

Tukwila Police Department 2005 ANNUAL REPORT



Law Enforcement Excellence

Tukwila Police Department Mission Statement

We, the members of the
Tukwila Police Department,
are committed to
being responsive to our community
in the delivery of quality services.

We recognize our responsibility to maintain order,
while affording dignity and respect to every individual.

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for all –
through community partnerships and problem solving –
to promote safe, secure neighborhoods.

January 31, 2006

Honorable Mayor Steven M. Mullet
City of Tukwila
6200 Southcenter Boulevard
Tukwila, WA 98188

Dear Mayor Mullet:

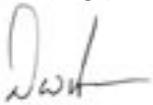
I am pleased to present the Tukwila Police Department 2005 Annual Report to you and our community. In this report you will find photos and descriptions of our work this past year.

The year 2005 was a year of adjustment and change. During the year individuals were moved from specialty assignments in order to maintain our staffing in Patrol, rank designations were changed, and additional office space was acquired. In light of all the adjustments, the Tukwila Police Department continued to provide excellent service to our community.

You and our community can be proud of your police department. The men and women of the Tukwila Police Department do their best every day to provide quality service to Tukwila.

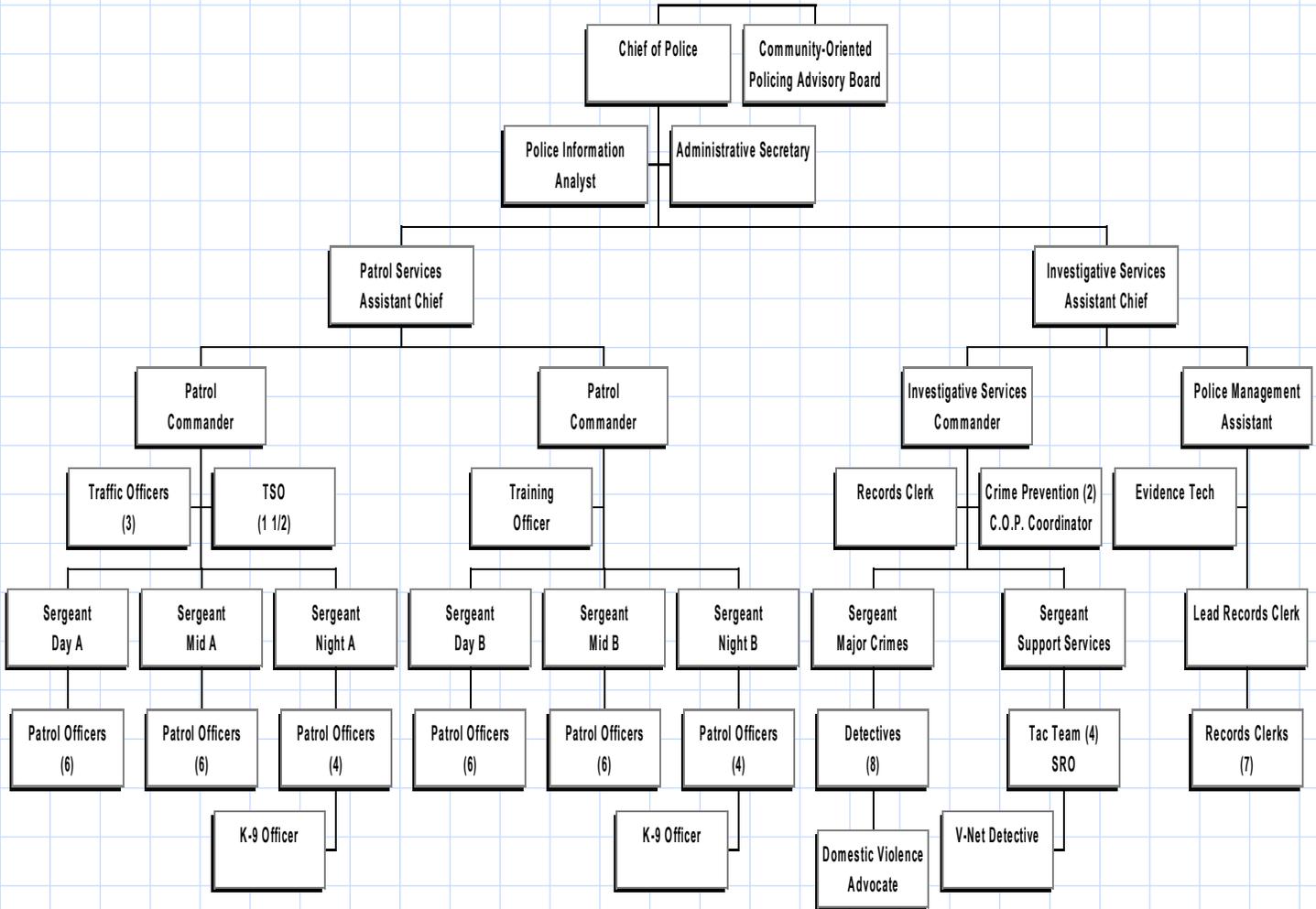
Thank you for your continuing support of our agency.

