

# **Gladstone Police Department**

## **Monthly Report**

### **February 2022**





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



## CHIEF'S REPORT

February 2022

Greetings,

During the course of the month I have been involved in many discussions related to traffic signage, speed and uncontrolled intersections. Many drivers today rely on signage as a means of traffic control which in some locations is appropriate, while in other areas it may hazardous or create new problems. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) informs the City of Gladstone as to reasons and processes for traffic control signage and speed to help ensure traffic safety. As the city works through projects that include correcting certain traffic control signage, I wanted to share one of the most forgotten rules of the road **"Failure to yield right of way at uncontrolled intersection" Oregon Revised Statue 811.275 (ORS)**. I hope this traffic tip helps ensure traffic safety for all motorists.

Who Has the Right of Way?

The law simply states when the right of way must be yielded. Right of way can be used when the law permits its use by requiring that others yield the right of way to you. Failure to yield the right of way leads to crashes in all states. There are some ways for you to reduce this probability when you are driving however. Right of way must be yielded to other drivers in the following instances:

- At a yield sign
- To pedestrians in a crosswalk
- At uncontrolled intersections

If a driver fails to yield the right of way to the driver on the right regardless of which driver first reaches and enters the intersection, the drivers failing to yield to the right is at fault.

The law gives the right of way to no one, but it does state who must yield (give up) the right of way. Every driver, motorcyclist, bicyclist, and pedestrian must do everything possible to avoid a crash. When you yield the right of way to another vehicle, you are letting them go before you in the traffic situation. Few areas of traffic safety are more misunderstood than the "Yield to the Driver on the Right" rule.

Please review the above ORS if you have additional questions.



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- **Right-of-Way is not a right or privilege – It must be given!**
- **Determined by a set of rules.**
- **Drivers must understand right-of-way rules governing:**
  - **Intersections;**
  - **Merges; and**
  - **Special conditions.**



Sincerely,

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

John Schmerber, Chief of Police



GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

**FEBRUARY 2022**



"Respect ~Service ~Character ~Passion"

GENERAL STATISTICS/TYPE	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	TOP 5 TRAFFIC CITE CHARGES	
Dispatched Incidents	527	954	981	-2.75%	Speeding	34
Officer Initiated Incidents	458	882	987	-10.64%	Driving While Suspended	21
Total Number of Incidents	985	1836	1971	-6.85%	Driving Uninsured	20
Police Reports Filed	335	593	532	11.47%	Improper Display of License	13
Traffic Contacts	289	549	523	4.97%	No Operators License	9
Citations Issued (Charges)	163	312	285	9.47%	<b>ALARM ADMINISTRATION REPORT</b>	
Parking Citations	0	0	5	-100.00%		
DUII	5	7	5	40.00%	Renewals Billed	22
Community Policing Contacts	16	26	15	73.33%	Renewal Fees Collected	\$650.00
Murders	0	0	0	0.00%	New Permits Issued	5
K9 Deployments	8	15	2	650.00%	False Alarms w/No Permit	3
Tow Releases	0	0	7	-100.00%	1st False Alarm Events	3
					2nd False Alarm Events	0
					3rd False Alarm Events	0
					False alarm fees collected	\$200.00
					False alarm fees billed	\$0.00



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SELECTED CALLS FOR SERVICE**	THIS MONTH	YTD THIS YEAR	YTD LAST YEAR	% +/-	SPECIFIC OVERTIME CATAGORIES	HOURS
Abuse/Neglect	1	3	2	50.00%	Cover Short Shift	206
Accident/Injury or Fatal	3	4	2	100.00%	Court	30
Accident/Property Damage	8	18	9	100.00%	Training	11
Assault	5	8	2	300.00%	Presentations/Meetings	1
Burglary	0	2	5	-60.00%	Traffic Grant	83.5
Domestic/Family Disturb	13	30	38	-21.05%	Special Assignment	3.5
Drugs/Narcotics	0	0	3	-100.00%	K9	15.25
Disturbance-Fights-Noise	7	20	18	11.11%	SRO	3
Forgery/Fraud	11	17	17	0.00%		
Hit and Run	4	7	10	-30.00%		
Ordinance Violations	7	11	26	-57.69%		
Runaway/Missing	2	3	5	-40.00%		
Sex Offense	1	7	6	16.67%		
Suicide Attempt/Threat	4	9	18	-50.00%		
Suspicious Person or Circumstance	64	131	85	54.12%		
Thefts	25	46	31	48.39%		
Trespass/Prowler	9	25	18	38.89%		
Vandalism	4	15	24	-37.50%		
Vehicles Recovered	2	4	2	100.00%		
Vehicles Stolen	6	17	11	54.55%		
Death(Not Suicide/Murder)	1	2	1	100.00%		

\*\*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 Executive Assistant**

**February 2022**

Bias Crimes and Incidents. The definition of a Bias crime 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)

- We had one event classified as a Bias Incident. Victim describe being harassed by her neighbor. The victim believes she was targeted due to a protected class.



**GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CODE ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY  
REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL**



**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by Sean Boyle**

**February 2022**

3	Abandoned Vehicles
1	Animal Complaint
2	Public Assists
10	Community Contacts
14	Detail
10	Follow Ups
7	Ordinance Violations
1	Parking Complaint
9	Premise Checks
1	Property
4	GPD / GFD Assists

**62 TOTAL CALLS**

In addition to the calls I reviewed Middle Housing Code Amendments.

**CASE UPDATES**

**1640 Manor Drive** - This is the Zombie House property that is now owned by Clackamas County. Contractors were selected and cleanup has begun. Landscape crews are in the process of removing overgrown vegetation. Once completed the structure will be evaluated for any special abatement needs and the current plan is for demolition. More updates and photos in the next monthly report.



**NEW CASES**

**22-003065** - Complaint about accumulations of garbage in the backyard of a property. Property was inspected and no code violations were identified. Case closed as unfounded.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....**

**22-003857** - Complaint about a junk vehicle and accumulated debris on the property. Property inspected and Code Violation Notice to owner. Case is pending.



**22-003853** - Complaint regarding a no trespassing sign illegally placed on public property. Circumstances inspected and determined the no trespassing sign was posted for private property. Case closed as unfounded.

**22-003234** - Complaint about conditions on the property. Property inspected and code violations identified. Code Violation notice to the owner. Case is pending.





**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER  
MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....**

**22-004447** - Complaint about junk vehicles and overgrown vegetation. Property inspected and determined junk vehicles were present. Overgrown vegetation was determined to be unfounded. Code Violation Notice to owner. Case is pending.



**Public Works Assist / Road Hazard**

Unusually heavy rains caused flooding on Risley. Public Works responded and determined drains were clear but overwhelmed.





# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by Detective Fich

February 2022

### New Cases Assigned:

1. 22-003147 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 02/08/22
2. 22-003229 Child Abuse (Physical) Assigned 02/09/22
3. 22-003141 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22
4. 22-003143 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22
5. 22-003247 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22
6. 22-004591 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 02/25/22

### Current Caseload:

1. 21-023120 Rape and Strangulation. (Awaiting crime lab results) Assigned 10/27/21
2. 21-026160 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 12/3/21
3. 22-001834 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 01/24/22
4. 22-002206 Sexual Abuse. Assigned for 01/28/22
5. 22-004591 Sexual Abuse. Assigned 02/25/22

### Cases Cleared:

1. 22-003147 Sexual Abuse. Case closed as unfounded. No disclosure by victim. Information forwarded to DHS
2. 22-003229 Child Abuse (Physical) Case forwarded to Milwaukie Police Department for review of Children's Center evaluation and further consideration
3. 21-020227 Encouraging Child Sexual Abuse. Location of reported occurrence found vacant. Case Suspended.
4. 22-003314 Sexual Abuse. Case closed as unfounded due to lack of victim disclosure. Information forwarded to DHS
5. 22-003141 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22. Case suspended due to lack of investigative leads after 1.5 weeks of surveillance at and around Gladstone School District schools without further suspicious activity. Through Gladstone Police Department School Resource Officer Graves, all three schools were made aware of the suspicious activity. The local community was advised through the Gladstone Police Department Facebook page and the information further circulated via the Nextdoor Gladstone app.



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## DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....

6. 22-003143 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22. Identical disposition as 22-003141
7. 22-003247 Suspicious Person. Assigned 02/09/22. Identical disposition as 22-003141

**Sex Offender Registrations Completed: 0**

### **Highlights/Noteworthy:**

1. **Armed Robbery:** On February 1, 2022, Defendant pled guilty to 2 counts of Robbery in the First Degree (Class A Felonies), one count of Robbery in the Second Degree (Class B Felony), and one count of Unlawful Use of a Weapon. (Class C Felony) He was sentenced to 120 months/10 years of Ballot Measure 11 time in prison. (GPD Cases 20-024737, 20-024873, 20-024976, and 20-025091)
2. **Arson:** On February 18, 2022, Defendant pled guilty except for insanity (GEI) to Arson I after an evaluation report from the state's expert witness/Psychologist determined he was hallucinating at the time of the incident and unable to conform his actions to the law when he intentionally set fire to his residence while it was occupied by three sleeping tenants on December 24, 2018. Sentencing was set over for 60 days.



# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



## DETECTIVES MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by Detective Gilliam

February 2022

### New Cases Assigned: 4

1. 21-005931 – Criminal Mistreatment (reassigned 01 Feb)
2. 22-003287 – Criminal Mistreatment (assigned 09 Feb)
3. 22-002973 – Burglary (assigned 09 Feb)
4. 22-004249 – Felon in Possession of a Firearm (assigned 21 Feb; detective call-out)

### Cases Cleared: 4

1. 22-000796 – Arson (case forwarded to Clackamas County Mental Health)
2. 21-023424 – Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle (case forwarded to District Attorney)
3. 22-004249 – Felon in Possession of a Firearm (case forwarded to District Attorney)
4. 22-002973 – Burglary (case reassigned to patrol; designated as an assisting investigator)

### Current Caseload: 5

1. 21-013791 – Child Sexual Abuse Material
2. 21-021379 – Attempted Murder
3. 21-023334 – Juvenile Sexual Abuse
4. 21-005931 – Criminal Mistreatment
5. 22-003287 – Criminal Mistreatment

### Notes/Highlights (chronological order):

1. Completed a 2-week (80-hour) military/law enforcement leadership academy and received the class Fitness Award (11 Feb)
2. Completed CJIS/LEDS recertification training (14 Feb)
3. Human Trafficking Law Enforcement Subcommittee monthly meeting (14 Feb)
4. Vulnerable Adults Multi-Disciplinary Team case staffing meeting (16 Feb)
5. GPD detective call-out for an armed & barricaded subject requiring a search warrant and subsequent warrant service (21 Feb)

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# GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## K9 MONTHLY REPORT TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL



# K9 MONTHLY REPORT

**Prepared by: Officer Olson**

**February 2022**

K9 Nanuk is a six-and-a-half-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	2	6	14

During February K9 Nanuk and I had a busy month. We had eight deployments. Four of those deployments resulted in captures.

One of the captures was a track to a subject hidden in a vehicle. K9 Nanuk alerted to someone being inside the vehicle and a plan was made to safely get the subject to come out of the vehicle.

The other three captures were all non-compliant subjects that surrendered when challenged with K9 Nanuk.





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



## PATROL UNIT MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by: Sergeant Hill

February 2022

I have spent time working on the following tasks and projects. There are many exciting things in the works for Gladstone Police Department, and the City of Gladstone. Here are some of the highlights:

- Mark43 report review/ approval
- DHS cross-report review and assignment to officers/ detectives
- Mark43 case management/ clean-up
- Lexipol policy review- new policy draft- Unmanned Aerial System Operations (drone)
- Researching Unmanned Aerial System viability proposal
- CRAFT Team recruitment draft policy
- Coordinate 2022 Shred Event – eRecycle - Drug Take Back event (to occur in May)
- Follow-up on current fleet projects (Durango & F150)
- Organize proposal for next fleet purchase—likely a patrol vehicle
- Community Academy coordination
- Fleet maintenance- vehicles to and from auto repair & tire vendors, etc.
- Meetings- Child Abuse MDT, Vulnerable Adult MDT, Clackamas County Major Crimes Team, Oregon Homicide Investigators Association, etc.
- Old RADAR trailer repair estimates or donations?
- Traffic Safety Plan related to possible ODOT tolling project researching Redflex
- Investigations Division Oversight
- Employee evaluations
- Coordination with vendor for body-worn camera trial

We will be working on coordinating several pedestrian safety enforcement details soon, as the weather improves and we start to see more foot traffic around town. We have grant funds available to assist with the expenses associated with these details.



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



## PATROL UNIT MONTHLY REPORT

Prepared by: Sergeant Leake

February 2022

### 02-01-22

Officers stopped a vehicle on McLoughlin Blvd. speeding at 68 mph in the 40 mph zone. Officers smelled alcohol on the driver when stopped and initiated a DUI investigation. The driver was cooperative and took a breath test that resulted in his BAC being .13. He was cited for driving violations and lodged at jail.

### 02-02-22

Officers responded to a report of a domestic disturbance located on W Fairfield. When officers arrived the male was uncooperative and told officers to leave. Officers were able to control the subject and detained him for investigation. The male was charged with domestic violence assault 4 and transported to jail.

### 02-04-22

Reserve officer Tyler Hale found himself behind a DUI driver while off duty in Tigard. He called in the driver and the DUI driver was stopped by police. The driver was arrested and had a BAC of .19%. This was a good example of an off duty officer being a good witness.

