

# Gladstone Police Department

## Monthly Report

### December 2022





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF'S MONTHLY REPORT TO CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL



## CHIEF'S REPORT

December 2022

Greetings,

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For many, the month of December is a time to celebrate the holidays with friends and family. Your police departments focus was to ensure your safety and security along with taking the opportunity to engage with youth in our community.

The Gladstone Police Department was able to participate in the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Shop with a COP for the first time since 2019. Our police department members shopped with ten kids from the Gladstone community, selected by the Gladstone School District, to help them shop for family members. Law Enforcement agencies from all over Clackamas County participated in this event which was sponsored by the Clackamas County Peace Officers Benevolent Foundation. Members of the police department took the kids to breakfast before a two-hour shopping spree at the Fred Meyers on 82<sup>nd</sup> in Clackamas County. Volunteers were on hand to wrap their gifts.

Like past years, the Gladstone Police Department also initiated operation "Santa Squad". With the help of Elf Cathy, our Records Specialist, the police department received on line packages for residents of Gladstone in attempts to reduce thefts from porches. We advertised this program through our Face Book page along with the city newsletter. If this is the first you are hearing about our Christmas program, we will open up "Santa Squad" again in December of 2023.

Your police officers were out patrolling 24-7 responding to calls for service in hopes of maintaining safety and security as you can read about throughout this monthly report. The patrol officers were supported by grant funded officers working overtime to enforce and educate community members and visitors on traffic related laws within the city. Traffic safety remains a priority for the City and the police department will continue traffic safety missions through 2023.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and that 2023 brings you a safe and wonderful New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Schmerber".

John Schmerber, Chief of Police



GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

**DECEMBER 2022**



*"Respect ~Service ~Character ~Passion"*

GENERAL STATISTICS/TYPE	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	TOP 5 TRAFFIC CITE CHARGES	
Dispatched Incidents	480	6,569	6,561	0.12%	Speeding	35
Officer Initiated Incidents	529	4,962	6,117	-18.88%	Driving Uninsured	25
Total Number of Incidents	1,009	11,531	12,678	-9.05%	Driving While Suspended	18
Police Reports Filed	266	3,615	3,803	-4.94%	Fail to Obey a Traffic Control Decice	11
Traffic Contacts	347	2,748	3,118	-11.87%	Unlawful Use of Cell Phone	9
Citations Issued (Charges)	152	1,589	2,149	-26.06%	ALARM ADMINISTRATION REPORT	
Parking Citations	0	128	178	-28.09%	Renewals Billed	50
DUII	5	44	32	37.50%	Renewal Fees Collected	\$625.00
Community Policing Contacts	14	228	249	-8.43%	New Permits Issued	8
Murders	0	0	0	0.00%	False Alarms w/No Permit	3
K9 Deployments	3	46	31	48.39%	1st False Alarm Events	2
Tow Releases	1	17	37	-54.05%	2nd False Alarm Events	2
					3rd False Alarm Events	0
					4th False Alarm Events	1
					False alarm fees collected	\$150.00
					False alarm fees billed	\$350.00



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SELECTED CALLS FOR SERVICE**	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	SPECIFIC OVERTIME CATAGORIES	HOURS
Abuse/Neglect	2	37	26	42.31%	Cover Short Shift	107.75
Accident/Injury or Fatal	2	20	19	5.26%	Court	18.00
Accident/Property Damage	13	90	85	5.88%	Training	0.00
Assault	1	41	30	36.67%	Presentations/Meetings	6.25
Burglary	2	26	35	-25.71%	Traffic Grant	73.00
Domestic Disputes	15	214	181	18.23%	Special Assignment	3.00
Drugs/Narcotics	0	20	37	-45.95%	K9	18.75
Disturbance-Fights-Noise	13	176	191	-7.85%	SRO	3.00
Forgery/Fraud	6	84	95	-11.58%		
Hit and Run	5	45	71	-36.62%		
Ordinance Violations	24	151	169	-10.65%		
Runaway/Missing	9	72	67	7.46%		
Sex Offense	0	41	39	5.13%		
Suicide	6	65	96	-32.29%		
Suspicious Person or Circumstance	29	745	689	8.13%		
Thefts	15	273	245	11.43%		
Trespass/Prowler	7	158	162	-2.47%		
Vandalism	12	117	132	-11.36%		
Vehicles Recovered	3	45	36	25.00%		
Vehicles Stolen	5	87	59	47.46%		
Death(Not Suicide/Murder)	1	16	17	-5.88%		

