



2018

ANNUAL REPORT

BROOKHAVEN POLICE
DEPARTMENT

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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF GARY YANDURA

It is with great pleasure that we present to you the 2018 Brookhaven Police Department annual report. This book is intended to provide you with crime data and trends that the City of Brookhaven witnessed for 2018. Additionally, it is the goal of this report to summarize our initiatives made during 2018 to make the City of Brookhaven a safer, stronger community. Our city continues to witness growth in housing developments, large-scale construction projects, and a thriving restaurant and nightlife industry. During this continued growth and expansion, it is the goal of the Brookhaven Police Department to continue providing our flourishing community with a feeling of safety, security, and continued involvement.

In 2018, we continued to launch new police initiatives and cutting-edge technologies that are essential to fighting crime. But more than the progressive technology or advanced initiatives, we hope our dedication to the community we serve daily can be most clearly exemplified when our men and women put on their uniforms every day and start their tour of duty.

In those moments, I see heroes in action and I am honored to work with such passionate and dedicated individuals every day.

Their dedication and passion are certainly what has gotten us to where we are now and will continue to help us move forward.



JOHN ERNST
MAYOR



CHRISTIAN SIGMAN
CITY MANAGER

BROOKHAVEN CITY COUNCIL



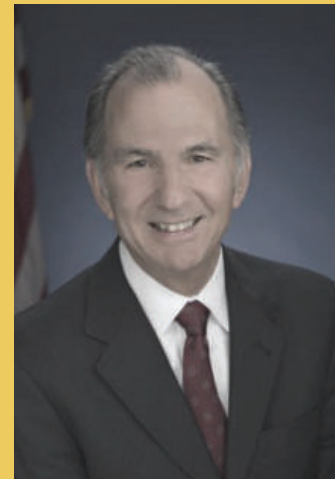
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DISTRICT 1



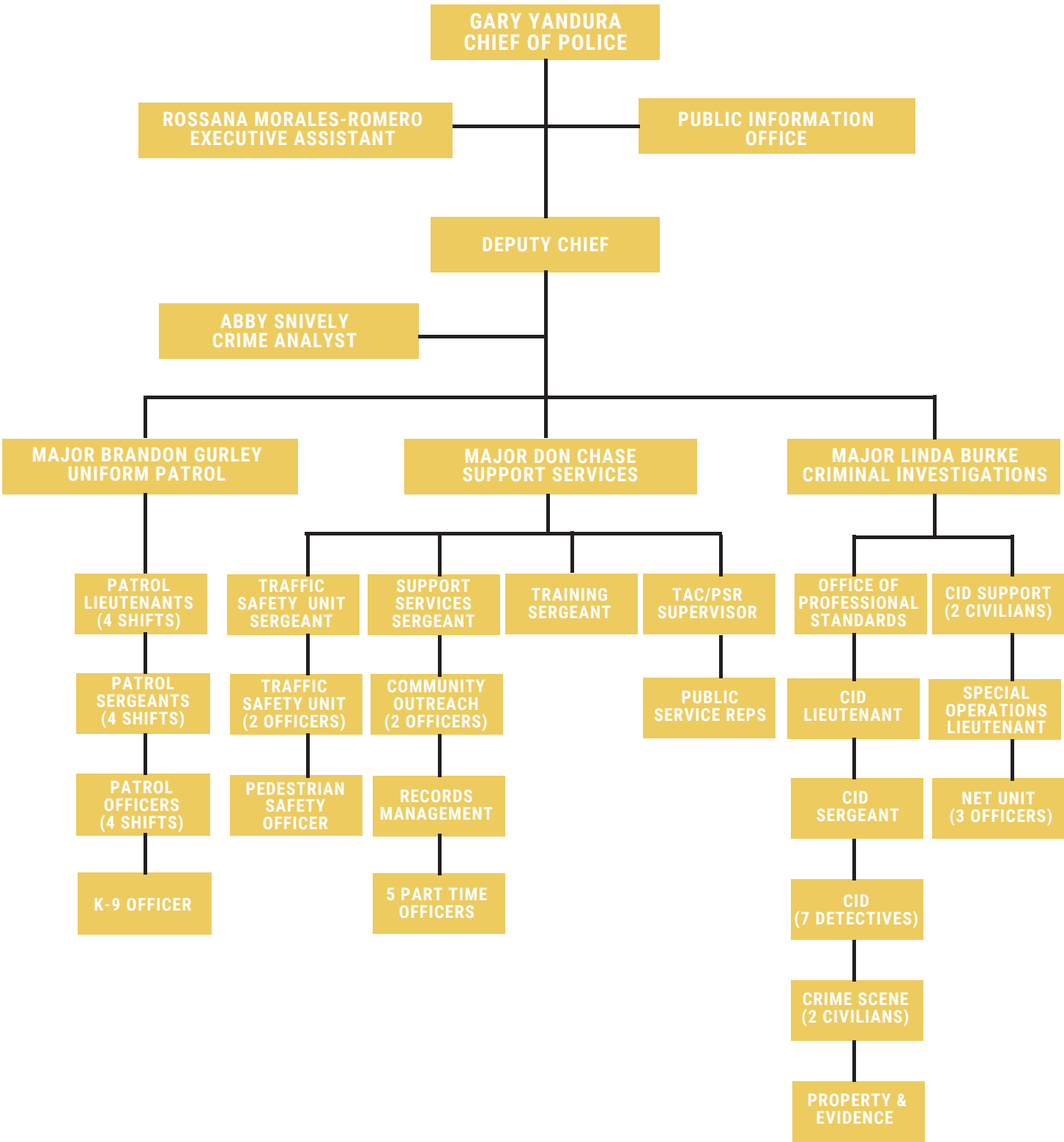
JOHN PARK
DISTRICT 2



BATES MATTISON
DISTRICT 3



JOE GEBBIA
DISTRICT 4



MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE **BROOKHAVEN POLICE DEPARTMENT** IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THOSE WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY BY PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL, HIGH QUALITY AND EFFECTIVE POLICE SERVICES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY.



