



WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Prepared by the Administrative Division of the Warren County Sheriff's Office.

Year in Review 2019

January 2020

2019 YEAR IN REVIEW

Greetings,

We are pleased to provide you with our 2019 annual report. We remained extremely busy and working hard to provide for the safety and security of our Warren County residents and visitors.

We have continued to work proactively against those drugs that impact our communities. Overdose deaths continued to decline in 2019.

Both Deerfield Township and South Lebanon are in the early stages of planning new or upgrades to our Sheriff's deputy posts. The leadership on the board and council of each of these communities continue to look for ways to improve our overall service.

On the evening of November 26, 2019, Deputies Brandon vonAhlefeld and Ed Pangallo responded to assist the Ohio State Highway Patrol with a head-on crash investigation on Interstate 71. The vehicle contained one adult male and two small children. Having to break the car window, Deputy Pangallo assisted to remove two small children from the vehicle. Accessing the severity of Landyn's (age 3) condition and still waiting on the arrival of the emergency squad, Deputies vonAhlefeld and Pangallo made a quick decision to transport Landyn Bethesda Hospital. Because of these decisions and actions, Landyn is recovering from his injuries. Many medical staff reported Deputies vonAhlefeld and Pangallo actions saved Landyn's life.

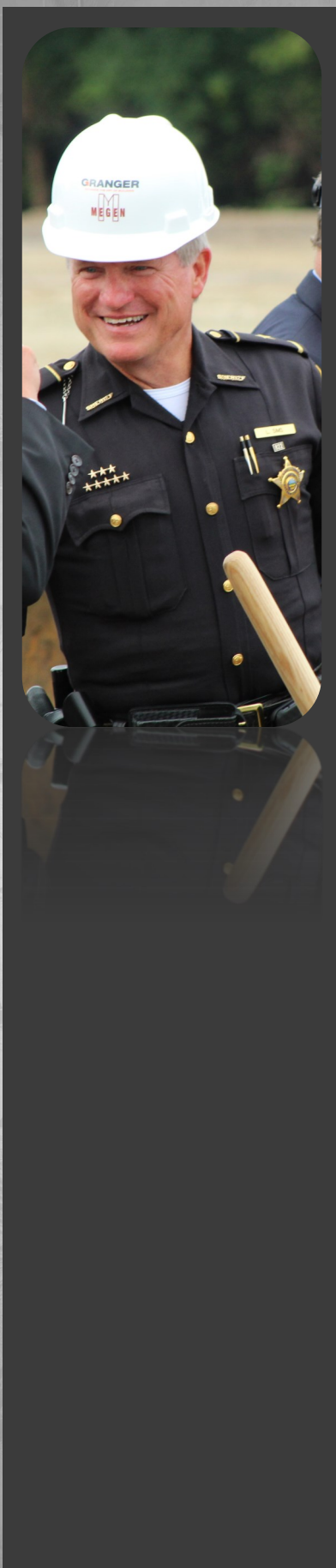
In the early morning hours on December 13, 2019, deputy sheriff's responded to a shooting at an Oregonia Rd address just outside Lebanon. The investigation revealed an elaborate scheme by the female teenage resident, along with five others. This plan, orchestrated by five teenagers, was to lure another individual to the girl's residence with the intention of robbing and kidnapping him. As the meeting between the girl and would be victim was taking place, two individuals armed with a baseball bat and firearm moved in. It appears the robbery victim, armed himself, fired several shots to protect himself. This left one of the teenagers dead and another wounded. Four people have been charged with murder, but the investigation is on-going.



Lastly, our Sheriff Office/Jail project still remains on schedule for the summer 2021.