Sincerely,



David W. Haynes
CHIEF OF POLICE

Organization Chart



**City
Government
2005**

Tukwila City Administration

Steven M. Mullet, Mayor

Rhonda Berry, City Administrator

Tukwila City Council

Joe Duffie, Councilmember

Joan Hernandez, Councilmember

Pam Carter, Councilmember

Jim Haggerton, Councilmember

Pamela Linder, Council President

Dennis Robertson, Councilmember

Dave Fenton, Councilmember

Tukwila Police Department Administration

David Haynes, Chief of Police

Lori Sutter, Assistant Chief

Darrell Baskin, Assistant Chief

Mike Villa, Commander

Don Lincoln, Commander

Dennis McOmber, Commander

Rebecca McGregor, Management Assistant

Marja Murray, Administrative Secretary

Trina Cook, Police Information Analyst

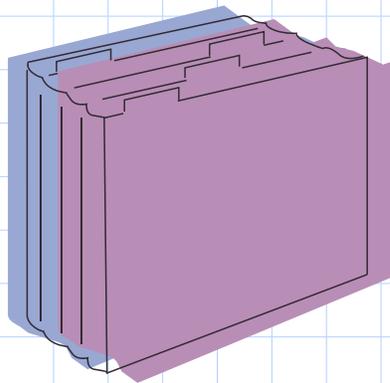
Records Division

The Tukwila Police Department's Records Division serves the citizens of Tukwila in a variety of ways. This division is available for contact with the community 24 hours-a-day, 365 days-a-year. In 2005 this division received and responded to over 50,000 phone calls, processed over 60 concealed pistol licenses, and responded to over 3,700 public disclosure requests. The Records Division also provides a fingerprinting service to the public.

In addition to serving the citizens of Tukwila, the Records Division provides support to our commissioned personnel. This division monitors our jail holding facility, assists with prisoner searches, and routinely provides searches of our databases to assist officers with locating information that is pertinent to their cases and investigations. In 2005, the Records Division processed over 9,500 cases.

When processing cases, the Records Division must ensure accurate, complete and timely information processing. Information is entered into local, State and federal databases, and must be done in accordance with various laws and system regulations. These entries include missing persons, protection orders, stolen and recovered articles and vehicles, and arrest warrants. In order to ensure a high standard of accuracy, routine audits are conducted on these systems.

The Records Division maintains a continuous cycle of collecting, storing, and purging information. Each year the records maintained are inventoried and reviewed, to determine which need to be maintained for extended retention and which may be destroyed. The yearly records destruction is completed in the first quarter of the calendar year, and is done in accordance with the Washington State General Records Retention Schedule for Law Enforcement.



Evidence and Property Division

The primary duties of the Evidence and Property Division are to maintain custody of property and evidence that are taken into the Tukwila Police Department. These items are stored and tracked using a bar coding system. In 2005, over 7,000 items were taken into custody of the Evidence and Property Division.

As items are continuously coming into this division, items must continuously be removed as well. Removing items from the custody of this division must be done in accordance with various laws and regulations. In 2005, this division conducted a firearms destruction and an incineration of illicit drugs. Also, a mixed media shred was conducted to destroy sensitive document and media evidence that had exceeded necessary retention.

In addition to destroying various items, this department also uses an auction service for the public sale of certain items (*Property Bureau at www.propertybureau.com*).