DEPARTMENT GOALS

- PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY
- PREVENTION, DETECTION AND INVESTIGATION OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY
- APPREHENSION OF OFFENDERS
- MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER
- RECOVERY OF PROPERTY
- TRAINING OF OFFICERS
- COMPLIANCE WITH ETHICAL STANDARDS
- TRAFFIC CONTROL
- COMMUNITY SERVICE
- AGENCY ADMINISTRATION
- AGENCY EVALUATION



CHIEF GARY YANDURA

Chief Gary Yandura was appointed Brookhaven Police Department's first chief in April 2013 following a national search. Chief Yandura launched the department, which began providing police services to the City of Brookhaven on July 31, 2013.

Chief Yandura previously served as Chief of Police in Hiram and College Park. Chief Yandura started his law enforcement career in Lake Forest, Ill., where he spent 24 years. He retired from Lake Forest as Deputy Chief.

During his law enforcement tenure, Chief Yandura has promoted open interaction and worked with numerous community groups, including Citizens Police Academies, Volunteers in Policing, National Night Out, Shop with a Cop and Neighborhood Watch.

Chief Yandura is a graduate of the FBI Academy and has recently worked with law enforcement in the Republic of Georgia and Israel. He has a Master's in Public Administration from Roosevelt University in Chicago and a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Illinois.

He also is on the executive boards of Atlanta Metropol, DeKalb DFCS, Georgia International Law Enforcement Executive Exchange program (GILEE), and Georgia NAMI.



MAJOR DONALD CHASE

Major Donald Chase has over thirty years of law enforcement experience. He enjoys interacting with the community and remains committed to the enhancement of the quality of the department. Major Chase possesses a passion for training. He is dedicated to preparing officers with the best means to perform their jobs safely while providing a quality service to the public.



MAJOR BRANDON GURLEY

Major Brandon Gurley joined the Brookhaven Police Department in April 2013. He had previously worked for the Paulding County Sheriff's Office and Sandy Springs Police Department. During his career, he has worked in the 9-1-1 center, detention center, patrol, investigations and more. Major Gurley also served as team leader for the Paulding County SWAT team and the Crisis Negotiations Team for both Paulding and Sandy Springs. He was afforded the opportunity to be a part of the startup and development of Brookhaven's first police department. Major Gurley has commanded both the Support Services Division and the Uniform Patrol Division for the Brookhaven Police Department. Major Gurley has a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and is a graduate of Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. He and his wife have two young children.



MAJOR LINDA BURKE

Major Linda Burke began working in law enforcement in 1983 at the Fulton County Police Department as a precinct secretary and worked her way up to crime scene investigator in 1990. In 1992, she began working for the College Park Police Department and rose through the ranks to Major. She commanded Support Services, Office of Professional Standards and Criminal Investigations. Major Burke joined the Brookhaven Police Department in June of 2013 and has served as Commander of Support Services and is currently Commander of Criminal Investigations and Internal Affairs. Major Burke has a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from Mercer University and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Columbus State University. Major Burke has two children, one is a graduate of the University of Georgia and the other is a graduate from Kennesaw State University.



**ROSSANA
MORALES-ROMERO**



Rossana Morales-Romero began her career in law enforcement administrative support in 2006 with the start-up of the Sandy Springs Police Department. She thoroughly enjoys the endeavor of starting a new company from the ground up as she has also assisted in the commencement of the Chatcomm 911 center as their Training Coordinator and then joined the City of Brookhaven in starting up the police department. Rossana joined the Brookhaven Police Department in May 2013 as the Executive Assistant to the Chief of Police and currently facilitates administrative and financial duties for the department.

Rossana and her husband, who is a police officer for a local agency, have a beautiful, young daughter and reside in the metro Atlanta area.

ABBY SNIVELY



Abby Snively has been the Crime Analyst for the Brookhaven Police Department since October 2016. In this role, she provides analytical support to the department by evaluating crime trends and patterns. She also works closely with the Criminal Investigations Division, assisting in the investigative and intelligence gathering processes in active investigations.

Abby began her career in law enforcement in 2012 as a Police Cyber Specialist within the Cyber Unit at the Marietta Police Department. Abby Snively has a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and Bachelor's Degree in Information Systems from Kennesaw State University. She has attended Intelligence and Analysis training classes and is in the process of obtaining certification as a Crime and Intelligence Analyst through the International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA).

UCR PART I OFFENSES

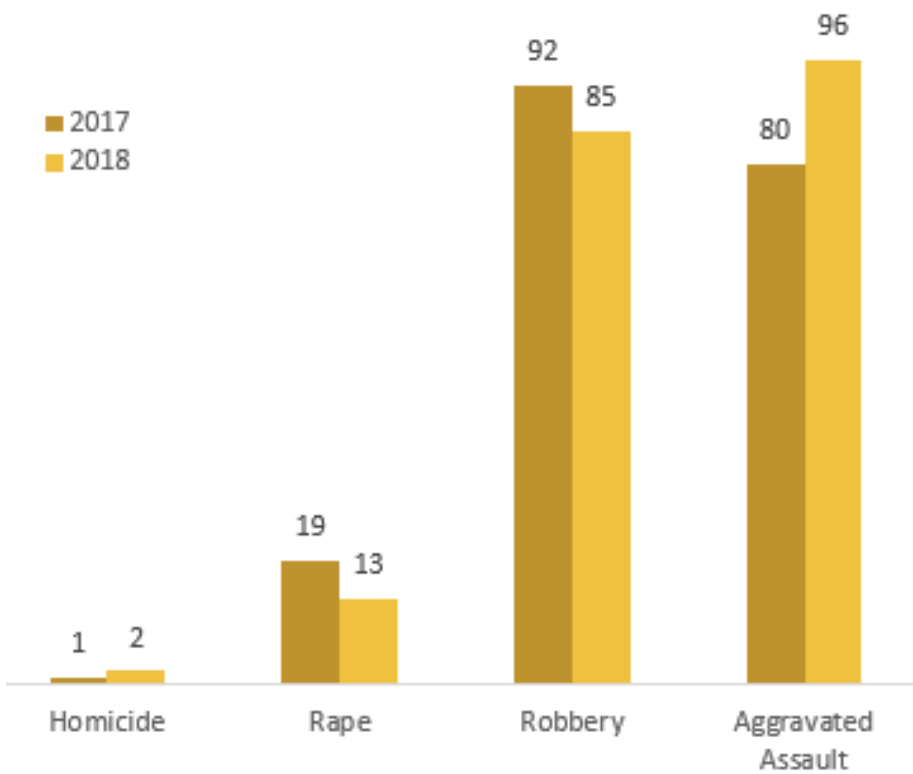
2018 witnessed a **1.3% increase** in Part I crimes as compared to 2017

To gain a measurement of crime trends, Georgia participates in the Federal Bureau of Investigation's **Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)** Program. The goal is to generate a set of criminal statistics for use in law enforcement administration, operation and management. Analyzing these crime statistics allows the Brookhaven Police Department the ability to identify trends to most efficiently utilize resources in attempts to target patterns and decrease crime.

