

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Serving Clinton County since 1839

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



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To the Clinton County Board of Commissioners and residents of Clinton County:

On behalf of the dedicated members of the Clinton County Sheriff's Office, I am very proud to present the 2022 Annual Report. This report details a sampling of the amazing accomplishments made by the exceptional staff who provide the highest level of service to all of Clinton County. Thanks to an extremely supportive county Administration along with our Board of Commissioners our staff was able to deliver another year of positive public safety impacting all of Clinton County.


In April 2022 I was appointed as the 36th Sheriff of Clinton County after the announcement that Sheriff Larry Jerue was set to retire. I appointed Mike Gute, who was the DeWitt Township Chief of Police, as Undersheriff and we both took over our administrative responsibilities in early May. I join our team in stating, it is truly an honor to serve the people of this great county. Maintaining public safety and serving the public are the foundation of our mission here at the Sheriff's Office. The 2022 Annual Report provides a window to look over the past year's accomplishments and an opportunity to show what service means to our nearly 100 employees. It is a privilege to experience the dedication of so many employees who make it their priority to carry out the values of the Sheriff's Office.

In this report you will find information about every division of the Sheriff's Office. This is only a snapshot of what the Sheriff's Office accomplishes daily throughout the county. There are things that our personnel do every day that make a difference and often go unnoticed. We take pride in that. The Sheriff's Office is truly blessed to have the community's trust and support.

As public servants, we value all lives above our own and we are always ready to go above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that our community and its citizens are protected. We cannot do this job alone. We value our partnerships with other local law enforcement, fire, and medical agencies all across Clinton County along with Central Dispatch. We also want to thank our volunteer groups (Victim's Services and Mounted Division) who dedicate so much of their own time to assist the Sheriff's Office in so many areas.

It is often said that the Sheriff's Office responds to our citizens worst day, every day. Our personnel see these challenges as opportunities to serve and make a difference. I am thankful that we have a well-trained department that is poised to take on any challenge to better the community. The men and women of the Sheriff's Office demonstrate professionalism and compassion while humbly serving this fine county. I want to thank them all for their daily sacrifice to serve.

We also recognize there is always room for improvement and we will continue to look for ways to become better. We look forward to continuing our work to make Clinton County a safe place to live, work and play. Thank you again for entrusting us to serve all of you, the residents of Clinton County.