Evidence Technician Susan Holaday, a founding member of Evidence and Property Information Network (E.P.I.N.), continues to be active within the organization. This organization works towards standardizing and professionalizing property and evidence rooms across the State. They are also currently working with State legislators to change laws that would expand what types of unclaimed evidence and property items could be donated to non-profit organizations.



Patrol Division

The Patrol Division handled many challenges in 2005. Under the direction of Assistant Chief Darrell Baskin, along with Commanders Mike Villa and Dennis McOmber, the Division transitioned through changes in personnel, shift scheduling, and new communications technology.

The 12-hour shift schedule was permanently implemented in March. Having tried other schedules (such as a 10-hour shift), the 12-hour schedule was found to provide the best balance between the need for around-the-clock Patrol staffing and the flexibility desired by officers to fulfill the range of their duties.

With the departure of several officers, personnel from other duty assignments were temporarily transferred to Patrol. To fill the ranks, the Department hired eight new officers. Of these, six were new to law enforcement and two were experienced lateral hires from other police departments.

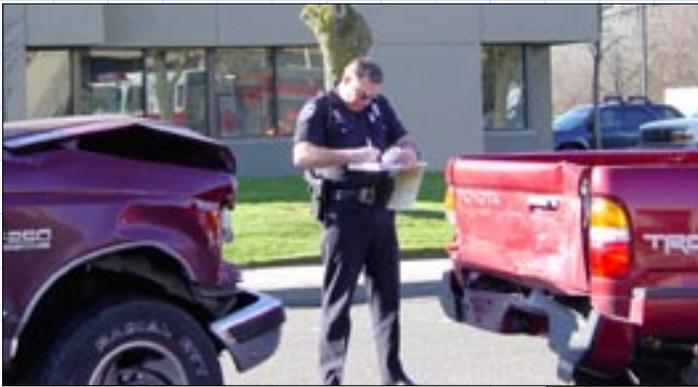


The six new officers were initially assigned to complete the six-month basic Police Academy while the experienced officers were placed into the Field-Training Officer (FTO) program. All officers are required to complete the 14-week FTO program before being assigned to a Patrol squad.

2005 also saw the implementation of new Patrol vehicle technology. Thirteen Patrol cars have been equipped with Tough Book laptop computers. These computers provide enhanced communication with our dispatch center and form the basis for the upcoming deployment of new technology in the form of satellite data communication and in-car video recording.

Traffic Unit

The Traffic Unit spent many hours enforcing traffic laws and investigating serious injury and fatal collisions. Traffic Unit members, Sergeant Jon Harrison, Officers Don Dart, Greg LeCompte and Eric Hines spent several months working in Patrol to support Patrol operations. Officers were out of Traffic for a total of 24 months during the year. The unit investigated three fatality collisions, 15 serious injury collisions, three vehicular assaults, and one vehicular homicide. During our enforcement activities, we issued over 1,000 citations and investigated over 260 collisions (of those collisions, over 150 resulted in injury). The Traffic Unit also added two new motorcycles to the fleet, bringing our total front-line motorcycle fleet to four.



Explorer Program

Officer Don Dart and Volunteer Mary Hulvey continue to provide leadership and direction to the 18 Police Explorers in TPD Explorer Post #2999. The Explorers participated in numerous community events by providing both displays and information. They also provided assistance with traffic control during the 4th of July celebration at Fort Dent Park. The Explorer post attends monthly training put on by the Explorer Advisors; they have attended regional Explorer competitions as well. Nine Explorers also attended the Explorer Academy in Yakima. Explorer Lacey McWade took third place in the physical fitness competition. Also providing leadership and direction to the post are advisors Officer Ted Rutt and Officer Mike Murphy.

K-9

This year marked the first absence of a K-9 program in over 20 years. The staffing needs of Patrol precluded the selection and training of a new K-9 team. In the past, our K-9 teams were a valuable asset to the Patrol Division. It is expected that a new team will be unleashed sometime in 2006.

