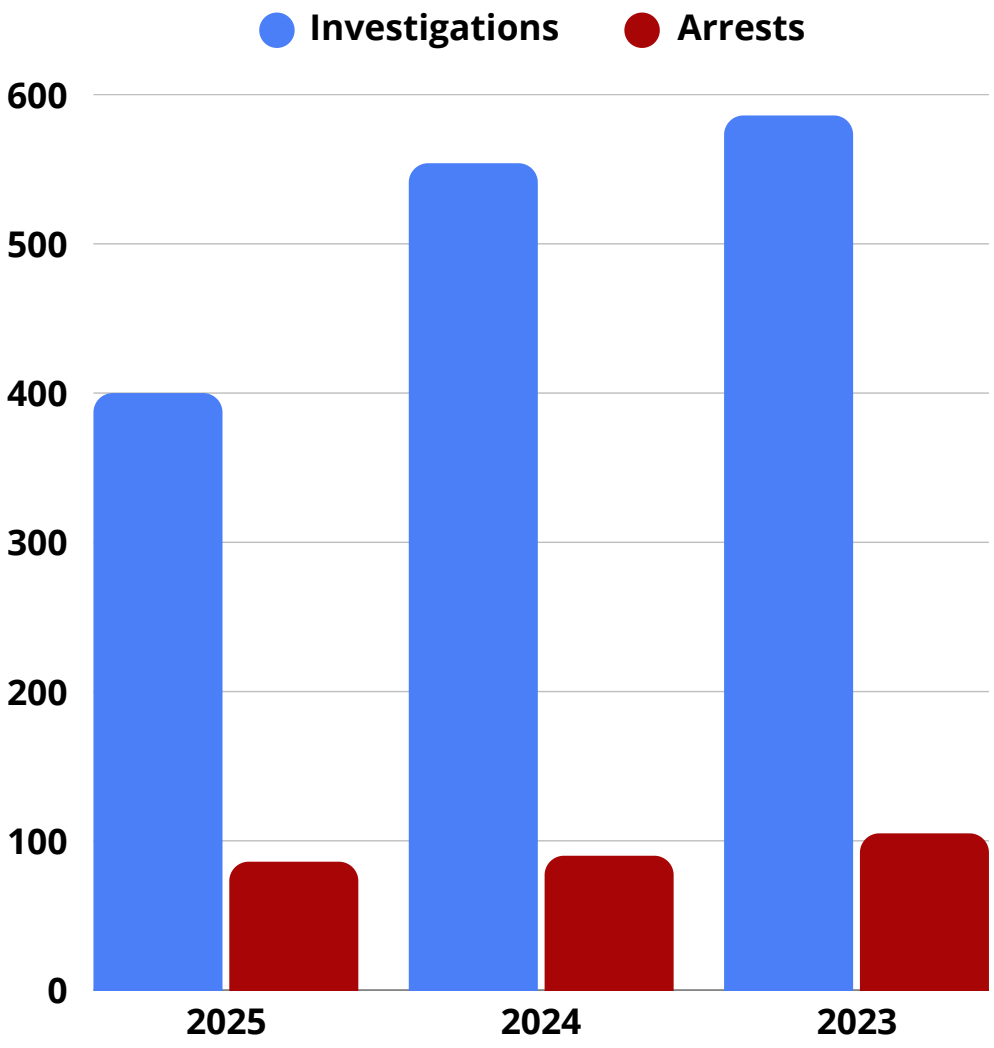
- P.O. Santos and P.O. Zenna were recognized for lifesaving efforts after responding to a call involving a victim who was shot in the neck in a neighboring town. The officers rendered lifesaving medical care and continued to assist EMS throughout the transport, ultimately resulting in the survival of the victim.
- P.O. Calabro, P.O. De La Fuente, P.O. Vetrano, P.O. Montes, P.O. Panariello, P.O. Woods, P.O. Jazikoff, P.O. Robertson and SLEO II Gomes were recognized for their response to a mental health crisis call involving an armed subject. The officers safely evacuated the home and communicated with the subject over several hours, eventually resulting in the safe apprehension of the subject.
- P.O. McLearen was commended following a motor vehicle stop he initiated, which resulted in the arrest of two subjects and charges for possession of a handgun and narcotics. After observing narcotics in plain view, he conducted a search of the vehicle, which led to the location of a handgun and narcotics.
- Det. Rosenthal was recognized for his investigation into a suicidal juvenile subject, who was subsequently located by another agency and transported to a local hospital for treatment. Additionally, several other juveniles at risk of suicide were also identified and directed to treatment as a result of this investigation.
- P.O. Yurman and P.O. Berry were recognized for their response to a serious motor vehicle crash involving a struck pedestrian. They immediately began lifesaving medical treatment until EMS arrived, and the victim was transported to the hospital. They conducted a thorough investigation into the crash with the assistance of the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office.
- P.O. McLearen, P.O. Robertson and P.O. Weinberg were recognized for lifesaving efforts during a response to a suspected overdose. Due to their medical treatment, the victim was revived and transported for treatment.
- Sgt. Chunn, Sgt. Savastano, P.O. Berry, P.O. Zenna, P.O. Jones, P.O. Yurman, and P.O. Buccosi were recognized after responding to an armed subject in a hospital. They located the subject using a bathroom and formed a plan to disarm him without causing alarm or danger to patients/staff. The suspect was subsequently disarmed without incident and charged with numerous weapons offenses.
- P.O. Benites was recognized for her observational skills after a pedestrian was struck in a neighboring town. She observed a vehicle shortly after which had damage consistent with striking the pedestrian and initiated a motor vehicle stop. The driver admitted to the crash and faced charges following an investigation.
- P.O. Finlay and P.O. Zenna were recognized following a motor vehicle stop and investigation leading to the arrest of two and charges for possession of narcotics and an imitation firearm.