\*\*Coded at time of dispatch, not final disposition



GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
BIAS MONTHLY REPORT TO  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL



## BIAS MONTHLY REPORT

REPORTED BY: Kristi Walls

December 2022

Bias crimes and incidents. The definition of a Bias Crime and Bias Incident can be found in the Oregon Revised Statutes at:

166.155 (Bias Crime in the second degree)

166.165 (Bias Crime in the first degree)

147.380 (b) (Bias Incident)

No Bias Crimes were reported.

No Bias Incidents were reported.

*Bias Incident defined: a person's hostile expression of animus toward another person, relating to the other person's perceived race, color, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or national origin, of which criminal investigation or prosecution is impossible or inappropriate. "Bias incident" does not include any incident in which probable cause of the commission of a crime is established by the investigating law enforcement officer.*



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by Detective Fich

December 2022

### New Cases Assigned:

1. 22-023791 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/14/2022
2. 22-010606. Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/15/2022
3. 22-028058 Child Abuse (physical) Assigned 12/15/2022

### Current Caseload:

1. 22-011974 Rape. GPD Detective call-out on 05/27/22. Crime lab results pending
2. 22-012327 Robbery I. Assigned 05/31/22. Crime lab results pending
3. 22-021043 Rape. Assigned 09/17/22
4. 22-026151 Criminal Mistreatment/Child Abuse. Referral from CCSO on 11/17/22
5. 22-026181 Prostitution/Purchasing Sex with a Minor. Assigned 11/20/22
6. 22-023791 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/14/2022
7. 22-010606. Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/15/2022
8. 22-028058 Child Abuse (physical) Assigned 12/15/2022

**Cases Cleared:** All cases remain under investigation





**GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**K9 MONTHLY REPORT**  
**TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL**



**K9 MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by: Officer Olson**

**December 2022**

K9 Nanuk is a six year-old German Shepherd born in Slovakia. At seven weeks old K9 Nanuk was sold to a man in Germany who started training K9 Nanuk. In Germany in order to breed a dog they must achieve a sport title. In Germany the primary sport is schutzhund. schutzhund training is comprised of three separate parts, they are obedience, tracking, and protection work. You can accomplish three levels of titles from this training. K9 Nanuk was imprinted with the beginning knowledge in schutzhund training however he was sold at a young age and he had not achieved a title. Most working dogs are sold to kennels where police agencies purchase them with some sport dog training up to titled dogs in sport training. The training is then adapted to police work.

Officer	K9 Deployments GPD	K9 Deployments Other Agencies	K9 Training Hours
Olson	1	2	12

This month K9 Nanuk and I responded to three calls for service where he was deployed.

We tracked back to back one evening. The first track was for Lake Oswego Police on a burglary at a restaurant. Officers thought it was likely that the suspect was still on scene or close by. We tracked over a mile from the business before we lost the track. The next call was for Oregon City Police, needing a K9 for a robbery that occurred. We responded and tracked for a significant distance before discontinuing the search.

Milwaukie had a vehicle elude them and eventually the vehicle was located in Clackamas County. The vehicle was surrounded and K9 Nanuk and I assisted with a high risk traffic stop. The driver surrendered and was taken into custody without incident.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by **Sgt. Okerman**

**December 2022**

12/2 A traffic crash occurred on Risley Ave when a vehicle pulled out of a driveway without checking to make sure both directions were clear. Immediately after the crash, the passenger of the at fault vehicle jumped out of the car and took off running. After interviewing the driver, officers believed the passenger fled the crash because they had a warrant but the driver refused to identify his passenger. The driver was issued several citations.

Gladstone officers were dispatched to what was believed to be a road rage situation. The caller was being followed by another driver through town. Officers finally caught up to the vehicles once they had traveled down a dead-end and stopped just outside the City. This originated and ended in the county but CCSO was busy so GPD assisted in de-escalating and documenting the situation as no clear criminal nexus was present.

12/3 Officers were called to First St for a civil situation. When officers arrived there was a male who was angrily moving things out of a house and harassing a female inside. Officers learned the female had a restraining order that needed to be served on the male. Officers were able to serve the RO and complete the standby for the male to remove his property.