Sheriff Sean Dush

FOREWORD

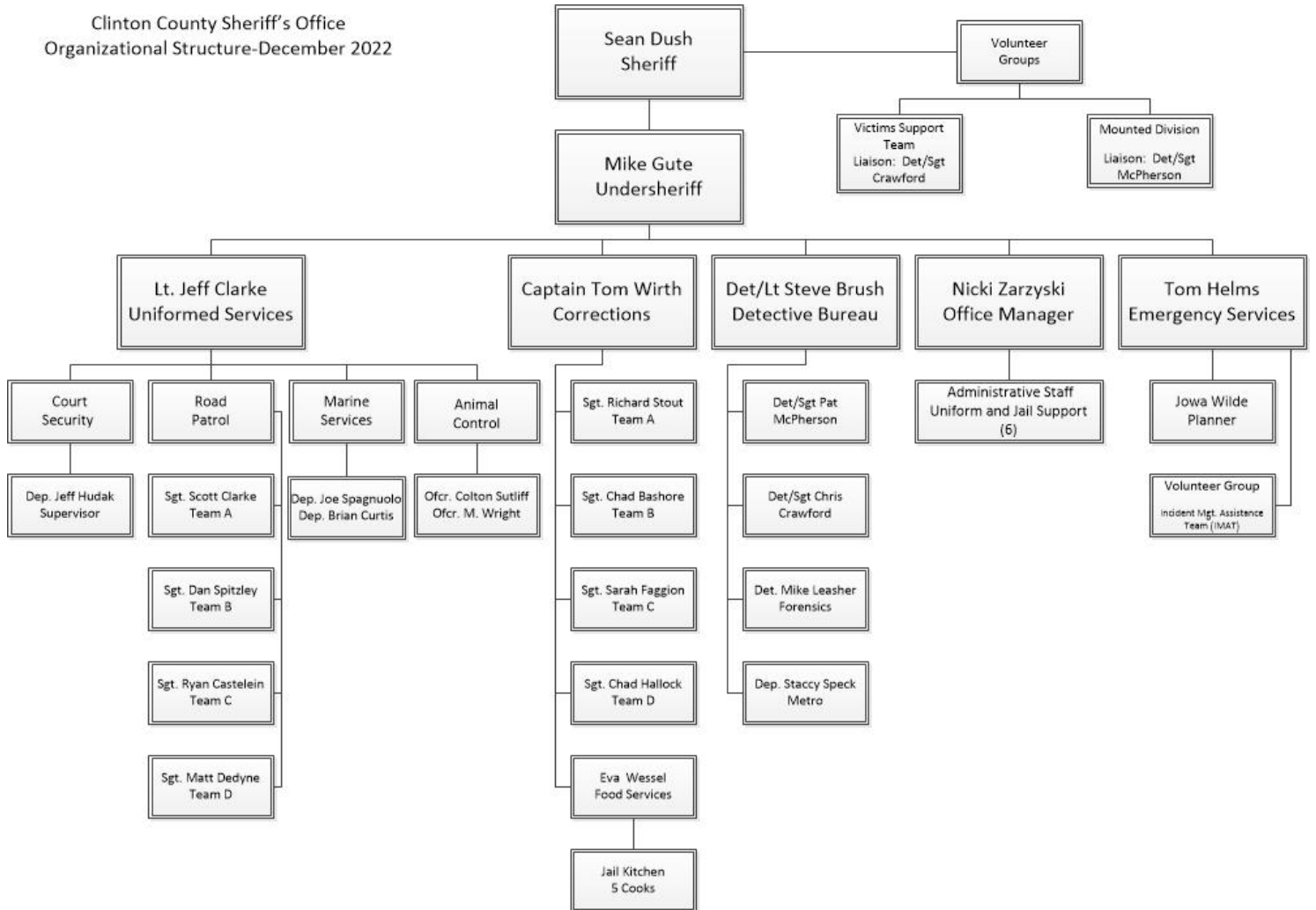
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OFFICE OF CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF 2022

Clinton County Sheriff's Office
Organizational Structure-December 2022



**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS
2018-2022**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Traffic Citation	9,812	8,627	3,196	3,786	5,117
Verbal's	5,942	4,677	824	923	4,377
Traffic Stops	15,674	14,197	4,020	4,366	6,548
Drug Arrests	207	74	49	54	52
Driver Suspended	543	423	206	219	251
Drunk Driving	201	227	125	123	118
Seat Belts	119	81	17	23	34

**TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS
2018-2022**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Property Damage	616	546	388	478	531
Personal Injury Accident	121	115	107	123	110
Fatal Accidents	8	7	7	4	4
Car Deer	857	882	892	956	1,026

**COMPLAINT ACTIVITY
2018-2022**

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Self-Initiated	23,709	20,669	15,010	14,263	16,612
Calls for Service	7,669	7,575	6,997	7,486	7,812
TOTAL	31,505	28,848	22,130	21,831	24,496
Written Reports	3,480	3,432	2,544	2,816	3,160

Violation of Controlled Substance Act Drug Arrests by Township 2022	
Bath	1
Bengal	0
Bingham	13
Dallas	2
DeWitt	12
Duplain	2
Eagle	3
Essex	1
Greenbush	1
Lebanon	0
Olive	3
Ovid	3
Riley	1
Victor	2
Watertown	7
Westphalia	1
Total	52

Drunk Driving Arrests By Township 2022	
Bath	1
Bengal	3
Bingham	12
Dallas	5
DeWitt	14
Duplain	7
Eagle	14
Essex	2
Greenbush	7
Lebanon	3
Olive	12
Ovid	11
Riley	2
Victor	9
Watertown	16
Westphalia	3
Total	121

2022 JAIL DIVISION

- During 2022, the Clinton County Jail booked in a total of 1,658 individuals. Of that number, 1,217 were male and 441 were female.
- The average daily count for the year was: 111 locals and 3 boarders, for a Daily Average total of 114.
- Approximately 130,305 meals were served from the kitchen.