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau is primarily tasked with conducting follow-up investigations of reported crimes such as homicide, robbery, burglary, fraud and theft, amongst others. As part of the investigation, detectives will interview suspects, victims and witnesses, as well as compile cases for prosecution.

The Detective Bureau also distributes information to surrounding agencies, conducts background checks on police applicants, and maintains a high level of training necessary to handle a variety of cases. In 2025, the Detective Bureau was staffed by one Detective Lieutenant, two Detective Sergeants, and five Detectives as well as a civilian employee.

Detective Bureau Statistics:



DETECTIVE BUREAU

Notable Investigations:

- Det. Rosenthal investigated a shooting incident that occurred on 1/2/2025 at a home on Jumping Brook Rd which resulted in one arrest, the seizure of a .32 caliber handgun, and various charges including Unlawful Possession of a Handgun and Domestic Violence Assault. There were no reported injuries as a result of the incident.

- Det. Rosenthal investigated a missing persons incident that was reported on 2/17/2025. Following an extensive investigation, the 15 year old female was located in Pennsylvania on 2/23/2025 and an adult male was later charged with Criminal Sexual Contact.

- Det. Rosenthal investigated an organized retail theft reported on 3/6/2025 by Home Depot which resulted in the loss of over $7,000 in merchandise. The involved individuals were later identified with the assistance of Home Depot Loss Prevention and charged with various Shoplifting offenses. Charges for Leading an Organized Crime Network were filed by other investigating agencies.

- Det. Roman investigated a burglary in Ocean Grove on 3/24/2025 which resulted in the theft of currency from a business and an attempted burglary of another. During the investigation, photos of the unknown suspect were distributed to local agencies and it was determined that the suspect had been arrested for burglary in a nearby jurisdiction. Charges for Burglary, Theft, and Trespassing were filed following the investigation.

- Det. Harris investigated eleven separate shoplifting incidents at Shoprite which occurred in March and April which were determined to have been committed by the same subject. As a result of the investigation, numerous charges for Shoplifting were filed and the suspect was later arrested.

- Det. Rosenthal investigated a theft of over $7,000 in cash from a local business which occurred on 5/29/2025. During the investigation, photos of the unknown suspect were disseminated and the subject was identified by another NTPD officer. Charges were issued for Burglary and Theft, and the suspect was later arrested by the NTPD Street Crimes Unit during an unrelated investigation which resulted in additional charges for Possession of a Handgun, various drug possession charges, and other charges.