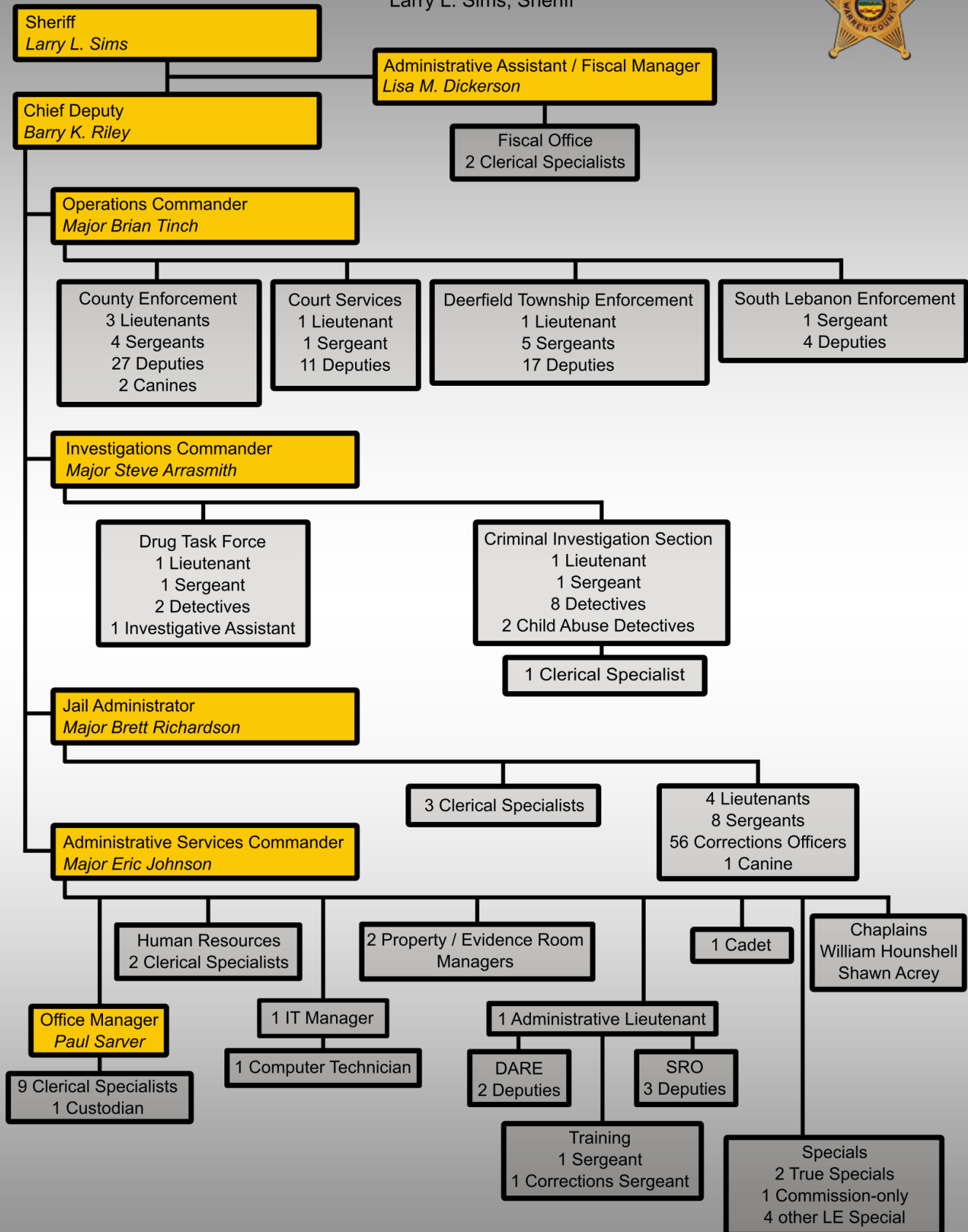
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Sheriff Larry L. Sims



Warren County Sheriff's Office 2020 Organizational Chart

Larry L. Sims, Sheriff

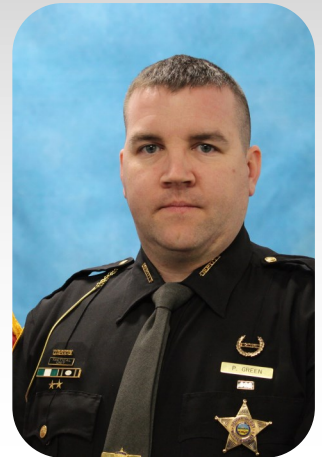


EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Every year our office recognizes employees who are nominated by their peers and/or supervisors for their exceptional duty and willingness to go above and beyond to serve our community. An employee of the year is selected for each of three categories; civilian, corrections, and deputy sheriff. Congratulations to 2019's employees of the year.

DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE YEAR

Deputy Phillip Green



CORRECTIONS OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Corrections Officer Ellie Davis



CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR

Civilian Kathleen Farmer



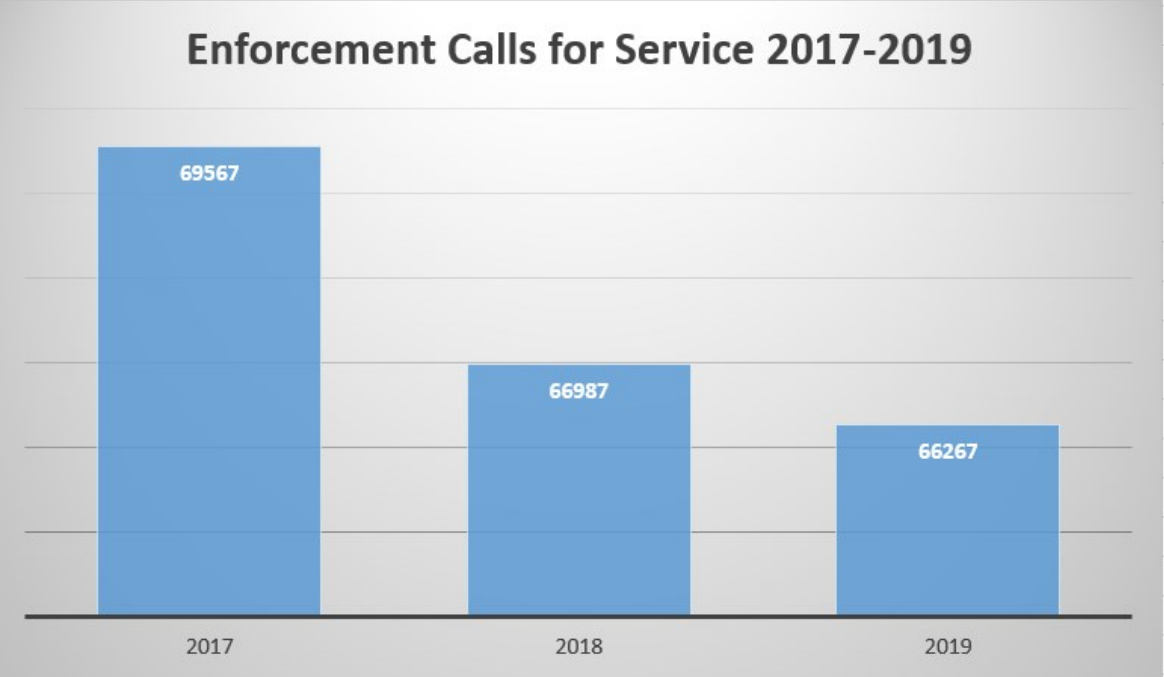
OPERATIONS DIVISION



The Warren County Sheriff's Office Operations Division is comprised of two sections: Road Enforcement and Court Services Section.

