WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Year in Review

2018

January 2019

2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



Greetings,

We are pleased to provide you with our 2018 annual report. As you will see, we remain extremely busy providing a variety of services to our Warren County residents, employers and visitors.

As in the last couple of years, we continue to battle the heroin issue that impacts so many families and communities. Even though we have seen somewhat of a decline recently in overdoses, we are seeing an increase in the use of crystal meth. While it may seem odd to some of you, users have reported making the switch because they don't want to die on heroin. This type of thought process further complicates the larger picture of fighting addiction. We will continue to work hard with our courts and service providers in hopes of giving those addicted an opportunity to save their lives.

After a few months of being without our K-9 resources, we recently obtained our next two trained police dogs. German Shepherds, Vader and Hendrix, arrived just a couple of weeks ago. Deputies Kelly Hammonds and Noah Billmaier will be in training with their new partners in the very near future. Vader and Hendrix will be trained to be dual purpose dogs that will enable them to not only sniff out drugs but will search and locate evidence as well as suspects. This resource has also proven very effective in locating missing people suffering from illnesses.

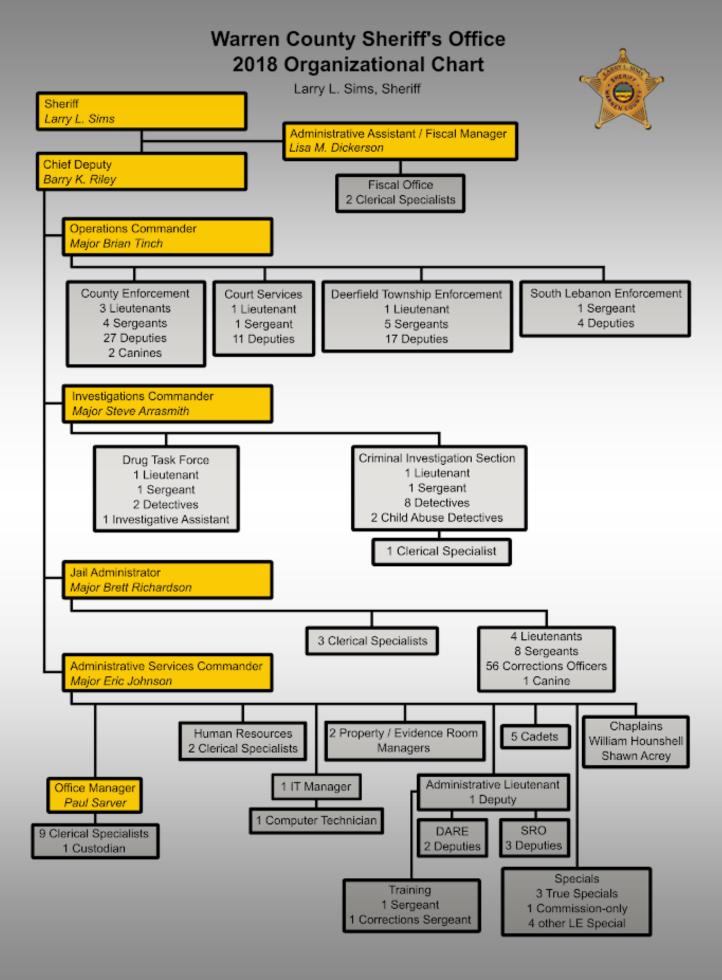
We anticipate that Warren County will be operating under a new and more efficient records management system later this year. This has been a very time consuming and complex project but will be worth it in the end. Our partner, Central Square Technologies, will allow us to provide county-wide services in the form of Computer Aided Dispatch, Records Management, Mobile Software, Evidence Tracking, and Jail Management.

Kings School District's 2018-2019 school year began with the addition of School Resource Officer Deputy Charlie Hale. Deputy John Downs has been serving several years as Kings High School and Junior High School SRO. In the wake of safety issues facing our schools and communities across our country, many of us are searching for ways to improve the overall security of our children while also being able to fund these improvements. Kudo's to our Deerfield Township Trustees that approved increased staffing for our Sheriff's Office post. Without giving it a second thought, the Trustees approved the assignment of one of the new positions as an SRO.

Lastly, I will provide a brief update on the progress of our new Jail/Sheriff's Office. We have been working diligently with our architects to finalize the design of the new facility. Ground breaking is targeted for July of this year. We are still a long way off as the construction time is estimated to take about twenty-two months.

Larry & Simo

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 2018's employees of the year.

DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE YEAR

Deputy Chet Tewmey



CORRECTIONS OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Corrections Officer Bradley Marshall



CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR

Civilian Dana Chiaramonte



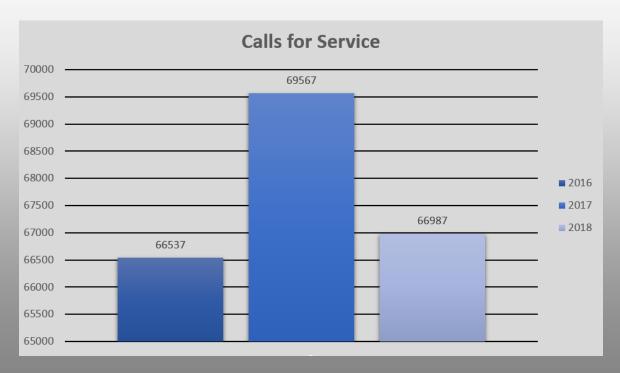
OPERATIONS DIVISION



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

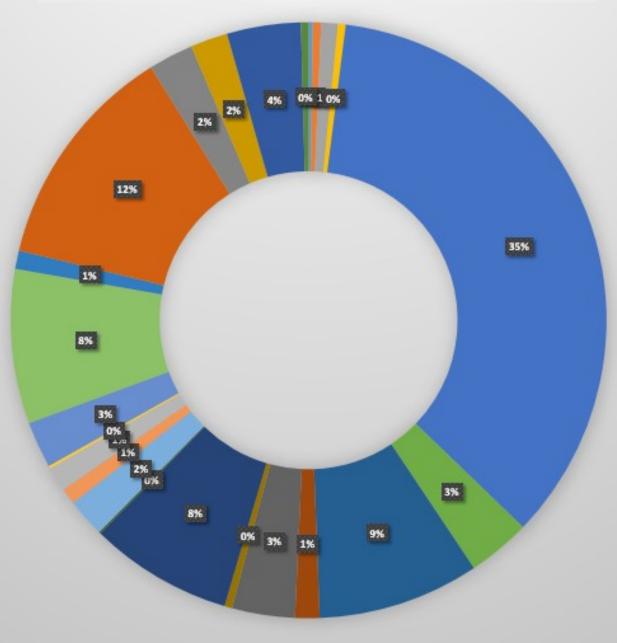
ENFORCEMENT SECTION

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 2018, this section handled a combined 66,987 calls for services. That is a 4% decrease since 2017.









CANINE UNIT

2018 was a year of transition for the Warren County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit. In late 2017 Canine Tango was retired, followed by Canine Axle in September of 2018. Canine Luna continued to serve the corrections department throughout the year.

Canine Teams

Handler Deputy Jack Simpson – Axel, a Black and Tan German Shepherd

Handler Officer Jennifer Ladrigan-Holt, a tan Labrador Retriever

2018 Corrections Canine Stats

Canine Uses	330
Drug Paraphernalia Finds	31

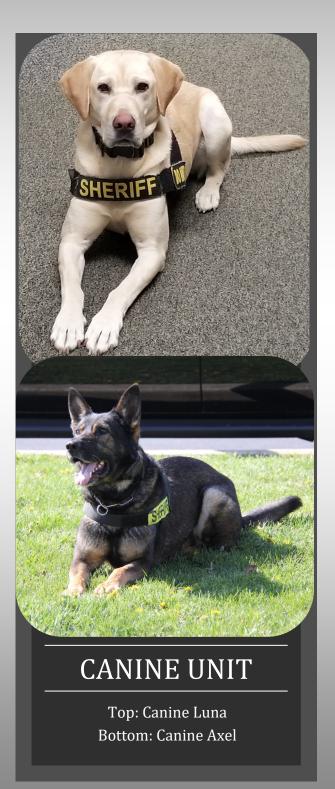
2018 Enforcement Canine Stats

Vehicle and Building Searches	46
Tracks	10
Finds	2
Article Searches	2
Area Searches	5
Canine Demonstrations	18

2018 Narcotics and Money

Marijuana	20,411.7 Grams*
Heroin	6 Grams*
Methamphetamine	254 Grams*
Hash Wax	12lbs*

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



COURT SERVICES SECTION

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

Court Transports

2018 Court Transports		2018 Courtroom Hours	
Common Pleas	2905	Common Pleas	1271
Juvenile	334	Juvenile	107
County Court	397	County Court	247
Lebanon	440	Lebanon	303
Franklin	429	Franklin	362
Mason	671	Mason	508
South Lebanon	2	South Lebanon	11
		Springboro	13