Crimes are classified as "Part I" or "Part II" offense categories. Part I offenses include **murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, and larceny/theft**. The crimes in this group are all serious, either by their very nature or because of the frequency with which they occur, and present a common enforcement problem to police agencies. All other crimes are considered Part II offenses and are not reported to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS



Crimes Against Persons include Murder, Rape, Robbery, and Aggravated Assault. While these types of crimes typically represent the smaller percentage of Part I Offenses, they are generally more violent and severe in nature.

2018 witnessed 196 crimes against persons, which was a 2.1% increase from 2017.



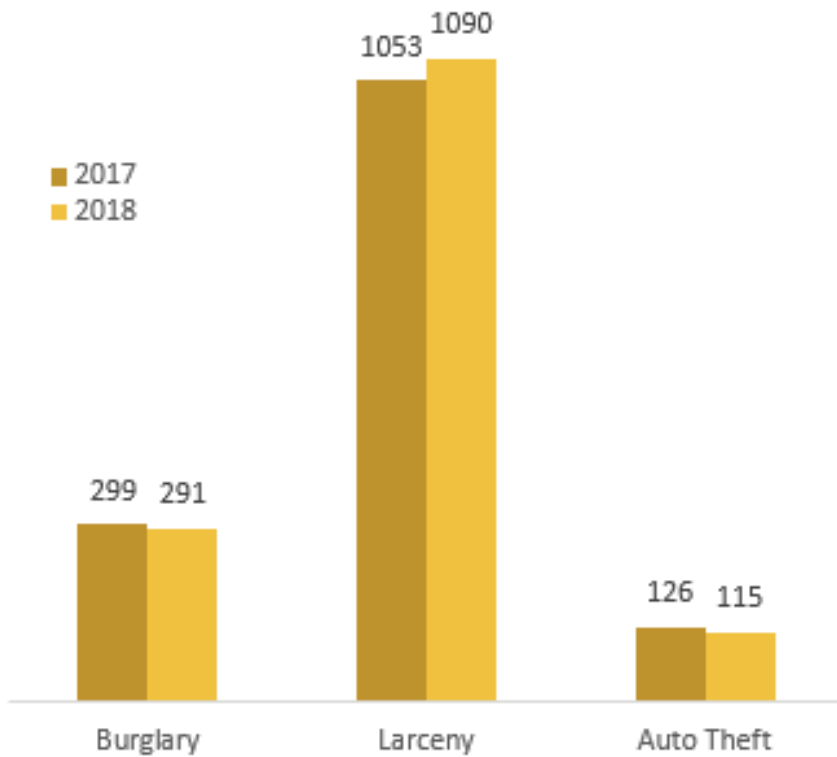
196

Crimes Against
Persons

+2.1%

From 2017

CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY



Crimes Against Property include Burglary, Larceny, and Motor Vehicle Theft. These types of cases do not involve force or violence but generally represent the highest percentage of Part I Crimes.

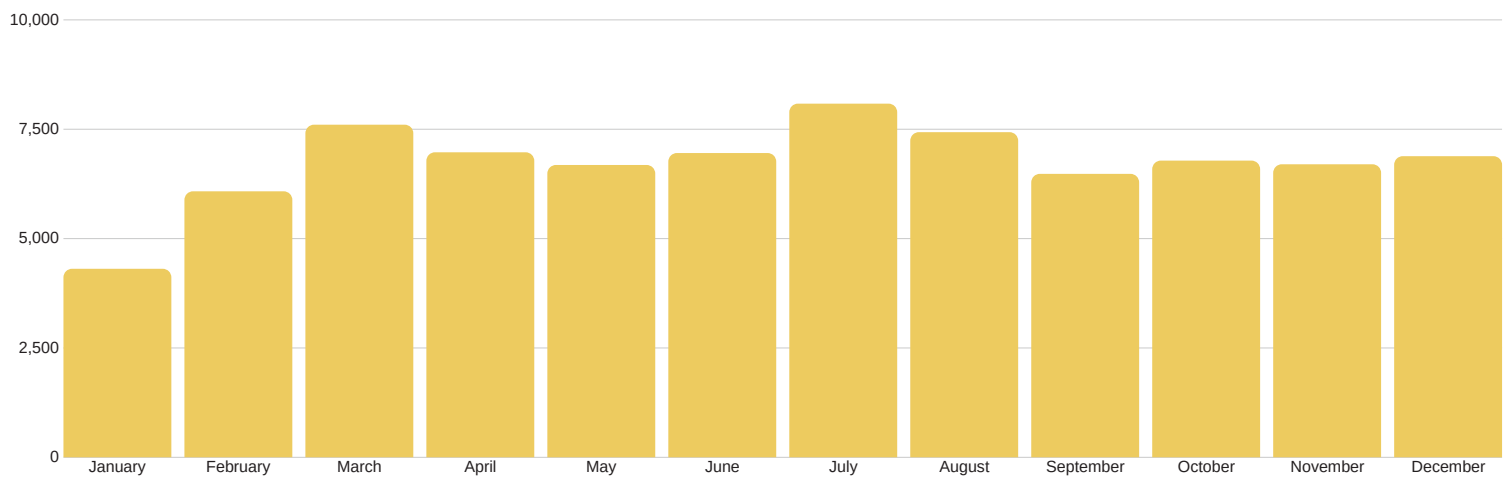
2018 witnessed 1496 crimes against property, which was a 1.2% increase from 2017.