- Det. Roman investigated an assault on 6/3/2025 when a subject was struck and knocked unconscious by an unknown subject while inside a local business. The unknown subject was identified through video surveillance and charges were issued for Aggravated Assault. Detectives located and arrested the suspect following the investigation.

- Det. Roman investigated a report of harassment and threats on 6/18/2025 following a report of threatening comments and emails. It was determined that the subject of the investigation made terroristic threats towards associates, military members, medical staff, a judge and others. Following an investigation which involved U.S. Homeland Security, NJSP Counter Terrorism, and other agencies, charges were issued for Terroristic Threats, Cyber Harassment, and False Report Involving Critical Infrastructure.

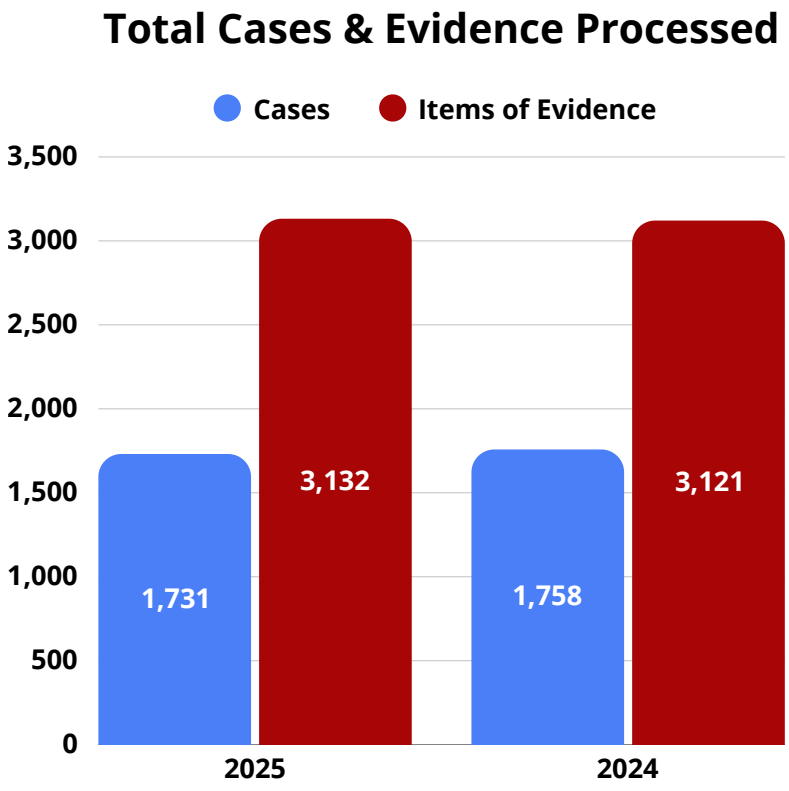
- Det. Hagerman investigated an armed robbery which occurred on 8/4/2025 following a report of several juveniles being robbed at gunpoint by other juveniles while attempting to sell a watch. As a result of the investigation, several juveniles were charged with Armed Robbery, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, and related charges.

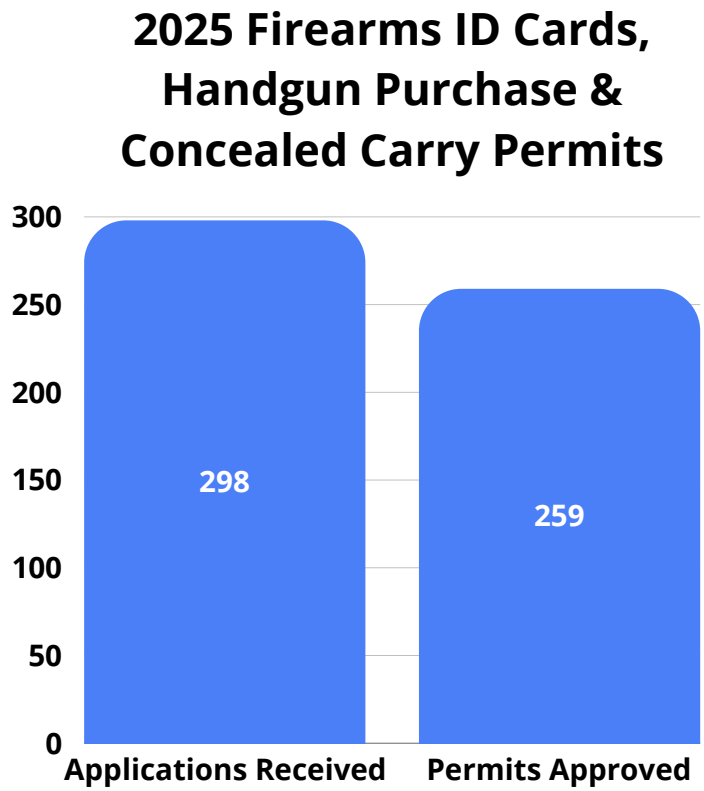
- Det. Hagerman investigated a burglary on 11/26/2025 after the victim reported observing their juvenile neighbor enter their house uninvited, and reported missing articles of clothing. During the investigation, the suspect was captured on video surveillance entering the home on approximately 12 recent occasions. As a result, charges were issued for five counts of Burglary, Theft, and additional charges were later issued for Stalking.

