

Pullman Police Department



2020 Annual Report

Mission Statement & Values

"Policing Our Community with Compassion and Professionalism." Integrity - Dedication - Courage - Trust - Respect

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Message from the Chief



It is my honor to present to you the Pullman Police Department 2020 Annual Report. A supportive community and strong backing by City leaders allows the Pullman Police Department to continue our work to deliver exceptional service to our community. Through community outreach, employee professionalism and responsiveness, our agency continues to implement Community Policing practices to maintain public safety in the Pullman community. Our staff work hard to adhere to our mission statement, "Policing Our Community with Compassion and Professionalism," and to embody our agency's core values: integrity, dedication, courage, trust, and respect.

Gary Jenkins Chief of Police

Crime Statistics

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Summary Reporting System (SRS)

Since 1930, the FBI has collected and compiled data to best depict total crime and to provide the most meaningful data to police administrators through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program's Summary Reporting System (SRS). Originally designed as a summary system to collect only the most serious offense within an incident, the FBI SRS Program has been the national standard for reliable crime statistics. The SRS system utilizes ten offense classifications, identified as "Part I" offenses, that are the crimes most likely to be reported and most likely to occur with sufficient frequency to provide an adequate basis for comparison The FBI will retire the SRS on January 1, 2021, and thereafter collect crime statistics only through the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)

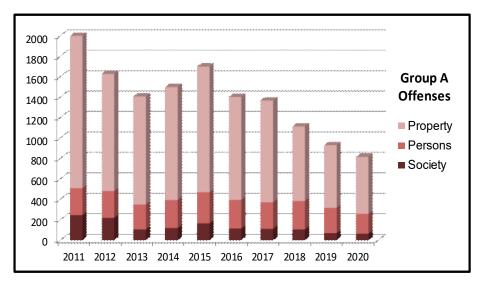
The FBI initiated the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) in 1989. Through NIBRS, law enforcement agencies report data on each offense and arrest within 52 offense classifications and 58 data elements. In comparison to SRS data, the NIBRS data provides a more comprehensive analysis of reported crime. For example, NIBRS collects data on up to 10 crimes that occur during a single event, while SRS collects data on only the most serious crime that occurs during a single event.

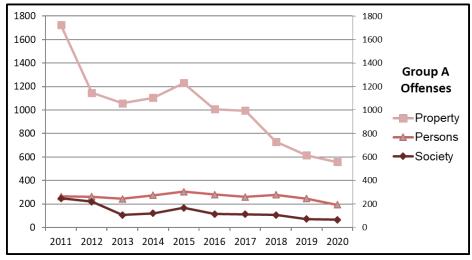
Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC)

Law enforcement agencies in Washington State submit their crime data to the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC), who in turn submits the data to the FBI. WASPC has championed an effort to obtain NIBRS participation from all Washington State law enforcement agencies and has achieved a 99% law enforcement agency compliance rate, which represents 93% of the population. The Pullman Police Department has been reporting NIBRS crime data since 2006.

NIBRS Crime Data Overview: Pullman & State of Washington Comparisons

Crown A Crimon 2020	Change	from 2019
Group A Crimes 2020	Pullman	Statewide
Crimes against person offenses	-21.1%	+4.5%
Crimes against property offenses	-9.3%	+24.3%
Crimes against society offenses	-8.5%	-8.7%
Total crimes	-12.4%	+17.2%
Crime rate (per 1,000 population)	-13.1%	+7.8%
Offenses cleared	+2.1%	+7.8%





