

Big Lake Police Department Annual Report

2021 IN REVIEW



Big Lake Police Department Mission Statement and Core Values



The members of the Big Lake Police Department display **Pride** in the community we are entrusted to protect, provide **Service** with compassion and dignity, and exhibit highest level of **Integrity** in all aspects of our lives.



2021 Department Organization



Acting Chief Sam Olson

- 20 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Patrol Supervisor – Negotiator

Investigator Rich Berg

- 24 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Investigations – Evidence Management

Officer Chris Hoard

- 15 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- FTO – Less Lethal Instructor

Officer Todd Siebert

- 14 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Dangerous Dog Registration – Animal Complaints

Officer Sam Norlin

- 10 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Drug Recognition Expert – FTO – Negotiator – Use of Force

Officer Guy Chaffee

- 8 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- K9 Officer – RTD Program

Investigator Nic Prigge

- 7 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Investigations – Evidence Management – Firearms Instructor



2021 Department Organization



Officer Joe Kalla

- 6 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Field Training Officer – UAV Pilot

Investigator Tom Kucala

- 4 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Investigations – TZD Coordinator – Designated Marksman

Officer Silas Reek

- 3 Year of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Firearms Instructor – Designated Marksman – UAV Oversight

Officer Tyler Hecht

- 2 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Defensive Tactics– FTO – UAV Pilot – Rec Vehicle Oversight

Officer Kyle Rossberg

- Started his first year of service, October 2021

Officer Jennifer Franzen

- Coming in 2022!

Officer Chris Thull

- Coming in 2022!



2021 Department Organization

Office Manager Tina Peterson

- 18 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Report Dictation – Liaison with County Attorney's Office

Administrative Assistant Nicole Pearson

- 2 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Report Dictation – Records Management

K9 Bruno

- 5 Years of Service to the City of Big Lake
- Detect controlled substances

138 Years

- Combined Years of Service to the Citizens of Big Lake



Big Lake Police Department 2021 New Mental Health Resource

Roy Neumann

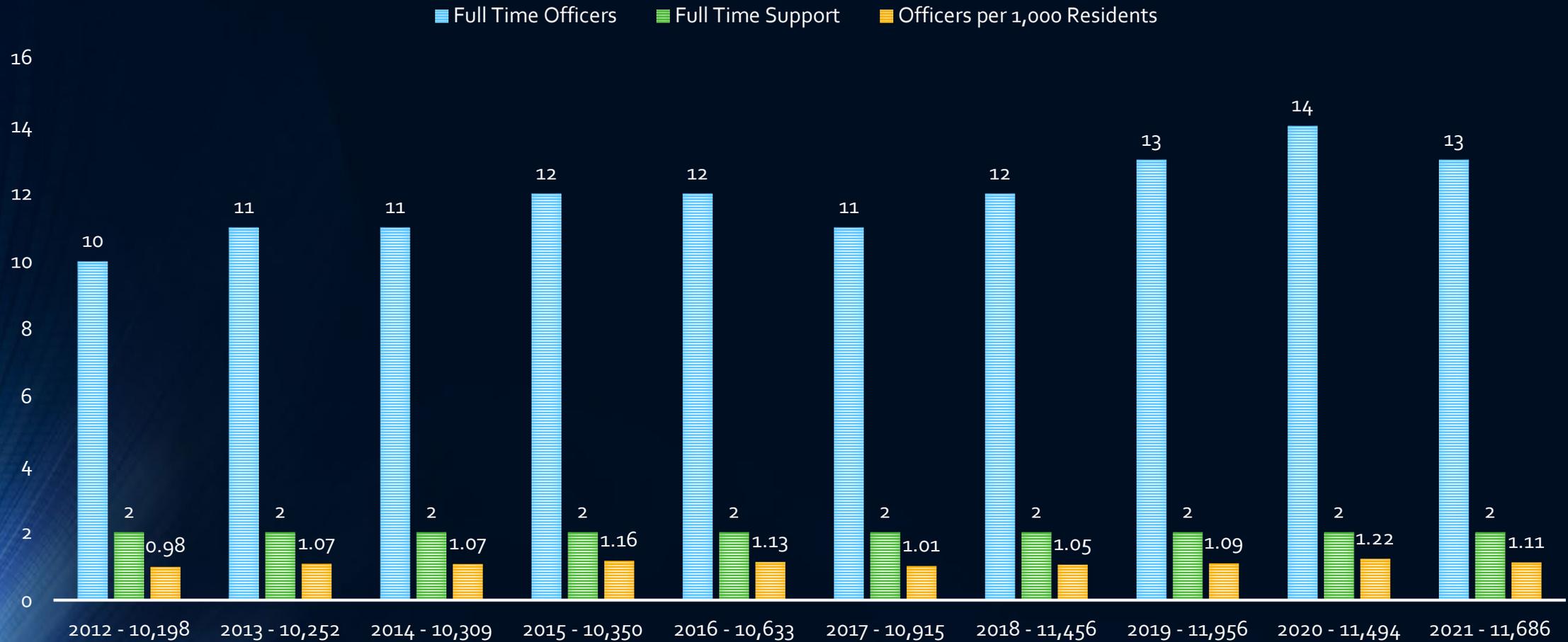


- Co-Responder for mental health crisis situations.
- Specially trained in crisis intervention work
- Officer Norlin worked directly with Roy as this program started running.
- Splits time between Big Lake PD, Sherburne County Sheriff's Office, Elk River PD, and Becker PD



Big Lake Police Department Staffing 2012-2021

Full Time Officers – Support Staff – Officers per 1,000 Residents



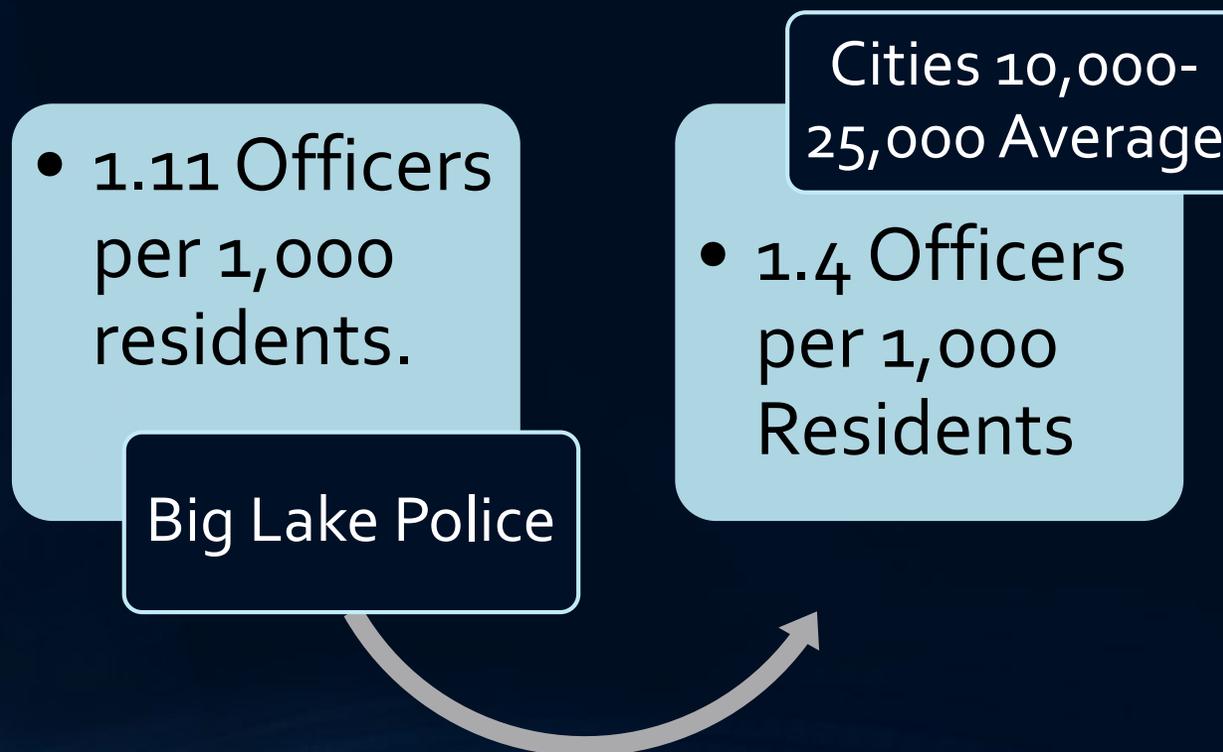
*2021 BLPD had 14 Officer's but worked with 13 or less for the year.