Training Division

2005 was a busy and challenging year for our Training unit. We adjusted to a new Patrol training schedule, coordinated the in-processing and training of eight new employees, selected one new Defensive Tactics Instructor, selected three new Field Training Officers, and sponsored a wide variety of training including:

- Handgun Proficiency training
- Use of Force training, including unarmed defensive tactics, the use of impact weapons, and the Taser
- Communicable Disease training
- First Aid and CPR training
- HAZMAT training

- Officer Safety Video training
- Homeland Security training
- Legal Update training
- Emergency Vehicle Operations training (EVOC)

One of the Training Division highlights for 2005 was our EVOC training, conducted for the first time at Pacific Raceways in Kent. Officers completed a variety of skill courses and received four hours of driving instruction covering high- and low-speed maneuvers.

The Department also hosted a number of regional training classes that were attended both by our employees and employees from other local agencies. We hosted the following regional training classes in 2005:

- Gang Investigations
- Reid & Associates Street Crimes Program
- Police Involved Shootings
- Standardized Field Sobriety Testing classes

During 2005 the Department provided a total of 9,823 training hours to employees as shown.



Investigations Division

The Investigations Division is comprised of an Assistant Chief and a Commander, overseeing the Major Crimes Unit, the Tukwila Anti-Crime Team, Crime Prevention and the School Resource Officer. Each of these units is responsible for addressing unique challenges, and contributes to the overall success of reducing crime in Tukwila.

Major Crimes Unit

The Major Crimes Unit (MCU) is comprised of one sergeant, eight Detectives, a Records Clerk, and a Domestic Violence Advocate. The MCU is responsible for follow-up on all serious criminal offenses and many domestic violence cases. Investigative assignments are based on workload priorities, solvability factors and community-targeted criminal behavior, such as monitoring our registered sex offenders.

MCU Highlights

During 2005 the MCU detectives were assigned 834 felony cases for follow-up investigation, and filed or closed 976 cases. In addition to their assigned cases, MCU Detectives responded to an increase in MCU call-outs, responding immediately to the scene of a serious crime. The most notable was a double-homicide that took place in September of 2005. Thorough investigation by the MCU resulted in the apprehension of the homicide suspect.

Tukwila Anti-Crime Team

The Tukwila Anti-Crime Team (TAC Team) is comprised of one Sergeant, three Detectives, and one bicycle officer. The team's primary responsibility is for the investigation of narcotic and vice crimes within the City of Tukwila. Other assignments include proactive enforcement emphasis, gambling compliance inspections, and adult entertainment compliance investigations. These types of crimes necessitate a proactive approach to combating crime, often requiring a detective to initiate contacts with suspects while in an undercover capacity.



TAC Team Highlights

The TAC Team was hit hard with staffing issues during the year. At one point the entire team was reduced to only a Sergeant in order to assist Patrol. However, the team still excelled and produced 42 VUCSA (drug) cases and 23 prostitution cases. One drug case resulted in the arrest of suspects importing 300 pounds of marijuana from Canada. Total VUCSA seizures for 2005 were \$15,000 cash, eight automobiles, and a house. With a need for greater flexibility on the team, the detectives were Police Bike certified and participated in several emphases on bikes, creating a greater police presence.



Valley Narcotics Enforcement Team (VNET)

This team works out of the Regional Justice Center and is comprised of detectives from Tukwila, Auburn, Renton and Kent. Partially funded by the Byrne Formula Grant Program, this regional narcotic investigative unit is operated by the above-listed cities. The unit also includes representatives from the King County Sheriff's Office, a full-time secretary, and a full-time prosecutor. The mission of the team is to target middle- to upper-level drug traffickers that have regional impacts on the greater South King County area.

(The Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Grant Program [Byrne Formula Grant Program] is a partnership among federal, state and local governments to create safer communities.)



Crime Prevention Unit (CPU)

Our Crime Prevention Unit consists of two officers and a Community-Oriented Policing Coordinator who operate out of two separate office locations. One office, the Neighborhood Resource Center, is located on Tukwila International Boulevard. The second office, the Community Resource Center, is located at Westfield Shoppingtown. Each office is staffed with volunteers who work with the officers and the public to fulfill the Department's mission and programs, including the Block Watch Newsletters, Safety in Overnight Lodging, Crime-Free Multi-Housing, the Apartment Managers Network, and other community education programs. The volunteers and officers working at these offices have facilitated building many of our partnerships with our citizens and community organizations. *(Note: Due to staffing during 2005, C.O.P. Coordinator Robbie Burns was required to handle most of the Crime Prevention Unit by herself. Also, the CRC was closed at the end of 2005, and the Community-Oriented Policing Coordinator is now working out of the Police Department.)*



