



2022

ANNUAL REPORT

Central Bucks Regional
Police Department

A Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accredited Agency
Dedicated to Excellence in Policing



OUR Mission

We are committed to providing the **highest quality** of police services through collaborative approaches of **problem solving** and **empowering** our members and the community to work in **partnership** with the goal of improving the quality of life at the same time maintaining **respect** for individual rights.

OUR Core Values

- Equal Protection and Service for All
- Responsiveness to the Community through Innovative Practices and Effective Problem Solving
- Superior Leadership through Training, Experience and Teamwork
- Effective Management of Resources
- Flexible, Adaptable and Positive Attitude toward Change
- Loyalty and Dedication to the Law Enforcement Profession, the Department, and the Community that We Serve
- Ethical Conduct, Honesty, and the Unrelenting Pursuit of Excellence in All that We Do

WHO We Are

WE Are Accountable

We are committed to being open and transparent and listening to your concerns. This Department continually shares information and engages community members, both online and in person. In addition to community feedback, CBRPD officers and staff hold each other accountable. By ensuring all staff are aligned with the Department's mission, CBRPD ensures the integrity of the organization.

WE Are Dedicated

We pride ourselves on our department's commitment to the community, to its mission and core values with the promise of safeguarding the dignity of human life. CBRPD builds strong relationships with community members. We are dedicated to identifying areas for improvement and continued professionalism.

We serve and live with HONOR



Officer Pullar and Corporal Interrante



Officer Maloney

WE are committed to Excellence in Policing

We have built a professional police culture that is committed to organizational excellence and reflects positive policing, moral values, and an understanding and commitment to purpose.

We continuously strive to maintain organizational pride and individual accountability.

Special attention is given to attitudes and practices reflected in recruiting, training, supervision, promotion and discipline.



Our goal is to protect life, property, and enhance the quality of life for all of our citizens.

Message from the Chief



Chief Karl Knott



It is my pleasure to present you with the 2022 Annual Report while also marking my 5th year as your Chief of Police. Our Department has experienced defining moments, transformation and progressive growth through this relatively short span of time. We continue to improve our services by aligning professional interests with our Department's mission and core values for every member of CBPRD.

At the beginning of my tenure, in March 2018, one of my goals was to culturally change the typical police mindset to that of a "Peace Officer" first. With the dedicated involvement and commitment of our Officers, the transformation to an improved and highly professional police department has taken place. We hope you've noticed this systemic change as we continue to act with integrity, build trust and inspire confidence in our community.

The cultural change was preparation for Accreditation, along with the adoption of new policies and reformed old ones. These policies have been in effect for the past four years and positively reflect on our organization. In 2022, along with the final move into the CBRPD HQ, our Department became an Accredited Agency. We are proud to join a select group of only 15% of law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth to hold this designation.

In 2022, we continued developing and improving numerous initiatives including K9 Unit, Virtual Reality De-Escalation Training, Booking & Arraignment Center, Victim Services Unit; and we replaced old equipment with cutting-edge second generation technology.

Our Department strives to be open, transparent, and work alongside the communities we serve to ensure our citizens are heard and valued. In 2022, we responded to over 160 Right-to-Know requests, invited several news and media outlets to cover our innovative initiatives, regularly published arrest and crime data, work with community members, and opened our police HQ for public tours.

We acknowledge and recognize you, our community members, are not merely the recipients of police services, you are our partners in maintaining public safety.

Command Staff represent our three highest ranking sworn personnel overseeing the planning, administration and operation of the Central Bucks Regional Police.

COMMAND Staff

Captain of Patrol Lance Carlen

The Captain of Patrol is responsible for the Patrol Division and the overall protection of lives and property maintaining law and order and responding to requests for service.

Patrol enforces all criminal laws that are mandated by Federal, State, and Municipal governments.

CAPTAIN



CHIEF

Chief of Police Karl Knott

The Chief of Police has overall responsibility for the entire Department to accomplish the CBRPD mission and goals.