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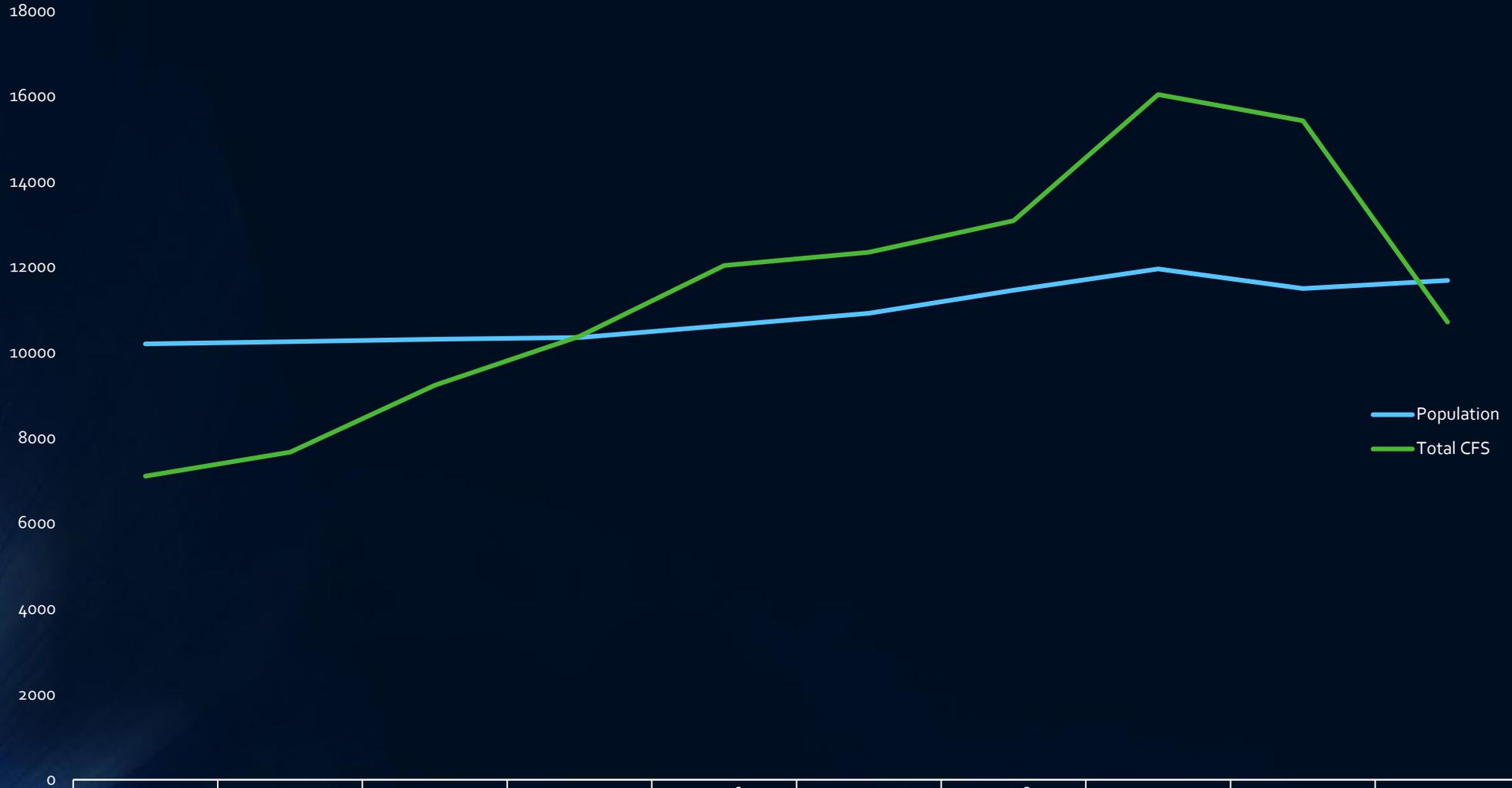
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Comparable Cities (Population 10,000-25,000)





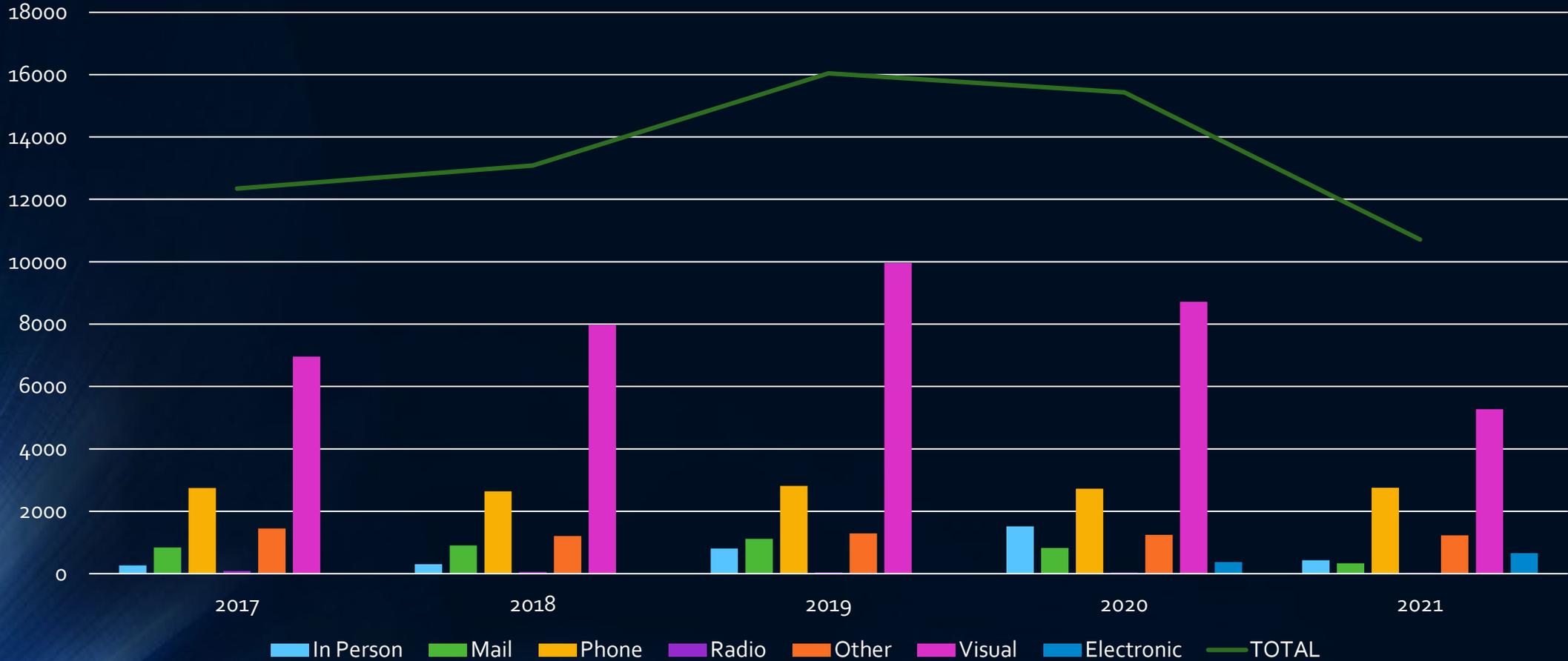
Total Calls for Service with Corresponding Population 2012 – 2021



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Population	10198	10252	10309	10350	10633	10915	11456	11956	11494	11686
Total CFS	7104	7667	9230	10381	12036	12346	13083	16038	15423	10709