NIBRS Crime Data – Pullman Police Department – Reported Crimes

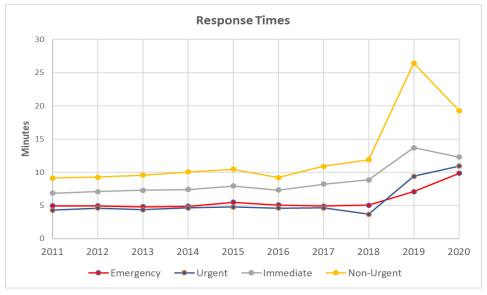
Group A Offenses - Persons	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses	12	14	21	11	25	16	29	17	33	25	18
Assault & Intimidation	231	234	193	152	318	242	252	183	209	177	145
Non-forcible Sex Offenses	2	2	0	3	2	0	0	0	2	3	0
Kidnapping	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Viol No Contact/Protect Order	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	41	30
Total Group A - Persons	247	250	214	167	345	259	281	201	278	246	194
Persons Clearance Rates	51%	51%	36%	61%	57%	46%	63%	51%	67%	71%	82%
Group A Offenses - Property	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Robbery	9	2	4	4	5	5	7	1	7	8	3
Burglary	203	104	98	117	136	129	135	86	79	34	45
Larceny	513	431	267	343	400	251	449	450	339	272	231
Motor Vehicle Theft	16	15	5	13	17	11	19	10	21	22	11
Arson	1	8	0	0	1	2	1	3	6	2	3
Vandalism	346	293	286	226	197	127	264	245	190	178	173
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	7	4	7	10	0	5	4	7	6	5
Fraud	151	750	198	99	116	27	210	63	74	80	72
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	19	3	9	11
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property Offenses	18	13	11	11	27	17	11	1	3	3	3
Total Group A - Property	1258	1623	873	820	910	572	1103	882	730	614	557
Property Clearance Rates	10%	7%	10%	15%	28%	25%	21%	16%	27%	29%	25%
Group A Offenses - Society	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	120	161	121	46	79	86	60	45	75	47	31
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pornography	0	2	0	1	2	3	5	6	3	6	6
Prostitution Offenses	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	0
Weapon Law Violations	25	21	19	8	22	14	21	11	20	16	27
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	7	2	1
Total Group A - Society	146	184	140	55	103	103	90	67	106	71	65
Society Clearance Rates	66%	77%	58%	73%	64%	50%	76%	48%	66%	59%	43%
Total	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total Group A Offenses	1,651	2,057	1,227	1,042	1,358	934	1474	1150	1114	931	816
Group A Clearance Rates	21%	19%	20%	25%	39%	33%	33%	24%	41%	42%	40%
Crime Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	59	69	40	34	43	29	45	35	33	27	23

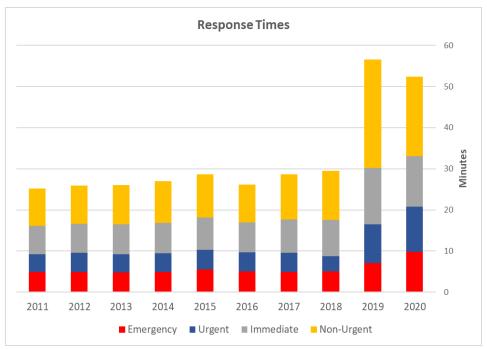
Activity Statistics

Calls for Service – Top 12	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
TOTAL Calls for Service	12,386	14,144	11,780	12,385	11,680	11,198	9246
Disturbance/Disorderly/Dispute	1,101	1,363	1,023	937	1,058	1.017	960
Airport Security	949	1,039	955	893	939	923	615
Animal Related	974	1,032	759	696	742	817	726
Parking Problem	484	617	663	874	876	769	301
Noise Complaint	970	973	818	864	833	758	559
Traffic Collision	736	843	772	849	649	719	446
Suspicious Persons/Circumstances	579	717	602	669	616	510	510
Welfare Check	391	482	508	519	519	474	441
Theft	573	609	444	474	396	364	312
Traffic Offense	416	499	368	352	386	333	266
Code Violation	155	144	119	209	222	330	231
Alcohol Related	441	600	368	298	276	329	235
Parking Enforcement	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Notices of infractions issued	4,334	5,792	5,632	4,835	6,172	5,351	2,131
Overtime downtown - Infractions	649	808	921	677	810	777	739
Overtime downtown - Warnings	1,008	1,055	1,177	650	400	457	454
Parking in handicapped spot	115	154	143	140	109	107	39
3 AM to 6 AM	38	68	35	41	269	819	141
Chain parking downtown	14	25	25	15	23	10	5
96 hour impounds (168 hour pre 2019)	7	21	17	36	37	26	10
Fire lane violations	1	19	25	17	23	8	5
Parking without a residential permit	635	846	534	560	640	563	138
Hearings	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Mitigation hearings	87	118	106	117	83	116	29
Contested hearings	44	78	64	84	45	121	12
Total Hearings	131	196	170	201	128	237	41
Parking Permits Sold	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Residential	199	194	185	205	193	196	167
Downtown	86	89	80	61	97	96	89
Investigations, Arrests, Citations, Infractions	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Officer Case Reports	1,398	1,537	1,493	1,299	1,178	1,141	751
Physical Custody Arrests	410	421	425	501	367	403	280
Criminal Citations	178	462	193	246	145	139	93
Cases Submitted to Prosecutor	428	487	427	431	525	425	372
City Code Investigations	203	104	101	206	171	231	231
Traffic Infractions	775	1,015	1,080	798	842	838	589
Traffic Warnings	2,921	3,249	3,410	2,972	2,878	3,758	2,075
DUI	114	103	99	69	71	58	54
Cases Assigned to Detectives	265	253	328	260	276	332	148