CALLS FOR SERVICE

2018 witnessed a **98.3% increase** in Calls for Service as compared to 2017

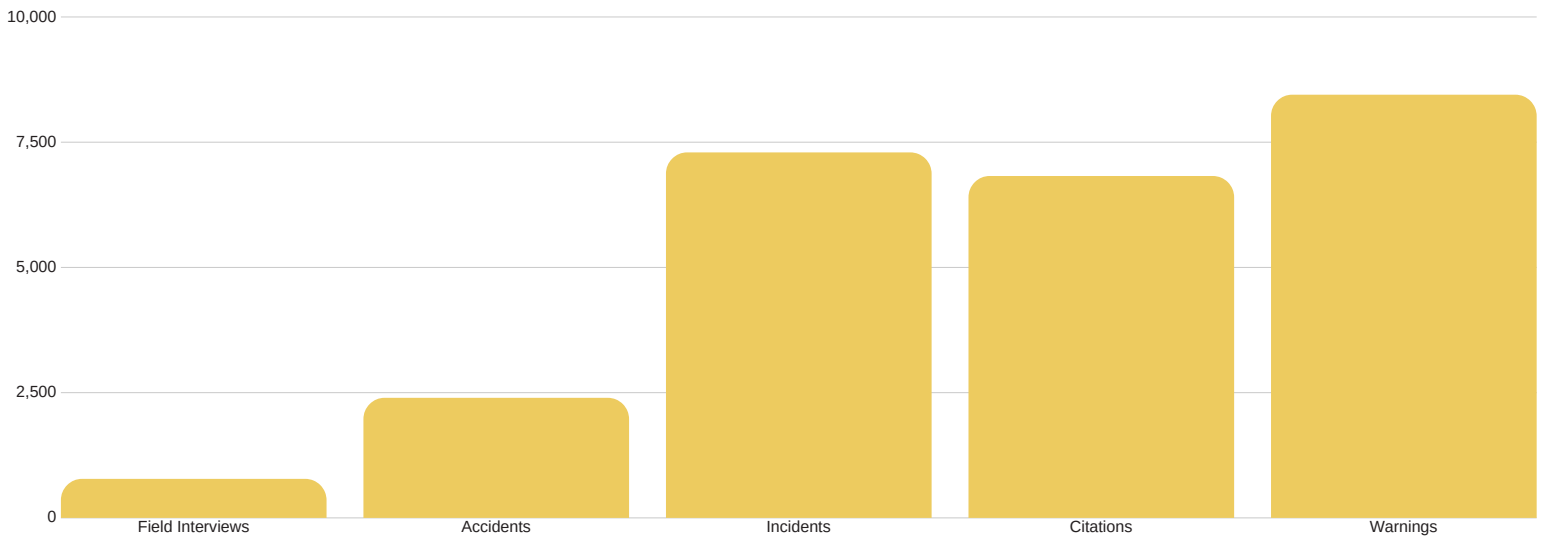
Calls for service consist of any call in which the Brookhaven Police Department responds regardless of what type of report is generated. Calls for service can generate many types of reports, to include accident or incident reports. There are also self-initiated calls that are proactive patrols initiated by officers to deter and prevent crime.



OFFICER ACTIVITY

2018 witnessed a **21.8% increase** in arrests as compared to 2017

Officer activity is represented by the number of incident reports, citations, and warnings written, as well as, field interviews completed, arrests made, and accidents worked. 2018 witnessed a 92% increase in field interviews, 4% decrease in accidents worked, 11% increase in incident reports, 22% decrease in citations written, and 117% increase in warnings issued as compared to 2017.



1871

ARRESTS

2017

2278

ARRESTS

2018

UNIFORM PATROL

The Uniform Patrol Division is the largest and most visible division within the department. This division is broken down into four separate shifts and each shift is supervised by a Lieutenant and two Sergeants. The division commander holds the rank of Major.

Each day and night, Brookhaven officers are deployed throughout the city to ensure the safety of residents, businesses, and visitors of Brookhaven. Patrol officers are the department's first responders to calls for service and they are expected to be able to handle many diverse and difficult situations.

Brookhaven officers are required to handle all calls for service and write related reports. In addition to these responsibilities, Brookhaven officers perform a variety of other duties.

These additional responsibilities include, but are not limited to: neighborhood patrols, preventative and saturation patrols in high crime locations, enforcing traffic laws, conducting accident investigations, directing traffic, conducting field interviews, conducting preliminary criminal investigations, comforting crime victims, looking for missing children and adults, obtaining information from residents about neighborhood problems and issues, and, whenever necessary, arresting criminals.



BROOKHAVEN OFFICER CAPTURES THE GRINCH

On the evening of December 15, 2018, Brookhaven Sgt. Charles McCoy was off-duty heading home from his shift when he spotted someone running away from a resident's front porch with a holiday package in hand near Coosawatee Drive and Cartecay Drive. Sgt. McCoy quickly intervened and detained the suspect, 20-year-old Isaiah Gresham of Marietta. Additional officers were called to conduct a neighborhood canvas to identify the owners of the stolen merchandise the suspect had in his car.

When confronted, Mr. Gresham gave a full confession, was arrested and transported to the DeKalb County jail. Mr. Gresham was charged with theft, loitering, prowling, and driving on a suspended license.

"Thanks to Sgt. McCoy's awareness and quick action, along with the other officers who responded in support, we were able to get another criminal off the streets and prevent several Christmas holidays from being ruined by thieves," said Brookhaven Police Chief Gary Yandura.

