

# **Gladstone Police Department**

## **Monthly Report**

**December 2023**





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



## CHIEF'S REPORT

December 2023

Greetings,

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 participated in the Annual Shop with a COP again this year. Kids from the Gladstone community, selected by the Gladstone School District, were able to shop with Law Enforcement in order to help kids shop for their family members. Law Enforcement agencies from all over Clackamas County participated in this event, sponsored by the Clackamas County Peace Officers Benevolent Foundation, and 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 Yvonne, our Community Service Officer, 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 2024.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and that 2024 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 2023**

"Respect ~Service ~Character ~Passion"

GENERAL STATISTICS/TYPE	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	TOP 5 TRAFFIC CITE CHARGES	
Dispatched Incidents	602	6,710	6,569	2.15%	Speeding	10
Officer Initiated Incidents	314	4,906	4,962	-1.13%	Driving While Suspended	7
Total Number of Incidents	916	11,616	11,531	0.74%	Driving Uninsured	6
Police Reports Filed	253	3,453	3,615	-4.48%	Fail to Obey Traffic Control Device	4
Traffic Contacts	214	3,328	2,748	21.11%	Improper Display of Plates	2
Citations Issued (Charges)	44	1,409	1,589	-11.33%	<b>ALARM ADMINISTRATION REPORT</b>	
Parking Citations	105	416	128	225.00%	Renewals Billed	56
DUII	3	51	44	15.91%	Renewal Fees Collected	\$125.00
Community Policing Contacts	15	161	228	-29.39%	New Permits Issued	1
Murders	0	0	0	0.00%	False Alarms w/No Permit	0
K9 Deployments	3	35	46	-23.91%	2nd False Alarm Events	4
Tow Releases	3	27	17	58.82%	3rd False Alarm Events	0
					4th False Alarm	0
					False alarm fees collected	\$0.00
					False alarm fees billed	\$200.00



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MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT**



**DECEMBER 2023**

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SELECTED CALLS FOR SERVICE**	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	SPECIFIC OVERTIME CATAGORIES	HOURS
Abuse/Neglect	1	24	37	-35.14%	Cover Short Shift	234.75
Accident/Injury or Fatal	2	23	20	15.00%	Court	15.00
Accident/Property Damage	5	76	90	-15.56%	Training	5.00
Assault	3	39	41	-4.88%	Presentations/Meetings	3.50
Burglary	3	32	26	23.08%	Traffic Grant	43.50
Domestic Disputes	17	225	214	5.14%	Special Assignment	2.00
Drugs/Narcotics	3	46	20	130.00%	K9	13.75
Disturbance-Fights-Noise	10	152	176	-13.64%	SRO	0.00
Forgery/Fraud	6	105	84	25.00%		
Hit and Run	6	57	45	26.67%		
Ordinance Violations	15	259	151	71.52%		
Runaway/Missing	6	69	72	-4.17%		
Sex Offense	0	29	41	-29.27%		
Suicide Threats/Attempts	6	58	65	-10.77%		
Suspicious Person or Circumstance	36	659	745	-11.54%		
Thefts	15	202	273	-26.01%		
Trespass/Prowler	12	127	158	-19.62%		
Vandalism	6	69	117	-41.03%		
Vehicles Recovered	1	28	45	-37.78%		
Vehicles Stolen	0	40	87	-54.02%		
Death(Not Suicide/Murder)	0	11	16	-31.25%		

\*\*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 2023**

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.  
1 Bias Incidents were reported.

On December 27, 2023, Officer Orr was assigned to follow up on a Code Compliance noise complaint. The complaint stated that they have had multiple interactions regarding excessive noise with their neighbors. On December 28, 2023, Officer Orr spoke with the reporting party about the noise complaints. While the reporting party was trying to speak to the neighbors about the noise, they were called derogatory names relating to sexual orientation and race. No crime occurred and no law enforcement action was taken, by the request of the reporting party.

The Gladstone Police Department made the proper referral per ORS 147.380.