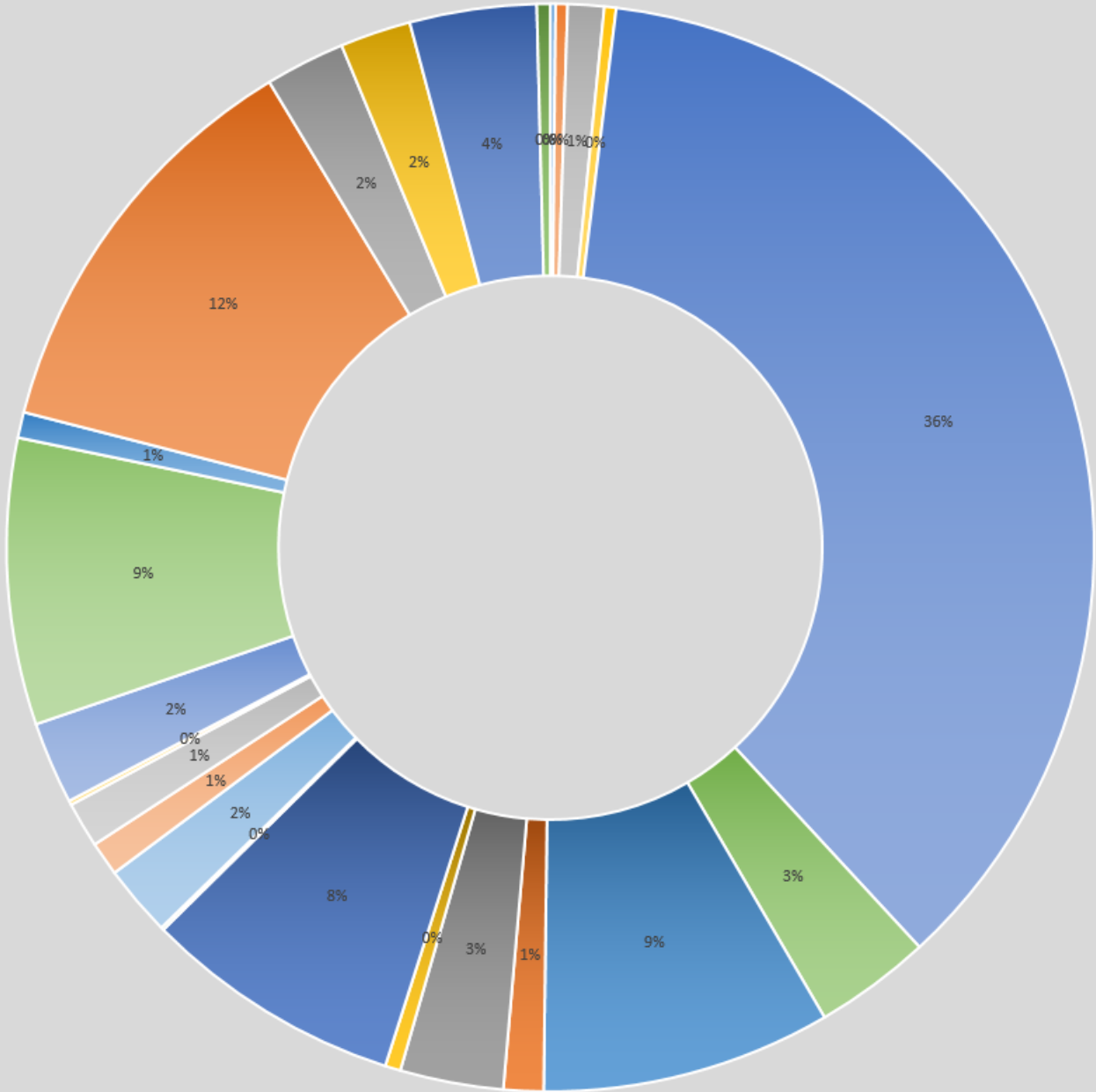
ENFORCEMENT SECTION

The Enforcement Section is comprised of the uniformed men and women that are assigned to the Court Services Section, County Road Enforcement, Deerfield Township Enforcement, and South Lebanon/Union Township Enforcement. In 2019, this section handled a combined 66,267 calls for services.



Calls for Service by Area 2019

■ Butlerville 97	■ Carlisle 221	■ Clearcreek Twp 675	■ Corwin 220	■ Deerfield Twp 22659	■ Franklin 2169
■ Franklin Twp 5391	■ Hamilton Twp 742	■ Harlan Twp 1921	■ Harveysburg 289	■ Lebanon 4817	■ Maineville 54
■ Mason 1323	■ Massie Twp 635	■ Morrow 844	■ Pleasant Plain 80	■ Salem Twp 1533	■ South Lebanon 5326
■ Springboro 478	■ Turtlecreek Twp 7731	■ Union Twp 1486	■ Washington Twp 1318	■ Wayne Twp 2360	■ Waynesville 248



CANINE UNIT

2019 was again a year of transition for the Warren County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit. Canines Vader and Hendrix were welcomed to the agency at the first of the year, while canine Luna continued to serve the corrections department throughout the year.

Canine Teams

Handler Deputy Noah Billmaier and Hendrix, a sable German Sheppard.

Handler Deputy Kelly Hammonds and Vader, a black and tan German Sheppard.

Handler Corrections Officer Jennifer Ladrigan—Holt and Luna, a yellow Labrador Retriever