Response Times

Category	Types of Calls
Emergency	Injury Collision, Medical Emergency, Structure Fire, Attempt Suicide in Progress
Urgent	Burglary/Fire alarm, Disorderly, Domestic Dispute, Gunshots, Weapon Offense
Immediate	Non-Injury Traffic Collision, Assault, Citizen Dispute, Juvenile Problem, Rape, Sex Offense, Suspicious, Threatening, Traffic Hazard, Trespassing
Non-Urgent	Animal Related, Burglary, Civil, Code Violation, Fraud, Malicious Mischief, Noise Complaint, Parking Problem, Theft, Vehicle Prowl





Awards

2020 Police Officer of the Year

Officer TJ Cornish was the recipient of the 2020 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award, for significant contributions to the Pullman Police Department, and the Pullman community. Cornish has been a Pullman PD officer since January of 2014. He is a department instructor for Emergency Vehicle Operations and TASER, a member of the Regional SWAT Team, a radio, Radar/LIDAR technician, and computer and digital evidence examiner. A highly competent officer, Cornish is committed to the professionalism and quality of the department. He takes on critical collateral duties, and has earned the trust and respect of his fellow officers and command staff.

Lifesaving Awards

March 1st, officers responded to a report of a patient not breathing and turning blue, at a residence on Military Hill. Upon arrival, officers began CPR and administered an AED. The subject regained consciousness and was transported to Pullman Regional Hospital. Sergeant Todd Dow and Officer Breauna Banks were presented with Lifesaving Awards.

On May 21, officers responded to a breathing emergency at a fraternity on College Hill. The patient was unconscious and struggling to breathe. Officers were involved in preparing and administering CPR, an AED, and Narcan. Medics took over care, and transported the subject to the hospital. Medical staff commended officers for their action toward saving a life that would have otherwise been lost. Lifesaving awards were given to Officers Heidi Lambley, Teayana McNannay, Breauna Banks, Ashley Lam, and Kayla Nuxoll.

The afternoon of July 1, a 911 hang-up call was received, with dispatchers providing only an address on Sunnyside Hill. Officers located the caller in the back yard of the residence, holding a shotgun to his abdomen. Officers began crisis intervention efforts, and the subject finally lowered the weapon, followed commands, and was handcuffed without incident. He was taken into protective custody, and transported to the hospital for additional evaluation. Sergeant Aaron Breshears and Officers Wade Winegardner, Brian Chamberlin, and Nathan Padrta were recognized for their outstanding work to preserve human life. The department also recognized the outstanding work of dispatchers Jen Luft and Brittany Sanders.

October 11, Sergeant Todd Dow responded to a report of an unconscious male with breathing difficulty on Pioneer Hill. After finding the subject's breathing to be agonal, Dow administered two doses of Narcan. The patient regained consciousness and later admitted to recreational drug use. Sergeant Dow received a Pullman PD Lifesaving Award.

Official Commendation

On November 28, officers located an open door at the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house. Officers coordinated and conducted a safe and thorough search of the building, which resulted in the apprehension of a transient serial criminal, to whom a number of additional crimes were later attributed. Officer Ruben Harris and Reserve Officer Jeff Gordon received Official Commendation awards for their outstanding performance on this case.

Medal of Valor

On the evening of April 1, Pullman officers assisted the Whitman County Sheriff's Office with an active pursuit. The suspect vehicle crashed in Pullman, and the driver fled. Sergeant Engle located the suspect, who raised his hand toward him. Unsure whether the man was armed, Engle drew his pistol. The man fled once again, and was located on a second-floor balcony, armed with a handgun, and attempting to gain entry to apartments. The subject surrendered, and officers located the firearm.

Sergeant Engle was awarded the Medal of Valor, for distinguishing himself through actions taken on behalf of law enforcement and public safety, which involved serious risk to personal welfare and safety.