School Resource Officer

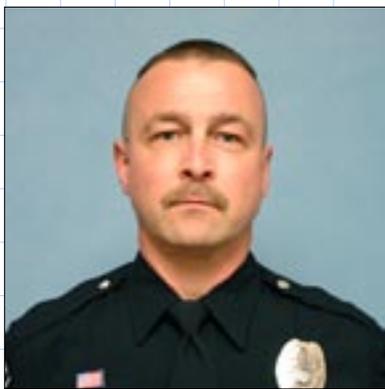
Officer Lisa Goines is in her seventh year as our School Resource Officer (SRO). She operates primarily out of Foster High School and Showalter Middle School, but also spends time at our three elementary schools. Because she spends so much time on campus, she has the ability to quickly respond to incidents there. She works with the district on issues relating to the students and law enforcement. Additionally she instructs in D.A.R.E. and G.R.E.A.T to help educate our students about the dangers of illegal drugs and gangs.

Officer Goines is the current President of the Washington State DARE Officer's Association and the Vice President of the Washington Security and School Resource Officers Association.



Employee of the Year

Detective Ron Corrigan was selected by members of the police department as our 2005 Employee of the Year. During 2005, he was Acting Sergeant for the Major Crimes Unit, not only supervising employees in the unit but also carrying his own caseload. With his knowledge of violent crimes and his willingness to assist the unit in any way, he has made substantial contributions to the Major Crimes Unit for over 15 years. Detective Corrigan has been instrumental in not only solving numerous cases involving violent crimes, but with successfully prosecuting the offenders. He is honored for his dedication to the Police Department and the City and for his consistently high level of excellence in his work.



Distinguished Service Medal

On August 15, 2005, Officer Brendan Kerin was presented the Distinguished Service Medal at City Council by Police Chief David W. Haynes. Officer Kerin was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his outstanding years of service and dedication to the Tukwila Police Department DARE program.

Mayor's Special 2005 Award

Chief David W. Haynes was presented with the Mayor's Special Award in appreciation for his dedication to the City through outstanding performance and commitment. Mayor Steven Mullet presented the award to Chief Haynes at the 2005 Employee Awards banquet held in January 2006.



Night Out Against Crime

National Night Out Against Crime took place on Tuesday, August 2, 2005. Representatives from City departments participated in National Night Out Against Crime in 2005 by accompanying Police officials to 25 neighborhood parties to meet one another and help establish positive relationships among one another. City Council members, COPCAB (Community-Oriented Policing Citizen's Advisory Board), Highway 99 Action Committee members, Police Explorers, and Traffic Volunteers participated as well.

National Night Out is an annual event that gives Tukwila residents the chance to re-commit to working with the police in helping to prevent crime. Neighbors are encouraged to come together at least one time a year to share information and focus on ways to help make their neighborhood a safe place to live and play. City officials found Night Out to be a great way to connect with residents, and to be able to thank the various neighborhoods for their dedication to the community. Night Out is an informal information-sharing event, with residents and City officials listening and learning from one another.

We are proud of our neighborhoods and how they organize themselves for the Night Out neighborhood parties. We congratulate our residents for their commitment to keeping Tukwila safe!



Operation Heroes' Children

During the holidays, demands upon Public Safety workers dramatically increase; it provides a good feeling to know that the needs of the Public Safety workers are being met. In November 2005, the Tukwila Police Department coordinated with other local law enforcement, as part of the Northwest Public Safety Partners for Disaster Relief, to establish and carryout Operation Heroes' Children.

The group was created to assist the displaced families of Public Safety workers who were victims of the devastation that plagued the Gulf Coast Region. Specifically reaching out to their children, "the littlest heroes." It is important to note that in this time we must remember these children who have not only lost everything they are familiar with to the hurricanes, but that they are also dealing with separation from parents who are remaining in service to secure, protect and aid the numerous other victims.