The administrative division includes development of initiatives, community policing, coordinating with other agencies, logistics, budget, communications, fleet, and records management.



Captain of Professional Standards Robert Milligan

The Captain of Professional Standards is responsible for Accreditation, adherence to Policies, Training, Internal Investigations, the Detective Unit, Front Office Operations, Victim Services Unit and Crossing Guard Division.

CAPTAIN



POLICE Commission

The Police Commission is the responsible governing authority for the CBRPD.

The joint board is appointed by the respective municipalities: Chalfont Borough, Doylestown Borough, and New Britain Borough.

The sworn officers and professional staff are under the direct supervision of the Chief of Police.

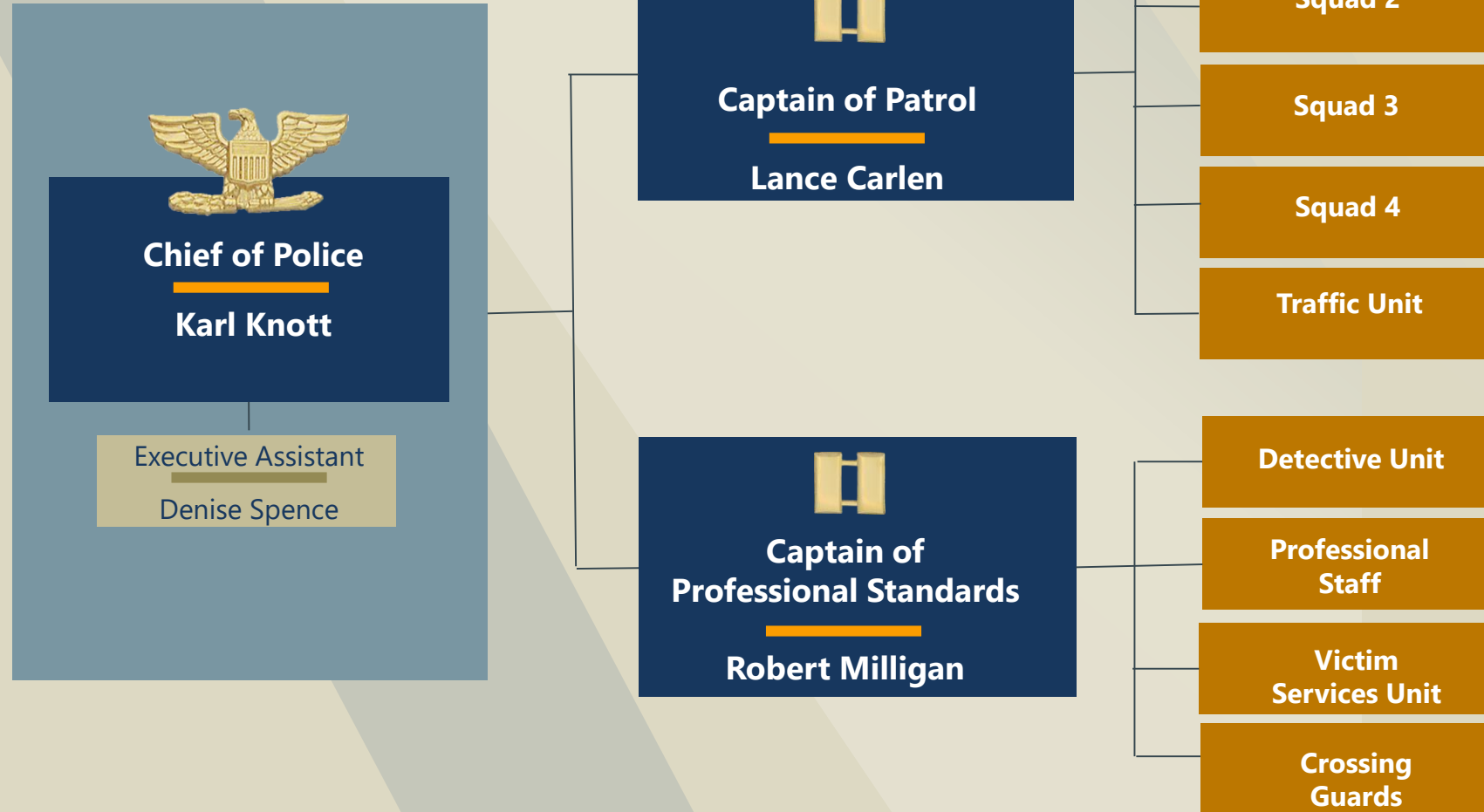
2022 Police Commission Members

Robyne Kelemen, Chairperson (NBB)
Elnora West, Vice Chairperson (DB)
Brian Wallace, Treasurer/Secy (CB)
Jack O'Brien, Member (DB)
Marilyn Jacobson, Member (CB)
Jennifer Salisbury, Member (NBB)
John Engel, Alternate Member (CB)
Joe Frederick, Alternate Member (DB)
James Donovan, Alternate Member (NBB)

The Police Commission meets monthly at CBRPD Police HQ and is open to the public.



OUR Organization



Recognition

COMMENDATION LETTER

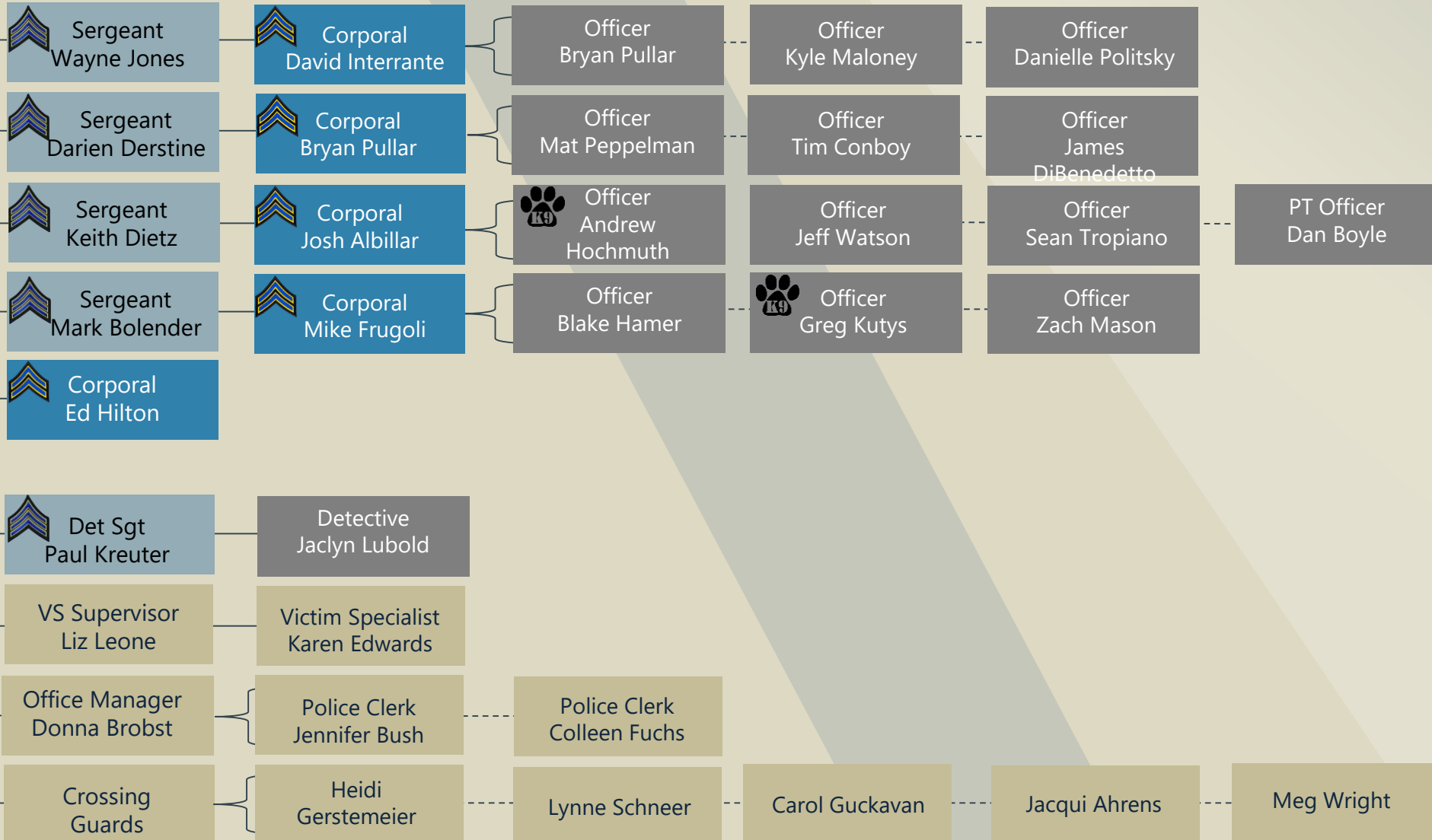
Officer Tim Conboy
Located missing endangered elderly man and reunited him safely with family