Grants

Services Training Officers and Prosecutors (STOP) Grant

The Police Department is a sub-grantee of the Services Training Officers and Prosecutors (STOP) grant issued to the Whitman County Prosecutor's Office by the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. Pullman PD billed \$2,504.51 in reimbursements in 2020, for overtime costs associated with training and investigation related to domestic violence, sexual assaults, stalking and harassment.

WA Association of Sheriffs & Police Chiefs (WASPC) Traffic Safety Equipment Grant

The Police Department was awarded \$2,800 to help fund the purchase of BEE Radars and accessories.

Pullman High School

The Pullman School District was billed \$505.38 for officer security at Pullman High School events.

Personnel

Commissioned Police Officers

Retired	Hired:
Officer Don Heroff (June)	Joseph Geil (January)
	Jared Haulk (March)

Commissioned Officer								
Staffing (Allocated)	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Officers	28	28	29	29	29	33	33	33
Population	30,990	31,420	32,110	32,650	33,280	33,730	34,560	34,850
Officers Per Capita (1,000)	0.90	0.89	0.90	0.89	0.87	0.98	0.95	0.95
Calls for Service	9,828	12,386	14,144	11,780	12,385	11,680	11,198	9,246

Promotions:

Teayana McNannay to Officer 1st Class (July)
Luv St. Andre to Officer 3rd Class (July)
TJ Cornish to Senior Officer (October)
Josh Bray to Senior Officer (October)
Ashley Lam to Officer 3rd Class (October)
Breauna Banks to Officer 3rd Class (November)
Nathan Padrta to Senior Officer (November)
Garrett Willis to Officer 1st Class (December)



Training

Crisis Intervention Team Training

In 2015, the Washington State Legislature passed the Doug Ostling Act, establishing initial and annual requirements for Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for all peace officers in Washington State. All Pullman officers received continued training, and Officer Emerson attended an additional 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team training.

Commissioned Officers

The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC) requires commissioned officers to obtain a minimum of 24 hours of advanced officer training per year. Pullman PD received certification from WSCJTC for training compliance in 2020. In total, Pullman Police officers completed 2,133.25 hours of training in 2020, averaging 73.5 hours each.

Support Staff

Pullman Police support staff completed 163 hours of training in 2020. Police Records staff participated in a variety of training courses and conferences applicable toward WAPRO Certification.

Implicit Bias Training

All Pullman PD officers and staff completed Implicit Bias training in 2020.

Emotional Intelligence

Sergeant Dow and Officer Willis, after obtaining trainer certification in Patrol Tactics (which includes emotional intelligence), began training Pullman Police Department officers. This course is a product of I-940's law enforcement training requirements.





Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) / School Resource Officer

The Police Department has been presenting the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program to Pullman School District students since 1989. The DARE / School Resource Officer (SRO) has an assigned office at Pullman High School, but works with students, faculty and staff from all Pullman schools. Officer Scott Patrick has been assigned to the SRO/DARE position since July 2013. In March of 2020, due to COVID-19 and adjustments made by public schools, Officer Patrick was assigned to the detectives' division, where he continued to handle cases involving juvenile subjects, while assisting other detectives with significant cases.

Quad Cities Drug Task Force

The active participants in the Quad Cities Drug Task Force in 2020 were Clarkston PD, Whitman County SO, Moscow PD, and the Washington State Patrol. Due to personnel vacancies, no Pullman Police staff were assigned full-time to the Task Force in 2020. We did maintain liaison and share intelligence with the Task Force. The Task Force initiated 72 investigations in 2020.

Drugs Seized		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Marijuana	Grams	51,285	397	17,917	0	34	9,072	0
	Pounds	113.1	0.9	39.5	0	0.1	20.0	0
Methamphetamine	Grams	1,263	845	2,516	5,420	4,127	708.43	3,479
	Pounds	2.8	1.86	5.5	11.9	9.1	1.56	7.7
Cocaine	Grams	207	99	76	271	22	250	0
	Pounds	0.5	0	0.16	0.6	0.05	0.55	0
Prescription Drugs (uni	ts)	485	618	N/A	67	67	76	0
Marijuana Plants		410	0	0	40	40	13	0
Heroin	Grams	260.74	25	592	619	1,006	726.05	79.32



Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team

The Pullman Police Department continues to participate in the multi-agency Whitman County Regional Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team. The SWAT team consists of 16 tactical officers from the Whitman County Sheriff's Office, Washington State University Police Department, and Pullman Police Department.