The goal of the group was to provide Public Safety Workers' children with some necessities and creature comforts to get them through these tremendously tough times and remind them just how important they are to all of us. On November 5 and 6 of this year, the Tukwila Police Department organized a drive at the local Toys R' Us and collected approximately 800 pounds of donated items. The items were joined with other participating agencies, and on December 1st, the Northwest Public Safety Partners for Disaster Relief delivered seven pallets consisting of 3,228 lbs. of diapers, new baby and children clothing, toys, school supplies, books, baby formula and other supplies to Jefferson Parish Police Training Academy for distribution to the children of Public Safety Workers impacted by the hurricanes.

The officers who organized and helped with the Tukwila Police Department's involvement with this incredible charity drive have requested to remain anonymous. Instead they have requested that praise go out to the men and women still working hard in the Gulf Coast Region, helping meet the needs of the victims of the hurricanes, though victims themselves.

The Tukwila Police Department sends a heartfelt "Thank you" to the officers involved with Operation Heroes' Children and to the officers diligently working in the Gulf Coast Region.



Volunteers

In 2005 there were Police volunteers in every division of the Police Department including Administration, Special Services, Major Crimes, Crime Prevention and Traffic. Volunteers assist with tracking false alarms, entering and filing pawn data, fingerprinting, marking abandoned vehicles, and customer service at the Community and Neighborhood Resource Centers.

The annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet took place on October 27, 2005 at the Azteca Mexican Restaurant in Tukwila. The event was attended by Tukwila Police volunteers, the Chief of Police, the Mayor, City Council members, and Police Department staff who supervise volunteers.

The following individuals volunteered their significant time and talent in 2005. The Tukwila Police Department recognizes these volunteers for their dedicated service to the Tukwila community in 2005.

Kathy Baker

Annette Gray

Joanne McManus

Barb Biteman

Connie Harris

Pete Okicich

Betsey Fowler

Mary Hulvey

Al Patterson

Mike Fowler

Hoang Le

Rhonda Roth

Teresa Furlong

Bob McManus

Dottie Sangl



Community-Oriented Policing Citizen's Advisory Board

This City board consists of nine members including residents, business representatives, a school representative, and a student. The Board meets monthly with the Police Chief, making recommendations on issues of public safety and community matters. The 2005 COPCAB members were:

REPRESENTING:	Residents:	Jeri Frangello-Anderson (Chair)	Business:	John Snodgrass
		Lynn Churchill		Donna West
		Anne-Marie Colton	School District:	Dan Roche
		Sylvia Erskine	Student:	Tsega Gaim
		Art Rosengren		

The Board attended community meetings and events in 2005 including Radio Sol, a Hispanic community festival in August held at the Tukwila Community Center. They also participated in Night Out Against Crime in August. The board attended presentations on Code Enforcement, Recruiting, Meth Awareness, Crime Mapping and Evidence.

2005 Community-Oriented Policing Award

Each year the board awards the Community-Oriented Policing (COP) Award to a citizen and Police Department employee who demonstrates outstanding service to the community at large. For 2005, the board selected Officer Bob Abbott for his contributions to the community during 34-years of service as a Tukwila Police Officer.

The board selected Traffic Volunteer Bob McManus for the citizen COP Award. The Traffic Unit noted his excellent work and was appreciative of his contribution to the community. As a volunteer in the Traffic Unit, Mr. McManus has served the longest number of years than any other Traffic volunteer. Mr. McManus is a Tukwila resident and retired lieutenant from the Tukwila Fire Department.



2005 Chaplain's Report

In January Lowell Welker joined Al Patterson as a chaplain for the Police Department. Chaplain Welker moved to this area upon retirement from active pastoral ministry. Lowell Welker has experience with the City, County Sheriff and State Patrol. Both chaplains maintain a 24/7 availability as called upon by the Department. They have responded to 53 call-outs between the two of them. They also provide support to employees and their families in times of need or crisis.

In July Chaplain Patterson attended the four-day International Conference of Police Chaplains Conference in San Antonio, Texas. A total of 435 chaplains attended the conference this year from the USA and other countries.

Chaplains Patterson and Welker are both full-time (volunteer) chaplains and receive their financial support through the Charteris Foundation (www.charteris.org) as donations are received from the community.



Police Officer's Prayer

As I go about my duty, God,
Every step along the way,
Help me make a difference
In this world each passing day.

Give me a heart to be concerned,
A mind that knows what is right.
Give me the eyes and ears to see and hear
The truth as in Your sight.