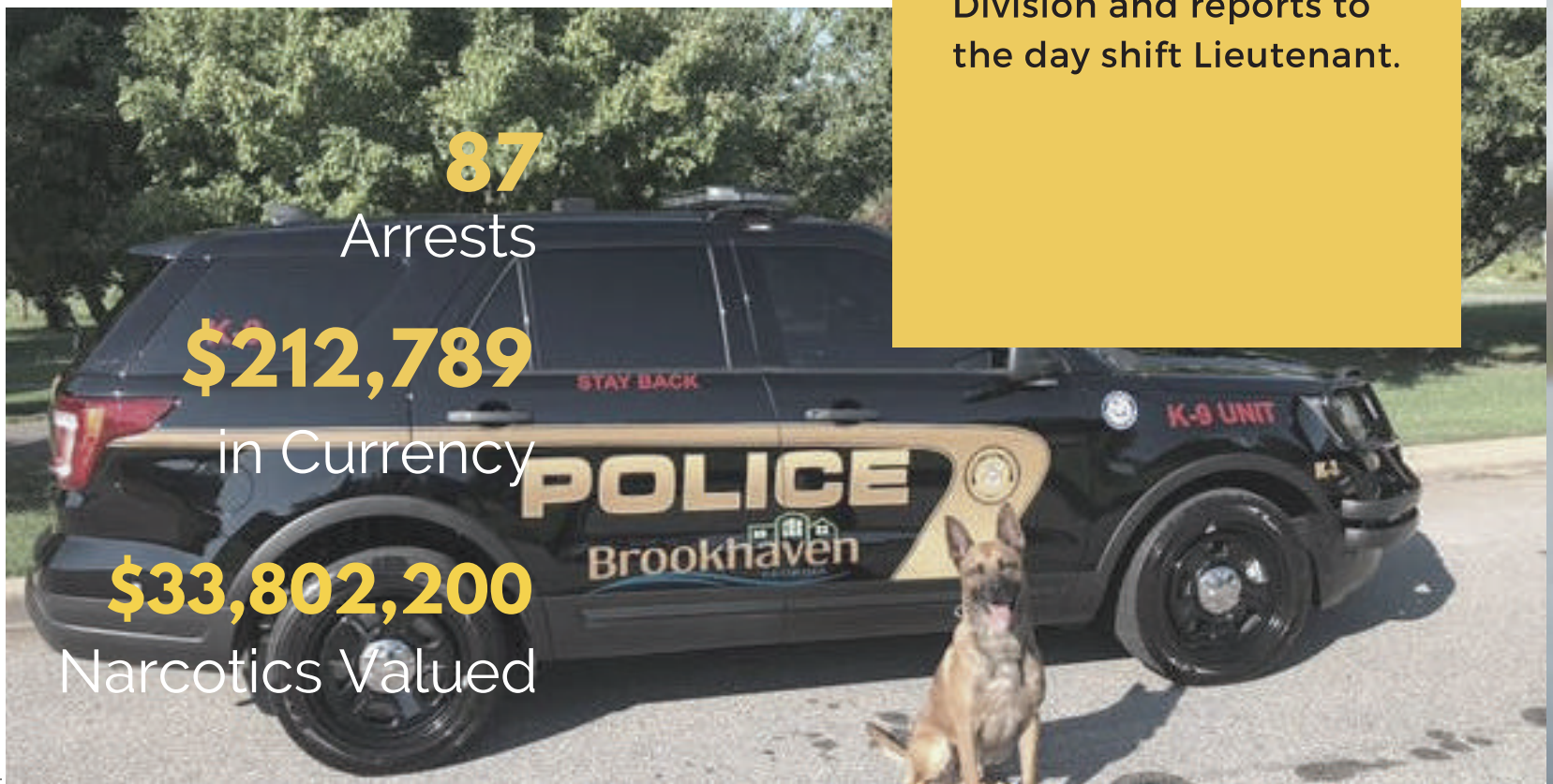


K-9 UNIT

In January 2018, Officer Fikes and Officer Williams assisted DEA and Homeland Security (HSI) serve an arrest warrant. While Fikes and Williams along with K9 Thorr held security on the backdoor of the location, K9 Thorr began trying to pull Officer Williams to a shed that was about 100 feet away. Not knowing if a subject was hiding in the location, Officer Williams went with K9 Thorr toward the shed. K9 Thorr began sniffing the walls and door of the shed and ultimately finalized an alert at the doorway of the locked shed. Federal agents obtained a search warrant for the shed. Upon execution of the search warrant, over 700 pounds of crystal and liquid methamphetamine were located in the shed. All subjects were arrested at the location.

In 2018, the K-9 Unit consisted of two K-9 Officers and two K-9s. The K-9 Team is certified in various areas, such as, narcotics detection, tracking, obedience, criminal apprehension, building and area searches, and evidence recovery.

The K-9 Unit is part of the Uniform Patrol Division and reports to the day shift Lieutenant.



87
Arrests

\$212,789
in Currency

\$33,802,200
Narcotics Valued





Criminal Investigations

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is under the command of a Major and is supervised by two Lieutenants and a Sergeant who are responsible for assigning cases and overseeing daily operations.

The division consists of seven detectives who handle all criminal investigations. CID also has two civilian positions, two crime scene investigators, one property/evidence technician, and N.E.T. (Neighborhood Enforcement Team).

3,110

CASES ASSIGNED

65

SEARCH WARRANTS

156

ARRESTS



License Plate Reader Aids in Solving Homicide

Officers responded to calls about a fight outside Acapulco Restaurant and Bar. Brookhaven officers working in the area arrived within seconds and reported multiple gunshots being fired. A total of three victims were located throughout the shopping center parking lot, each suffering from gunshot wounds. Two victims were transported to area hospitals and survived. A third victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. All the witnesses gave a consistent vehicle description: an older sporty two-door passenger vehicle, red in color, with a gray front bumper. No make or model was provided and, for three days after the homicide, that generic description was the only lead. Detectives tirelessly canvassed surrounding businesses for video surveillance and eventually located video that showed an image of the suspect vehicle. Investigators determined that the vehicle was a red Acura Integra and narrowed the model range to 1994 through 2001. With this information, investigators conducted multiple queries using the Vigilant LEARN Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) database. In less than an hour, the investigator identified a 1998 Acura Integra that entered Brookhaven three hours prior to the shooting and again two hours after the shooting. A second query, conducted with that specific tag, revealed additional images of the suspect vehicle - including one that showed the front gray bumper. Investigators deployed to several metro-Atlanta locations and conducted additional interviews. Within six hours of finding the LEARN record, both suspects had been identified and arrest warrants were obtained.

CRIME SCENE UNIT

The Brookhaven Police Department has a full-time **Crime Scene Investigation (CSI)** Unit. The unit is staffed by two full-time, state-certified Crime Scene Investigators with almost 30 years of combined experience in law enforcement investigations. The CSI Unit is on call 365 days a year to respond to significant crimes where evidence preservation, collection and documentation is their primary function.

This unit is attached to the Criminal Investigations Division and works side by side with detectives on a daily basis. The CSI Unit also has the ability to process evidence in the on-site evidence lab within the Brookhaven Police Department.



PAIGE MILLER



The CID Investigative Assistant is Paige Miller. Paige provides clerical and customer service support to the Division. Some of her regular duties include: cataloging investigative case files, printing and mailing contact letters and notices, assisting the Crime Analyst and Records Manager, and collaborating with detectives. Paige also regularly contacts crime victims to solicit additional information and evidence that can be used by investigators to solve a case. Her customer service skills, knack for finding leads, and overall enthusiasm have been a great addition to the Division. Paige is a resident of the City of Brookhaven and participated in Brookhaven's 2016 Citizens Police Academy.