2019 Corrections Canine Stats

Canine Uses	368
Drug/Paraphernalia Finds	50

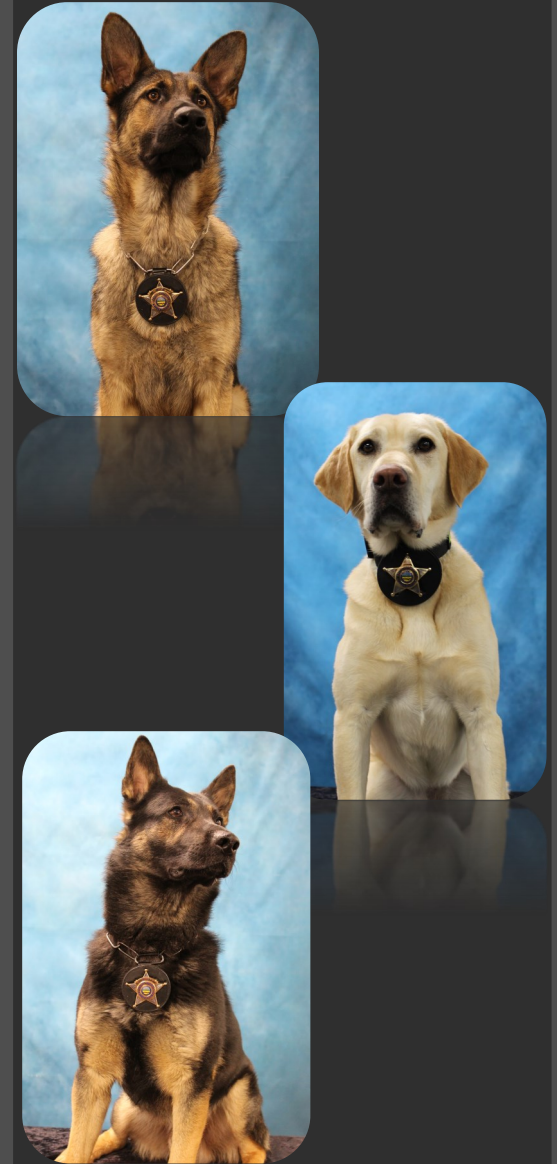
2019 Enforcement Canine Stats

Drug Sniffs	179
Tracks	37
Finds	10
Article Searches	11
Area Searches	2
Canine Demonstrations	35

2019 Narcotics and Money

Marijuana	1990.18 Grams*
Heroin	33 Grams*
Methamphetamine	383.7 Grams*
Money	\$3890.00

*These totals reflect joint investigations with the Warren County Drug Task Force



CANINE UNIT

Top: Canine Hendrix
Middle: Canine Luna
Bottom: Canine Vader

COURT SERVICES SECTION

The Court Services Section is responsible for providing security and inmate transportation to several of our courts within Warren County. This section also has the responsibility for serving civil and criminal process for these courts.

Court Transports

2019 Court Transports

Common Pleas	2804
Juvenile	193
County Court	413
Lebanon	435
Franklin	423
Mason	667

2019 Courtroom Hours

Common Pleas	1275
Juvenile	80
County Court	271
Lebanon	302
Franklin	356
Mason	484
South Lebanon	6
Springboro	15

General Transports

Total Transports	5,787 Miles
Total Mileage Traveled	141,809 Miles

Civil and Criminal Process Service

Warrants Served	3144
Miles Traveled	115,055
Subpoenas / Summons Served	5,189
Subpoenas / Summons Attempted	8,223

The Sheriff's Office is also tasked with serving and processing special court orders with varying details. In 2019 the Warren County Sheriff's Office Court Services Section completed many of these orders.

Writs of Execution Served	1
Miles Traveled	48
Writs of Possession Served	3
Miles Traveled	261

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

The Warren County Sheriff's Office Corrections Division is comprised of several subsections, including the emergency response team, the corrections canine unit, the security threat group, and the evidence technician team.



CORRECTIONS SECTION

2019 Inmate Booking and Releases

Bookings	4,811	Monthly Average	400
Releases	4,824	Monthly Average	402

Total number of inmates booked or released from the facility 9, 635

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Warren County Jail's Emergency Response Team was very active in 2019. The team completed 2 cell extractions, as well as 2 unplanned facility searches. The team also participated in a yearly mass casualty drill. The drill was a coordinated effort between the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Warren County Jail Medical Department, Warren County Emergency Management Agency, and the Lebanon Fire Department.

CORRECTIONS CANINE UNIT

Officer Jennifer Holt and her K9 partner Luna train 16 hours a month. Luna's primary responsibility is to patrol the Correctional Facility and perform Contraband Control. Luna has had 368 uses in and around the facility in which she has located drugs or drug paraphernalia 50 times.



SECURITY THREAT GROUP

The officers assigned to this team keep track of inmates who are known members of security threat groups (STGs). Throughout 2019 we have housed members from the following STGs; Cincinnati White Boys, Aryan Brotherhood, Bloods, Konvicted Family, Surenos, Aryan Nation, Hollywood Hellcats.

EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN TEAM

2019 was the second full year that we have had evidence technicians in the jail. This was started by Major Brett Richardson in 2017 and is comprised of one supervisor and two corrections officers. Throughout 2019, the jail's Evidence Technicians assisted with documenting 11 investigations ranging from documenting use of force to criminal investigations.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION



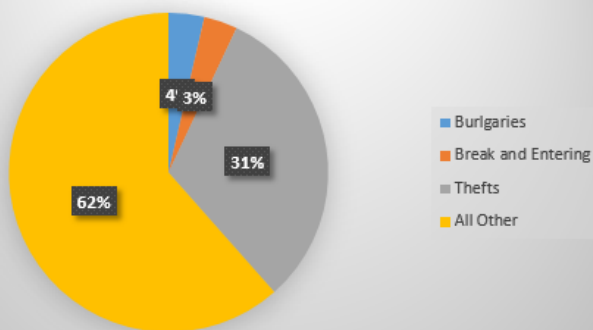
The Warren County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division is comprised of the Criminal Investigation Section and Warren County Drug Task Force.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

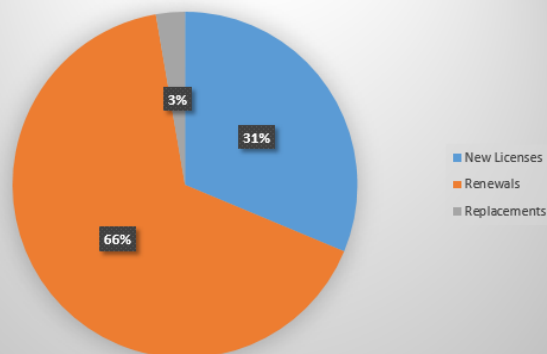
In 2019, the Investigation Section was assigned 442 cases. Of the cases assigned, there were 15 breaking and entering cases, 16 burglary cases, and 139 theft cases. The Criminal Investigation Section also served 47 search warrants and investigated 1 homicide this year. During the same time, the Investigation Section closed 472, including 63 that were closed by arrest.

In 2019 there were 3539 total CCW permits issued. Of those, 1107 were new licenses, 2336 were renewal licenses, and 96 were replacements.

Cases Assigned to CIS 2019



2019 CCWs by Type

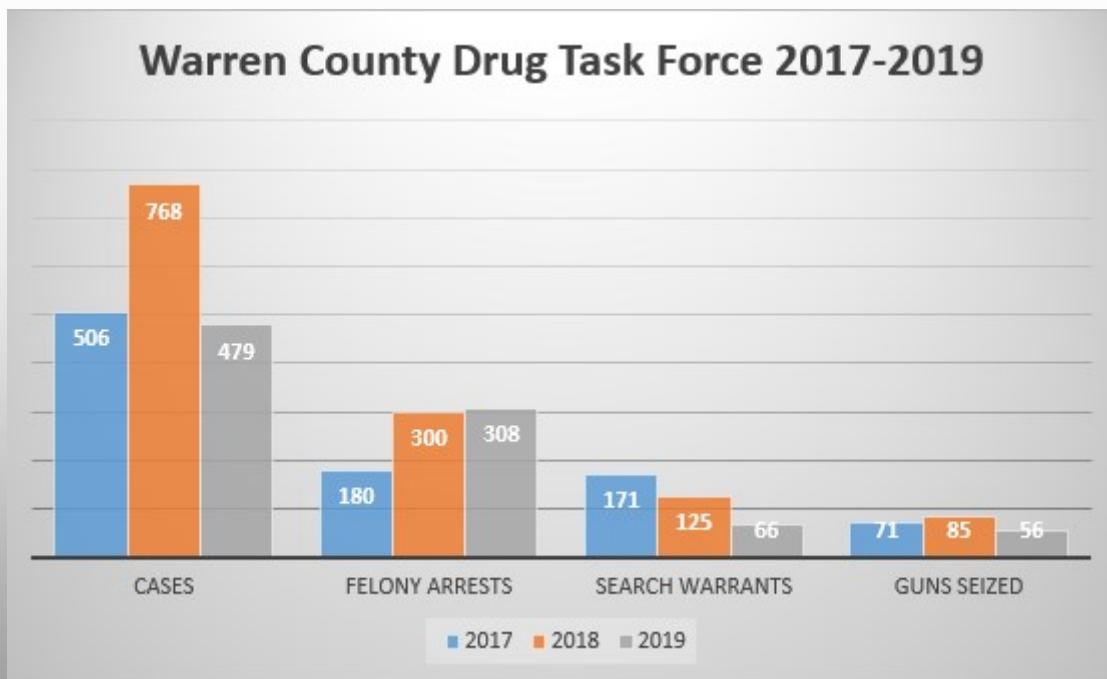


WARREN COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

The WCDTF has a staff of **23** law enforcement and support personnel provided by the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Warren County Prosecutor's Office, Springboro Police Department, Lebanon Police Department, Franklin Police Department, Wilmington Police Department, Monroe Police Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSP), and the Ohio National Guard, Counterdrug Unit.