JAIL REVENUE 2018-2022					
	Actual 2018	Actual 2019	Actual 2020	Actual 2021	Actual 2022
Transport Inmates	1,509	2,111	853	600	1,137
Work Release Room & Board	15,600	7,075	1,000	0	0
CL CO Inmate Room & Board– Direct	1,890	0	0	0	0
CL CO Inmate Room & Board Mid-Michigan Credit Bureau	33,267	31,914	37,893	53,472	34,092
Lodge Prisoners	895,097	742,677	243,827	42,088	42,111
Jail Medical Reimburse – Direct	27,911	25,856	16,548	15,203	17,551
Jail Medical Reimburse – Mid Michigan Credit Bureau	269	1,564	467	49	52
Jail Inmate Telephone	117,895	117,340	64,104	46,101	21,308
TOTALS	913,910	928,537	364,692	157,513	116,251

Other Revenue 2022	
Social Security Reimbursement for 2021	2,600
Bond Fee	352
Booking Fee	5,356

VICTIM SUPPORT TEAM

The Victim Support Team is a group of dedicated volunteers trained to assist Police Officers in dealing with victims to provide immediate crisis intervention in the event of sudden, unexpected death that occurs due to car crash, suicide, fire, homicide, illness, drowning, or other traumatic incidents. The Advocates strive to offer comfort, compassionate support and sympathy to the surviving family members.

Each member of the VST spent 20-hours over a weekend to learn how to lend support to the victims of violent crimes and also assist families during the initial crisis. They are available 24 hours a day to assist police agencies within Clinton County. The team is responsible for their program costs including cellular phones, pagers and vehicle expense. They receive minimal financial support from the County. The team meets on a monthly basis and is supported by Sergeant Chris Crawford who is the Liaison Officer from the Sheriff's Office assigned to address training needs, operational evaluation and other organizational concerns.

Clinton County Victim Support Team Members: Vicki Wieber—Coordinator, Advocates— Aaron Baker, Peggy Haviland, James Sheldon, Peg Vining, Bob Pung, Evelyn Ritter, Cindy Pung, Ther Richardson, Joann Webster, Brenda England, Renae Carrow, Stephanie Halfman and Sue Moe

VICTIM SUPPORT TEAM ACTIVITY SUMMARY

TYPE OF INCIDENTS	2022
Homicide	1
Kidnapping Assault	0
CSC	0
Breaking and Entering	0
Suicide	5
Domestic	0
Fatal Accidents	5
Personal Injury Accidents	0
Death Notifications	7
House Fires	1
Hospital Calls	0
Court Appearance	0
Other Police Departments	0
Total callouts	19
Time spent on callouts	156 hours

Clinton County Sheriff's Office Mounted Division 2022

The Sheriff's Office Mounted Division is a group of volunteers whose members are deputized by the Sheriff under special duty status with limited police powers and are available for call to duty at any time to assist with scheduled events, training exercises, and emergencies. The unit operates under a 501c3 non-profit status with the primary responsibilities of promoting the Office of the Sheriff, supporting law enforcement efforts in Clinton County, and upon the request of the Sheriff assisting our law enforcement mutual aid partner agencies. The Mounted Division meets monthly at the Sheriff's Office to discuss events and training needs. The Mounted Division is led by a member of the unit picked by the Sheriff with the rank of Captain and a Liaison from the Sheriff's Office sworn full time staff.