IDENTIFICATION BUREAU

The Identification Bureau is a division of the Detective Bureau that is primarily responsible for crime scene forensics, evidence collection and retention. The Identification Detectives also handle all Megan's Law registrants in the Township of Neptune, which includes monitoring, registration and conducting unannounced visits to their residences.

Firearms applications, weapons purchase permits, and handgun carry permits are also handled by the Identification Bureau. The Identification Bureau is staffed by two Detectives, a civilian staff member, and assigned patrol officers as needed.





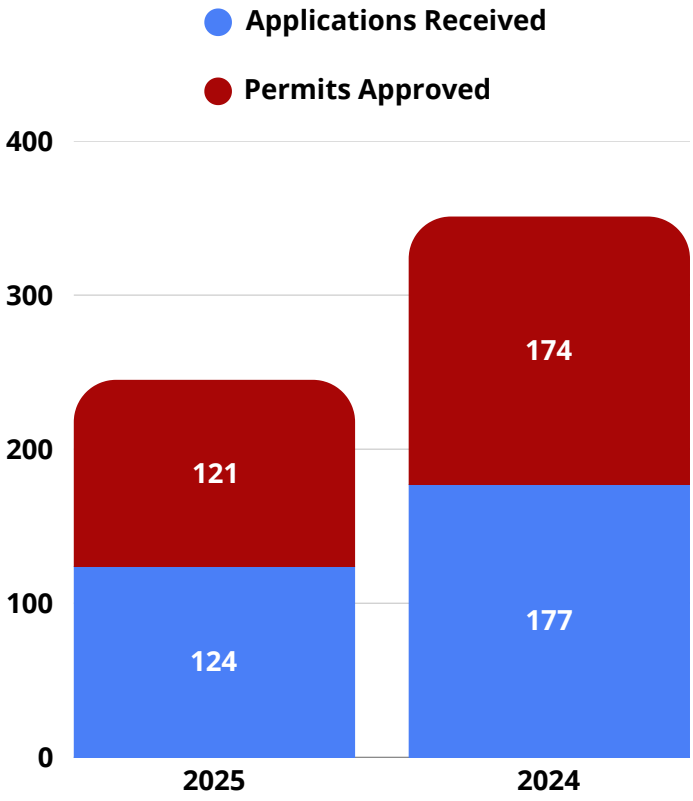
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

The Identification Bureau and Detective Bureau are tasked with registration and maintenance of the Alcoholic Beverage Control licensing program.

The purpose of this program is to ensure that businesses are in compliance with NJ Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control regulations, to ensure public safety and to prevent the sale of alcoholic beverages to minors. All employees involved in the sale or preparation of alcoholic beverages are required to register and submit to a criminal history check each year.

ABC Licensed Establishments
2025-2024

ABC Individual Permits
2025-2024



TRAFFIC BUREAU

The Traffic Bureau is staffed by a Lieutenant and a Sergeant, as well as Special Law Enforcement Officers. The bureau remains highly responsive to the needs of the community, and encourages two-way communication between the police department and the citizens with traffic-related concerns. Residents are always encouraged to reach out to the Traffic Bureau with any parking concerns, traffic issues, or community outreach questions. Contact information can be found on the final page of the report.