*Bias Incident defined: a person's hostile expression of animus towards 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 COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by Yvonne McNeil

December 2023

- 14 Community contacts
- 5 Car seat checks
- 16 Vehicles tagged to be towed
- 3 Vehicles towed
- 175 Parking contacts
- 60 Parking warnings
- 95 Parking citations
- 20 Parking no warning/citation given
- 14 Ordinance violation contacts
- 1 Animal complaint
- 1 Hazard complaint
- 1 Dogs reunited with owners

### **Noxious Vegetation and Junk Keeping Violations** *(completed)*

Received a complaint that a neighbor had an extensive amount of yard debris. When viewing the property for violations it was found, they had a broken down unregistered truck and a trailer that was in disrepair. We contacted the resident and worked with them for 11 weeks to get all issues abated.

Before:



**COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER  
MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....**

After:



**Community Service contact**

We were happy to help these two young ladies with a car seat check and new helmets.





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by Detective Fich

December, 2023

### New Cases Assigned:

1. 23-025286 DHS Referral/Possible Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/08/23
2. 23-026068 Elder Financial Abuse. Assigned 12/21/23
3. 23-026396 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/30/23

### Current Caseload:

1. 23-007287 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 04/10/23. (Awaiting DNA forensic results)
2. 23-009913 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 05/13/23
3. 23-018098 Sexual Assault. Assigned 08/31/23
4. 23-018639 Rape 1, Sodomy 1, Strangulation, and Violation of Restraining Order. Assigned 09/06/23  
(Awaiting DNA forensic results)
5. 23-022769 Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse. Assigned 11/02/23
6. 23-025286 DHS Referral/Possible Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/08/23
7. 23-026068 Elder Financial Abuse. Assigned 12/21/23
8. 23-026396 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/30/23

### Cases Cleared:

1. 23-024356 Possible Sexual Abuse. The investigation was completed and closed as undetermined on 12/04/23.
2. 23-020134 Sexual Abuse. The investigation was completed on 12/12/23. The case has been forwarded to the Clackamas County District Attorney's Office for review.

**Sex Offender Registrations Completed: 0**





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT K9 MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## K9 MONTHLY REPORT

**Prepared by: Officer Olson**

**December 2023**

K9 Nanuk is a seven 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

Nanuk and I deployed to arrest a suspect that had warrants. The suspect gave up when challenged with K9 Nanuk present. He was taken into custody without incident.

Nanuk and I assisted the Oregon State Police in looking for a knife after a disturbance on Mcloughlin Blvd involving a knife. We were unable to locate the knife.

Nanuk and I responded to Lake Oswego to assist with a non-compliant suspect after a pursuit. The suspect was eventually taken into custody.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by **Sgt. Okerman**

**December 2023**

12/1 A disturbance was reported at Genuine Motors on McLoughlin Blvd. A customer had returned and got physical with the business owner over not receiving documents. Officers were able to separate the parties and mediate the situation.

Officers were called to a strong-armed robbery at Safeway. Loss Prevention caught a female who stole a basket of items as she left the store without paying. When they stopped the female she got physical with them and they held her on the ground until police arrived. She was charged with theft and lodged on theft warrants out of another jurisdiction. The female was also an identified suspect in another strong-armed robbery at a Costco in Washington County. Officers made notification to the investigating officer so they can question and charge the suspect.

12/2 A storm brought a large tree branch down on some parked cars on W Clarendon St near McLoughlin Blvd.



12/7 The Gladstone Community Center called to report an elderly male at the location who had lost his grandson. Officers responded and spoke with the male who seemed confused and disoriented. Checks were made at his residence and officers confirmed the male suffers from dementia and the grandson was safe at home. The family was referred to services.

12/8 Officers were called to John Wetten Elementary School for an out of control 10-year-old who ran out of the school after throwing desks over inside. Officers located the child hiding under a truck behind the school and were able to talk the child into a calmer state. The parent arrived and was able to get the child to calmly return to school. Additional support services were officered.

12/12 An officer was doing a park check at the baseball fields on Risley Ave when a subject who had littered walked away. Officers caught up to the subject a few blocks away and a records check showed the subject had a warrant. The subject was arrested for the warrant and warned about littering in the park.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....

12/14 An officer working traffic overtime detail caught a vehicle driving recklessly on E Arlington St. The officer stopped the vehicle and learned the driver also had a warrant. The driver was lodged on the warrant and charged with Reckless Driving.