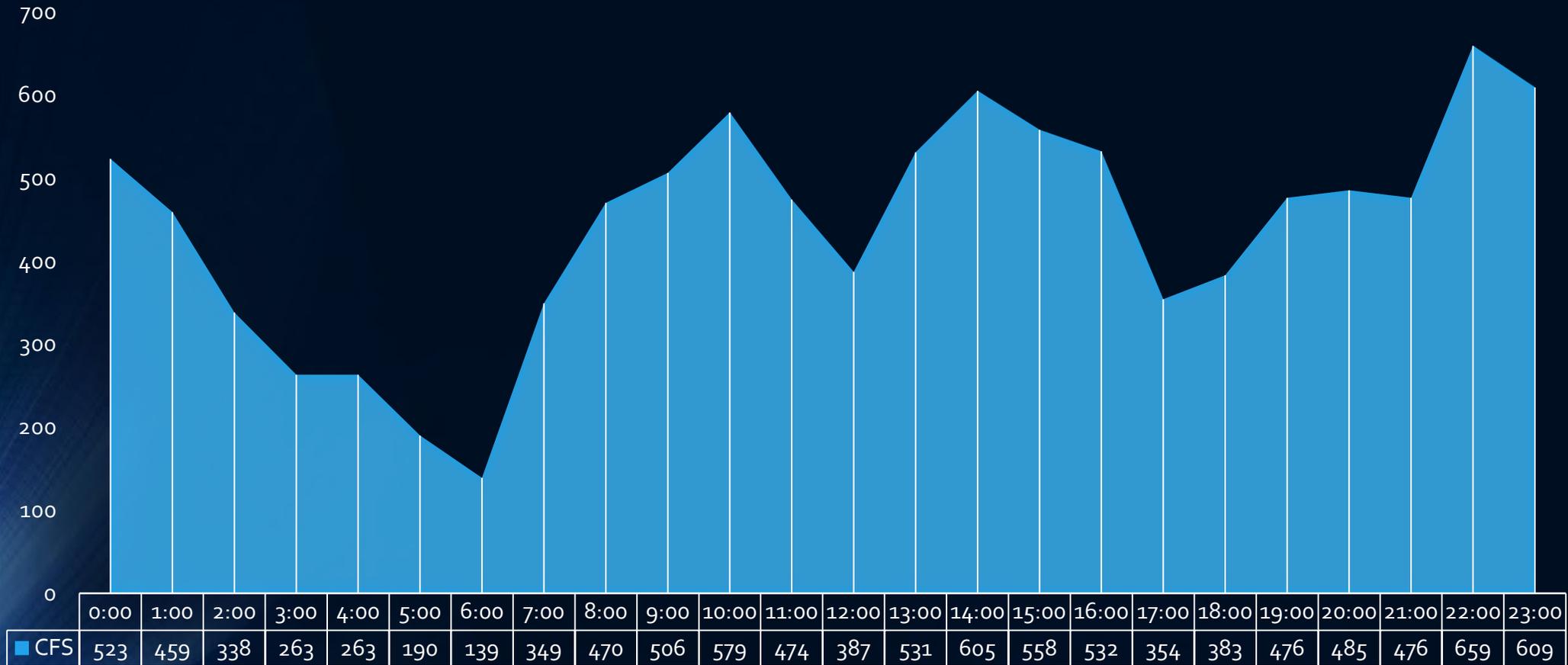


Big Lake Police Department Call Received Source



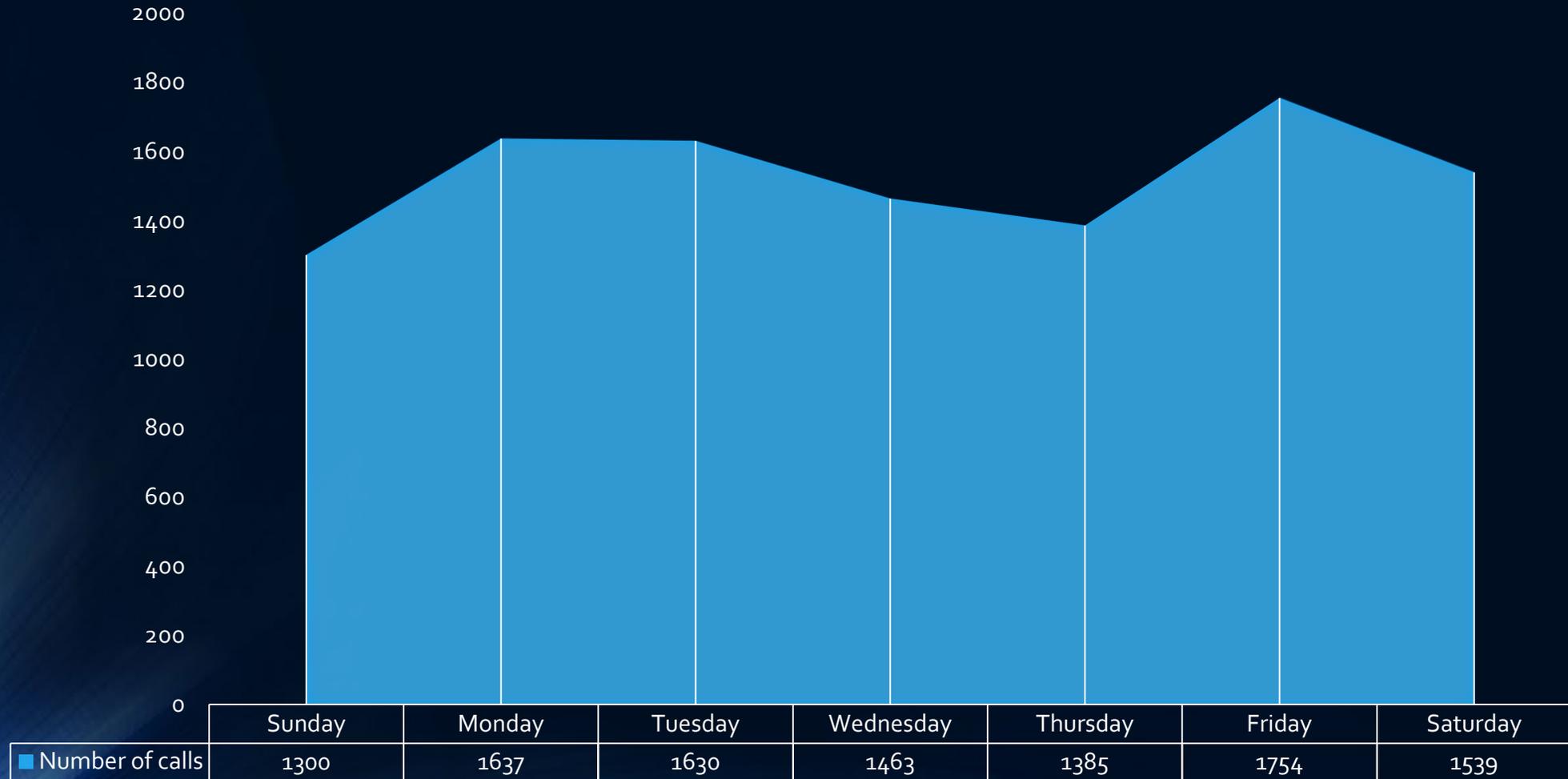


2021 Calls for Service by Hour of the Day





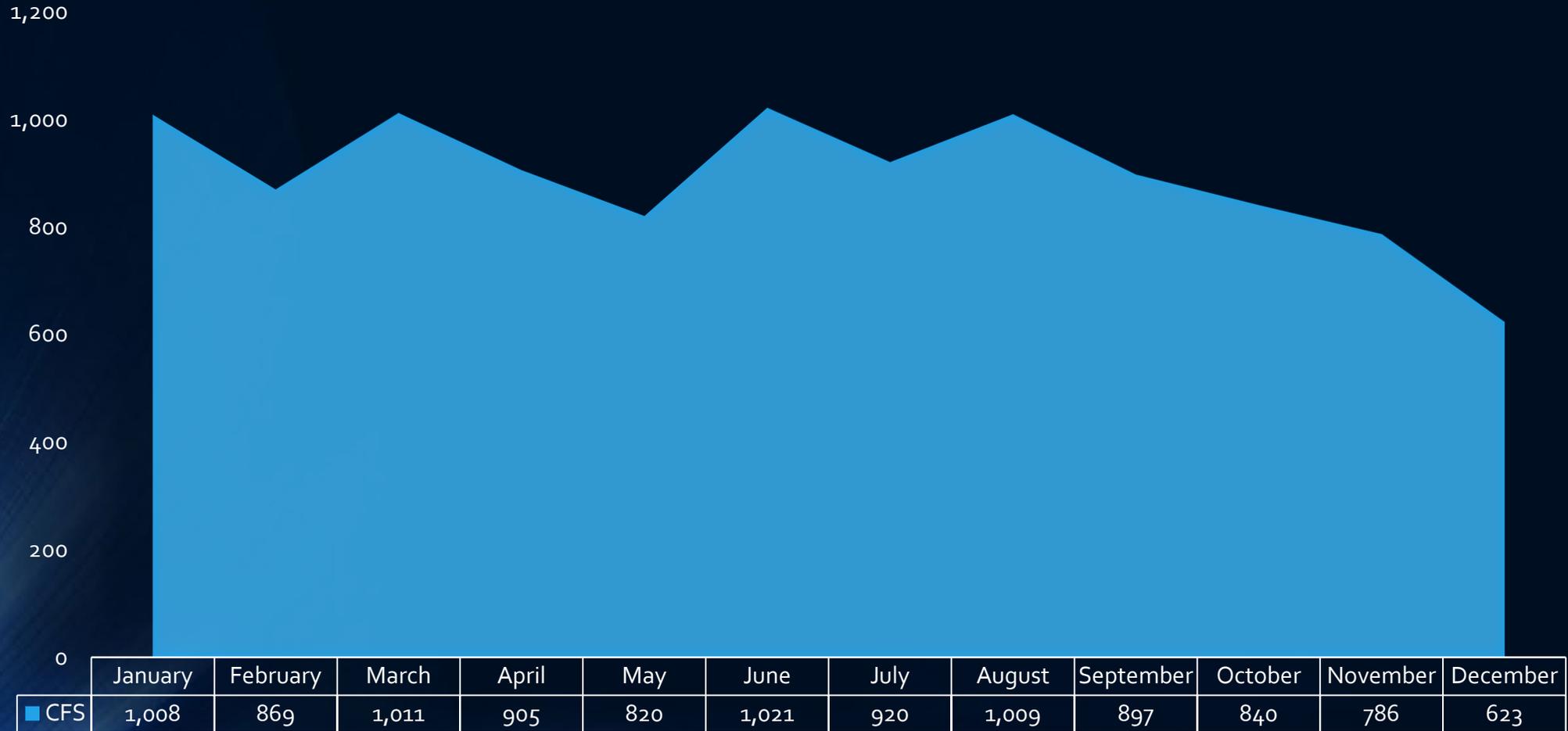
2021 Calls for Service by Day of the Week