MERIT COMMENDATION

Officer Jeff Watson
Located fleeing, possibly armed suspect in car-jacking incident

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Exec Asst Denise Spence
Recognition for years of grant awards providing new police initiatives



Strategic Goals

Problem Solving

- Improve quality of life through crime prevention and enforcement
- Recognize need for long-term planning



Community Partnerships

- Engage our citizens through community policing
- Reach out to the community

Organizational Transformation

- Increase decision making ability through training
- Value superior leadership
- Cultivate safe and healthy environment

Pro-active policing through evidence based policing – deployed through Directed Patrols, Traffic Enforcement, Foot Patrols, School Patrols, etc.

Secure funding to address a Strategic Succession Strategy over the next five years focused on key leadership roles.

Over 3,900 hours of training in 2022

Incorporated virtual reality simulator for immersive de-escalation training

Designed expansion of Officer Wellness program to be launched in 2023

The Victim Service Unit hosted a public display and information session at the County Courthouse to bring awareness to victims of crime.

Worked with the NAACP on their study focusing on inequities in law enforcement

Participated in National Night Out with Doylestown Township Police Department

Collection for Toys for Tots

Participated in "Shop with a Cop" alongside Plumstead Township Police

Command Staff



Ofc Tropiano, Mason
and Cpl Interrante



Sgt Bolender



Officer Watson



TRAINING Hours

**SUPERVISORY
TRAINING**
1,606 hours

PATROL OFFICERS
1,589 hours

K9 UNIT
528 hours

Professional Staff
179.5 hours

**3,902.5
Training Hours**



CRIME Stats

341 Arrests

In 2022, there were 178 Felonies/ Misdemeanors and 163 Summary Offenses. Arrests have decreased 8% from 2021.

532 Live Scan Bookings

CBRPD is a county-wide Booking Center processing arrests and video arraignment for CBRPD and other law enforcement agencies. Processings have increased 12% from 2021.



PART I CRIMES

Homicide	0
Rape	1
Robbery	0
Assault	49
Burglary	4
Larceny	75
MV Theft	12
Arson	0



PART II CRIMES

Forgery	3	Gambling	0
Fraud	84	Against Family	1
Embezzle	0	DUI	40
Stolen Property	6	Liquor Laws	8
Vandalism	42	Drunkenness	41
Weapons	26	Disorderly	87
Prostitution	0	Vagrancy	60
Sex Offenses	18	All Other	83
Drug Violation	34		

19,584 Incidents

Calls for Service statistics are used to indicate the level of police activity.