In 2022 the Mounted Division consisted of 31 members who were involved in 45 different events for a total of 1,802 hours of service. They also completed 386 hours of training and another 481 hours supporting the Mounted Division for a total of **3,395** hours for the year. The Mounted Division normally provides a uniform presence at local high school football and basketball games, numerous parades and other events including Special Olympics, Relay for Life, Shop with a Cop, Fill a Cop Car in support of the local food bank, and the Clinton County 4-H Fair. They spent 3 days at the MSU Horse Expo participating in the Presentation of Flags, 3 days assisting the Elsie Police Department during Elsie Dairy Fest, 6 days at the Clinton County 4H Fair, provided security at 6 football games and helped with traffic control at 3 different marathons.

The operating budget for the Mounted Division comes primarily from a country western show they host every fall. They receive additional funds by way of donations given for some of the events they are involved with.



2022 TRAINING

The Clinton County Sheriff's Office has in place a training program for all staff members to keep abreast of the changes taking place in the criminal justice field to enable them to perform their duties in meeting criminal justice standards and requirements.

Our three phase training program involves the following process:

1. **Sheriff's Office Core Training:** Training that is identified and developed using a Training Committee comprised of personnel from each division within the Sheriff's Office. An analysis of each job responsibility and duty is reviewed to identify the essential skills, knowledge and abilities required to perform their duties in an effective and efficient manner.
2. **Clinton County Law Enforcement Core Training:** Heads of each law enforcement agency in Clinton County working together to implement common training for the law enforcement officers in Clinton County. The concept to minimize training costs is met by utilizing trainers from each of the agencies to provide quality training, which is evaluated by the attendees and agency heads.
3. **Enhancement Training:** Additionally designated members of the Sheriff's Office are sent to courses that certify them as instructors on specific topics. Upon completion of their training they have the responsibility to provide instruction to other members of the Sheriff's Office in their area of expertise.

2022 CORE and Enhancement Training

PBT – Life Loc	Taser
FOIA Management	Meth Investigation Lab Cleanup
Precision Driving	SFST Update
Mental Health	Liquor Law Enforcement
Armorer's Course	Commercial Vehicle Enforce
Firearms Instructor Courses	Legal Update
Accident Investigation	LEIN
Hostage Negotiations	Domestic Lethality Assess Trng
Interview Techniques	Medical Examiner Training
Laser & Radar Operator	School Violence Training
Marine School	Abandoned Vehicle Update
Evidence Training	Below 100
Criminal Investigation	Drone Training and Certification
Records Management - OSSI	
Control & Defensive Tactics	
Forensic Interview Techniques	
Ethnics and Professionalism	



Clinton County Emergency Management 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In 2022 Clinton County Emergency Management continued building and sustaining capabilities for our first responders and county residents, as well as preventing, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies.

2022 Major Events

The EOC remained active, along with the State of Michigan EOC, until November 30, 2022, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Clinton County Emergency Management EOC was active for a total of 989 days throughout the global pandemic.

In 2022 the EOC was active a total 365 days because of both minor and significant incidents (334 for COVID-19 and 31 for other events).

Emergency Management responded to the following incidents in 2022:

- January – Winter storm- 1/31/2022- The EOC was activated for 4 days to monitor the situation and coordinate communications as needed. No significant events occurred within Clinton County requiring Emergency Management support actions.
- February – Ice jams – Potential flooding- 2/15/22- The EOC was activated for one day to monitor the situation and coordinate communications as needed. No significant events occurred within Clinton County requiring Emergency Management support actions.
- June – Motor vehicle accident – Hazardous materials spill - 6/23/22 - Emergency Management and the EOC were active for 19 days monitoring the cleanup, assisting the health department, and coordinating and disseminating information.
- November – Election Day – 11/08/22- The EOC actively monitored the event for any developing issues and to react, if necessary. Emergency Management also provided a radio for emergency communication to the Clerk's office.
- December – Winter storm – 12/20/22 – The EOC was activated for 6 days to monitor the situation and coordinate communications as needed. No significant events occurred within Clinton County requiring Emergency Management support actions.

2022 Accomplishments

- COVID-19 Response – Emergency Management continued working with various Local, State, Federal and private entities to continue the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This response was made easier due to all the pre-planning and partnerships that were created well in advance of the global pandemic.