Traffic Bureau responsibilities include:

- Placement of Speed Radar Trailers and Signs
- Child Passenger Seat Safety Technicians
- Serious/Fatal Crash Investigations
- Overseeing all Crash and DWI Reports
- Site Plan Review and Inspection
- Grant-Supported Traffic Programs
- Crossing Guard Training and Deployment
- Taxi and Tow Truck Inspection
- Analysis of Speed Sign Data
- Supervision of Crossing Guards
- Maintenance and Training of E-Ticket, Automatic License Plate Readers, Speed Radars, and Alcotest Instruments
- Traffic Control at all Township Events
- Issuing of Temporary Handicap Permits

Traffic Bureau Statistics	2024	2025	% Change
Moving Violations	2291	2076	-9.4
Non-Moving Violations	3036	3044	0.3
Parking Tickets	1205	1433	18.9
DWI Arrests	112	108	-4
Motor Vehicle Crash Reports	1795	1645	-8.4
Crashes Inv. Struck Pedestrian/Bicyclist	54	59	9.3
Pursuits Initiated	4	0	-100
Vehicles Impounded	765	667	-13

STREET CRIMES UNIT

The Street Crimes Unit is staffed by a Lieutenant, a Sergeant and supported by designated Police Officers. The primary function is to investigate drug crimes and quality of life issues within the Township, including but not limited to: use and sale of narcotics, public alcohol consumption, prostitution, liquor laws, and township ordinances. The SCU works with County, State, and Federal agencies to identify and arrest individuals who are involved in the manufacturing, sale and use of illicit narcotics as well as targeting gangs and violent criminals.

Street Crimes Unit Statistics	2024	2025	% Change
Arrests	289	213	-26.3
Criminal Charges	343	523	52.5
Search Warrants	4	11	175
Currency Seized	11161	32927	195
Warrant Arrests	166	128	-22.9
Ordinance Violations	170	51	-70

Notable Investigations in 2025

- On 2/5/25, P.O. Haskins (SCU) conducted a search warrant on Ridge Ave. Three persons were arrested and charged with possession of Heroin, Crack Cocaine, Oxycodone, and Five (5) pounds of Marijuana. P.O. Haskins (SCU) also seized: $5,042 U.S. currency, a Smith & Wesson revolver, and hollow-point ammunition.
- On 2/18/25, P.O. Haskins (SCU) executed a search warrant on N Taylor Ave, resulting in the arrest of four persons and the seizure of assorted CDS (Crack Cocaine, Heroin, Ecstasy, Suboxone, K-2 synthetic Marijuana), Drug Paraphernalia, $972.00 U.S. currency, and one Smith & Wesson, M&P Shield, 9mm handgun loaded with eight (8) rounds.
- On 3/27/25, P.O. Leaming (SCU) and MCPO Gang Unit conducted a search warrant execution following an investigation which resulted in the arrest of three persons and charges for distributing and possessing over 50 grams of Ecstasy/MDMA, distributing CDS within 1000 feet of a school and possessing drug paraphernalia. Over 50 grams of Ecstasy/MDMA, Drug Paraphernalia and $5,676.00 in U.S. currency were seized.
- On 5/2/25, P.O. Holland (SCU) conducted a MV Stop around W Lake and Fisher Ave. Two persons were ultimately arrested and charged with Intent to Distribute Marijuana, Resisting Arrest, and Obstruction. $15,413 was also seized during the MV Stop.
- On 7/16/25, P.O. Holland (SCU) arrested three persons during a MV Stop at Heck and Drummond Ave. The stop resulted in the seizure of two stolen handguns (a Beretta 9mm and a Taurus 9mm), high-capacity magazines, and hollow-point ammunition. All three subjects were charged with receiving stolen property, possessing high-capacity magazines, possessing hollow point ammunition and several other weapon offenses. This investigation assisted neighboring jurisdictions in solving several unsolved “shots fired” incidents.
- On 8/5/25, P.O. Leaming (SCU) and DEA SRT executed a search warrant on Winding Ridge Drive. One person was later apprehended and charged with Eluding Police, Resisting Arrest, Aggravated Assault on LEO, Obstruction by Flight, Possession of 400 Grams of Crack Cocaine, and Possession of 200 Oxycodone Pills. The search warrant also resulted in $2,676 being seized.
- On 11/18/25, P.O. Haskins (SCU) executed a search warrant on 11th Ave. Two persons were arrested during the coordinated multi-agency operation (DEA, DEA SRT, NJSP K-9). P.O. Haskins (SCU) seized: $1,735 U.S. currency, Heroin, Crack Cocaine, and MDMA. Furthermore, a stolen 9mm Sig Sauer handgun was recovered. Both subjects were also found to have active warrants.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The NTPD and the Neptune Township School District have always maintained a strong working relationship, with shared goals of protecting our students, teachers, and staff throughout all of Neptune Township's schools. Since we believe that a critical part of achieving this goal is to foster and build trust between the students and our officers, Chief Anthony Gualario and Superintendent Dr. Tami Crader continue to support the assignment of School Resource Officers around the district.