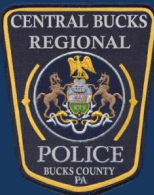
There are two types of calls:

Citizen-initiated calls

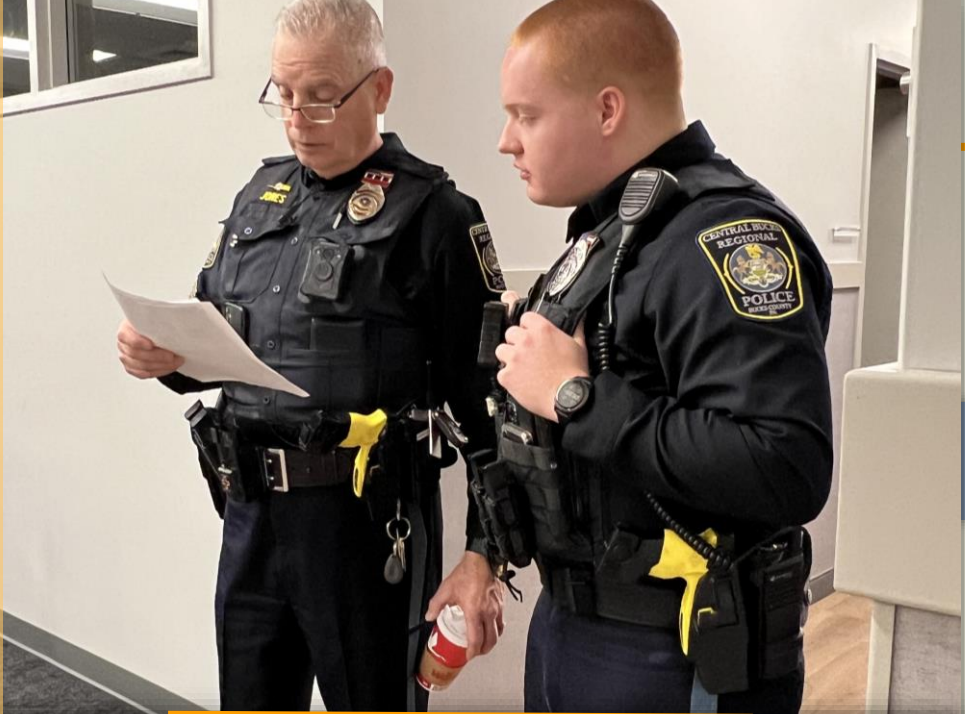
An Officer responds to a citizen request for assistance by either dispatch through the Radio Room or called into Police HQ

Officer-initiated calls

Officer initiates an activity to pro-actively address a community issue.



Sgt Jones and Ofc Maloney



Ofcs Conboy, Peppelman and Boyle

CALLS for Service

63%

CITIZEN INITIATED Top Calls for Service

Ambulance Assist	1,510
Alarms	709
Suspicious Activity	665
School Patrol/Cross	504
Abandoned 911	461

37%

OFFICER INITIATED Top Calls for Service

Traffic Enforcement	1,898
Patrol Checks	1,475
Speed Detail	1,139
Directed Patrol	702
Security Checks	330

Traffic Unit

The primary function of the Traffic Unit is to reduce traffic accidents causing injury and property damage. This is accomplished through pro-active enforcements and details.



731 Traffic Citations

2,186 Traffic Warnings

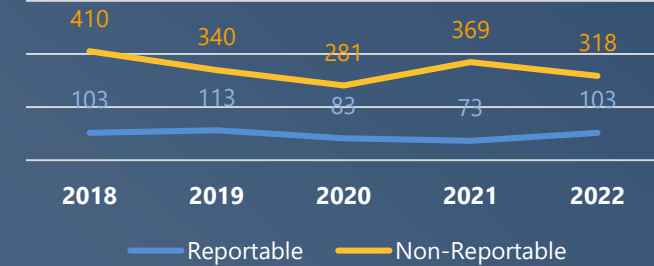
1,898 Traffic Enforcements

1,139 Speed Details

Traffic Accidents

5- Year Comparison

Reportable accidents are the more serious accidents involving injury or damage to the vehicle making it impossible to operate safely.