2021 Calls for Service by Month

Total of 10,709 CFS





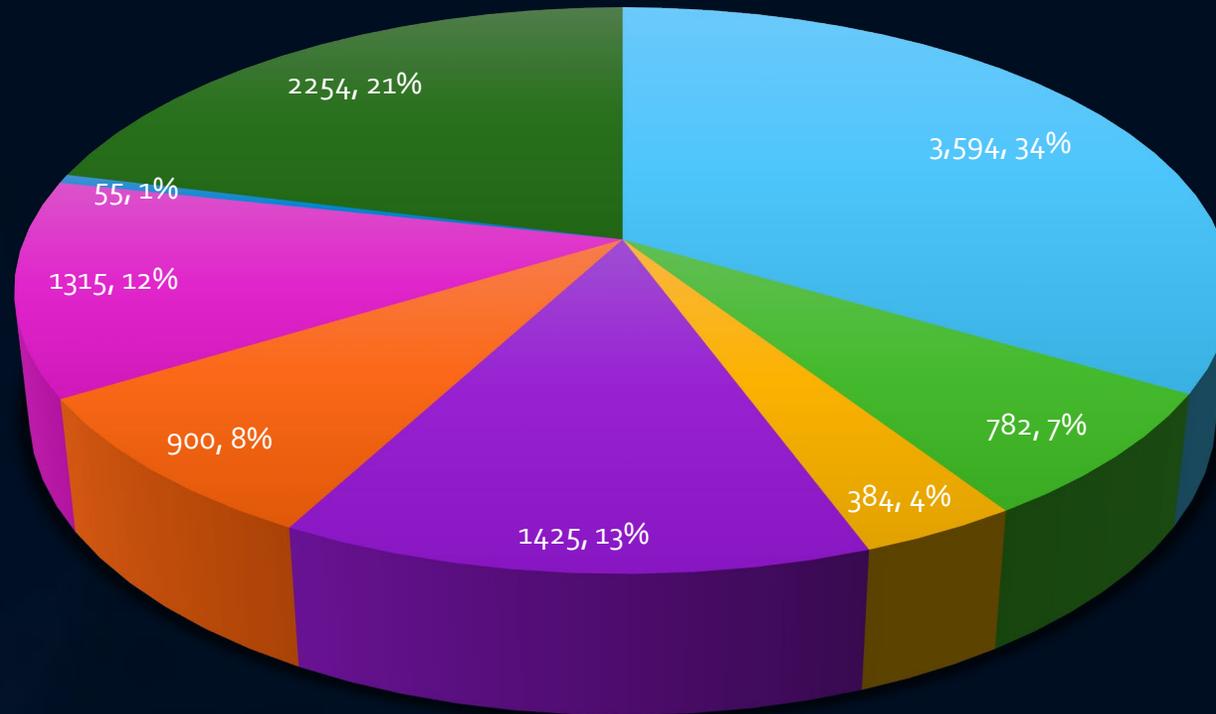
What Are Calls for Service Categories?



- **Traffic Related CFS:** Traffic Stops, Traffic Complaints, DWI Arrests, Revoked Drivers, Traffic Crash (Fatal – Injury – Property – Hit and Run), ATV Complaints, Vehicle Off Road
- **Proactive Policing:** Warrant Service, Open Doors, Officer Initiated (Extra Patrol, Residential Checks, Parking Violations), Suspicious Persons, Suspicious Vehicles, Follow-Up Investigation
- **High Priority Calls:** Domestic Disturbance, Fight, 911 Hang-up, Shooting Complaints, Burglary, Assault, Narcotics, Crimes Against Family, Criminal Sexual Contact, Weapons, Crimes Against Justice...
- **Support Activities:** Background Investigations, Data Requests, Meetings, Training, Administrative Duties, Additional Officer Duties and more...
- **Community Policing Activities:** Events, Residential and Business Security Checks, Crime Free Housing, Directed Patrol, Predatory Offender Checks, Investigative Activity, Extra Patrol Requests, and more...
- **Vulnerable Person(s) Investigations:** Missing Persons, Child Maltreatment, Social Service Investigations, Mental Health and Welfare, Medicals, and more...
- **All Other Calls for Service:** Theft (all types), Property Damage, Fraud, Trespass, Liquor Violations, Animal Complaints, Fire, Public and Agency Assists, Ordinance Violations, Loud Noise, Juvenile Complaints, Civil Complaints, and much more...
- **Specialty Programs:** Canine and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle



Calls by Service Category 2021



- Traffic Related
- Proactive Policing
- High Priority Calls
- Support Activities
- Community Policing Activities
- Vulnerable Person(s) Investigations
- Specialty Programs
- All Other Calls for Service



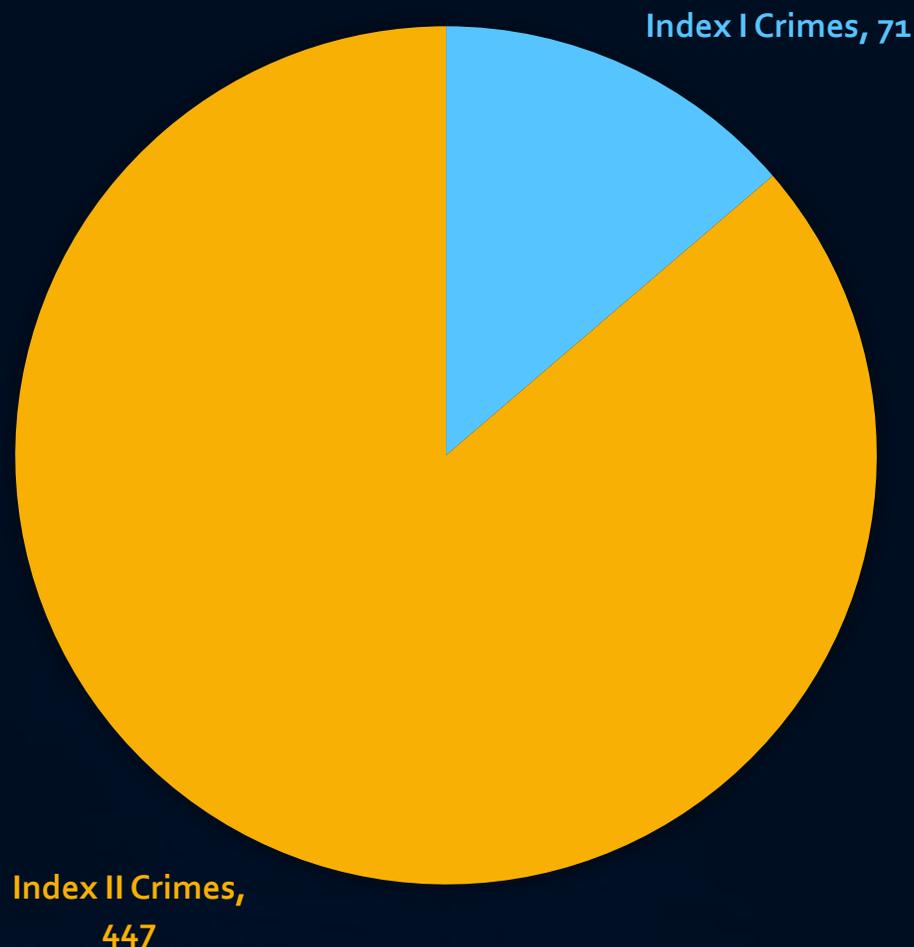
2021 – Big Lake Crime Rates

- **Part I Index Crimes:**

- **Serious Offenses;** Rape, Murder, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Robbery, Arson, Human Trafficking, Criminal Sexual Contact.....