While we have always assigned officers to our schools, the School Resource Officer program will mean that the same officers will be present daily throughout the year. This allows them the opportunity to interact with students and staff on a consistent basis, fostering trust, building positive relationships, and allowing them to protect our schools more effectively. All of our School Resource Officers are recently Retired Law Enforcement Officers from NJ (SLEO III's) who have each completed more than 25 years of police service and have received countless hours of training in School Safety, Active Shooter, First Aid, and other training to ensure they are well-prepared to handle any safety and security concerns. To all those in our community, please remember that we need your help to protect our schools! Parents, teachers, and all others are urged to report any concerns regarding school safety by calling 9-1-1 immediately.

SLEO & JAIL OPERATIONS

Over the past year, our Special Law Enforcement Officer (SLEO) program operated with three SLEO II Officers and six SLEO I officers.

- SLEO II Officers have the same arresting power as a full- time officer except that it is limited to while they are on- duty. They are utilized for speed enforcement, court security, jail operations and walking patrols.

- SLEO I Officers are utilized for parking enforcement, traffic details, and jail operations as well as special events.

The SLEO program serves as a way for the command staff to evaluate potential candidates for full-time positions. Many of our current full-time officers began their career with the NTPD as a SLEO.

Neptune Township operates and staffs an 18 cell jail, which provides service to Neptune Township as well as Avon-by-the-Sea, the Monmouth County Sheriffs Office and other agencies as necessary. SLEO I and II Officers hired as Jailors are tasked with jail operations, prisoner searches, property inventories and other duties.

During the year 2025, Neptune's jail held 1,071 total prisoners.
(2024: 1,110)

PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Neptune Township Police Department maintains working relationships with all local and many regional and national news outlets to distribute press releases, emergency information and public service announcements. These media partners include traditional television, radio, and newspaper organizations as well as modern social media-based organizations. By maintaining strong relationships with all media organizations, we can ensure a timely release of information to our residents and surrounding communities in the event a critical message must be dispersed. Our Public Information Officers are on-call to assist the media, coordinate news conferences, and work with local agencies to ensure a unified and consistent release of information.

Public Information Sources & Statistics

The Neptune Township Police Department leverages social media to reach our residents, visitors, local businesses and the media with critical emergency information and general Neptune Township community news.

Facebook:
13,000 followers
6,300,000 impressions (+1,315% from 2024)

Instagram:
2,600 followers
211,000 impressions (+305% from 2024)

Everbridge: Serves as our critical alert system, which can send calls, texts, and emails to all residents instantly.

Mobile App: Our free mobile app, a partnership with Neptune OEM, continues to serve as a crucial source of emergency info for residents and visitors.

ACCREDITATION

We're proud to announce that on June 12th, 2025, the Neptune Township Police Department was re-accredited for the third time by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police (NJSACOP). At a Township Committee meeting, Accreditation Program Director Harry Delgado presented the certificate of accreditation to Chief Anthony Gualario, his Command Staff, and the Accreditation Team.