- Social Media Outreach – Emergency Management continued to increase its social media outreach in 2022. Social media continues to allow Emergency Management to quickly reach tens of thousands of residents to provide preparedness tips and information during a crisis. This tool continues to be very effective in providing crisis communication information during both small and large events. This capability remains a critical tool in crisis communications.
- 1st Aid, CPR, AED (all adult and pediatric), Stop the Bleed, BBP, Fire extinguisher training. Emergency Management conducted six training sessions in 2022. A total of thirty-nine (39) individuals (32 were County employees) were trained in these life-saving skills.
- Community Outreach - Emergency Management participated in the following community outreach activities in 2022:
 - May 7 – St Johns touch a truck event – Emergency Management participated in the event by bringing our large response truck, a search and rescue K-9 and community preparedness information and giveaways.
 - June 7 – St Peter School touch a truck event – Emergency Management organized an event at St Peter School where students explored various public safety and emergency vehicles, observe K-9 search and rescue demonstrations, and explore and learn about CCEM sUAS (drone) equipment. Age-appropriate safety and emergency preparedness materials were also distributed to the students.
 - August 2nd – St Johns Police National Night Out (NNO) activities. Emergency Management participated in the event by bringing our large emergency response truck, a search and rescue K-9, our CCEM sUAS (drone) equipment, and community preparedness information and giveaways.
 - August 12, 13, 14 – St Johns Mint Festival – Emergency Management participated in the event by bringing our search and rescue K-9, sUAS (drone) equipment, and community preparedness information and giveaways.
 - September 24 – DeWitt Township National Night Out (NNO) – Emergency Management participated in the event by bringing our large response truck, our Mobile Incident Command Post (MICP), sUAS (drone) equipment, our search and rescue K-9, and community preparedness information and giveaways.
 - October 27 – Emergency Management participated in a meeting of Michigan Drain Commissioners by providing a brief presentation of what Emergency Management does and how we at times interact with our County Drain Commission office.
 - December 1 – Cub Scout group / IMAT training- Emergency Management hosted an informational event for a local Cub Scout group by displaying our large

emergency response truck, our search and rescue K-9, our CCEM sUAS (drone) equipment, our Mobile Incident Command Post (MICP), our Emergency Operations Center (EOC), and community preparedness information and giveaways. Cub Scouts and parents were able to explore our equipment and learn about what we do to serve our community. This event was also used as a training event for our IMAT team.

- December – Three Christmas light parades – Emergency Management decorated our small emergency response truck and a trailer in a Christmas theme to participate in the St Johns, Ovid, and Westphalia light parades. IMAT members passed out candy canes to spectators at each parade.
- Building and sustainment of Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) –These volunteers are comprised of local, credentialed, emergency management professionals. IMAT is mainly tasked with providing emergency scene support for on-scene incident commanders. A few other IMAT responsibilities include transportation and operation of Mobile Incident Command Post, sUAS (drone) missions, general scene support, decision making advice for incident commanders, Clinton County EOC interface, and interfacing with other local, state, and federal partners. IMAT is also able to augment all functions and positions within the EOC if needed.

2022 IMAT responses

In 2022 Clinton County Emergency Management Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) responded and assisted with four incidents/events within the county.

- February 15 – Standby to assist Clinton County Special Operations Team (SOT) with on scene support and assistance during a high-risk arrest in DeWitt Township.
- March 17 – Provide on scene support and assistance to multiple agencies as the result of a high-risk arrest resulting in a Michigan State Police officer involved shooting on Business 127 near Jason Rd.
- June 20 - Provide on-scene support and assistance to multiple agencies as the result of a law enforcement incident in the City of Ovid.
- August 11 - Provide sUAS overwatch for St Johns Police during the 2023 Mint Festival parade. IMAT sUAS team was deployed to monitor rooftops and the parade areas for any potential safety issues.

Goals and Challenges for 2023

School Safety and Preparedness – Emergency Management will continue to build and sustain partnerships with all Clinton County school districts in 2023. We will accomplish this by remaining a resource and point of contact for school safety guidance including the sharing of ever evolving new “best practices”, and by helping school leadership interpret and comply with new statutory requirements. We will also continue to remain engaged with each school by attending school safety planning meetings, conducting regular site visits, and attending lockdown drills throughout the school year.