- **Part II Index Crimes:**

- **Property Crimes;** Theft, Vandalism, Public Order, Fraud, Forgery, Narcotics, Liquor Violations, Assault.....





Big Lake Police Department Summons Issued 2011 - 2021



*Total number of violations cited. Some contacts are cited for multiple violations.



Big Lake Police Department Citation Type by Year



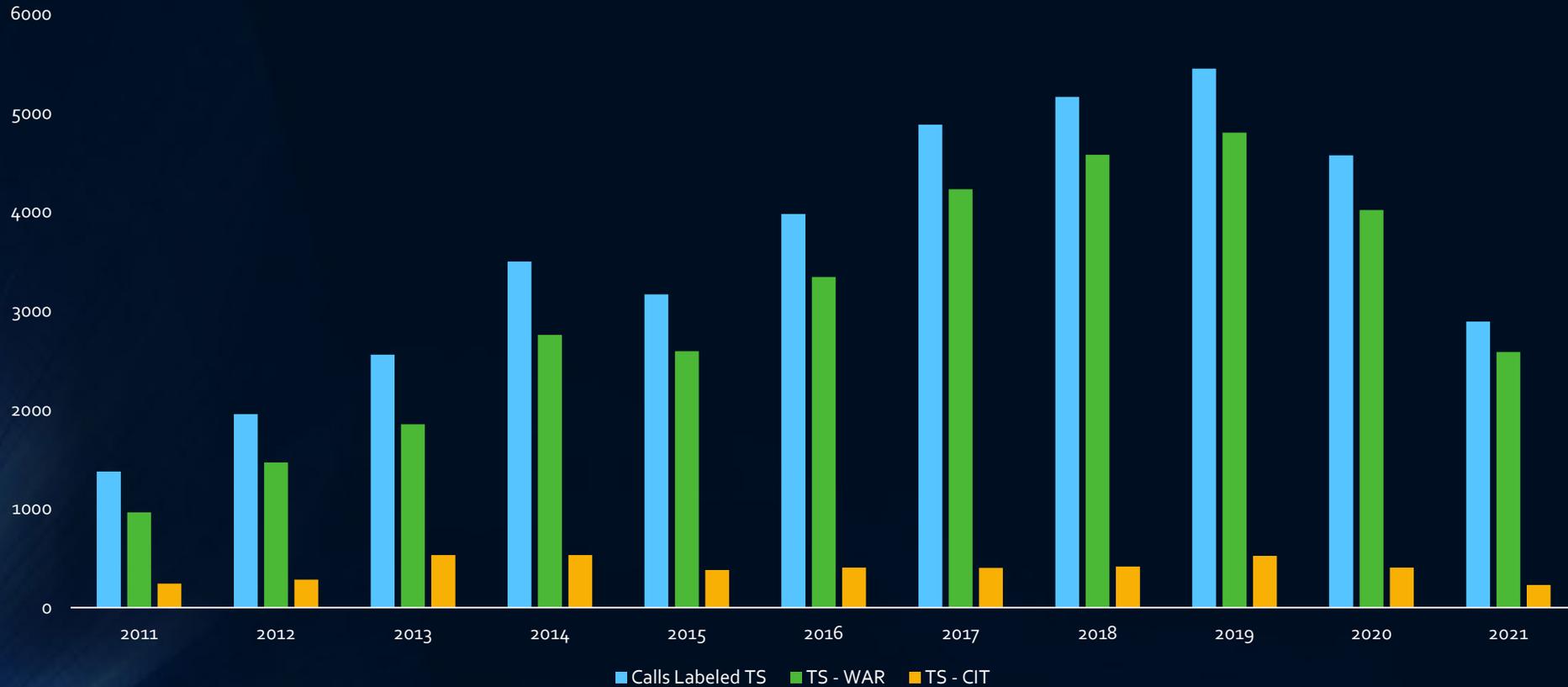
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
DRUGS/NARCOTICS	0	0	0	2	23	47	38	56	63	91	49
DAR/DAS/DAC	0	12	27	85	87	167	173	156	214	238	193
TRAFFIC STOP	243	283	531	531	380	404	403	415	524	405	229
PARKING COMPLAINT/Park Patrol	3	4	11	33	30	99	22	186	134	162	219
All Other	47	28	35	55	51	66	64	51	66	87	46
TOTAL	293	327	604	706	571	783	700	864	1001	983	736



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Traffic Stops – Warnings vs Citations