General Transports

Total Transports	5,971 Miles
Total Mileage Traveled	141,236 Miles

Civil and Criminal Process Service

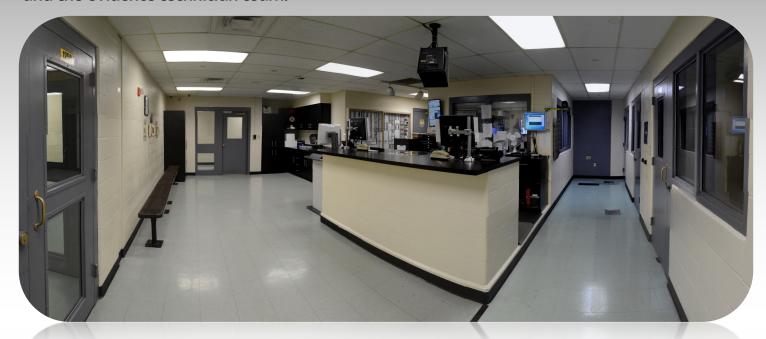
Warrants Served	2909
Miles Traveled	98,864
Subpoenas / Summons Served	5,448
Subpoenas / Summons Attempted	8,697

The Sheriff's Office is also tasked with serving and processing special court orders with varying details. In 2018 the Warren County Sheriff's Office Court Services Section completed many of these orders.

Writs of Restitution Served	26
Miles Traveled	1402
Writs of Possession Served	24
Miles Traveled	1263

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

2018 Inmate Booking and Releases

Bookings 4,984 Monthly Average 415 Releases 4,853 Monthly Average 404

Total number of inmates booked or released from the facility -9,837

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Warren County Jail's Emergency Response Team completed seven operations in 2018. The planned operations included: yearly power outage and emergency evacuation drill, yearly mass casualty drill, emergency housing unit evacuation drill, three cell extractions, one planned facility search and one unplanned facility search where inmates were planning a large scale disturbance.

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 Contraband Control. Luna has had 330 uses in and around the facility in which she has located drugs or drug paraphernalia 31 times.



SECURITY THREAT GROUP

The officers assigned to this team keep track of inmates who are known members of security threat groups. Throughout 2018 we have housed members of the following STG's; Outlaws MC, Hollywood Hell Cats, Mexican Mafia, Bloods, Crips, KKK, Cincinnati White Boys and 88s. There are currently 15 inmates housed in our facility who are affiliated with a Security Threat Group.

EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN TEAM

This is the first full year that we have had evidence technicians in the jail. This was started by Major Brett Richardson in 2017 and is complimented by one supervisor and three corrections officers. All members of this team have completed their training throughout 2018. The jail's Evidence Technicians assisted with documenting 21 investigations from in house jail rule infractions and criminal investigations.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

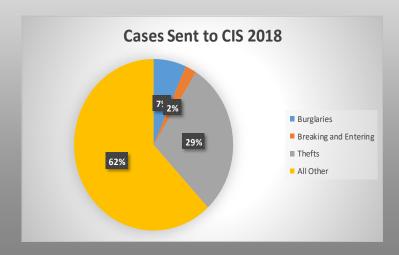


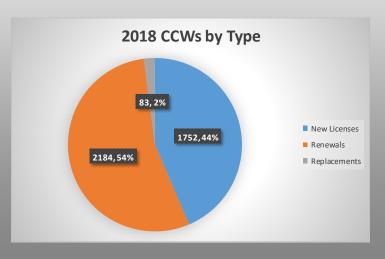
The Warren County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation Division is comprised of the Criminal Investigation Section and Warren County Drug Task Force.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

In 2018, the Investigation Section investigated 347 cases. The Investigation Section closed 446 cases. Of the 446 cases closed 74 were closed with arrest. Many of these crimes were property and non-violent crimes. In 2018 there were 8 Breaking and Entering, 23 Burglary and 101 Theft cases assigned to the Investigative Section. The Criminal Investigation Section also investigated 1 homicide this year.

In 2018 there were 4019 total CCW permits issued . Of those, 1752 were new licenses, 2184 were renewal licenses, and 83 were replacements.

