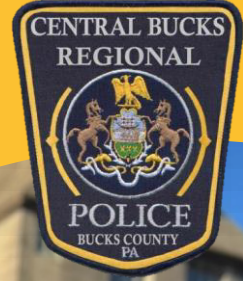


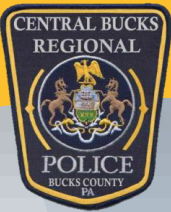
Central Bucks Regional Police

ANNUAL REPORT



2023

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.



We are committed to being open and transparent and listening to your concerns. We continually share information and engage community members, both online and in person. We hold each other accountable by ensuring all CBRPD staff are aligned with our mission to ensure the integrity of our Department.

Our Core Values

- Equal protection and service to all
- Responsiveness to 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, CBRPD, and the Community
- Ethical conduct, honesty and the unrelenting pursuit of excellence in all that we do



Committed EXCELLENCE

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.



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Accredited
Law Enforcement
Agency

We continuously
strive to maintain
organizational pride
and individual
accountability

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.

Everything we do **MATTERS**



A Message FROM THE CHIEF



I am pleased to present the 2023 Annual Report with another year behind us and a new one underway. As your Police Chief, my priority is providing professional police services that reduce crime, the fear of crime, and improve the quality of life for those who live, work and visit the Boroughs of Chalfont, Doylestown and New Britian.

Some highlights of 2023 included:

- Enhanced and 2nd generation mobile data terminals for the patrol vehicles
- Utility Trail Vehicle
- Sustainability and expansion of the Victim Services Unit including the addition of a Medical Psychotherapist
- Superior, highly acclaimed training for supervisory sworn personnel

In 2023, we experienced a burst in apartment building construction and new businesses which brings an anticipated influx of people and traffic issues to our communities. We are grateful to our participating municipalities and the residents of our communities for approving the addition of two full-time Police Officers. The Officers were sworn in at the end of 2023 and have joined the Patrol Unit.

In 2024, we look forward to expanding our K9 Unit to include a third police service dog!

We remain committed to responsiveness, professionalism, and transparency at CBRPD. Thank you for trusting us to make your community safer and more welcoming.

Karl E. Knott
Chief of Police



COMMAND Staff

Command Staff represents our three highest ranking sworn personnel overseeing planning, administration and operations.



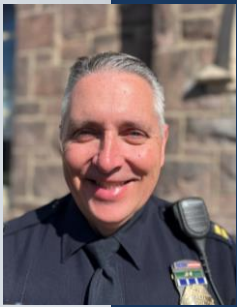
Karl Knott, Chief of Police

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

Lance Carlen Captain of Patrol

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.



Robert Milligan Captain of Professional Standards

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.





Our ORGANIZATION

Police Commission

The Boroughs of
Chalfont,
Doylestown and
New Britain

Brian Wallace
Chairman

James Donovan
Vice Chairman

Elnora West
Treasurer/Secretary

Jack O'Brien
Member

Marilyn Jacobson
Member

Loren Frasco
Member

Joe Frederick
Alternate Member

John Engel
Alternate Member

Steve Ascher
Alternate Member



Chief of Police

Karl Knott

Executive Assistant

Denise Spence

**Captain of
Patrol**

Lance Carlen

**Captain of
Professional
Standards**

Robert Milligan

Squad 1

Squad 2

Squad 3

Squad 4


Traffic Unit


**Detectives
Unit**

**Victim Services
Unit**

**Front Office
Operations**

Crossing Guards

 Sergeant Wayne Jones	 Corporal David Interrante	Officer Kyle Maloney	Officer Danielle Politsky	Officer Steve Murray
 Sergeant Darien Derstine	 Corporal Dave Carlen	Officer Mat Peppelman	Officer Tim Conboy	Officer James DiBenedetto
 Sergeant Keith Dietz	 Corporal Josh Albillar	 Officer Andrew Hochmuth	Officer Jeff Watson	Officer Sean Tropiano
 Sergeant Mark Bolender	 Corporal Mike Frugoli	Officer Blake Hamer	 Officer Greg Kutys	Officer Zach Mason
 Corporal Ed Hilton				PT Officer Dan Boyle

 Det Sgt Paul Kreuter	Detective Jaclyn Lubold	
VS Supervisor Liz Leone	Victim Specialist Karen Edwards	
Office Manager Donna Brobst	Police Clerk Jennifer Bush	Police Clerk Colleen Fuchs
Crossing Guards	Heidi Gerstemeier Lynne Schneer Carol Guckavan Jacqui Ahrens Meg Wright	





PATROL Unit

The Patrol Unit is composed of four Squads consisting of a Sergeant, a Corporal and Patrol Officers. They are the first to arrive on scene and the most visible of our efforts to protect and serve the community.



