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Subject: 2011 Mid-Year Calls for Police Service Report

Each quarter the police department publishes a year-to-date report comparing the current year's data to the previous year. This data includes calls for police service, criminal offenses, arrests, clearance rates, traffic crashes, and citations issued. The police department data reporting complies with the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

The second quarter statistics reveal Group A crimes in 2011 remaining consistent with 2010. Group A crimes are typically the most serious offenses and closely correspond to the categories the FBI uses to determine serious crime rates for a community. Of particular interest are areas that may be depicting trends, specifically increases in incidents of Motor Vehicle Theft and decreases in Burglary/Home Invasion Offenses and Damage to Property Offenses. Statistics for the first quarter of 2011 show incidents of Motor Vehicle Theft offenses increased 147.2% (53 incidents), incidents of Burglary / Home Invasion decreased by 24.2% (31 incidents), and incidents of Damage to Property Offenses decreased 25.0% (50 incidents) when compared to the same period last year.

The majority of reported motor vehicle thefts could be categorized into two groups. The first group primarily consists of Chrysler products (Chrysler Intrepid, Dodge Stratus, and Chrysler Sebring) being stolen from the Somerset Mall and the area of the Oakland Mall. Those thefts appear to have subsided with the recent arrests of individuals by investigators of the Oakland County Auto Theft Unit. The second group of motor vehicle thefts consists of motorcycles being stolen during the late evening hours from area apartment complexes. Troy Officers recently pursued one of these suspected stolen motorcycles southbound on I-75. The pursuit was terminated when it exited the city. Officers have recently identified possible suspects, and are also concentrating extra patrols within area apartment complexes.

The mid-year statistics reflect a very positive decrease in Burglary/Home Invasion Offenses; however officers are in the process of addressing a sudden and recent spike in these crimes. Investigators have recently identified a number of suspects believed to be responsible for a sudden increase in Home Invasions. I hope to present a positive report of efforts undertaken to address the sudden increase in the near future.

The decrease in Damage to Property Offenses is a reflection of concentrated extra patrols, and officers' efforts at educating children and parents through their school contacts. As reported in

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previous quarterly reports, many of these particular types of crimes are usually associated with the same individuals or group of individuals. Once they are identified and held responsible for their actions, the increase in the crime trend is reversed.

- Group A Crime remained consistent (1 less incident) from the 2010 level. Within the group, the following categories show notable variations:
  - Assault Offenses: Down 14.4% (44 less incidents)
  - Breaking and Entering: Down 24.2% (31 less incidents)
  - Counterfeiting/Forgery: Up 112.5% (9 more incidents)
  - Destruction/Damage/Vandalism: Down 25.0% (50 less incidents)
  - Drug/Narcotic Offenses: Up 17.3% (17 more incidents)
  - Embezzlement: Up 70.6% (12 more incidents)
  - Fraud Offences: Down 9.3% (8 less incidents)
  - Motor Vehicle Theft: Up 147.2% (53 more incidents)
- Group B Crime decreased 3.3% (17 less incidents). Significant variations from the 2010 levels occurred in the following:
  - Disorderly Conduct: Down 9.7% (3 less incidents)
  - Driving Under the Influence: Up 9.8% (17 more incidents)
  - Liquor Law Violations: Down 25.0% (5 less incidents)
- Total incidents of crime (Group A & B combined) decreased by 0.9% (18 less incidents).
- Clearance rates, the percentage of offenses for which a perpetrator has been prosecuted, or positively identified but not prosecuted, continue to be high:
  - 33.1% of reported Group A Crime
  - 86.8% of reported Group B Crime
  - 48.0% of all reported crime has been cleared
- Total Arrests decreased 2.3% (23 less arrests)
  - Group A Crime Arrests: Increased 4.8% (26 more arrests)
  - Group B Crime Arrests: Decreased 10.3% (49 less arrests)
- Group C (non-criminal) calls for police service decreased by 0.6% (82 less incidents).
- Overall incidents or calls for service, criminal and non-criminal, are down 0.7% (112 less overall incidents/calls for service).
- Year-to-date reported traffic crashes and citations issued are:
  - Property Damage crashes increased 14.0% (148 more property damage crashes)
  - Injury crashes increased 0.6% (1 more injury crashes)
  - Fatal crashes decreased from 3 to 1
- Total traffic citations issued decreased 0.4% (25 less citations)
  - Hazardous traffic citations issued decreased 4.0% (171 less citations)



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- Non-Hazardous traffic citations issued decreased 4.8% (18 less citations)
  - License/title/registration citations issued increased 5.3% (60 more citations)
  - Parking citations issued increased 83.9% (104 more citations)
- Distracted Driving: 242 warnings and 250 citations total issued in the second quarter of 2011
- 214 citations and 196 warnings issued for handheld devices
  - 19 citations and 15 warnings issued for texting
  - 17 citations and 31 warnings issued for other actions