During 2019, our investigations activity included **479** new criminal cases and drug tips from our detective unit, and **314** cases from our uniform criminal patrol staff. These combined investigations resulted in **308** felony arrests and **149** misdemeanor arrests. During 2019, overall enforcement efforts resulted in **2,008** vehicle traffic stops, **288** K9 deployments/sniffs, **66** search warrants, and the seizure of **56** firearms.

Because of the long term nature of our investigations, many will remain active through 2020.



ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION



The Warren County Sheriff's Office Administrative Services Division is comprised of several sections, including the Community Services Section, the D.A.R.E./SRO Section, the Training Section, the Human Resources Section, the Property Evidence Room Section and the Support Services Section.

COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION

Our Community Services Section is very proactive in educating and engaging the citizens of Warren County in many fashions such as:

- D.A.R.E.
- School Resource Deputies
- Crime Prevention Tips
- Women's Self Defense Classes
- Block Watch Meetings
- Neighborhood Watch Meetings
- Safety tips for High School students prior to attending college
- Citizen's Police Academy



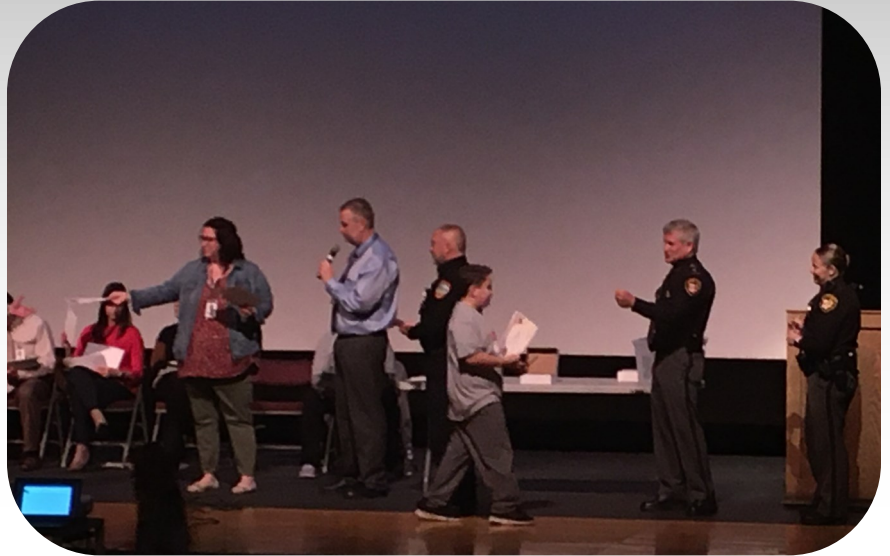
D.A.R.E./CRIME PREVENTION

Dare Program

In 2019, Deputies Kelly McKay and Nick Caito taught the D.A.R.E. program to Elementary and Junior High students throughout Warren County.

The program is made possible through joint funding by the Warren County Sheriff and the Drug Abuse Prevention Grant. The grant provided \$26,538.20 in funding for drug abuse education.

Deputies were able to teach 4,276 students D.A.R.E. curriculum during the 2018-2019 school year. We also had contact with approximately 1,650 additional students through community programs which provided drug prevention education



Safety / Crime Prevention Courses offered in 2018

- Active Assailant Prevention Training
- Self-Defense instruction to young women attending college
- Self-Defense instruction offered to women of all ages
- After School Safety classes in conjunction with schools
- Enriching Kids Baby Sitting Class
- Safety Town for Children in Deerfield Township and the City of Franklin
- Security Assessments of Local Business and Churches

Warren County Police Camp

In 2019, we teamed up again with Camp Joy to conduct the 7th annual Warren County Police Camp. Together we offered a free weekend camp to approximately 50 children. These students were each nominated by their school counselor as a candidate for the weekend retreat. The camp enables us to reach students by engaging in team building skills, providing them an opportunity to developed social relationships with other students, and through interaction with positive adult role models.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The Warren County Sheriff's Office is committed to school safety and has assigned deputies to the Warren County Career Center and Kings Local Schools. These deputies conduct training for staff and students related to campus safety. They also constantly monitor and recommend any necessary revisions relating to the school safety plans to the appropriate building administrators.



Deputy John Downs is assigned to Kings Junior High and High School.

Deputy Ron Smith is assigned to the Warren County Career Center.

Deputy Charles Hale is assigned to cover Columbia Intermediate, JF Burns, Kings Mills Elementary, and the Kings Education Center.