Give me protection from things unseen,
Strength to face each test,
Help me to stand for law and order,
To daily do my best.

Give me the courage to defend the weak,
Compassion for those oppressed.
Help me lift up the ones who've stumbled,
Give a hand to those who are distressed.

Give me grace to face my final hour,
To give my life in service.
Let your strong hand and loving heart
Protect the ones that I hold dearest.

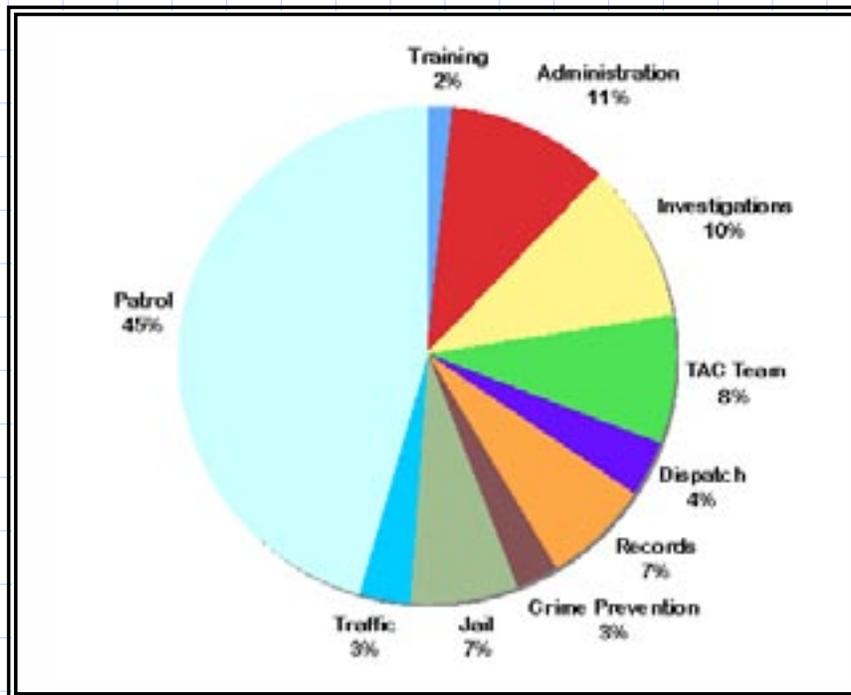
Year At A Glance

With Comparative Totals for 2003 and 2004

	2005	2004	2003
Population	17,110	17,240	17,181
Budget	\$10,804,350	\$10,248,298	\$9,934,600
Police Staff:			
Commissioned	68	68	68
Non-Commissioned	14	16	17
Calls for Service	32,922	30,032	30,337
Part I Crime*	3,873	3,469	3,154
Citations/Infractions Issued	3,345	3,107	3,991
Reported Vehicle Accidents:			
Injury	213	226	192
Fatal	2	1	2
Non-injury	418	401	419
Injury Hit-and-Run	24	18	21
Total	657	646	634
Emergency Response Time (in minutes):			
Priority 1	3.5	3.2	3.3
Priority 2	10.7	10.0	9.9
Non-Emergency Response Time (in minutes)	18.2	17.0	17.2

2005 Police Budget

Training.....	\$189,775
Administration.....	\$ 1,135,344
Investigations.....	\$ 1,110,616
TAC Team	\$ 892,620
Dispatch	\$ 385,000
Records	\$ 760,978
Crime Prevention.....	\$ 304,660
Jail.....	\$ 740,000
Traffic.....	\$ 371,830
Patrol	\$ 4,913,527
Total 2005 Budget.....	\$10,804,350
Less Criminal Justice Funding	(22,000)
Total	\$10,782,350