The decreases in the various traffic citations are consistent with a general decline in traffic crashes. The decline in crashes may certainly be related to less traffic in the city as a reflection of the economy; however these trends are often cyclical. The decline in all categories of traffic citations issued may also be related to the re-deployment of our Traffic Safety Unit officers. As we have been reporting, we have used members of this unit to staff special events and other details to avoid overtime costs. In addition, we have included officers assigned to this unit in general patrol assignments, again to reduce overtime. Although, these re-deployments assist in reducing costs, they also result in less available time for these specialists to concentrate exclusively on traffic enforcement. This is consistent with moving toward implementing recommendations in the recent ICMA study. The area where citations decreased the least is in the hazardous category. This category includes violations that result in traffic crashes. This reflects the continued emphasis on crash causing driving behaviors for enforcement action.

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## Midyear 2011/2010 Comparison

Group A Crime Categories	INCIDENTS			OFFENSES			ARRESTS			CLEARANCES	
	2nd Quarter		Percent	2nd Quarter		Percent	2nd Quarter		Percent	2nd Quarter	
	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change	2011	2010	Change	2011	Percent
Arson	3	1	200.0%	3	1	200.0%	1	0	+	1	0.0%
Assault Offenses	261	305	-14.4%	298	385	-22.6%	64	77	-16.9%	73	24.5%
Bribery	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Breaking and Entering	97	128	-24.2%	97	129	-24.8%	6	11	-45.5%	7	7.2%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	17	8	112.5%	17	8	112.5%	6	1	500.0%	4	23.5%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	150	200	-25.0%	154	210	-26.7%	2	5	-60.0%	5	3.2%
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	115	98	17.3%	173	151	14.6%	140	98	42.9%	162	93.6%
Embezzlement	29	17	70.6%	29	17	70.6%	20	14	42.9%	11	37.9%
Extortion/Blackmail	0	1	-	0	1	-	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Fraud Offenses	78	86	-9.3%	87	92	-5.4%	22	32	-31.3%	24	27.6%
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Homicide Offenses	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Larceny/Theft Offenses	647	608	6.4%	670	623	7.5%	284	286	-0.7%	233	34.8%
Motor Vehicle Theft	89	36	147.2%	89	37	140.5%	7	0	+	6	6.7%
Pornography/Obscene Material	2	1	100.0%	2	0	+	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Prostitution Offenses	1	0	+	1	0	+	1	0	+	1	100.0%
Robbery	1	2	-50.0%	1	2	-50.0%	1	2	-50.0%	0	0.0%
Sex Offenses, Forcible	10	6	66.7%	11	6	83.3%	2	1	100.0%	4	36.4%
Sex Offenses, Nonforcible	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Stolen Property Offenses	4	5	-20.0%	5	8	-37.5%	4	2	100.0%	4	80.0%
Weapon Law Violations	4	7	-42.9%	11	10	10.0%	3	8	-62.5%	10	90.9%
<b>Group A Total</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>1,648</b>	<b>1,680</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>	<b>563</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>33.1%</b>
<b>Group B Crime Categories</b>											
Bad Checks	23	24	-4.2%	23	24	-4.2%	4	6	-33.3%	3	13.0%
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy	0	1	-	0	0	NC	0	1	-	0	0.0%
Disorderly Conduct	28	31	-9.7%	37	36	2.8%	8	5	60.0%	16	43.2%
Driving Under the Influence	190	173	9.8%	229	200	14.5%	192	176	9.1%	226	98.7%
Drunkenness	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Family Offenses, Nonviolent	7	3	133.3%	7	3	133.3%	2	0	+	3	42.9%
Liquor Law Violations	15	20	-25.0%	41	41	NC	20	46	-56.5%	40	97.6%
Peeping Tom	3	1	200.0%	3	1	200.0%	1	0	+	1	0.0%
Runaway (Under 18)	7	15	-53.3%	8	15	-46.7%	0	0	NC	0	0.0%
Trespass of Real Property	15	10	50.0%	15	14	7.1%	3	5	-40.0%	3	20.0%
All Other	208	235	-11.5%	268	294	-8.8%	197	237	-16.9%	256	95.5%
<b>Group B Total</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>-3.3%</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>-10.3%</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>86.8%</b>
<b>Group A and B Total</b>	<b>2,004</b>	<b>2,022</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>2,279</b>	<b>2,308</b>	<b>-1.3%</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>-2.3%</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>48.0%</b>
Above data includes both completed and attempted offenses.											