2011-2021

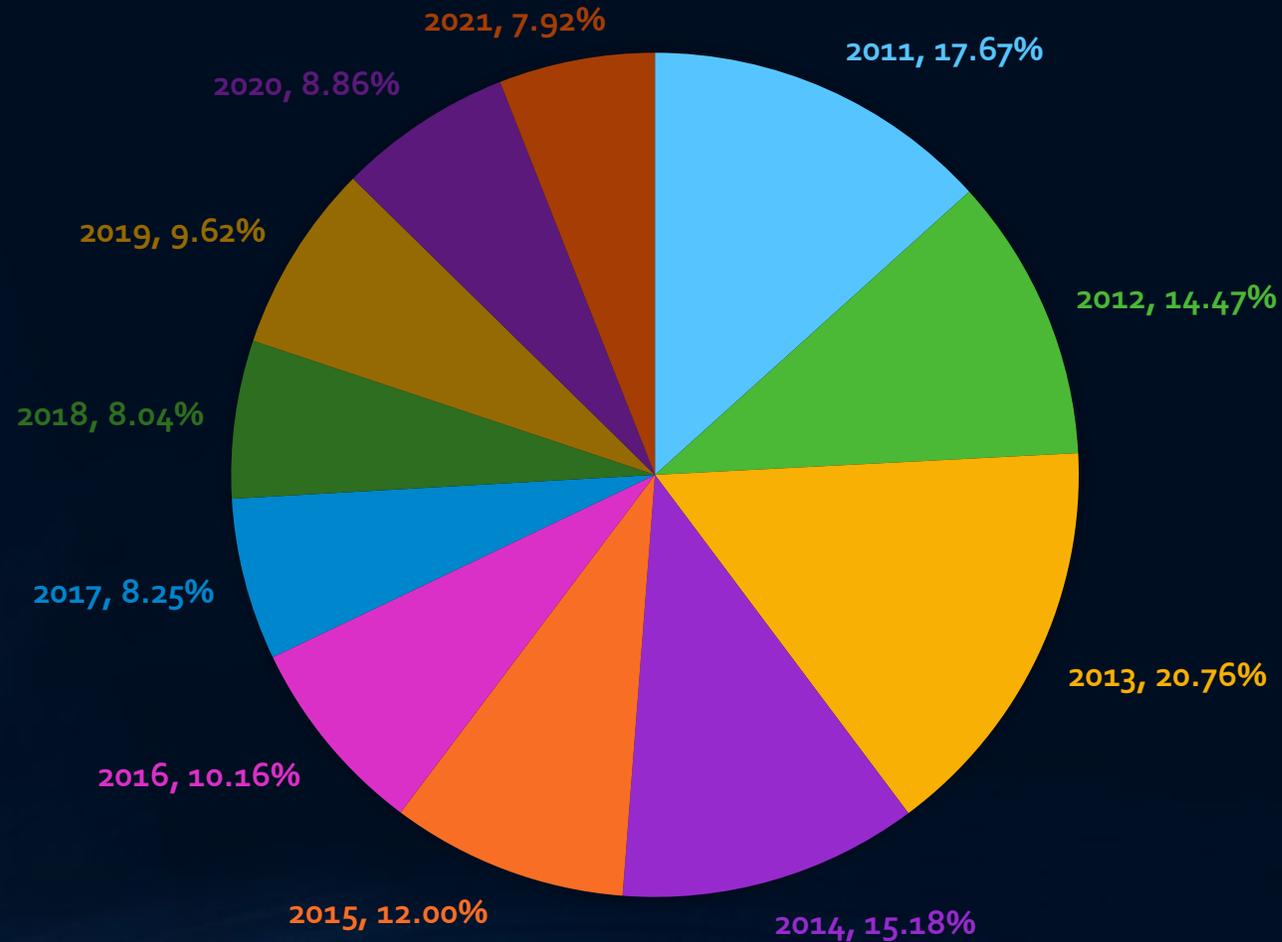




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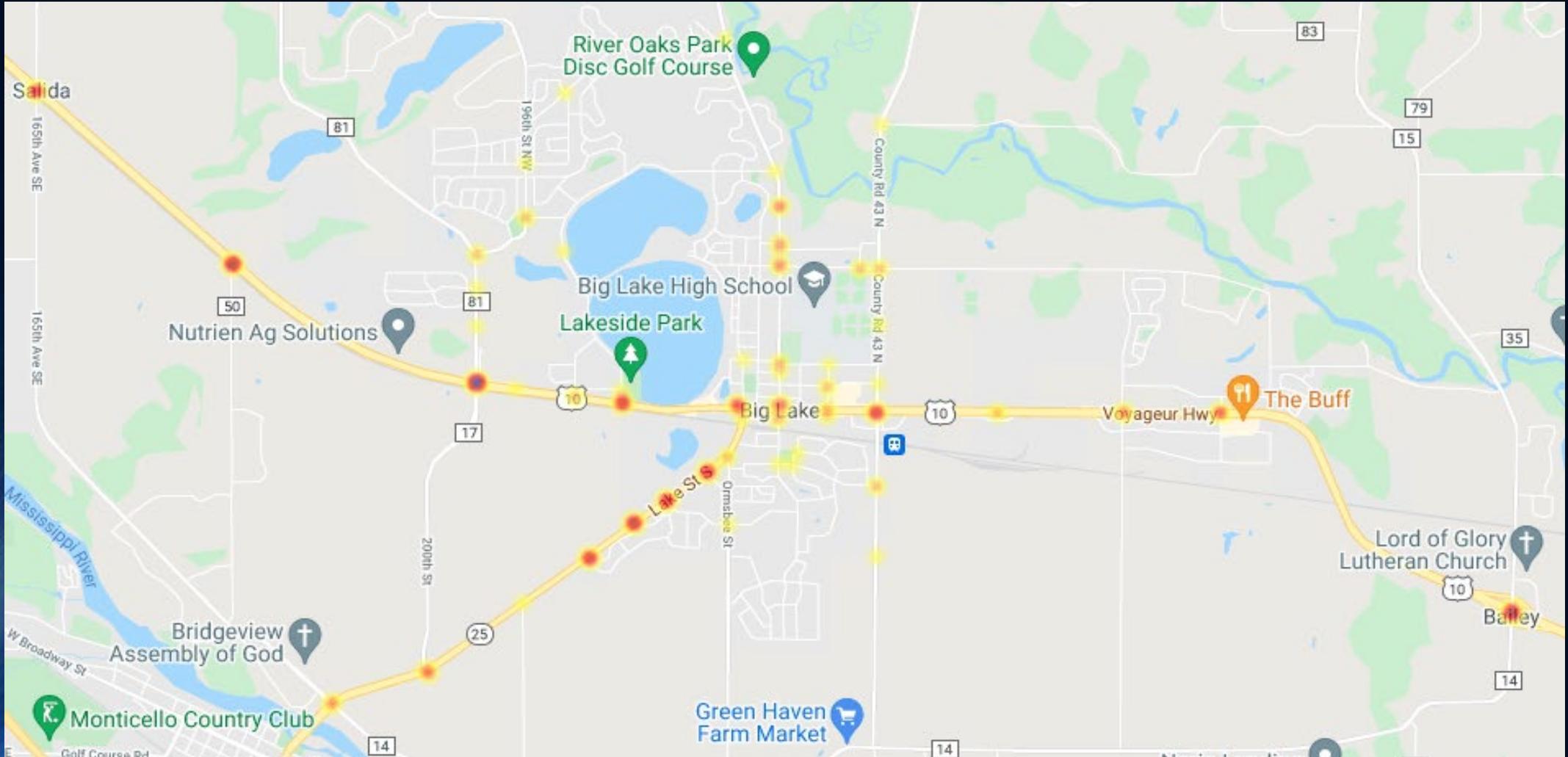
Percentage of Traffic Stops ending in Citations