Employee Emergency Preparedness - Emergency Management, at the direction of Clinton County Administration, will continue working toward a goal of creating a “safety culture” through employee preparedness. To accomplish this goal, Emergency Management will work on preparedness activities such as hosting CPR, First Aid, AED, Stop the Bleed, and other lifesaving trainings for county employees, maintain an active presence on the Court Security Committee and the county Safety Committee. Emergency Management will also create building emergency response plans for all Clinton County owned buildings. Emergency Management is tasked with designing and conducting future emergency drills at all Clinton County owned buildings.

Continue Building New Public Safety and Community Partnerships- Emergency Management will begin attending various local meetings with public safety officials and community partners to become more active in relationship building and pre-event planning as well as educating those groups in the capabilities and mission of Clinton County Emergency Management.

Sustaining and Building IMAT Capabilities – In 2023 Emergency Management will continue to sustain and build capabilities within the Emergency Management Incident Management Team (IMAT). IMAT will continue to train and exercise as well as stay up to date on the latest principles and laws affecting Emergency Management. Emergency Management will continue maintaining and augmenting existing equipment, replacing equipment which has reached end of useful life, and by adding new equipment and technologies to enhance and increase IMAT capabilities all while maintaining a constant “mission ready” status.

Community Outreach – In 2023 Emergency Management will continue to participate in community outreach events throughout Clinton County, and our region, to promote Emergency Preparedness, community engagement, and an understanding of who we are and what we do for Clinton County.

Sustaining and Building Depth within Emergency Operations Center and Emergency Support Functions – In 2023 Emergency Management will continue to reduce identified gaps in our Emergency Support Functions (ESF's) and Emergency Operations Center Team. Doing so is absolutely critical to meet the needs of any long-term emergency incident or disaster we may face in the future. This will be accomplished by:

- Actively engaging ESF leads, recruiting more members and contact lists within the ESF.
- Emergency Management will facilitate training events for ESF's and EOC team members.
- Requesting additional county funded Emergency Management staffing.
- Recruiting other vetted and properly trained volunteer personnel to augment the EOC team and Emergency Management Director as needed.
 - Other Clinton County Employees with Emergency Management training and experience to function as a Deputy Emergency Manager as needed.
 - Other State and Local Emergency Managers

2022
CENTRAL RECORDS

Central Records has the responsibility to respond to all requests for Administrative Services for the public. They are directly responsible for registering and processing all visitors to the confined areas of the jail. **They respond to over 50,000 incoming calls to the Sheriff's Office,** respond to requests for information, process all criminal complaints, criminal histories for other agencies, compile information in the criminal records management system, fingerprint responsibilities for all Concealed Purchase License, pre-employment and firearm inspections. They provide information on a variety of subjects to the general public and perform a critical support service to the public and the Sheriff's Office.

CENTRAL RECORDS ACTIVITY SUMMARY

	2021	2022
Firearms Registered	3,369	3,090

Other Services	2022	Revenue
CPL & Employment Fingerprinting	966	\$14,490
Notary Service Requests	0	\$0
Police Report Requests	855	\$4,275
Abandoned Vehicles Processed	73	N/A
Individuals Screened for Entry into Jail	692	N/A
Subpoenas Processed	830	N/A
Sheriff Sales (mortgage)	32	\$3,495
Adjournments	236	
Personal Protection Orders	78	N/A
Records Checks	386	N/A
FOIA Requests	199	\$856

2022
ANIMAL CONTROL

The Clinton County Animal Control consists of two full-time employees. Their responsibilities are investigating complaints of dogs and farm animals running at large, handling lost and found pets, investigating animal bites, and investigating animal welfare and neglect complaints. They are also responsible for monitoring and caring for the Clinton County Animal Shelter. In 2022 there were 4,028 dog licenses sold in Clinton County.