Top Traffic Citations

2022

Speeding	152
Driving Unregistered Vehicle	116
Driving w/o License, Suspended, Revoked	83
Driving w/o Valid Inspection	71

In 2022, there were 152 speeding tickets issued; 20 were for speeding in excess of 25 mph over the posted limit and 17 were for exceeding the school zone speed limit.

K9 1 Baron

Handler Officer Hochmuth

K9 2 Odie

Handler Officer Kutys

383

Training Hours

43

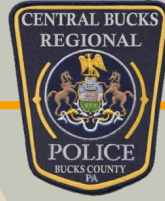
Foot Patrols

26

Searches

19

Assist Other
Agency



The K9 Unit responds to in-progress calls or incidents that meet the criteria for requesting K9 assistance within CBRPD jurisdiction as well as throughout Bucks and Montgomery Counties, as needed.



Ofc Kutys & Odie

K9 Unit

Ofc Hochmuth & Baron



K9 Baron and Odie live with their Handlers. When off duty, they enjoy all the same things a family dog would, but, when it's time to work, these K9's get serious quickly and seek the praise of their Handler for a job well done.



Detective Unit

194
Cases
Investigated

156
Cases
Cleared

80.4%
Clearance
Rate

195
Court Prep
& Appearances

74
Search
Warrants

Detective Lubold



The primary function of the Detective Unit is to identify, target, arrest, and successfully prosecute individuals involved in criminal activity as well as recover any stolen property. Detectives investigate all felony crimes as well as cases beyond the resources of the Patrol Division.

Detectives work closely with the Bucks County District Attorney's Office, Department of Children & Youth, Network for Victims Assistance and Federal law enforcement agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, and Department of Homeland Security.

The Detective Unit has an exemplary reputation and have participated in numerous multi-jurisdictional investigations.

Detectives are trained in Criminal Investigation and many specialty areas:

- Crime Scene Processing
- Evidence Handling
- Interview and Interrogation

19
Illegal Attempt
Purchase
Firearms

49
Children
& Youth
Cases

Evidence & Property

The designated Evidence Custodians perform a number of administrative and technical tasks related to the handling of property and evidence; including collection, packaging, storage, and disposition.

Property collected as evidence, recovered from any source, or turned over as found property, or for safe keeping, is stored in the Property and Evidence Room.

Evidence Collected: 577

Firearms Seized: 7



Detective Sergeant Kreuter

Notable Cases

Indecent Assault, Corruption of Minors, Wiretap Violation and Other Charges –

Detectives investigated and arrested a local teacher on numerous charges of offenses, some dating back to 1991, involving students under the age of 14 and 16. Sentencing pending.

Obscene Communication w/Minor and Other Charges –

Detectives investigated and arrested a suspect who provided alcohol to minors, watch pornography with minors and sending inappropriate photos to minors. Sentenced to 5 years in prison.

Stalking and Harassment – Detectives investigated and arrested a suspect who contacted the victim in a harassing manner and placed a tracking device on the victim's vehicle. Remanded and pending court.

Criminal Use of Communication Facility, Reckless Endangerment and Other Charges –

Detectives investigated and arrested a suspect following an overdose. Suspect is accused of supplying illicit drugs that led to the death of another. Remanded and pending court.

Professional Staff

Our Professional Staff keep CBRPD running behind the scenes filling vital roles necessary to provide the level of service our community expects of us.



Denise Spence

Executive Assistant

This confidential position supports the Chief of Police in the daily activities of Police Administration. This role also acts as Grants Administrator to develop initiatives, write applications and manage grant performance.



Donna Brobst

Office Manager

This confidential position manages the Front Office Operations. This role also acts as Financial Manager including Accounts Payable/ Receivable, Payroll and budget functions.