The Neptune Township Police Department was awarded initial accreditation by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police (NJSACOP) in 2016 and was re-accredited in 2019, 2022, and 2025. NJSACOP's rigorous Accreditation program requires agencies to undergo re-accreditation every three years in order to maintain their accredited status. Less than 12% of agencies that received initial accreditation have been re-accredited. The policies and procedures involved with the Accreditation process are being continually updated to ensure the department is always in compliance with nationally recognized best practice standards in each of the five functions: Administrative, Operations, Investigative, Arrestee/Detainee, and Personnel.

Accreditation is a coveted award that symbolizes professionalism, excellence, and competence. It is a challenging process, which includes writing and rewriting new policies, adopting nationally recognized best practices, and an in-person inspection conducted by representatives from the NJSACOP. Agencies that are accredited and their communities enjoy financial benefits, including fewer liability claims and reduced costs of insurance, providing tax reductions for residents. The Neptune Township Police Department has continued to ensure compliance with each of the 105 required best practice standards, and the Professional Responsibility Division remains confident that this agency will continue to retain Accredited Status.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Neptune Township Police Department Internal Affairs Unit accepts, reviews, and responds to all complaints against police officers received from the public or from superior officers within the organization. Citizen complaints may be made via any method including, but not limited to: in person, by telephone, fax, internet, or through the mail. These include anonymous complaints, complaints from third party witnesses, juveniles and complaints from parties not directly involved in the incident from which an allegation arises. All allegations are carried to their logical conclusion by experienced and trained investigators.

In any given year officers of the Neptune Township Police Department are involved in tens of thousands of citizen contacts. Many are routine and many involve critical situations. The Internal Affairs Unit is tasked with handling complaints from the public regarding officer conduct, as well as rare allegations of criminal conduct by department members.

The investigative process assesses the propriety of all on or off duty conduct during the incident in which the alleged misconduct occurred. If during the course of an investigation there is an indication that misconduct occurred other than that alleged, the investigator examines the additional potential misconduct to its logical conclusion.

The following penalties may be assessed against any member or employee of the Neptune Township Police Department as a result of disciplinary action:

Oral Reprimand
Written Reprimand
Suspension
Demotion
Dismissal

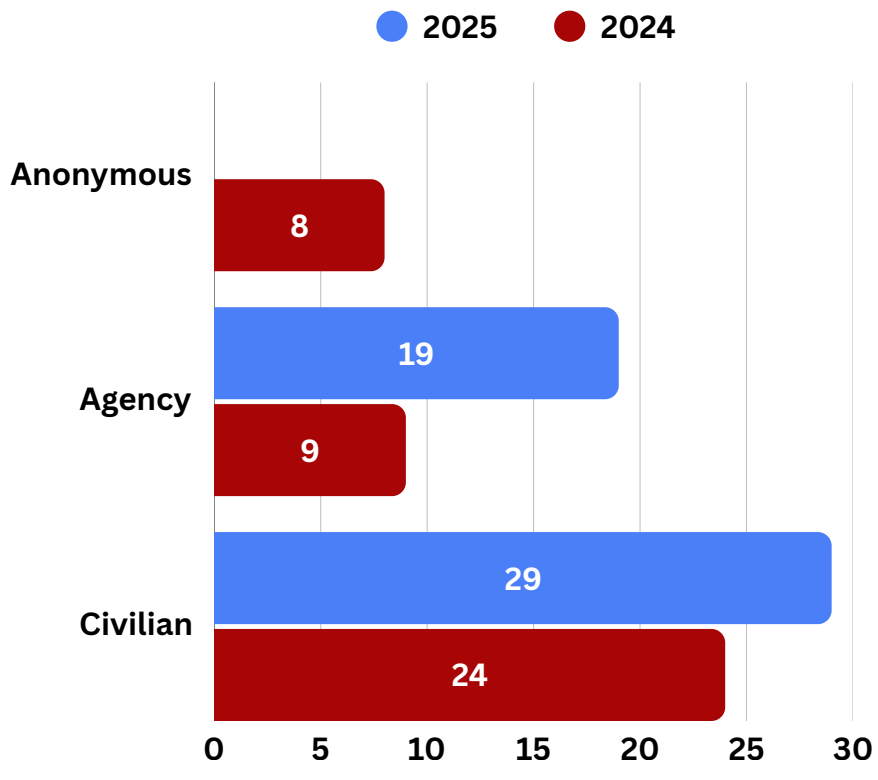
All complaints are categorized based on the alleged offense. Upon the completion of the investigation, the investigator will reach a conclusion based upon the facts developed in their investigation which will fall into one of the following five dispositions:

- Exonerated: A preponderance of the evidence shows the alleged conduct did occur, but did not violate any law; regulation; directive, guideline, policy, or procedure issued by the Attorney General or County Prosecutor; agency protocol; standard operating procedure; rule; or training.
- Sustained: A preponderance of the evidence shows an officer violated any law; regulation; directive, guideline, policy, or procedure issued by the Attorney General or County Prosecutor; agency protocol; standard operating procedure; rule; or training.
- Not Sustained: The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.
- Unfounded: A preponderance of the evidence shows that the alleged conduct did not occur.
- Administratively Closed: This disposition is used for extraordinary circumstances that isn't defined by any of the other four dispositions. (e.g., employee passes away.)

INTERNAL AFFAIRS STATISTICS

Type of Complaint	Allegations	Initial Allegations Sustained	Other Allegations Sustained	All Other Dispositions
Criminal Violation	4	1	1	2
Differential Treatment	1	0	0	1
Excessive Force	1	0	0	1
Improper Arrest	17	0	0	17
Improper Entry	0	0	0	0
Improper Search	1	0	0	1
Domestic Violence Incident (Non-Criminal)	0	0	0	0
Demeanor	1	0	0	1
Other Rule Violation	23	17	0	6
Total	48	18	1	29

Source of Complaints



GRANT PROGRAMS

Body Armor Replacement Grants

This year, the Neptune Township Police Department received a total of $6,878.35 in funding for the replacement of officers' body armor from the NJ State Body Armor Grant.

COPS Hiring Program (CHP)

The Neptune Township Police Department was awarded the COPS Hiring Program (CHP) Grant beginning in 2024, which provides $125,000 per year over three years. This grant is being used to hire and train three new Police Officers, increasing the Department's staffing and putting more officers on Patrol in Neptune Township.

Traffic Safety Grant

The Neptune Township Police Department was awarded a Traffic Safety Grant which provides $20,000 in funding through September. This funding will be used for traffic enforcement and special details to target distracted driving, aggressive driving, DUI enforcement, crosswalk safety and other violations.

GOALS FOR 2026

To reduce crime and the fear of crime through innovative patrol techniques, specialized units, advanced technology, information sharing, public information targeted investigations, and by leveraging connections with community groups.

To continue providing the professional, skilled service our community has come to expect by ensuring officers receive the most up-to-date training and educational opportunities.

Prioritize maintaining and developing new connections with homeowners and service groups, faith-based and non-profit organizations within our local community to foster trust and transparency while hearing concerns directly from residents which can assist with crime prevention.

Continue to provide a thorough and transparent Internal Affairs process through advanced training for investigators and by maintaining the high standards required by our law enforcement accreditation.

Implement crime-preventing and solving technology including installations of new cameras at critical intersections and license plate readers on patrol vehicles.

To achieve these goals, we are implementing several new programs in 2026:

- Training and implementation of six Axon Taser conducted energy devices to provide an additional non-lethal option for officers when responding to critical incidents such as armed persons endangering others or themselves.

- Modernization of our police radio fleet to enhance communications and improve officer safety.

- Implementation of our new specialized units, including the Motorcycle Unit and Honor Guard.

- Continued expansion of the Bicycle Unit and UTV Unit to increase community engagement and interaction, especially in our business districts and neighborhoods.

CONTACT US

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Emergency	9-1-1
Non-Emergency	(732) 988-8000
Monmouth County Crime Stoppers	1-800-671-4400
Office of the Chief	(732) 988-8000 ext. 402
Detective Bureau	(732) 988-8000 ext. 420
Identification Bureau	(732) 988-8000 ext. 429
Traffic Bureau & Community Outreach	(732) 988-8000 ext. 433
Records Bureau	(732) 988-8000 ext. 457
Street Crimes Unit	(732) 988-8000 ext. 416