ASHLEIGH PATTERSON



Ashleigh Patterson is the UCR Records Clerk. She is responsible for reviewing every incident report to ensure that the crime information data is correctly listed. These data are compiled monthly for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting (FBI UCR) Program and are the basis for national crime statistics. Ashleigh previously worked for Brookhaven Police Department as a Patrol Officer, and we were excited to welcome her back in 2018.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The Support Services Division is comprised of several different functional areas including the Public Service Representatives Office, Records Management, Terminal Agency Coordinator, Budget Management, Community Oriented Policing, Training, Traffic Unit, Fleet Management, Transport, and Court Security.

The Mission of the Support Services Division is to facilitate the operational support of the police department, foster the effective and efficient delivery of police services, and ensure that quality training and standards are maintained within the Brookhaven Police Department.

The Support Services Division is under the command of a Major who handles departmental budgeting, purchasing, and expenditures. Support Services is managed by a Sergeant who oversees the day-to-day operations and community policing activities.



CHARDEA CHAYNE



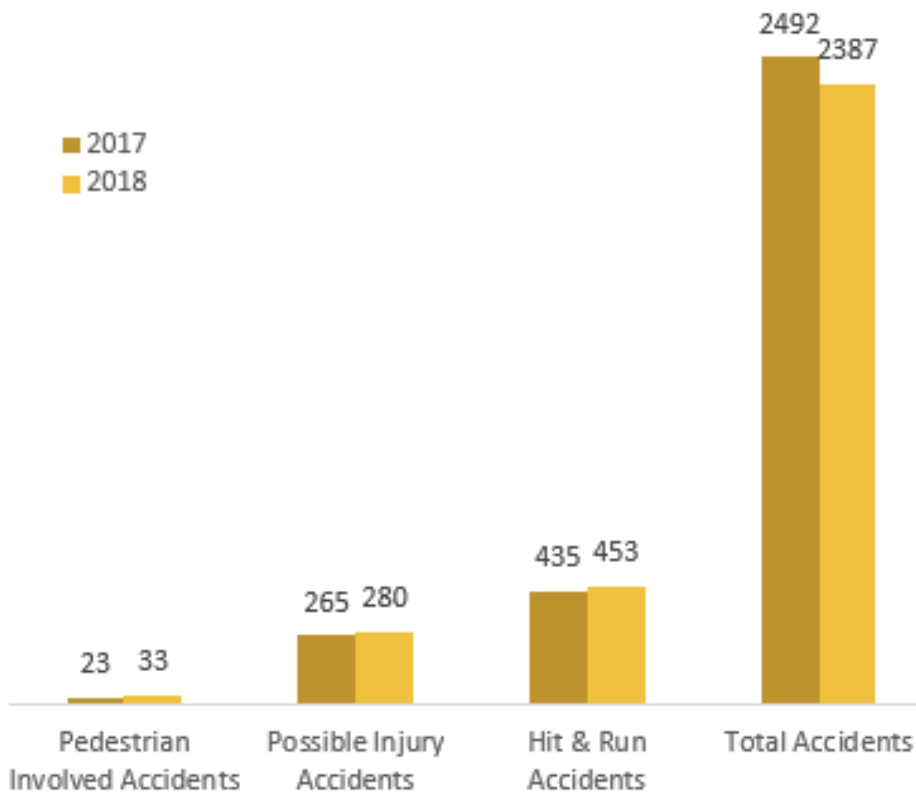
Chardea Chayne, the departmental Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC), is the person designated to service as a liaison between the agency head and the Georgia Crime Information Center (GCIC) for Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) network related matters. Chardea was born and raised in Decatur, GA and graduated from Columbia High School in 2005. She later received her BS in Criminal Justice from Columbus State University in 2009. She's been employed with the Brookhaven Police Department since May 2015 as a Public Service Representative, but obtained the TAC position in 2017. In addition to being the TAC, she recently attained the role of Public Service Representative Supervisor

SUZANNE RICE



The Records Management Clerk, Suzanne Rice, has worked in Law Enforcement records for 12 years and has been employed at Brookhaven since 2013. Suzanne is tasked with answering open records inquiries. She provides professional management, protection, retention and destruction of all police records. Suzanne also assists other entities, such as the DA and the Solicitor General's offices, with investigative case files. Suzanne was recently elected by her peers to serve on the Board of Directors for the Georgia Records Association, as Director of Membership/Marketing.

TRAFFIC UNIT



The Brookhaven Police Department launched their Traffic Safety Unit in December 2016. The unit is supervised by a Sergeant and consists of the grant-funded pedestrian safety officer and two traffic safety officers.

In 2018, the traffic unit participated in the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) campaigns to encourage seat belt usage, reduce DUI's and distracted driving, and reduce speed violations.



The Brookhaven Police Department was awarded a \$64,000 Pedestrian Safety Grant by GOHS in October 2016. The Pedestrian Safety Officer (PSO) position created by this grant is responsible for pedestrian and vehicular traffic enforcement, as well as, a community educational component. Due to the success of the position, the grant was renewed in 2017 and 2018. In 2018, the PSO distributed 150 warnings and citations which represented 20% of the department's annual total.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY GRANT

2,419

WARNINGS & CITATIONS ISSUED

768

SAFETY ITEMS DISTRIBUTED

384

EDUCATIONAL ITEMS DISTRIBUTED



IN THE COMMUNITY

The Brookhaven Police Department understands the challenges in creating collaborative partnerships with our stakeholders. These relationships are imperative to develop practical solutions to attack crime trends in the City of Brookhaven.

Our Community Policing Program allows us to identify and address immediate conditions that can escalate to public safety issues such as crime and social disorder. The following pages highlight our efforts in 2018 to engage our community and continue fostering positive relationships.



B.O.A.S.T.

Brookhaven Officers and Students Together (BOAST) is a program that is geared towards bridging the gap between our officers and students in our community. Our officers attend activities at local schools that foster an environment of mutual respect and collaboration to enhance academic achievement.

The objective is to create a first line of defense against disorder and crime by establishing a relationship of trust with the youth in the community. In addition to teaching students values and discipline, they are provided awareness on crime prevention techniques to help reduce the likelihood of being victimized.



COFFEE WITH A COP

Every month, the Brookhaven Police Department meets with the citizens to discuss their respective concerns over a hot cup of coffee. Additionally, in 2018, the Brookhaven Police Department participated in the Department of Justice 3rd Annual National Coffee with a Cop Day.