Officers assigned to the SWAT team (tactical officers) complete 150 hours of specialized training each year. Many of the tactical officers have instructor level certifications in disciplines such as defensive tactics, firearms, first aid, and less lethal force options. The team works closely with crisis negotiators from Pullman PD and area agencies. Some examples of the types of incidents in which the team is deployed are: apprehension of violent offenders, barricaded suspects, hostage and sniper situations, and service of high risk warrants.

Due to the pandemic, multiple SWAT training events were canceled, or content and tasks modified. The team was able to schedule 100 hours of training. Much of this training focused on paperwork and outdoor individual tasks, limiting team contact.

After 10 years as a Pullman Reserve Police Officer, and nearly 7 years on SWAT, Dennis Pratt honorably resigned.

Whitman County Regional SWAT team responses in 2020:

On January 2nd, SWAT and crisis negotiators responded to a weapons offense with shots fired toward a neighbor on Lamont Street. They were able to gain compliance, and the suspect was taken into custody. SWAT also secured the residence, pursuant to a search warrant, and numerous weapons were located inside.

In February, SWAT and crisis negotiators responded to a domestic dispute, in which a suspect with criminal history was alone in his residence. The man refused to exit the home, or to interact with officers. After hours of negotiation through various platforms, the man surrendered and was taken into custody.

September 26th, SWAT waited on standby in case of problems arising from a demonstration involving armed participants in bordering Moscow, Idaho. There were no significant problems, and SWAT did not respond to the scene.

Contingency Planning

SWAT officers completed contingency planning for controversial and large events in the Pullman area.

Other Programs

Airport Security

Pullman Police Officers provide the law enforcement presence for departing flights at the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport, as required by the Code of Federal Regulations. During 2020, Pullman Officers provided 287 hours of law enforcement service for 615 departing flights (72% coverage).

Body-Worn Cameras (BWC)

The body-worn camera program was initiated in March 2013. The amount of video stored at the end of 2020 was 4.358 Terabytes (4,358 Gigabytes). Video is purged based on criteria specified in the State public records retention schedule.

Body Worn Cameras	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Number of Videos	22,860	22,029	19,310	19,024	24,790	18,545
Hours of Videos	4,125	3,827	3,461	3,608	4,560	3,664
GB of Video	3,105	2,985	3,535	6,564	8,120	6,556

Community Relief Fund (CRF)

The Poverty Awareness Taskforce (PAT) developed the Community Relief Fund (CRF) for individual emergencies in our community that were not being met by government funds which have various restrictions and conditions on their use. The PAT gathers private donations which can be used to meet a short term, one-time need to solve local small problems. The fund has been used to purchase bus tickets, pay for emergency housing in local motels, and to buy gasoline for stranded motorists. The Police Department works with the Community Action Center to disperse funds after hours and in emergency situations.

Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

Drug Recognition Experts are law enforcement officers specially trained in recognizing the signs of drug impairment. DREs in Washington State are called to assist officers who have stopped or arrested a driver who is suspected to be impaired by drugs. DREs also assist with serious injury and fatal collision investigations. Initial training consists of 80 hours of classroom training, followed by a week of field certifications. Re-certifications are required every two years. The DRE program is overseen by the impaired driving section of the Washington State Patrol (WSP) and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP).

The Pullman Police Department has participated in the DRE program since 2004. Currently, Detective Heidi Lambley is the only Pullman Officer certified as a DRE. Officer Lambley is also a certified instructor for DRE, Standard Field Sobriety Test (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Impairment Training for Educational Professionals (DITEP) courses. In addition to investigating Pullman cases, DREs also provide mutual aid to other regional agencies when needed, and personnel costs are reimbursed by the State. Other regional agencies with DREs are: WSU PD, Moscow PD, Idaho State Patrol, and Lewiston PD. In 2020, Officer Lambley conducted four drug influence evaluations, and provided DRE assistance with at least three DUI investigations, and one potential drugging.

Emergency Management

The Police Department participates in quarterly meetings with the Whitman County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC).

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mandates emergency management training for employees of federal, state, county and local governments. The type and scope of the training required of each employee is based on their potential responsibilities during a disaster or emergency. The Police Department coordinates efforts to ensure training compliance for all City of Pullman employees, and submits compliance reports to FEMA through the County and State.