Jen Bush

Police Clerk I

This position supports the Captain of Professional Standards, Detectives and the Victim Services Unit. This role also processes the high volume of Right to Know Requests and Special Events.



Colleen Fuchs

Police Clerk II

This position supports Front Office Operations greeting visitors, answering/directing phone calls, accident reports and acts as court liaison.



Victim Specialist Supervisor

Liz Leone

Victim Specialist

Karen Edwards

597

Victims Served in 2022

32

Victim Compensation

121

Personal
Accompaniment

The VSU program is grant funded by the Office of Victims of Crime.



Liz Leone and Karen Edwards

Victim Services

The Victim Services Unit is a grant-funded program by the Office of Victims of Crime. This collaborative effort includes services to CBRPD, and the police departments of Buckingham, Doylestown Township and Plumstead.

Victim Specialists are law enforcement employees who provide the following services:

- Advocacy/Support
- Safety Planning
- Emotional Support
- Crisis Intervention
- Community Resources
- Investigative Updates
- Criminal Justice Process
- Application to Victim Compensation
- Notification of Victim's Rights
- External Partner Referrals



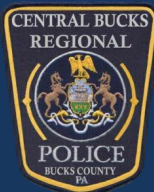
Budget

2022 Budget
\$6,551,020

Revenue
\$6,808,843

Expenditures
\$6,780,144

UNDER BUDGET
\$28,699



The budget consists of 90% contractual obligations per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The remaining 10% of the budget is discretionary for public safety initiatives and capital expenses.