12/12 An officer working a traffic detail stopped a suspended driver who had a warrant. The driver was issued several citations and transported to jail.

12/13 A concerned citizen called to report a subject smoking Marijuana at the Gladstone Nature Trail. The caller was concerned the subject would drive off impaired with the child they had with them. Officers responded and investigated. The subject showed signs of impairment but had not driven yet. They were allowed to walk their child to school and come back later to retrieve their car. They were also issued a 30-day exclusion from the park for smoking Marijuana in a public place.

It was reported people were dumping trash at Meldrum Bar Park. A truck pulling a trailer had stopped in the middle of the trailer parking area of the boat launch and they began throwing items from the boat. Officers responded but the vehicle had already left. We were unable to determine who the subjects were and notified Public Works for the clean-up.

12/14 An officer located the Hit and Run suspect from Kearn's Market in the passenger seat of a car driving down the road. The officer stopped the car and was able to safely take the suspect



## **OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....**

into custody. The suspect gave a full confession of their involvement in the incident. The suspect was transported to jail.

12/16 An officer came upon a crashed vehicle in front of Tukwila Springs. A single SUV had left the roadway and took out a mailbox and utility pole. The pole held the school zone sign and lights for the middle school. The vehicle was not occupied. Officers checked the area but did not locate the driver. Public Works was called to remove the pole from the SUV so it could be searched and towed. This hit and run is still under investigation.



12/23 Officers patrolled the City during the ice storm and provided blankets, scarves, and knit caps to people in need.

12/26 A hit and run was reported at Gladstone High School. It is likely a vehicle pulled into the back parking lot and slid down the hill when it was icy and crashed into one of the posts at the back of the shop building. The school will review the video for any possible suspects.

12/28 An officer working a traffic details stopped a vehicle for the driver not wearing a seat belt. The driver had a suspended license and a warrant. The driver was issued several citations and taken to jail for the warrant.

12/31 Officers were called to the Rivergreens Apartments for a Domestic Violence call. The male half was arrested for assault and strangulation.

## **OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by Sgt. Graves**

**December 2022**

On 12/03/22 members of the Gladstone Police Department participated in the annual Shop With A Cop program put on by the Clackamas County Officer Benevolent Foundation. Chief Schmerber, Sergeant Graves, Officer Pavey, Reserve Officer Hale and Chaplin Smith took 10 Gladstone elementary students, chosen by staff from the elementary school. We first to breakfast at Biscuits Cafe and then to Fred Meyer to shop. It was a huge success and Christmas memories for all were made.



On 12/04/22 Officer responded to the 100 block of west Arlington on a burglary that just occurred. Officers arrived in the area a short time later and met with the reporting party. Officers had probable cause to arrest the reporting party's grandson for burglary, criminal mischief and harassment. The next week Officers located the suspect and he was arrested.

On 12/05/22 Officers responded to a traffic crash in the 300 block of West Gloucester. Officers determined the driver did not allow her window to defrost completely before driving and struck several parked vehicles. The driver remained on scene and cooperated with the investigation.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....

On 12/12/22 Gladstone Officers assisted another agency in a pursuit that came through part of the city of Gladstone. The vehicle eventually crashed on Jennings Ave and Portland Ave. Gladstone Officers were in the area and located 2 possible female subjects related to the vehicle, which was an unreported stolen vehicle. Through investigation, Officers were able to determine that the females were in the vehicle but neither were the driver. One of the females lied to Officers about who she was. After investigating, it was determined that she had multiple felony warrants for her arrest. She was arrested on her warrants.

On 12/20/22 Officers were dispatched to the 600 block of east Fairfield to assist with CPR on a 50-year-old male. Dispatch advised that this was a possible drug overdose. Medics arrived before Officers and worked on the subject for 30 minutes but were unable to revive him. Officers conducted their investigation and called the M.E. to the scene. It was determined this was most likely a drug overdose.

On 12/26/22 Officers were dispatched to Tukwila Springs on a call to 911 for a habitual caller reporting things that were not happening. The subject has been warned several times about using 911 to call or text for things that were not happening. With all of the warnings he was given, it was decided to attempt to cite him for misuse of 911. The subject did not answer the door and a report was written and forwarded to the Courts.