The main function of Patrol is to respond to calls for assistance and reports of criminal activity, act as a deterrent to crime, enforce State and local laws and respond to emergencies. Officers are assigned to the four sectors throughout the Boroughs and provide 24/7 police services. Patrol Officers are committed to enhancing the quality of life for all who reside in and visit the Boroughs of Chalfont, Doylestown and New Britain.

The Patrol Unit will often utilize Directed Patrols to address the unique needs of our community. Directed Patrols are the deployment of resources based on concerns from businesses or residents to address specific issues. This is a problem-solving strategy including enforcement, high visibility patrols and community-oriented policing.

17,799
Calls for
Service

2,294
Pro-Active
Patrols

2,499
Traffic
Enforcements

2,814
Training
Hours

What's new for 2024? The addition of two new full-time Police Officers



TRAFFIC Unit

The primary function of the Traffic Unit is to reduce traffic accidents causing injury and property damage. The Traffic Unit supports the Patrol Unit. Corporal Ed Hilton is responsible for this effort.



711
Traffic Citations

1,975
Traffic Warnings

2,499
Traffic Enforcements



New to Our Fleet

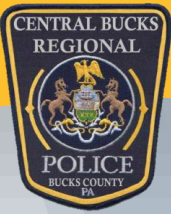
CBRPD is the recipient of a generous donation by Smith Marine to provide a utility trail vehicle for patrol efforts on the hiking paths, bike trails, and parks system.



Traffic Accidents

102
Reportable Accidents

363
Non-Reportable Accidents



CRIME Stats

Part I Crimes are ranked from more serious violent crimes to property crimes. Part II Crimes are a category of less serious crimes.

177	+	142	=	319
Felonies and Misdemeanors		Summary Offenses		Total Arrests

PART I CRIMES	
Homicide	0
Rape	1
Robbery	1
Assault	28
Burglary	7
Larceny	82
MV Theft	11
Arson	0

PART II CRIMES			
Forgery	14	Gambling	0
Fraud	85	Against Family	0
Embezzle	0	DUI	44
Stolen Property	0	Liquor Laws	13
Vandalism	39	Drunkenness	21
Weapons	28	Disorderly	81
Prostitution	0	Vagrancy	30
Sex Offenses	13	All Other	92
Drug Violation	27		

BOOKING Center

CBRPD is a designated County Booking Center and processes offenders, including video arraignment, from throughout the County. The Booking Center also processes non-criminal fingerprinting.

604	119
Criminal	Non-criminal



Scott Brobst, Live Scan Technician



DETECTIVES Unit

The Detectives Unit is staffed with a supervising Detective Sergeant and one Detective. They are highly trained in a variety of investigative techniques.

NOTABLE Cases

EMBEZZLEMENT

An employee of SWAT Pest Control, Chalfont Borough, was arrested on five felony charges following Detectives investigation. The employee, who handled payroll, made fraudulent payments to herself in the amount of \$132,000.

INDECENT ASSAULT

A 19-year-old female was charged with three felony counts following Detectives investigation of a resident complaint regarding their sensitive-aged child reporting sexual abuse by their babysitter.

Responsibilities include responding to crime scenes, investigations, presenting cases for prosecution, processing evidence and participating in the court process.



473

**Interviews/
Interrogations**

42

**Child Line
Investigations**

23

**Firearms
Investigations**

144

**Evidence
Processed**



K9 Unit

The K9 Unit is comprised of two highly trained and effective K9 teams. The Unit has a high success rate working cases for CBRPD and for other departments, as needed, throughout Bucks and Montgomery Counties.



Team 1: Officer Andrew Hochmuth & K9 Baron



Team 2: Officer Greg Kutys & K9 Odie

The K9's are dual trained in Narcotics Detection and Patrol. They are trained to track and locate criminal suspects as well as evidentiary articles like clothing, weapons, and drugs. They can also be used to search for missing or endangered persons who are not connected with a crime.

The K9 Unit is critical to enhancing officer safety and may be sent into a building or outdoor area ahead of their human partner in cases where visibility is limited, space is confined, weapons are present, or a safety concern exists. If a suspect were to physically harm an officer, Baron and Odie are trained to intervene.

582
Training
Hours

18
Foot
Patrols

28
Searches

8
Assist
Agency

6
Community
Demonstrations

What's new for 2024? The addition of a third K9 (Team 3)



PROFESSIONAL Staff

The Professional Staff consist of civilian employees who are responsible for providing all the behind-the-scenes work needed to keep the department functioning effectively.



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.

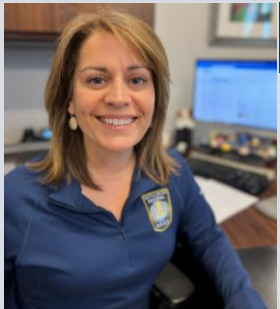
24,387
Phone
Calls



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.