↑ 90%
Contractual

↑ 10%
Discretionary

Cost Distribution



20.91%



61.11%



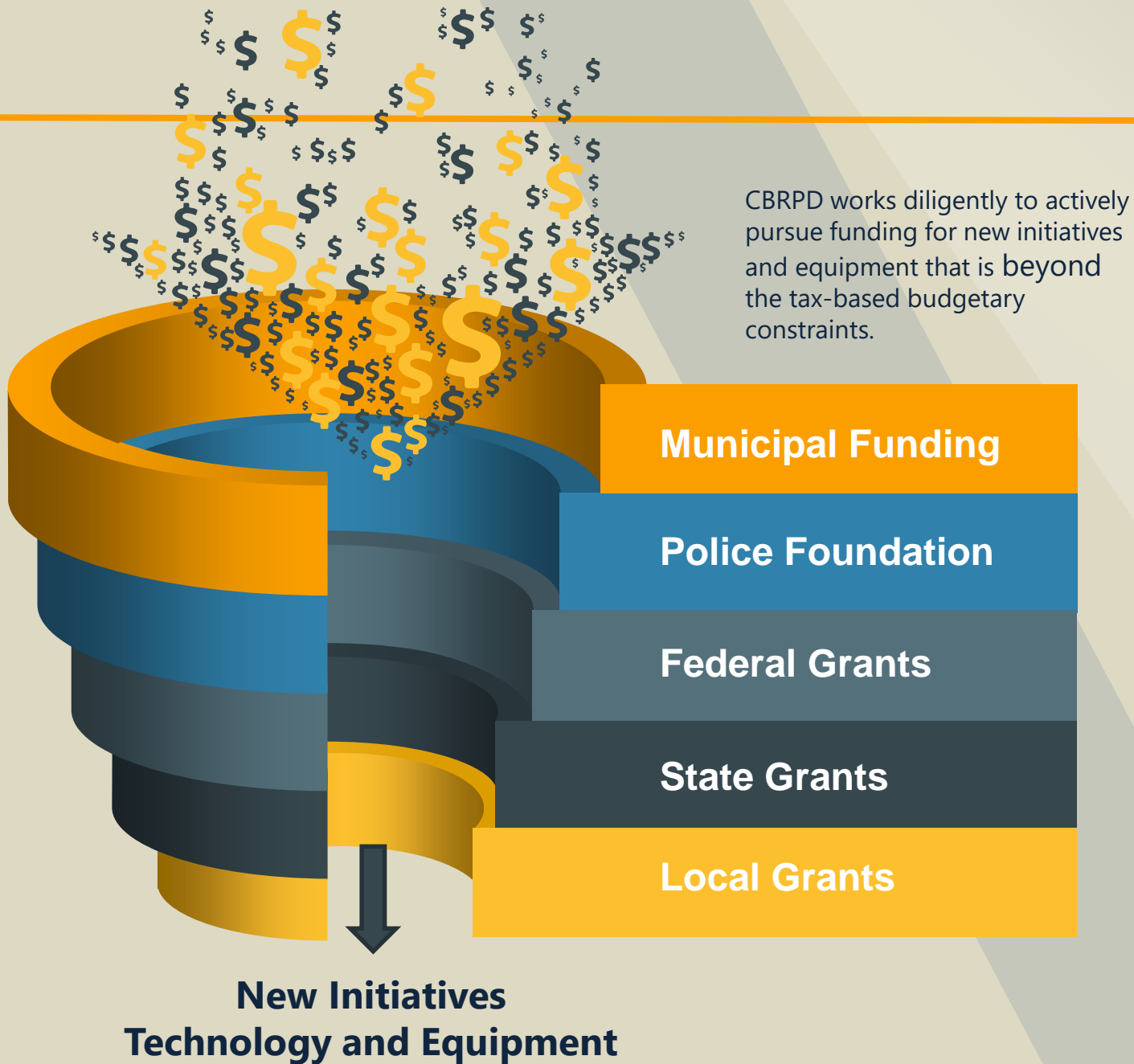
17.98%



CBRPD utilizes a formula of cost distribution that is applied to each participating municipality of the regional police department. The system uses the following criteria to determine a fair and equitable distribution: average of population, calls for service, crimes and road miles over the previous three-year period.

Although cost distribution varies among the municipalities, each member jurisdiction has equal voting rights on the Police Commission.

Funding Sources



Funding Beyond Tax-based Budget



2022 Funding Supported:

- Victim Services Unit
- K9 Certification Training
- Virtual Reality De-Escalation Training
- Leadership Succession Planning
- New Body Worn Camera Equipment
- New Impound Yard
- Additional License Plate Reader
- Speed Display Board
- New Medical Bag equipment

2023 Funding Awarded will Support:

- Expansion of the Victim Services Unit
- K9 Certification Training
- Continuous Virtual Reality De-Escalation Training
- Leadership Succession Planning
- Mobile Data Terminals for Patrol Vehicles
- Medical Psychologist Consultant
- PT Live Scan Technician

Police Foundation

The CBR Police Foundation is a 501(c)3 Pennsylvania charitable organization providing funding beyond the tax-based budget of the police department.

2022 Major Donors

The
Kiernan
Family
\$\$\$\$

Travis
Manion
Foundation
\$\$\$

Wawa
Foundation
\$\$

Peppelman
Family
\$\$

CBRPD
PBA
\$\$

Donors

The Police Foundation is privileged to have very generous donors who continue, year after year, to provide financial support to the initiatives of the CBRPD!

Comedy Night Fundraiser

Comedy Night, September 2022, was a huge success with tremendous Sponsorships and a full audience!

Funds raised exceeded \$35,000 in proceeds dedicated to the Victim Services Unit.

Mission

The CBR Police Foundation's purpose is to improve the quality of life and public safety through community policing, crime prevention, and technological advances through initiatives developed by the CBRPD



The Marketplace

Show Your Support

The Police Foundation invites you to visit the online store at CBRPD CrimeWatch page to purchase CBRPD SWAG!

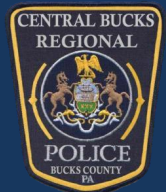
<https://crimewatchpa.com/centralbucksregionalpd>

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You make the difference...
by taking pride in your
community, watching out for
your neighbors, reporting
suspicious activity and
keeping your belongings
safe.



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