12/19 Officers were asked to check on a subject living in a travel trailer at the Holly View Mobile Park on 82<sup>nd</sup> Dr. The trailer has fallen into disrepair and looked like a hazardous living situation. The subject has limited financial means and disabilities. Officers were able to connect the subject with a housing outreach worker who is now working on rehousing the subject.

12/20 Patrol officers assisted Detective Fich in serving a search warrant for one of his open cases. They helped at the scene of a traffic stop and transported the subject to the PD for an interview. Afterwards the subject was taken to jail for an unrelated outstanding warrant.

12/26 Tukwila Springs called to report a subject who was previously trespassed had returned. The subject also had warrants. Officers responded and located the subject hiding in a closet. He was taken into custody without incident and lodged at the jail on the warrant and new trespass charge.

12/27 Two thefts were reported at neighboring properties on E Fairfield St. An officer took the phone reports and obtained video footage of the suspect from both victims. The officer learned that the night before there was a call at the Holiday Inn that officers responded to and contacted the suspect. This was before the theft and the suspect was even warned not to commit thefts in town. The officer matched the suspect with the BWC footage and the footage from the victims. The cases have been referred to the City Prosecutor for charges.

12/30 Officers responded to a domestic on W Berkeley St. One half had left before officers arrived. No injuries were reported but food was thrown throughout the house. Officers completed a records check and learned the male they were talking with had a warrant out of Colorado for Robbery from a 2022 case. The subject was arrested and lodged at the jail to await extradition to Colorado.

## **OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT**

Prepared by **Sgt. Graves**

**December 2024**

12/02/23- Gladstone Police Officers participated in the Clackamas County Officers Benevolent Fund annual Shop With A Cop at a local Fred Meyers. 10 Children from the Gladstone School District were selected by school staff to participate. Officers put in their wish lists with Santa as well.



12/03/23- Officers responded to Meldrum Bar Park on a report of a vehicle in the river near the boat launch. Officers found a female who said she tried to drive out on the bar and her vehicle slid in. She was able to escape the vehicle with her small dog. Due to the river level the vehicle remains in place.

12/11/23- Officers on routine patrol located a vehicle in Meldrum Bar Park after park hours. Officers identified the subjects in the vehicle and one of them was listed as a juvenile runaway out of Medford. The juvenile was taken into custody.

12/12/23- Officers were able to locate a wanted person in the 6500 block of Paola Ct. The subject was wanted for Assault 2 and had an active warrant for his arrest. He was taken into custody without incident.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continue.....

12/17/23- Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of E Jersey. Officers arrived and spoke with the victim and her child. The suspect was no longer on scene. During the investigation the suspect drove past the residence. Officers went and attempted to stop the vehicle. The vehicle continued to roll slowly until an officer placed his vehicle in front of the suspect and another Officer pinned it in from behind. The suspect was taken into custody without incident.

12/26/23- Officers responded to the Holiday Inn on a report of a theft that had just occurred. As suspect entered the building and stole items from the store inside the hotel. Officer conducted an area check for the suspect and were able to locate them. The business requested that the subject just be trespassed from the location as the value of the items was low.

12/31/23- Officers were dispatched to a cold hit and run in the Bellevue and Dartmouth area. Officers met with the victim and found parts from the suspect vehicle. One of the parts had a VIN on it. A records check showed the vehicle to be listed in Gladstone. Officers went to the home and located the vehicle and identified the driver. The driver was arrested for Hit and Run.

12/31/23- Officers responded to the 900 block of Risley Ave on an unwanted person call. Officers arrived and conducted their investigation. It was determined this was a civil issue between roommates. During their investigation it was determined that a subject on scene had a warrant for possession of meth. He was detained for his warrant. During the search to arrest the subject had a misdemeanor amount of meth in is possession as well. He was booked into jail on his warrant and the new drug charge.

Officer completed 18 DHS reports for the month.

## **OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by Sgt. Hutchinson**

**December 2023**

December 7 – Officers responded to Sommerset Assisted Living where a male was reported to be threatening staff. The male was with a woman who was visiting her grandmother. The male was never located, but identified as a wanted subject with multiple warrants. The woman who was visiting her grandmother was located and had a warrant for her arrest.