355
Criminal
Records
Managed



Jenn Bush, Police Clerk I

This position supports the front office operations, the Captain of Professional Standards, Detectives and Victim Services. This role also processes a high volume of Right to Know requests and Special Events.

135
Right to
Know
Requests



Colleen Fuchs, Police Clerk II

This position supports the Front Office Operations, greeting visitors, answering/ directing calls, accident reports, non-criminal fingerprinting, and acts as court liaison.

210
Training
Hours



VICTIM Services

The Victim Services Unit is a collaborative effort including CBRPD and the police departments of Doylestown Township, Buckingham Township and Plumstead Township.

The VSU is funded by Office of Victims of Crime (Jan-Sept) and PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency (Oct-Dec). Pictured (back row) Det Crusemire (BTPD), Det Larkin (PTPD), Sgt Det Kreuter (CBRPD) and Det Caraballo (DTPD). (front row) VSU Karen Edwards and Liz Leone



Services provided:

- 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

481
Victims
Served

175
Personal
Accompaniments

28
Victim
Compensation
Claims

Medical PSYCHOTHERAPIST

We welcomed Peg Courts to our team in 2023! Peg's role includes working with the VSU providing counseling sessions for victims of crime. Peg also compliments our Officer Wellness program offering services as requested.

Funding provided by PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency.



Peg Courts, RN, PhD, LBS, CCTP

RECOGNITION

NEW HIRES

Officer Stephen Murray
Sworn in September 9, 2023



Officer Daniel Boyle
Sworn in December 21, 2023
Effective January 2024)



Officer Kaitlyn Roth
Sworn in December 21, 2023
(Effective January 2024)



Officer Thomas Wood
Sworn in December 21, 2023
(Effective January 2024)



PROMOTION

Corporal Sean Tropiano
Promoted 12/21/23 (effective Jan 2024)



COMMENDATIONS

Lifesaving Commendation – March 23, 2023
Sgt Derstine, Ofc Peppelman, Ofc Conboy, Cpl Albillar

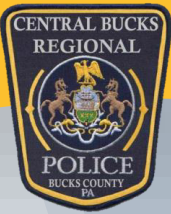


Distinguished Unit Citation – March 23, 2023
Ofc Tropiano, Sgt Dietz, Det Lubold, Ofc Hochmuth,
Det Sgt Kreuter



Lifesaving Commendation – March 23, 2023
Ofc Conboy





Our BUDGET

COST DISTRIBUTION

CBRPD utilizes a fair and equitable formula of cost distribution that is applied to each participating municipality. The formula is based on the average of population, calls for service, crimes and road miles over the previous three-year period.



2023 Budget
\$6,829,021

Revenue
\$7,033,224

Expenditures
\$6,970,391

UNDER BUDGET
\$62,833

REVENUE STREAMS *Beyond the Tax-Based Budget*



FUNDERS	INITIATIVE/EQUIP/TECH
PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency	Victim Services Unit (Oct-Dec) Medical Psychologist Live-Scan Technician Mobile Data Terminals Leadership Succession Planning
Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)	De-Escalation Virtual Reality Training
Office of Victims of Crime	Victim Services Unit (Jan-Sep)
Bureau of Justice Assistance	Body Worn Camera Leasing Program
Police Foundation	K9 General Support and Annual Training Certification Leadership Training
DVIT	Power DMS Software

BEYOND the Badge



Ofc Hochmuth and K9 Baron visit the Fire Dept



The VSU participated in "Survivor Voices" Event



Annual Toys for Tots Campaign



Ofc Kutys and Cpl Interrante National Night Out



Captain Carlen and the Staff host Halloween Hullabaloo



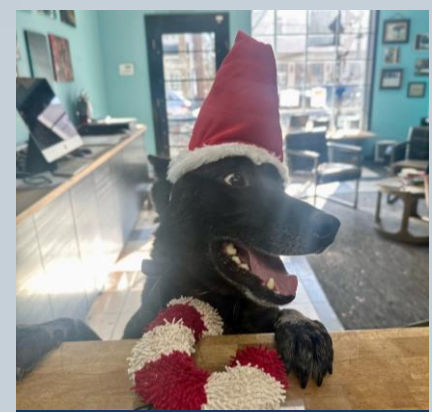
Chief Knott meets with a Pre-Historic visitor



Officer Conboy at Shop with a Cop



Officer Kutys & K9 Odie visits school



K9 Baron visiting shops around town

Thank YOU

We thank our residents and
Borough Councils for trusting us
to make your community safer
and more welcoming!

Sign up to receive police information:

<https://bucks.crimewatchpa.com/centralbucksregionalpd>



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Police Department
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