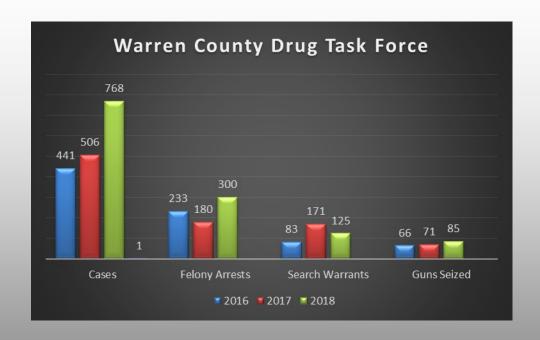




WARREN COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

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 2018, combined investigations & interdiction operations resulted in **768** criminal cases. Drug Task Force detectives conducted **482** of those cases utilizing various specialized techniques and common undercover tactics for drug enforcement. Our uniform interdiction staff produced **286** criminal cases and conducted **2,291** vehicle traffic stops, deploying their drug detection K9's **209** times. These combined investigations resulted in **300** felony arrests and **159** misdemeanor arrests. Because of the long term nature of our investigations, many will remain active through 2019. During 2018, combined enforcement efforts resulted in **125** search warrants, and the seizure of **85** firearms.



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 Sections, 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 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



D.A.R.E/CRIME PREVENTION

Dare Program

In the 2017-2018 school year, 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 \$38,271.50 in funding for drug abuse education.



Deputies were able to teach 3,931 students D.A.R.E. curriculum during the 2017-2018 school year. We also had contact with approximately 4,400 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
- Decision Making Classes for Youth
- Safety Town for Children in Deerfield Township and the City of Franklin
- Security Assessments of Local Business and Churches

Local School Field Days

In May 2018, we participated in field day at Berry Intermediate and St. Francis de Sales Schools. This was a great opportunity to connect with the students on a different level. Several deputies from various divisions were able to participate in the activities.





Camp Joy

In 2018, we teamed up again with Camp Joy to conduct the 6th 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 Safety Plans for our schools to the appropriate building administrators.



In 2018, a second School Resource Officer, Deputy Charles Hale, was assigned to Kings Local School District. Deerfield Township provided the funding to add Deputy Hale's position. He is assigned to cover Columbia Intermediate, JF Burns, Kings Mill Elementary, and the Kings Education Center.

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

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

TRAINING SECTION

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

During 2018 the training staff facilitated many different types of training sessions totaling **4,843** hours of training for members of our law enforcement community. Training sessions included county wide active shooter training, specialized training sessions, and various inhouse training sessions.

This year our Training Section participated in planning and instructing active shooter 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 training took place at the old Lebanon Junior High School over ten days and trained 277 law enforcement officers from all of our law enforcement agencies and departments.



HUMAN RESOURCES

This section is responsible for the processing and maintaining personnel files and payroll duties.

Our office has received and processed hundreds of applications in 2018. We conducted 9 examinations for Corrections Officers, Deputy Sheriffs, and Cadets. These examinations included physical agility testing, written tests, interviews and extensive background examinations. Hundreds of hours are spent selecting the right candidate to be a part of our office.

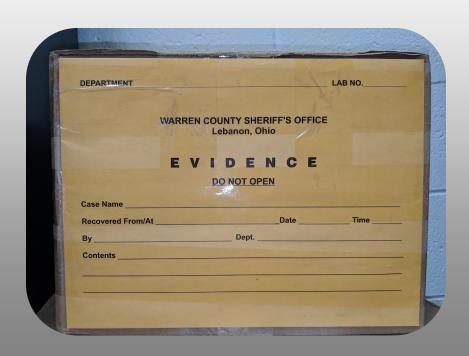
Throughout the year our office hired 12 Correction Officers, 4 Deputy Sheriffs, and 2 Cadets. We also promoted 2 Deputy Sheriffs to Sergeant and one Sergeant to Lieutenant.

Our office implemented a voluntary physical fitness test for Corrections Officer and Deputy Sheriffs. 42 employees participated, 36 received awards for their level of physical fitness.

PROPERTY EVIDENCE ROOM SECTION

Our Property Evidence Room Section is responsible for all property and evidence that our office takes control 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 2018 our Property Evidence Room Section received 2725 items and disposed/released 408 items.



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.

2018 Sheriff Sales

Our office received 275 sheriff sales and completed 264 sheriff sales. 78 Sheriff sales we 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 Order for Sale. Of those order 844 were completed and 602 were cancelled prior to the sale.

2018 Public Records Request

Our office filled 2,500 requests for public records and 1,068 local background checks.

2018 Webcheck

Our office completed 2,054 Webchecks for our citizens.

2018 Vacation House Checks

We received 219 vacation house check requests. Our deputies conducted 2,400 checks based on those requests.