This is a great opportunity for our citizens to interact with the command staff and officers from other divisions. This program is very essential to maintain community engagement and reiterate our commitment to protecting and serving the City of Brookhaven.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The 2018 National Night Out was a multi-jurisdictional effort. Officers from Brookhaven and Dunwoody joined residents to celebrate police-community partnerships.

National Night Out strengthens the relationship between officers and citizens in a true sense of community. Our community members participated in crime prevention activities and ate some delicious food that officers prepared.



HOT PURSUIT 5K

2018 marked the 5th annual hot pursuit 5k and in turn was our largest 5k turn out to date garnering close to 500 participants. The Brookhaven Police Department partnered with Orion Racing to put on its second glow run 5k. The department not only offered a traditional 5k route but added a one mile fun run which was well received by participants.

The Hot Pursuit 5K was developed to promote funding for the "Shop with a Badge" program. The goal every year is to increase the number of glow run participants so the number of "Shop with a Badge" attendees can also increase. 2018 was the biggest 5k turnout to date which allowed the largest number of kids to participate in Shop with a Badge.



SHOP WITH A BADGE

The "Shop with a Badge" program is intended to uplift the spirits of the kids in our community by assisting with their Christmas needs. Children are escorted by police personnel from Brookhaven Police Department, DeKalb Sheriff's Office, Georgia State Patrol, and ChatComm 9-1-1.

2018 witnessed a record high of 79 kids that were sponsored for the program. Each child had a \$200 budget for a total of \$15,800. Since 2014, nearly 300 families have benefited from this program. The unwavering support by the community has allowed us to provide monetary assistance to families in need during the Christmas season.



C.P.A. & C.O.P.S.

The Brookhaven Citizens Police Academy (CPA) and Hispanic CPA are designed to educate the public on the management and operations of a police department. In 2018, the Brookhaven Police Department hosted one CPA and one Hispanic CPA educating the participants on topics such as patrol functions, investigations, use of deadly force, and crime scene.

In 2018, the Citizens on Patrol (COPs) program was initiated. This community based policing program was created to enlist private citizens to volunteer time to actively patrol their community and to report suspicious activity to appropriate authorities. COPs volunteers are all graduates of previous CPA classes and receive additional training geared towards observation techniques and police procedures.



TRAINING

Georgia Peace Officer's Standards and Training Council requires that every law enforcement officer receive a minimum of 20 hours of training per year to maintain their arrest powers. Recognizing the importance of professional, well-trained officers, Brookhaven requires 40 hours of training annually, doubling the state mandate.

In 2018, Brookhaven officers received 606 total combined hours of firearms training, 365 hours of use of force training, and 971 total combined training hours to include defensive tactics, in-service training, and roll call training.



ADOPT-A-COP

The adopt-a-cop program started in April 2017 and was created to bring members of the Brookhaven Police Department closer to the members of the Our Lady of Assumption (OLA) Church and school. The basis of the program was to "humanize the badge" and to give the community a better idea on who the officers were as people.

2018 witnessed continued growth with the adopt-a-cop program with a total of 64 Brookhaven Police employees being connected with over 200 parish families. The program has been a phenomenal success and has fostered building relationships and increased communication for all participants.





NORTH METRO S.W.A.T.

With the combined strength of four cities, the North Metro SWAT unit allows for swift and complete response to tactical situations as well as high-risk warrant response to over 280,000 of our citizens. Equipped with specialized firearms and equipment, the North Metro SWAT unit is able to respond to the following types of incidents: hostage rescues, counter-terrorism operations, service of high-risk arrest and search warrants, barricaded suspects, engagement of heavily armed criminals, and dignitary protection.

The Brookhaven Police Department has five officers assigned to North Metro SWAT. In 2018, the North Metro SWAT unit responded to seven calls for service.

In August 2018, North Metro SWAT assisted in serving a search warrant at a Brookhaven apartment where a large scale prostitution ring and possible sex trafficking was occurring. The primary suspect fled through a hidden escape hatch in the floor and attempted to hide in the apartment building's crawl space. The suspect eventually surrendered after SWAT introduced irritating chemical agents into the area. The arrest led to the identification of an even larger scale prostitution ring.



CHATCOMM

The City of Brookhaven uses Chattahoochee River 9-1-1 Authority, otherwise known as ChatComm, to provide 911 Communications.

ChatComm is an accredited, state-of-the-art E911 center providing exceptional service and proven performance standards to the cities of Sandy Springs, Dunwoody, Johns Creek and Brookhaven. By joining the ChatComm team, our department inherited added technology including automatic vehicle location devices and silent dispatch capabilities, which has enhanced our overall responsiveness to the community.

ChatComm is one of the first centers in the metro area to accept TEXT to 911. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or speech disabled, or are in a dangerous situation, you can TEXT 911. Remember: call when you can, text if you can't.



HONOR GUARD

During 2018, the Brookhaven Honor Guard performed the presentation of colors at the Brookhaven Police Ball. Additionally, the Honor Guard was honored to assist with funeral services for Gwinnett Officer Antwan Toney, DeKalb Officer Edgar Flores, and Henry County Officer Michael Smith.

Founded in late 2016, the Brookhaven Police Honor Guard is comprised of seven officers devoted to perfecting their skills in marching, flag details, flag folding, and funeral details. Their unwavering commitment to the team can be seen in their monthly meetings, training sessions, and attendance at details around the community and state. Their continued pledge to perfection was evident at the appearances in 2018, and they continue to strive for excellence in each additional detail they are asked to perform.



POLICE EXPLORERS

The Explorer program serves youth aged 14-21 who are interested in law enforcement as a career path. Explorers meet at Brookhaven Police Headquarters where they train like police recruits on topics including: Domestic Violence Response; Arrest Techniques; Active Shooter Response; and First Aid, CPR, and AED.

2018 represented the fourth year of the Brookhaven Police Explorer post. In 2018, Explorers provided assistance at the following community events: the Cherry Blossom Festival, Glow Run, and Light Up Brookhaven. Explorers also participate in local, state, and regional competitions where they showcase their knowledge in skills-based practical scenarios simulating response to calls. In 2018, BPD Explorers competed in Gatlinburg, TN; Marietta, Smyrna, and Forsyth, GA. The post also attended training programs held at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center. At the end of 2018, two Brookhaven Explorers enlisted in the United States Military. The 2018 program advisors were: Sergeant David Snively and Detectives Corey Van Alen and Emmanuel Maldonado.