2011-2021



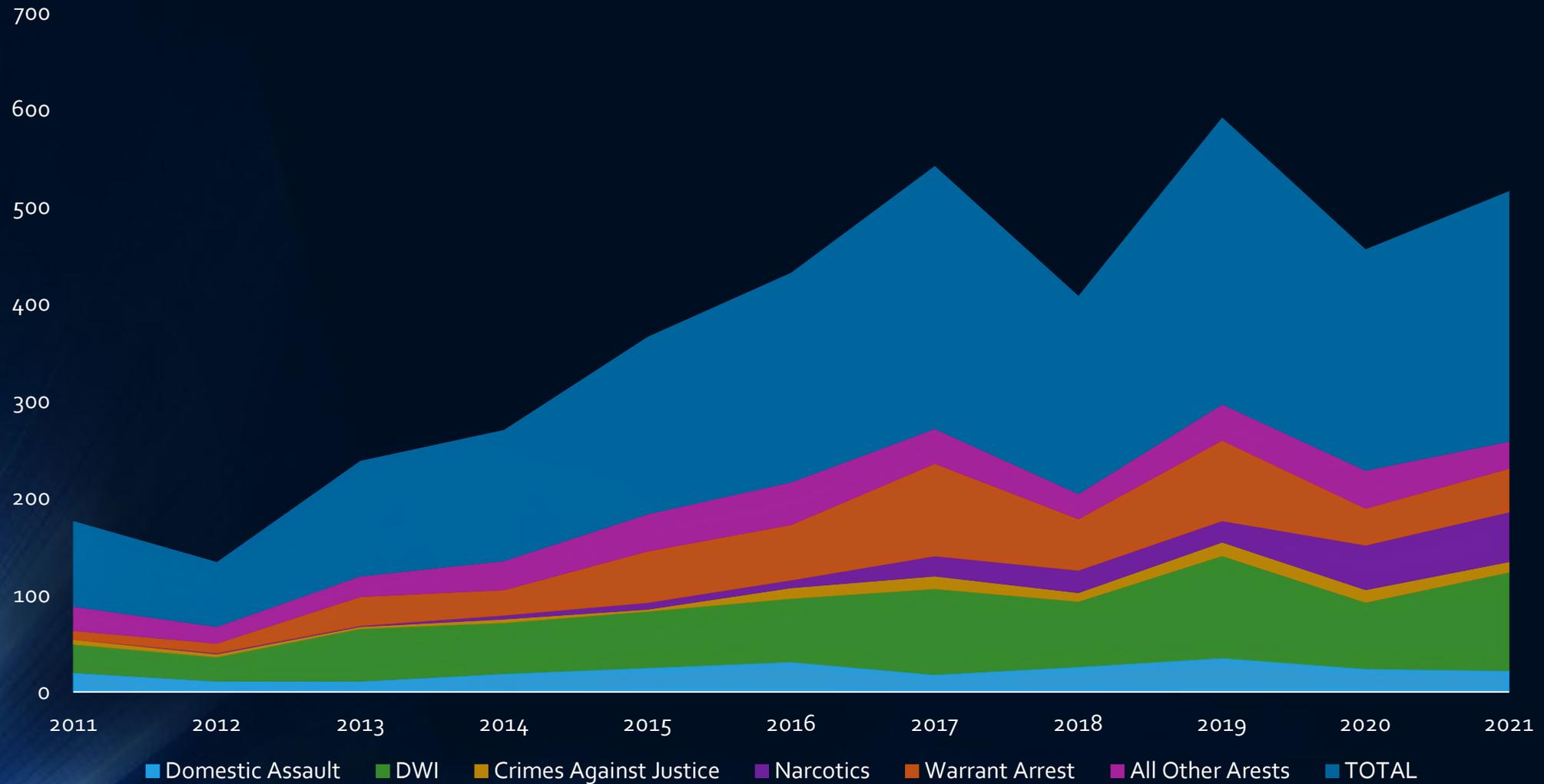


Big Lake Police Department Traffic Stop Location Heat Map



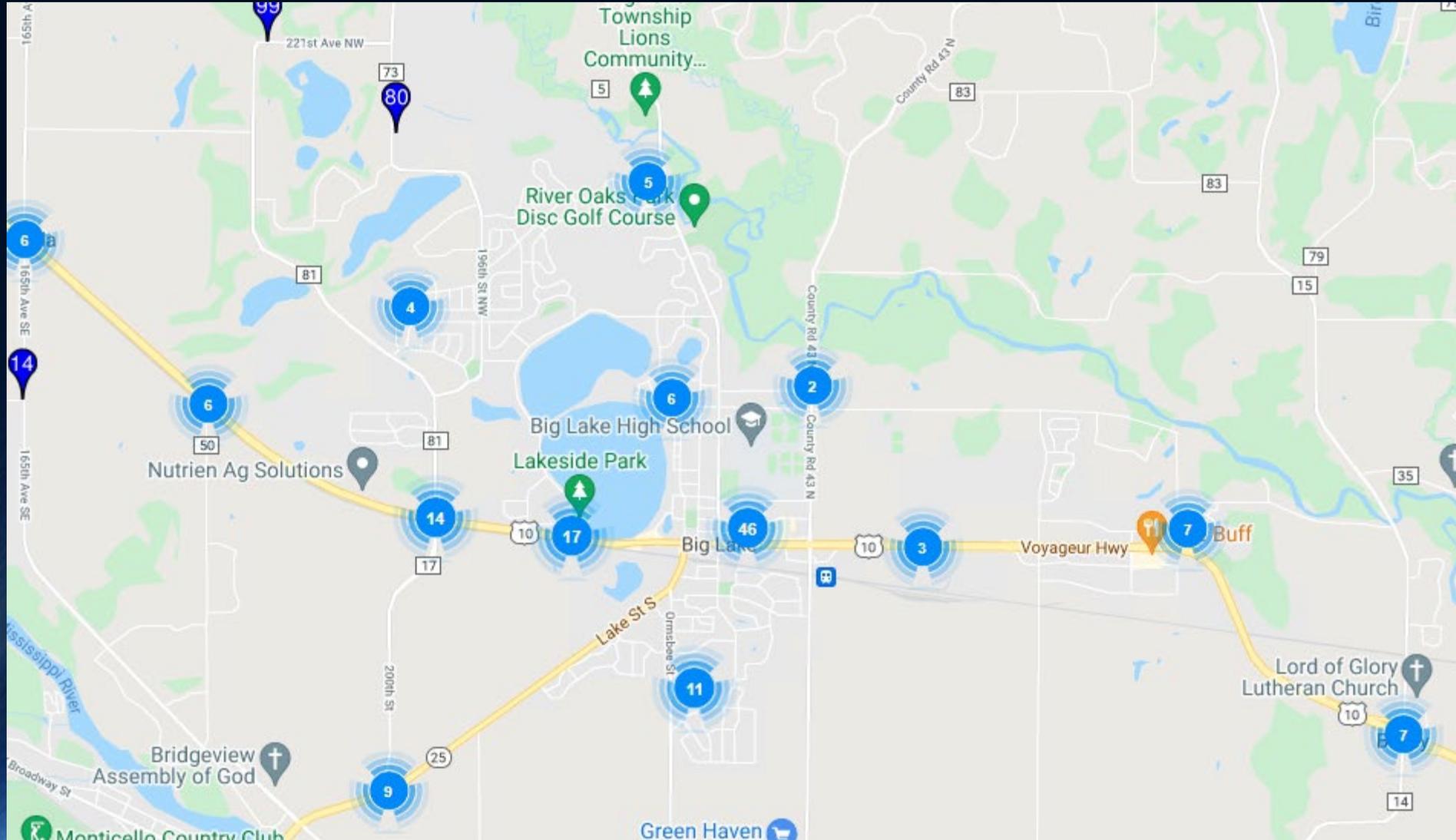


Big Lake Police Department Calls Adult Arrested 2011 - 2021





Big Lake Police Department Calls Adult Arrested - Clustered Point Map





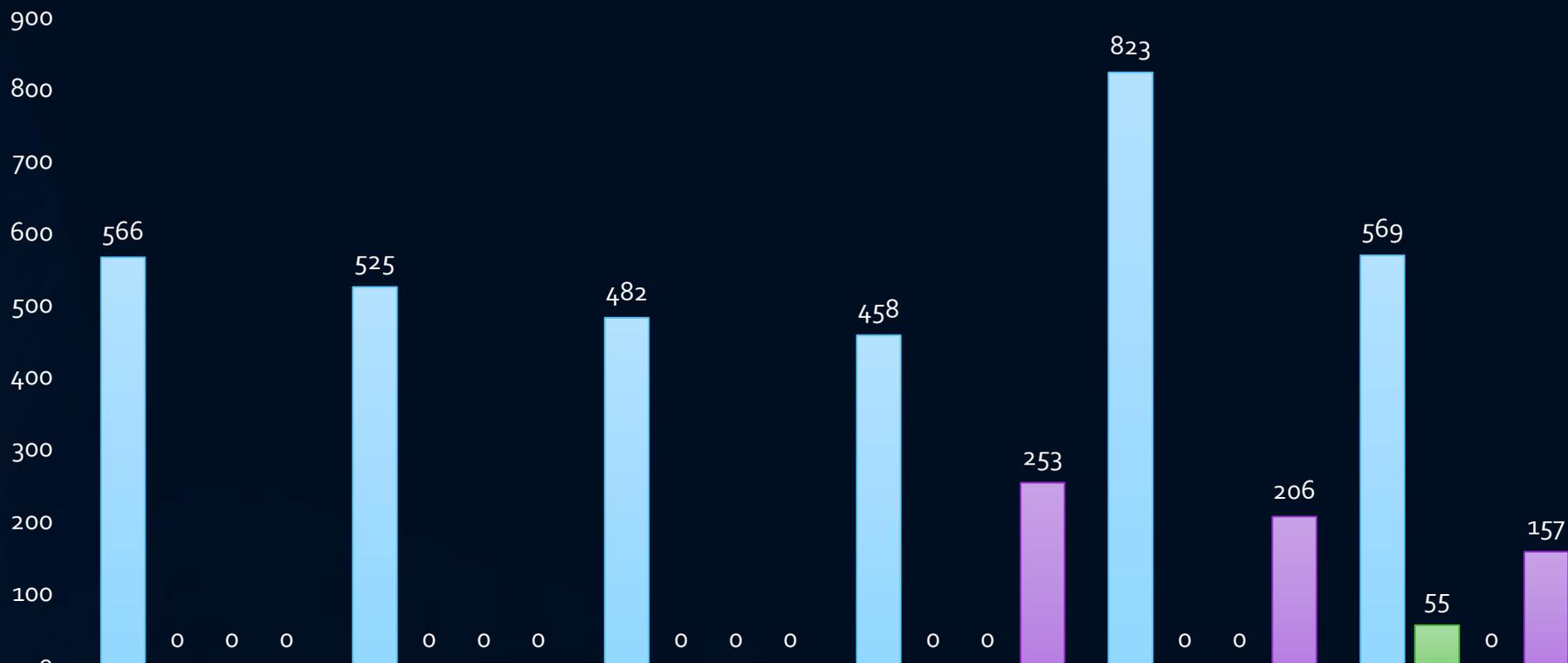
Records Division Gun Permits



- BLPD began issuing gun permits on July 1, 2021. This was previously done through Sherburne County.
- In 2021, our records division issued 54 Permits.
- By statute, we have 7 days to complete a permit once it is accepted by the department.
- Some permits are taking up to 3 days to complete.
- Processing a gun permit to purchase requires running a background check on the individual which can require records requests from multiple law enforcement agencies.
- 2022 has seen 25 permits requested in the first 2 months alone!



Records Division Records Division CFS



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
9901 BACKGROUND CHECK	566	525	482	458	823	569
Gun Permit to Acquire	0	0	0	0	0	55
Gun Permit to Acquire Denied	0	0	0	0	0	0
Service for Data Request	0	0	0	253	206	157



ATV Program

- The Big Lake Police Department has continued to utilize ATV's from the Military Surplus Acquisition Program:
 - (2) 2013 850 Sportsman
- Used for patrolling parks, trails, community events, and emergency situations.
- Special events have included 4th of July patrol and the Big Lake Youth Football Tournament.
- All ATV's are equipped with emergency lights.





Canine Program

2021 Marks Bruno's 3rd year of Partnering with Officer Chaffee:

- Officer Guy Chaffee continues his devotion to keeping Bruno up to the necessary training standard
- The K9 team conducted 19 deployments in 2021!