- 881 Complaints
- 317 Lost & Found Animals
- 144 Animal bites investigated
- 62 Citations (dog running at large, unlicensed dogs and animal cruelty)

Listed below is the revenue for Animal Control:

- \$94,285 Dog License fees
- \$920 Kennel License fees
- \$3,520 Other Fees
- \$311 Contributions
- 308 Animals picked up

2022
UNIFORM DIVISION

The Uniform Division is responsible for providing direct law enforcement services to all county residents. They have the primary responsibility to provide traffic enforcement on all secondary county roads, in conjunction with traffic enforcement on State highways and expressways.

In addition, they respond to all emergency calls for service, provide court security, serve civil process, transport prisoners, and conduct safety education programs, along with a variety of other enforcement responsibilities.

During the past year, deputy's issued 5,117 traffic citations. They also arrested 118 drunk drivers, 251 suspended drivers, issued 34 seat belt violations and 52 subjects were arrested for possessing and selling narcotics. The Sheriff's Office Crash Investigation Team investigated 6 fatalities, 1 serious injury and assisted other agencies with 2 crashes. They also completed 17 crash data recording downloads.

Every Deputy has been trained in basic traffic accident investigation and we have 3 officers certified as traffic accident reconstructionists. Additionally, the division has certified Laser Speed Measurement, Preliminary Breath Test, Firearm and Pressure Point Control Tactics Instruction. We have officers trained as Crime Scene Techs, Hostage Negotiators, Firearms Instructors, Laser Instructors, Defensive Tactics Instructors, PBT Instructors, CPR, A.E.D. Instructors, Taser, Pepper Ball Instructors, Standard Field Sobriety Testing Instructors and Simunition Instructors.

The deputies continue to operate as single person cars, allowing us to maximize our Law Enforcement efforts. The assignment of a single officer to a vehicle on night shifts is very rare in law enforcement agencies today. We are very fortunate to have a staff of highly trained officers committed to public service and who perform their responsibilities in a highly effective manner.

UNIFORM CRIME REPORT – ACTUAL OFFENSES		
		2022
CSC		20
Robbery		0
Assault/Stalking		22
Domestic Assault		72
Arson		2
Breaking and Entering		36
Homicide		0
Kidnapping		1
Larceny		74
Stolen Vehicles		33
Fraud/NSF		86
Retail Fraud		17
Malicious Destruction of Property		52
OWI		121
VCSA		52
Accident Reports		1,677
All Others (warrants, driving offenses, liquor violations, etc.)		1,061
	TOTAL	3,326
	UNIFORM DIVISION STATS	
	2021	2022
• Calls for service	7,486	7,812
• Self-Initiated Calls	14,263	16,612
• Total Calls Responded to	21,831	24,496
• Written Reports generated by responses	2,816	3,160
	Traffic Crashes	
	2021	2022
• Car/Deer	956	1,026
• Property Damage	478	531
• Personal Injury	123	114
• Fatal	4	4
	Total Accidents	1,567
		1,675

2022
Deputy Sheriff / Court Security

It is the responsibility of the duly sworn Deputy Sheriff's assigned to court security to ensure a safe and secure working environment for the courthouse employees as well as the citizens who conduct business in the Clinton County Courthouse. Among the various responsibilities of these Deputies include but are not limited to; screening of all persons entering into the secured courtroom areas, maintaining custody of all prisoners appearing at scheduled court hearing, maintaining order within the courtroom and upon conclusion of criminal trials taking defendants, found guilty, into custody.

MONTH	SCREENING COUNT	INMATES HANDLED	COURT REMAND CUSTODY
JANUARY	2,991	9	26
FEBRUARY	2,898	45	13
MARCH	4,139	49	17
APRIL	3,277	79	22
MAY	3,265	80	24
JUNE	3,830	125	26
JULY	3,509	123	18
AUGUST	3,871	115	17
SEPTEMBER	4,151	159	16
OCTOBER	4,004	139	20
NOVEMBER	3,167	116	22
DECEMBER	3,452	122	19
YEARLY TOTAL	42,554	1,161	240

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION
YEAR END REPORT
2022**

SHERIFF'S OFFICE DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau is comprised of (1) Detective Lieutenant, (2) Detective Sergeants, (1) certified forensic cellphone/computer examiner Detective, and (1) Detective assigned to the Tri-County Metro Narcotics Task Force.