December 14 – Officers responded to the Echo Glen Apartments on a report of a suicidal subject. The visibly upset male was contacted. He and his girlfriend were breaking up and he was coming off of drugs. The male was intoxicated on alcohol and had admitted to drinking. He was on probation and had a clause for no alcohol consumption. A Detainer Warrant was issued by his Probation Officer for the probation violation. He was taken to the jail without incident.



December 15 – Gladstone Officer Ian Dornfeld was sworn in as the newest Gladstone Police Officer.

December 16 – Officers responded to a burglary where the caller stated a man was attempting to enter their residence. The incident was observed on the caller’s security camera. Officers arrived and contacted the caller at her front door. She said a package was taken from their front porch, containing Legos. The suspect was captured on the doorbell camera and his photo was placed on the Gladstone “Can You ID Me?” Facebook page. No suspect has been identified at this time.





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## OPERATIONS MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....

December 21 – It was reported that a female, on Portland Ave having a mental crisis. She was contacted, but did not request medical services and was allowed to continue towards where she lived. A short time later, she was contacted at the Gladstone Community Center. She was in the street flagging people down for help. She was seeing people who were not there. She was clearly having a mental health crisis. The female was transported by AMR to the hospital without incident on a self-commit.

December 22 – Officers responded to a CPR in progress in order to assist Clackamas County Fire. The patient was elderly and was found unconscious. With the assistance of Gladstone Police, the male was resuscitated and transported to Willamette Falls Hospital. The family was consoled and Officers cleared the scene.



December 25 – Christmas

December 29 – Officers responded to a disturbance at the River Run Village apartments. It was reported that a woman was being chased in the complex by three men with a baseball bat. Officers responded quickly and conducted an area check for any victim or suspects with weapons. The reporting party did not see where any of the involved people went and could not

describe them. Officers conducted an area check for involved parties and were unable to locate anyone or any witnesses. A baseball bat was located in the area and was taken and destroyed to prevent further disturbances.

December 30 – Officers responded to a disturbance at the River Run Village Apartments. A neighbor reported a fight between a male and female. The female was screaming for the male to get off of her for 10 minutes. Officers arrived and contacted the male half. He said his girlfriend and he were having an argument and she broke his computer. He showed us his laptop computer which had a broken screen. The female had left the scene prior to our arrival. Officers called the female who would not return. She said she was not injured. The matter was documented.

## **RECORDS UNIT MONTHLY REPORT**

**Reported by: Executive Assistant Kristi Walls**

**December 2023**

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 contacts me at [kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us](mailto:kwalls@gladstoneoregon.us) will win a prize. Last month’s winner was Dawn Lorentz. Nanuk was on Dahl Park road in Meldrum Bar 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. We gave away a total of 4 bike helmets this month. Happy riding everyone!



Welcome Trevor Benya, our new Records Specialist. Trevor joined the team on December 12, 2023. He has a Master’s degree in Criminology and a background in Crime Analysis. Trevor looks forward to serving the citizens of Gladstone.

Happy New Year!







# Where is K9 Nanuk? December 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.





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING UNIT MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## TRAINING UNIT MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by: Sergeant Okerman

December 2023

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	Training	Mandatory State/Federal	Hours
Hutchinson	Use of Force	Yes	16
Fich	Use of Force	Yes	3
Schmerber	Use of Force	Yes	3
<b>Total</b>			<b>22</b>

This month saw the hiring of two new employees, Officer Ian Dornfeld and Records Specialist Trevor Benya.

Officer Dornfeld started at the beginning of the month and made great progress through new employee orientation and required training. He completed NIMS, ICS, WMD Awareness, LEDS, and report writing training. He has started to take phone reports and do ride alongs with officers. Firearms and defensive tactics training is coming at the beginning of January to get him in a uniform and in field training before attending the academy at the end of January.

Trevor Benya started in the middle of the month and is being trained by Executive Assistant Walls. She put together a fantastic training plan and Trevor is picking up the work quickly.

Sgt. Hutchinson completed Taser Instructor Recertification. This involved online and in person scenario training. He is certified to teach officers in the use and operation of the Taser for two more years.

Chief Schmerber and Detective Fich completed their annual user recertification on Taser. This completed all state mandated training for all employees. Below are some action shots of the Chief completing a scenario and Detective Fich firing the Taser in a drill.