### 02-06-22

Officers attempted to stop a vehicle for speeding, 55 mph in a 40 mph zone. Dispatch reported the plate came back to a different vehicle other than the one he was stopping. Officers suspected the vehicle had switched plates and was probably stolen. Officers surrounded the vehicle but it was able to elude. CCSO pursued the driver. During this same time an alarm went off at A-1 Hawk. Officers found the shop had been burglarized and it was believed the vehicle from the previous stop was the getaway car. This is an ongoing investigation.

Officers made a traffic stop for traffic violations. The driver was believed to be DUI so an investigation was opened. The driver was cooperative and blew a BAC .21%. She was cited and released at her residence.



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TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL**



**PATROL UNIT MONTHLY REPORT  
Continued.....**

**02-08-22**

Officers stopped a vehicle for a speeding violation and smelled alcohol on the driver's breath. The driver was cooperative and blew a .22% BAC. She was cited for her violations and the DUII, then transported to her home.

The Deputy Medical Examiner requested Officers to come to a home where an elderly female had died while in hospice. Elder abuse is suspected. This case has turned into an elder abuse investigation.

**02-20-22**

Officers were dispatched to a disturbance at a residence on W Arlington. The suspect had barricaded herself in the apartment. Officers could see through a window that the suspect was armed with a shotgun and was yelling that she was going to exercise her 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights if police came in. The SWAT team was activated. A CCSO sergeant was able to get the suspect out of the house, unarmed, and was taken into custody. Gladstone Officers and CCSO did an outstanding job on this case.

**02-28-22**

Dispatch reported a shooting at the Clackamas Town Center where a male suspect had committed a shoplift and then car jacked a citizen and shot him. The suspect fled and was later located on I-205 southbound. The suspect abandoned that vehicle and another carjacked occurred. The vehicle owner was shot at. Shortly after, there was a disturbance with a weapon at Breakside Brewery. It was reported a male suspect had shot another person and had attempted to take their car. The suspect was reported to have left on foot. Officers from Gladstone, Clackamas County, Milwaukie, West Linn and Oregon City responded to the area. Containment was put up around the area. The suspect was located and taken into custody.

Officers escorted the GHS Cheer Team to the high school after returning from their win at the National Cheer Completion. A large group gathered to welcome them home and celebrate their accomplishments. Congratulations Gladstone Cheer!







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



## RECORDS UNIT MONTHLY REPORT

**Reported by: Executive Assistant Kristi Walls**

**February 2022**

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We didn't give away any bicycle helmets this month. Please remember..... The police department has a free bicycle helmet program for anyone who needs one. Adults and/or children. Just stop by the Police Department Monday through Friday from 9:00am – 4:00pm.





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



**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**  
**MONTHLY REPORT**

**Prepared by: Officer Graves**

**February 2022**

The School Resource Program (SRO) is a valuable partnership between the Gladstone School District and the Gladstone Police Department. The SRO investigates incidents which occur on the properties of all schools within Gladstone city limits (Kraxberger Middle School, John Wetten Elementary School, Gladstone High School), as well as the Administrative offices for the district.

The SRO concentrates on the schools and is an “on-site” officer at all schools in the Gladstone School District. This allows a regular patrol officer to focus on the rest of the city. Officer Graves is currently in this assignment. He deals with a wide range of issues, such as attendance, assaults, child abuse, thefts and gangs. He also conducts interventions, gives presentations to faculty and students, and meets with parents about issues.

	<b>This Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
Student Interventions	2	3
Assist Faculty with Problem	5	19
Meeting/Assist Family/Parents/Guardians	3	6
Classroom Presentations	0	0
Welfare Check/Home Check	0	5
Gang Affiliation Contacts	0	0

Made contact with 2 GHS girls regarding possible sex abuse, neither has come forward with any further details.

A student at Kraxberger Middle School took a picture of another student while using the bathroom and sent it to other students. Currently still under investigation.

A student was hit with an air soft pellet by unknown suspect walking home from Kraxberger Middle School.

Attended the basketball game against Molalla due to possible not wearing mask issues while at the game and an incident that occurred between students with racial under tones while at basketball game in Molalla.



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SRO MONTHLY REPORT  
TO CHIEF AND COUNCIL**



**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER  
MONTHLY REPORT Continued.....**

There was a custody issue at John Wetten. Parent was trespassed from the property due to the incident.

A GHS student was hit with an Orbezz gel pellet while on the way home from school by an unknown suspect. An announcement was made at the High School in regards to possible criminal charges for such incidents.