In 2022, the Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau investigated 221 complaints. This was a 10.5% increase from 2021 (200) and 42% increase since 2020 (152). These complaints included several death investigations, sexual assaults, burglary, stolen vehicles, arson, extortion, embezzlement, and felony stolen or damaged property. The Detective Bureau investigated 34 complaints of sexual assaults, many including children, and an additional 40 complaints of abuse/neglect of children or vulnerable adults. Many of these complaints originated with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and were sent to the Sheriff's Office as not appropriate for MDHHS investigation.

The forensic cellphone/computer Detective investigated 50 additional complaints. Of those 50 complaints, 77 devices were examined, up 5.5% from 2021 (74). Of the 77 devices, 64 were examined for cases being investigated by the Sheriff's Office and 13 were assists to other agencies.

The Sheriff's Office also has a Detective assigned full-time to the Tri-County Metro Narcotics Task Force.

In 2022, TCM investigated 8 complaints in Clinton County resulting in 4 arrests for weapons and narcotics violations. Overall, TCM's 2022 investigations resulted in drug seizures with a street value of \$1,138, 421.70 across all counties.

CASES OF NOTE FOR 2022

In August of 2022, an Embezzlement complaint was filed with the Sheriff's Office by the Ovid-Elsie School Board President against the former Superintendent of Ovid-Elise Schools. The 3-month investigation was submitted to the Clinton County Prosecutor's Office in November.

The Sheriff's Office Detective Bureau was requested to investigate 6 suspicious death complaints in 2022. Of these investigations, half were requests for assistance by other Law Enforcement agencies within Clinton County.

MARINE PATROL

The primary goals of the Marine Program is to provide boater safety for 12-16 year olds, conduct inspections of boat liveries, provide for enforcement of the Marine Safety Laws and to address the Sheriff's responsibility for the recovery of all drowned bodies as mandated by P.A. 139, 1947.

Funding for this program is through a grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Funding provides for a 75% match to provide for reimbursement for officer's wages, fringe benefits, and equipment needs, supplies and materials. Equipment for the program consists of a 14-ft. boat, trailer, and 25-hp motor and associated equipment.

Program responsibilities are assigned to two part time deputies. The Deputies are a certified Police Officers and also certified as a Boating Safety Instructor by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Duties for this program are conducted during the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day, with enforcement patrols concentrated on weekends and holidays.



Departmental Changes Made in 2022

- Implemented a streamline system for reporting including having deputy's typing reports in their patrol cars and supervisors are approving these reports as well now.
- Switched to a paperless system in providing reports to the Prosecutor's Office by using the LEAP portal. All reports, LEIN, photos and other supporting documents are attached to the portal and forwarded.
- Became a member of the training consortium LEORTC which provides training for the entire department for one yearly cost (302 Funds). This training is for both the road patrol and corrections staff.
- Medical program enhanced with a full-time nurse and a couple of regular part time nurses here every day taking care of our medical needs in the jail. This also allowed us to increase our contract staffing hours from 64 to 70.
- Jail radio system was upgraded with a new radio system which provides better functionality and clearer communications between correction staff.
- Developed forms and documents as part of new hire background process so that proper backgrounds are conducted on potential new employees.
- Developed a new testing process for both the Lieutenant and Sergeant positions including written testing and oral interviews.
- Developed a Quartermaster area in the Correctional Division for maintaining uniforms and ordering of all uniforms and equipment.
- Ended county Deputy's as Medical Examiner Investigator's (MEI) program and setup a contract with Sparrow Hospital for all MEI and Pathology services.
- Redesign of graphics on all CCSO patrol cars a more fresh and new design
- Reestablished monthly command meetings
- Established weekly division command meetings