

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The mission of the Berlin Police Department is to protect the lives and property of the citizens of the community, consistent with the Constitution of the United States. We continue to serve the community in a way that reflects the morality, beliefs, and customs of the citizenry we serve.

Throughout the year, as past goals are met and new ones are established, we continue to strive to accomplish and maintain our objectives. The department continues to see improvement in achieving its goal of becoming a more pro-active agency. Officers have made great strides in improving communication with Berlin's citizens both in an on- and off-duty capacity, and through the combined efforts of the officers and the citizens Berlin has become a safer place to live.

Police Commission: Commissioner Jim Wagner stepped down from his position, having served the community well in this capacity for more than seven years. He was replaced by Gerard Nault.

Awards: Lt. Brad Supry and Sgt. Donald Gendron were presented with the Congressional Law Enforcement Awards, and presentations by Senator Sununu also recognized Lt. Supry, Lt. Richard McClure, and Cpl. Kerry Theriault for their life-saving efforts executed during a fire.

Grants: The department continues to actively pursue State and Federal grants to assist its operations and City of Berlin. Extra enforcement in bicycle, speed, red light running, and DWI enforcement patrols were again conducted this year with the assistance of NH Highway Safety grants; Highway Safety funding also provided for a new radar cart. Grants through the NH Department of Fish & Game are limited but continue to assist with OHRV enforcement, and funding from the Attorney General's Office for underage drinking patrols continues to prove critical to the development and education of youth in our community. Grants received from the NH Police Standards & Training Council allowed for three officers to attend Command Training at Roger

Williams University, bringing the department up to date with command-level training.

Cop Shoppe: The Berlin Police Department Cop Shoppe was created through the combined efforts of Berlin's dispatchers and officers, in an effort to raise money to assist local families experiencing hardships. The Cop Shoppe expanded its attendance at functions from its first event of Thunder in the Mountains to the Parade of Lights, Drive-In the 50's, and the lumberjack competitions. The concept peaked the interest of local, state, and national news agencies as well. The Cop Shoppe has generated positive feedback from the community as well as from everyone involved.

Certifications/Promotions: Officer Brad Willey underwent intense drug recognition training this year and is now one of only a handful of Drug Recognition Experts (DREs) in the state. Lead Investigator Richard Plourde was certified as a nationally accredited polygraphist, and Sgt. Richard McClure promoted to the rank of lieutenant.

OHRV Trails: The department continues to work with the Berlin City Council, Bureau of Trails, and NH Fish & Game to enhance the operations of OHRVs within the city; it has also been involved in the development of an east-west trail to connect the Jericho Lake trail system to Success Pond's. The department has embraced the new trail system while maintaining the priority of public safety as being of utmost importance.

Milan: The Berlin Police Department continues to provide twenty-four hour law enforcement coverage to the Town of Milan. This service comes at no cost to the citizens of Berlin, nor does it compromise the safety or security of Berlin's citizens. The department continues to receive positive feedback from Milan residents

New Schedule: The patrol division now operates on a 12-hour shift schedule. The implementation of this new schedule allows for the availability of more officers for call outs, better coverage, and improvements in case follow-up. This is a new schedule which continues to be monitored on a temporary basis.

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The officers at the Police Department continue to render their services with professionalism and dedication to the citizens of Berlin. Through hard work, perseverance, and dedication, in conjunction with the support of the public, the department has been able to reduce the crime rate in several areas. Only through this partnership can we collectively continue to make this community safer.

STATISTICS July 2008-June 2009

CALLS FOR SERVICE	18,302
911 CALLS	654
911 HANG-UP CALLS	289
ASSIST AMBULANCE SERVICE	918
ASSIST OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS	374
CALLS FOR SERVICE – MILAN	573
ARRESTS	730
ARREST OFFENSES	669
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARRESTS	48
JUVENILE ARRESTS	76
JUVENILE PETITIONS	81
INCIDENT REPORTS	593
INCIDENT OFFENSES	1,352
INCIDENTS: PEOPLE INJURED	85
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INCIDENTS	44
FELONIES	159
MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS	2,466
MOTOR VEHILCE WARNINGS	1,687
MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS	330
ACCIDENT REPORTS	254
INTERSECTION-RELATED ACCIDENTS	63
DWI ACCIDENTS	4
FATAL ACCIDENTS	0
PARKING TICKETS	619
DOG COMPLAINTS	483
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS (OTHER)	241

Respectfully submitted, *Peter Morency*Chief of Police

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