

# SYLVANIA POLICE DIVISION 1st QUARTER 2025

## **Operational Statistics**

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Crime Reports	278	272
Criminal Arrests - Juvenile/Adult	4/60	4/59
Traffic Citations	132	168
Warnings	902	1060
Parking Tickets	1	1
OVI	10	14
Traffic Crashes	78	63
Traffic Crash injuries/fatalities	17/0	27/0
Calls for Police Service	2678	2868
Hours Spent Handling Police Calls	839:43	1299:04
Emergency Response Time – Priority 1	2:35	2:03
Overtime Hours - Police	1227	884
Overtime Hours - Records	28.75	15.75
Training Hours	1013	777

## **Administrative Update**

During the 1st quarter of 2025, Officer Lindsey Russell return from FMLA and was full-time in her L.E.A.D. officer position. This put the Community Affairs office back to full staff.

We had three appointments to police officer. In January, Cadet Tessa Gardella successfully passed her state examination and was promoted to Police Officer on January 6<sup>th</sup>. In February, two additional Police Officers were hired, Arin Hovey and Bryan Smith. Both had current OPOTA certificates and were able to start in field training immediately. Officer Gardella

and Officer Hovey replaced Officer Stewart who was released in 2023 and Officer Holland who resigned in 2024. Officer Smith filled one of two new positions that were added in preparation for the department to assume some court security duties for Sylvania Municipal Court.

An Officer/Cadet Examination was opened this quarter and will close in April. We expect to have the background process completed late in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of this year.

The Chief's Administrative Secretary retired in January. Record Clerk Janelle Benarth was selected to take that position. This left a vacancy in our Records Bureau. In January, Ben Ellis, a former dispatcher for the City of Sylvania returned to our department to fill the Records Bureau vacancy.

## **Community Affairs**

"The mission of the Office of Community Affairs is to support the Sylvania Police Division in its efforts to maintain an atmosphere of safety and security for members of the community. To be effective in assisting in this mission, the Office of Community Affairs shall provide education in the areas of substance abuse and positive decision-making in all Sylvania Schools. The Office of Community Affairs shall also provide crime prevention programs and services to educate our citizens and businesses."

#### Introduction

Officer Russell is currently presenting the elementary L.E.A.D. program at Highland Elementary and the Toledo Islamic Academy. Officer Russell started presenting the Seatbelt Safety and Bike Safety in Sylvania's elementary schools. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Seatbelt Safety presentations will be completed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, along with the Kindergarten Bike Safety presentations.

Sgt. Bell has begun the registration process for Safety City 2025. He implemented a new online registration & payment system for parents to use when registering their children, it appears to be working well so far. Sgt. Bell continues to work with the school district on safety planning including threat assessment, emergency preparedness, verbal de-escalation, mental health referral process and the A.L.I.C.E. program.

The Public Safety Cadet Program's new lead mentor is Sylvania Township PD Officer Ben Bostater. Officer Russell continues to be the mentor for the City of Sylvania. Sgt. Bell is the Program Supervisor of the Public Safety Cadet Program for the city. The Program Supervisor for Sylvania Township PD is Lieutenant Kevin Steinman. Public

Safety Cadet Program continues to offer meaningful and interesting opportunities to the youth of the Sylvania community.

#### **Youth Programs / DARE Events**

• Officer Russell started to present the elementary L.E.A.D. program at Highland and Toledo Islamic Academy.

#### **Community Involvement**

• Sgt. Bell Officer Andrzejewski, Officer Barnswell, and Officer Russell attended several community events and meetings.

#### **Public Safety Cadets**

The Public Safety Cadets have trained in the following topics this quarter:

- Traffic Crashes
- Domestic Violence and Disorderly Conduct
- Tactical Medic
- Fingerprinting/ Crime Scene Processing
- Burglaries-in-progress
- Building searches
- Active shooters

The Public Safety Cadets worked the following events this quarter:

• No events this quarter

#### **School Resource Officer Programs**

Northview High School - Officer Russell		Southview High School - Officer	
		Andrzejewski	
Presentations	4	Presentations	0
Meetings /Training	11	Meetings /Training	24
<b>General Offense / Accident Reports</b>	0	General Offense /Accident Reports	2
Citations / Warnings	0	Citations / Warnings	0
School Related	8	School Related	45
Complaints/Interview		Complaints/Interview	
Parking Lot Assists	5	Parking Lot Assists	4
<b>Court Appearances</b>	0	Court Appearances	0
Security Issues	29	Security Issues	14
Misc.	30	Misc.	39

## Volunteer Program -1st. Quarter Report

Hour Summary	
Total Patrol Volunteer hours for Jan 2025 – Mar. 2025	14.5
Total Event Volunteer hours for Jan. 2025 – Mar. 2025	0
Total	14.5

Volunteer Patrol Log		
Lockouts	0	
House Checks	46	
Road Patrol/Traffic Assists	0	
Citizen/Motorist Assists	0	
Special Assignments:		
<ul> <li>Volunteer Appreciation</li> </ul>	Dinner	

Respectfully submitted,

Sgt. Justin Bell #869

Office of Community Affairs Sylvania Police Division

## **Detective Bureau**

## January – March 2025

Active Case Load by Investigator			
Detective	Assigned	Cleared	Total Active
Sgt. Music	9	9	4
Det. Collins	7	11	6
Det. Espinosa	15	21	4
Det. Papenfuss	11	11	4
Monthly Totals	42	52	18

Mobile Device Extractions Completed	2
Storage Device Extractions Completed	5
Computers/Hard Drive Extractions	4

## **Records Bureau**

The Records Bureau supports the operations of the Sylvania Police Division. During this quarter they did the following:

	<u>2025</u>
Report requests	180
BWC/Dash Camera requests (Public)	18
Rolled ink fingerprints	1
Web Check Backgrounds	30
Child Safety Seat Inspections	8
BWC/Dash Camera requests (Court)	31
Expungement processing	21

Solicitor permits issued	8
Special Event permits	2
Block Party permits	0
Notary services	6
False Alarm letters sent	6

Respectfully submitted,

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Danilynn M. Miller Chief of Police