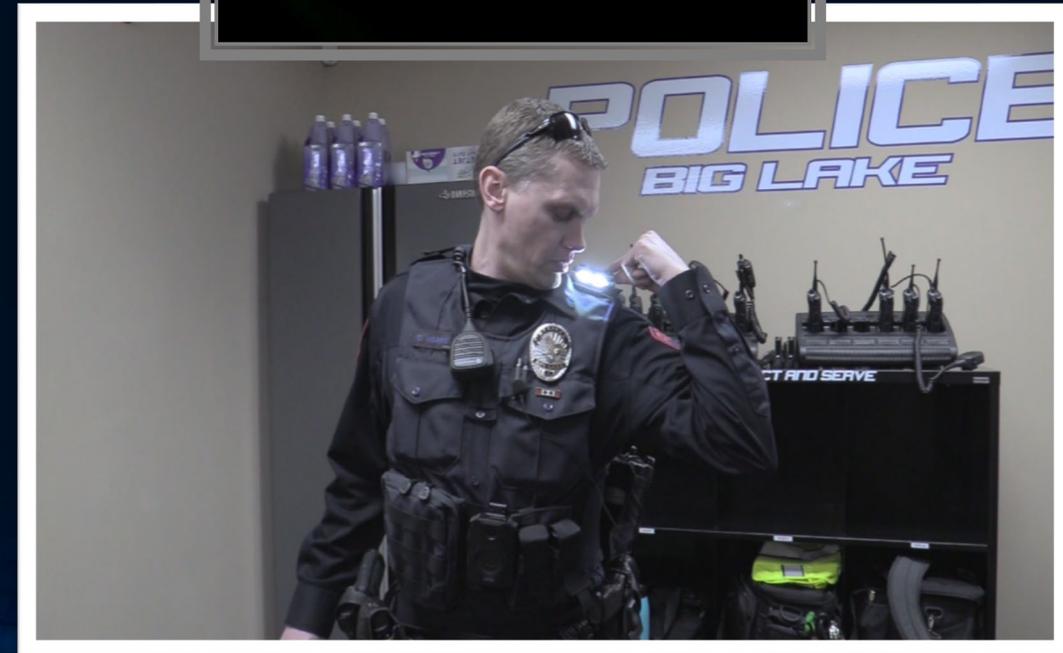


Technology



The Big Lake Police Department prides itself with up-to-date technology:

- Axon Body Cameras and Reporting Software
- Night / Thermal Vision
- Suppressed Patrol Rifles
- Guardian Angel Shoulder Lights
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)
- Squad Lighting Designed for Officer Safety
- Big Lake Police is 100% Cloud-Based for Data Retention





UAV Program



- The Big Lake Police Department currently has 2 UAV's Autel EVO II Dual and DJI Mini 2. Some of the features of these UAV's are;
 - Autel EVO II Dual:
 - Long range flight out to 5 miles.
 - Intergrated thermal and daytime camera.
 - DJI Mini 2:
 - Compact for flying in small areas.
 - Blade guards for indoor flying.

Officers are able to fly the DJI Mini 2 inside buildings, while still using the Autel EVO II Dual for larger outdoor deployments.

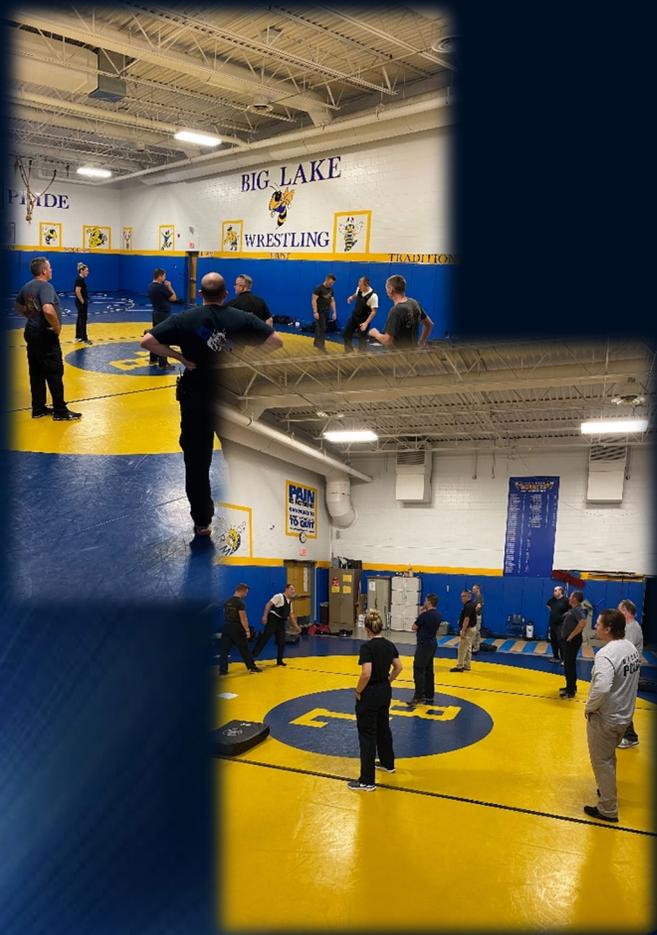
- We currently have 7 assigned pilots; Officer Silas Reek, Investigator Nic Prigge, Officer Chris Hoard, Officer Sam Norlin, Officer Guy Chaffee, Officer Joe Kalla and Officer Tyler Hecht.
- Our UAV is utilized for vulnerable and missing person searches, critical incident management, suspect location, crime scene mapping, and a large array of other duties.

34 Deployments in 2021

- Deployments ranged from domestics, missing persons, welfare checks, training, community events, fleeing, and medical situations.



L.O.C.K.U.P. Arrest and Control



Law Officers Combat Kinetics Unarmed Panoply

- Officer Norlin and Officer Hecht have updated our Defensive Tactics training by becoming instructors in the L.O.C.K.U.P. system.
- Our first experience with this training was in 2021.
- Our Department partnered with Becker Police Department to train as a group in this new system. Becker PD also has one instructor in this system.
- L.O.C.K.U.P. teaches reliable and retainable empty hand maneuvers that can be effectively deployed by trained personnel during violent physical altercations.
- 14 Use Of Force reports completed in 2021. No medical attention needed on any of these incidents.



2021 Community Engagement



In 2021 Officers and Staff Attended 132 Community Events!

- Lakeside Park – Farmer's Market, Movie in the park, Freedom Rock Dedication
- Night to Unite – Big Lake Police Department
- Spudfest – Event/Parade and Guns and Hoses Softball game.
- Music in the Park – Weekly from June-August
- Big Lake Community Fair - Previously Business Expo
- Many others!
- Find us on Facebook and Nextdoor!
 - <https://www.facebook.com/biglakemn.org>
 - <https://nextdoor.com/pages/big-lake-police-department>



BLPD Fleet Overview



- Big Lake has 70 miles of City Roadways, not including State and County Roadways.
- The Big Lake Police Department maintains a fleet of vehicles which suite the unique needs of our community.
 - In 2021 our fleet was comprised of Ford Interceptors (Explorers), two Dodge Chargers and one unmarked Ford Expedition
 - The department has 2 Polaris 850 Sportsman 4 Wheelers. Both of our ATV's were acquired through the [US Military Return to Duty Program](#) at no cost. They are used for search and rescue, patrolling bike trails and parks, and for community policing.
 - We maintain a replacement program which places new vehicles into patrol for 3 years, follow by 2 years of service with our investigators and Chief.
 - Vehicles are then either auctioned off, or assigned to City Hall for use by various departments.
 - This allows for minimizing major repair expenses, and provides a strong resale value.



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Goals - 2022



- **Officer Wellness:** To ensure that the needs of our officers are a priority for the department, that their mental and physical wellness are cared for.
- **Staffing:** Continue with staffing models and planning which accommodate rising demands on services, while placing an emphasis on 24/7 staffing with 2 officers.
- **Critical Calls for Service:** Continue to monitor and adapt to rising levels of sex trafficking, narcotics offenses, and mental health issues in our region.
- **Officer Safety:** Implement strategies for the safest possible work environment, continue our path of reduction in instances of injuries, workers compensation rates, and vehicle liability insurance rates.
- **Community Engagement:** Continue to grow interaction with our community via; social media, internet, and in person.
- **Criminal Activity:** Continue to monitor emerging trends in crime and service needs, and proactively address them.
- **Partnerships:** Continue to grow and foster relationships with other public safety partners to ensure the most effective delivery of services to our residents and visitors.
- **Equipment:** Continue to ensure a robust capitol improvement strategy and schedule to provide the best possible equipment to our staff in the most cost effective manner.
- **Succession Planning:** Continue with the process of building individuals to fill key positions within the department.



This report is
dedicated to the
543 Police
Officers who lost
their lives in the
line of duty in
2021.