2018 BROOKHAVEN POLICE AWARDS

2018 OFFICER OF THE YEAR



The 2018 Officer of the Year is Officer Maria Jones. Throughout 2018, Officer Jones exceeded expectations in her performance in every area of measurement. To date, she has conducted more than 1,100 pedestrian stops and nearly 700 motor vehicle stops. In addition, she has conducted more than 25 school education events and 15 public education events. She has distributed more than 800 education and safety items, issued more than 1,200 warnings and nearly 600 citations, and made nearly 60 arrests – mostly of wanted persons who would not have been located without her efforts. Her loyalty to the Department, dedication to duty, community involvement, and exceptional achievement are extraordinary.

2018 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR



The 2018 Civilian Employee of the Year is Crime and Intelligence Analyst Abby Snively. Analyst Snively compiles a monthly report that details crime patterns and trends, and police department activities. In addition, she is responsible for creating the annual report, and did so in both 2017 and 2018 with tremendous success. The report includes incident, call, arrest, report, and biographical data and is printed both internally and externally. Analyst Snively has also been a tremendous asset to the Criminal Investigations Division. Her dedication to researching social media and pursuing investigative leads generated important details used to prosecute cases including two homicides, multiple pedestrian armed robberies, the Ermitage jewelry store robbery, and several other high-profile cases.

2018 BROOKHAVEN POLICE AWARDS

2018 OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER



**OFFICER DAVID
FIKES**



**OFFICER JOHN
CLIFFORD**



**SERGEANT ABREM
AYANA**

CHIEF'S CORE VALUES AWARD



The 2018 recipient of the Core Values Award is Officer Dustin Patton. Officer Patton is a founding member of the Brookhaven Police Department and started as a Police Service Representative. He was the first officer BPD sponsored through the Police Academy and has been an extraordinary asset to the Department. Most recently, Officer Patton volunteered and was selected to serve as a Field Training Officer to mentor police officer recruits in their formative, initial training period. His unfaltering enthusiasm and exceptional work ethic are just two of the qualities that distinguish his performance.

2018 BROOKHAVEN POLICE AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL



**OFFICER DAVID
FIKES**



**OFFICER TAJ
ADAMS**



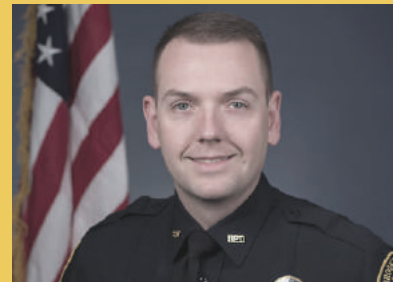
**SERGEANT ABREM
AYANA**



**SERGEANT DAVID
SNIVELY**



**SERGEANT
CHARLES MCCOY**



**SERGEANT JACOB
KISSEL**

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL



**OFFICER CARLOS
NINO**



**DETECTIVE COREY
VAN ALEN**



**SERGEANT DAVID
SNIVELY**



**LIEUTENANT
MOISES VARGAS**

2018 BROOKHAVEN POLICE AWARDS

LIFESAVING AWARD



**OFFICER SARAH
MILLER**



**OFFICER BRIAN
WILLIS**



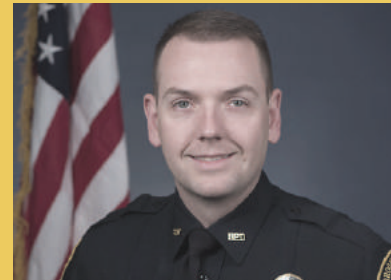
**SERGEANT
MATTHEW MURRAY**



**SERGEANT CELESTE
RAUSCH**



**SERGEANT
CHARLES MCCOY**



**SERGEANT JACOB
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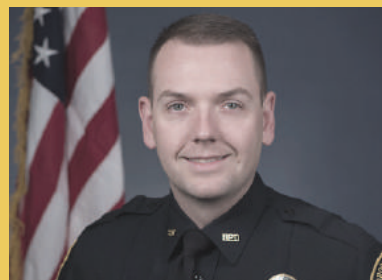


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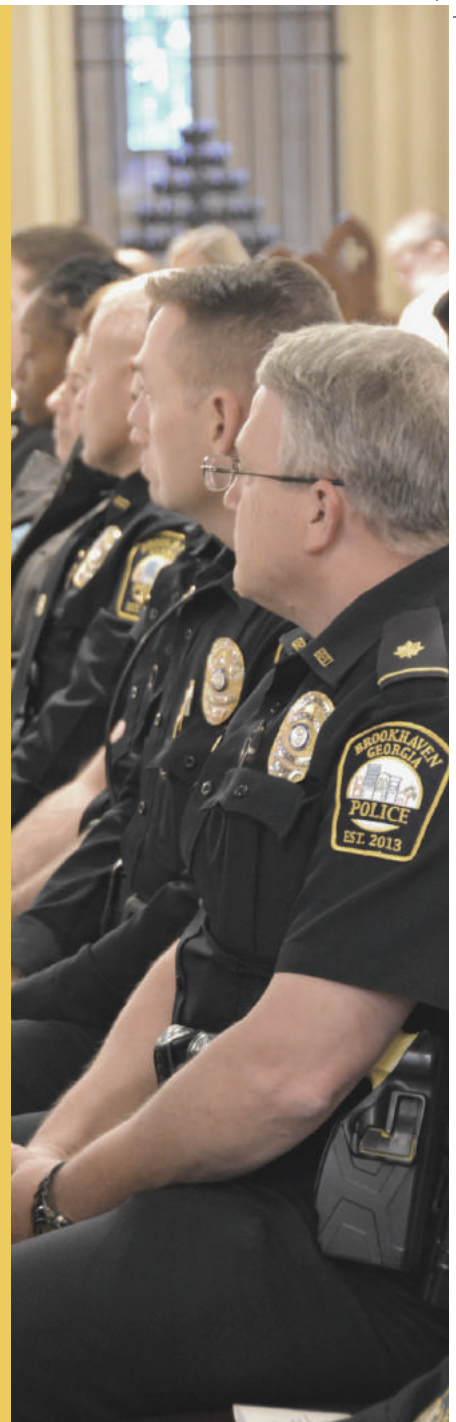


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