TRAINING SECTION

The Training Section remains dedicated to training at the highest level of professionalism and safety for each and every member of our organization and members of agencies located in Warren County.

In 2019, the Training Section hosted the first Warren County Sheriff's Office Corrections Academy. 11 Students from four different agencies participated in the 5 week long academy. During this time, students studied a state approved curriculum meant to prepare them for corrections officer roles within their agencies.



In addition to hosting the corrections academy, the training staff facilitated many different types of training sessions totaling **7,288** hours of training for members of our law enforcement community. This year our Training Section participated in planning and instructing training for all of our county's law enforcement agencies. This training was in conjunction with our county's Combined Law Enforcement Training Team.



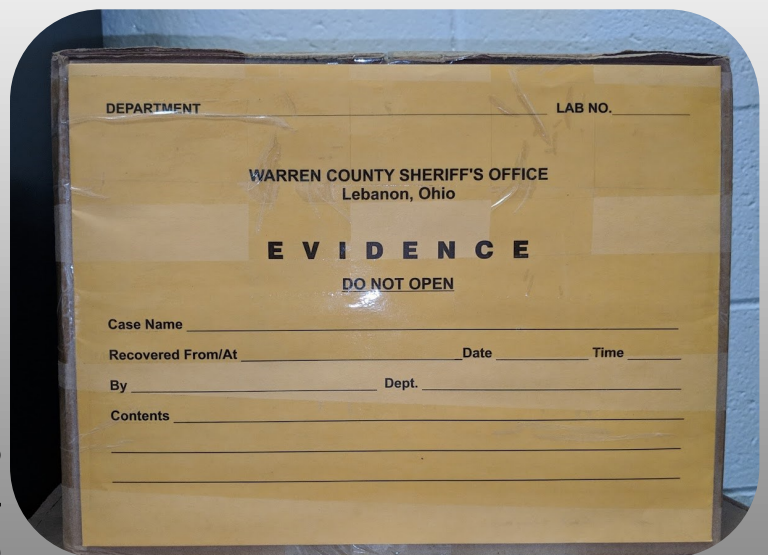
The Combined Law Enforcement Training Team is made up of dedicated law enforcement trainers from many of our county's police departments. This year's training took place at Kings Island and covered topics such as officer rescue, building search, and felony stops. Over the course of 10 days, 244 law enforcement officers from all of our law enforcement agencies and departments were trained.

PROPERTY EVIDENCE ROOM SECTION

Our Property Evidence Room Section is responsible for all property and evidence that our office takes control of and/or has custody of. Our office has two Property Room Evidence Managers that are dedicated to maintaining, controlling, disposing and releasing property and evidence.

In 2019 the property evidence room took in 1462 cases and 3244 items. Of those 3244 items, 801 were flash cards with photos.

In addition to the items received, 343 items were disposed of either by destruction order or by returning the item to its owner.



HUMAN RESOURCES

The Human Resources section is responsible for the processing and maintaining of personnel files and payroll duties.

Our office received and processed hundreds of applications in 2019. We conducted 13 examinations for corrections officers, deputy sheriffs, clerical specialists, and cadets. These examinations included written tests, interviews, and extensive background examinations. Hundreds of hours are spent selecting the right candidate to fill a roll in our office.

Throughout the year we had 1 enforcement lieutenant, 1 detective, and 1 corrections sergeant retire. In addition to retirements, we hired 8 Correction Officers, 3 Deputy Sheriffs, and 1 Cadet. 1 corrections officer was also promoted to corrections sergeant.

SUPPORT SERVICES

This section is comprised of Clerical Specialists who maintaining our vast records management systems. Additionally, these individuals assist the public with records, sheriff sales, and Webchecks.

2019 Sheriff Sales

Our office received 266 sheriff sales and completed 129 sheriff sales. 105 Sheriff sales were canceled either before or after the sale was completed. Our office has seen a decrease in sheriff sales since 2012. In 2012 our office received 1,338 Orders for Sale. Of those orders, 844 were completed and 602 were cancelled prior to the sale.

2019 Public Records Request

Our office filled 2,559 requests for public records and 1,038 local background checks.

2019 Webcheck

Our office completed 2,190 Webchecks for our citizens.

2019 Vacation House Checks

We received 213 vacation house check requests.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This document was prepared by the administrative services section of the Warren County Sheriff's Office. If you have questions or would like additional information on any of the topics within, please feel free to reach out to Major Eric Johnson.

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