## **OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT**

Prepared by **Sgt. Hutchinson**

**December 2022**

12/07/22 – Gladstone Officers responded to an injury crash at Mcloughlin Blvd and Arlington. One vehicle turned in front of the other as it was attempting to turn west onto Arlington. The passenger of the at fault vehicle was taken to the hospital, while the driver was given a ride home by Gladstone Officers, and the vehicles were towed from the scene.



12/10/22 – Officers responded to a hit and run crash at Kearns Market. A vehicle had driven directly into the store, destroying the entrance and surrounding windows. Luckily only minor injuries were reported. The suspect vehicle was identified and located. An arrest of the identified suspect was made later during a traffic stop.

12/17/22 – Officers responded to an unwanted person at High Rocks Pub. A male was very intoxicated. The male was aggressive to officers and refused to leave the premises after multiple requests to do so. He was arrested for Trespassing.

12/21/22 – Officers attempted a welfare check during the freezing temperatures. The reporting party said the home she wanted checked on had no heat, and only had minimal power and internet. There was no answer at the door, and there was no evidence of anyone in danger.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....

Officers continued to patrol the city looking for those in need of assistance for the weather conditions.

12/22/22 – An arrest for a violation of a restraining order was made on a night of freezing rain and cold temperatures. The roads were in poor condition and Officers minimized patrols to preserve the patrol fleet, responding mostly to traffic complaints of off road vehicles and vehicles driving recklessly in Meldrum Bar Park.

12/23/22 – On the second night of poor road conditions, Officer assisted vehicles that were stuck on roadways unable to move.

12/29/22 – With an increase in porch thefts of packages, Officers responded to a theft of a package from a porch by a suspect that fled towards Oatfield Road. The suspect vehicle had been reported stolen out of Portland. Officers conducted an area check, but the vehicle was unable to be located.

12/30/22 – A suspect was arrested for criminal mischief for slashing the tire of a vehicle belonging to his coworker who lived in the same apartment complex.

12/31/22 – On a busy night of calls for service, Gladstone Officers made 2 DUII arrests, responded to several traffic and firework complaints, and assisted Clackamas County in a pursuit that ended north of the city at the Shell Gas Station. The suspect crashed into a gas pump and fled the scene on Mcloughlin Blvd. Gladstone Officers were instrumental in apprehending the driver and searching the area for outstanding suspects.







# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....



An update on the Kyle Kirchem missing persons' case: A campsite was located approximately 5 miles from where his car was located. His medication and other personal items were located at the campsite by Clackamas County Deputies. His items were lodged at Gladstone Police Department as Evidence. A Search of the area was conducted, but Kirchem was not located.



## MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



# RECORDS UNIT MONTHLY REPORT

Reported by: Executive Assistant Kristi Walls

December 2022

Don't forget to watch our website and our Face Book page for our Monthly "Where is K9 Nanuk" photo contest. The first person to guess where K9 Nanuk is and contact me at [kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us](mailto:kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us) will win a prize. Last month's winner was Diane Wilker. The correct answer was Nick Shannon Park.

Don't forget to stop by the police department to get your free bicycle helmet. We have all sizes ranging from toddlers to adults. We are here to help you Monday through Friday from 9:00am – 4:00pm.



Happy New Year!

# Where is K9 Nanuk? January 2023

Join us every month to identify where is K9 Nanuk.



Each month we will post of a picture of K9 Nanuk somewhere in Gladstone. Be the first to identify where K9 Nanuk is, and you will get something special from us. If you think you know where K9 Nanuk is, contact us at [kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us](mailto:kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us). You must email your response to win.



## **TRAINING UNIT MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by: Sergeant Okerman**

**December 2022**

The training unit strives to keep all Police Department members updated on legal and training issues. This is no small task considering that to maintain certification as a Police Officer in Oregon you must meet minimum requirements based on required annual or semi-annual training mandates. We also strive to send Officers to training that may not be required, but relate to a particular Officer's field of expertise or for purposes of career development.



Officer Oliver has nearly completed his field training. He is doing very well and showing his expertise in traffic crash investigations. Officer Oliver has quickly advanced through all phases of field training.

Officer Hutchinson completed his Sergeant field training and is now working as a solo sergeant.