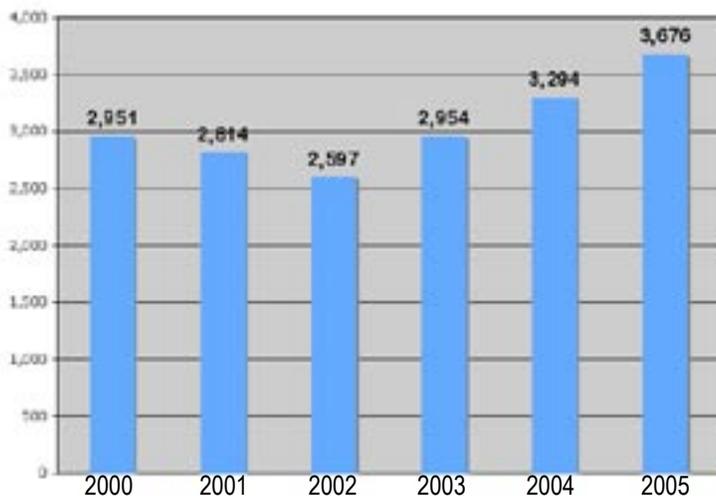
Crime in Tukwila

	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Population	17,110	17,240	17,230	17,270	17,230
Calls for Service	32,922	30,032	30,337	30,106	30,671
Violent Crime:					
Murder	2	1	1	2	1
Rape	22	19	23	22	16
Robbery	89	80	87	64	64
Aggravated Assault	84	75	89	63	66
Totals	197	175	200	151	147
Property Crime:					
Arson	13	14	15	10	7
Burglary	342	303	296	223	208
Theft	2,505	2,340	2,102	1,904	2,124
Auto Theft	816	637	541	460	475
Totals	3,676	3,294	2,954	2,597	2,814
Total Part I Crime	3,873	3,469	3,154	2,748	2,961
Crime Clear	771	806	895	619	993

Clearance Rates - Part 1

	2005 Crime Totals	Number Cleared	Percent Cleared
CRIME:			
Murder	2	2	100%
Rape	22	5	23%
Robbery	89	24	27%
Aggravated Assault	84	34	40%
Burglary	342	18	5%
Theft	2,505	673	27%
Motor Vehicle Theft	816	12	1%
Arson	13	3	23%
TOTALS	3,873	771	20%

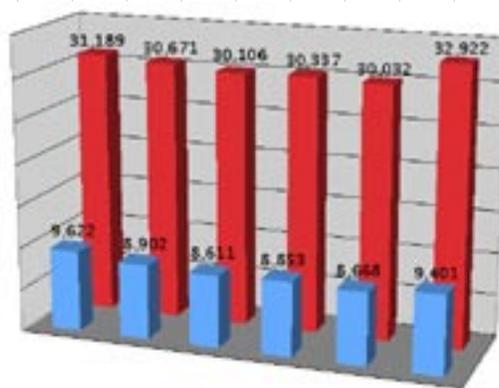
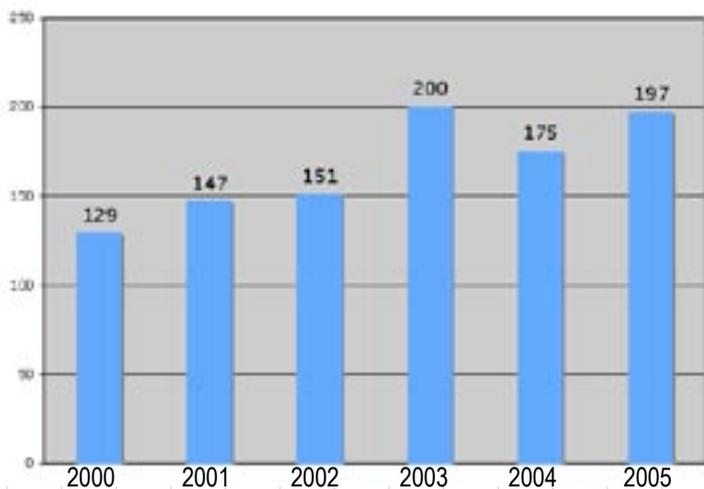
Incidents of Property Crime



Calls for Service/ Case Files

Year	Case Files	Calls for Service
2000	9,622	31,189
2001	8,902	30,671
2002	8,611	30,106
2003	8,853	30,337
2004	8,668	30,032
2005	9,401	32,922

Incidents of Violent Felony Crime



Organizational Philosophy

*We, the members of the
Tukwila Police Department,
in the spirit of partnership with our community,
strive for excellence as professional men and women,
ethically and morally dedicated to
providing quality law enforcement
to the citizens of our community.*

*As professionals, we embrace
the highest principles of public service
in the performance of our duty
and we hold fast these values.*



Patrol Districts