Holding Facility

The Police Department maintains and operates a booking and holding facility that includes five holding cells; four are individual cells and one cell can hold up to six people. All holding cells are both video and audio monitored. Arrestees are held for a maximum of six hours. Adults not released within six hours are transported to the Whitman County Jail in Colfax, and juveniles not released within six hours are transported to Martin Juvenile Hall in Spokane.

Arrests Booked in Holding Facility	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Pullman PD	410	421	377	286	316	341	243
Colfax PD	0	1	2	4	1	5	0
Palouse PD	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Quad Cities Drug Task Force	0	8	2	3	0	0	0
Washington State University PD	100	86	59	80	45	4	2
Whitman County Sheriff's Office	41	17	6	11	53	25	13
Washington State Patrol	5	1	2	6	1	2	1
TOTAL	556	534	448	390	420	377	259

Research Consortium

The Pullman Police Department partnered with WSU's Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology to develop a research consortium, which assists local law enforcement agencies in utilizing data to its fullest potential. A Research Fellow, in the form of a WSU doctoral student, provides research assistance to participating agencies on topics of local interest and need. The agreement provides a total of \$30,000 in funding (\$10,000 per year). Additional funding is provided by WSU and other participating law enforcement agencies.

Narcan

Officers are trained in the administration of Narcan (naloxone) for treatment of known or suspected opioid overdose emergencies. In 2020, officers administered at least seven doses of Narcan while responding to heroin overdoses, and calls related to unconscious subjects. A minimum of four subjects survived as a result of Narcan administration.

Poverty Awareness Taskforce (PAT)

The Poverty Awareness Taskforce is a group made up of representatives from Pullman and Whitman County social welfare services, churches, and public safety organizations. The taskforce focuses on local poverty issues, sharing information, seeking to decrease poverty and alleviating hardships. Commander Chris Tennant represents the Pullman Police Department on the PAT and meets regularly to discuss recent issues and events, and facilitate their mission.

Prescription Drug Collection Program

A prescription drug drop box was installed in the Police Department lobby in June 2010 as part of the Whitman County Prescription and Over-the-Counter Drug Disposal Plan. The drop box is available in the Police Department lobby 24/7. Pullman PD also participates in the US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Drug Take-Back program twice a year.

Rx Collected & Destroyed	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Pounds	106	208	292	302	302	426	417	463	464	339

Property & Evidence Management

Rick Peringer is our Property and Evidence Manager. Recent changes in the law allowing for more court ordered surrender of firearms to law enforcement in domestic violence cases has resulted in a significant increase in firearms received in our property room. We are required to retain the firearms until a new court order is issued authorizing release.

Property/Evidence Items	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Items in property/evidence January 1	6,082	6,191	6,998	6,991	7,333	7,501	8,221
Submitted to the evidence/property room	1,064	1,551	1,114	1,137	1,178	923	705
Released (destroyed or returned)	928	691	1,109	766	985	321	152
Donated to Palouse Treasures (bicycles, cameras, clothing, electronics, and tools)	27	53	12	29	25	18	0
Items in property/evidence December 31	6,191	6,998	6,991	7,333	7,501	8,221	8,760

Public Records Requests

From 2013 through 2016, the number of public records requests submitted to the police department increased by 205%. Additionally, the implementation of body-worn cameras in 2013 has added to the amount of information available for potential release, requiring review and redaction. In an effort to address this trend, the Records Specialist I and Records Specialist II designations and responsibilities combined into a single Records Specialist designation in December 2016. Once all of the Records Specialists receive advanced public records training, all seven of the Records Specialists and the Support Services Manager will be able to contribute to public records request responses.

Public Records Requests							
Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
# Records Requests	1,109	1,499	2,577	1,664	1,171	1,330	2,109

Public Safety Camera Internship at Washington State University

After the implementation of the security cameras at Adams Mall with funds from the Department of Justice Smart Policing Initiative grant in February 2013, we agreed to allow WSU criminal justice students to monitor the cameras during peak times to report altercations and pre-incident behavior. This program has developed into a WSU internship that provides junior and senior criminal justice students the valuable experience of providing a public safety service to the community. Interns, who must pass a limited background investigation and sign a confidentiality agreement, receive specialized training in reporting practices and camera operations, providing them with unique work experience and establishing a foundation for future careers as practitioners. This program is extremely popular with WSU students.

Unmanned Aerial System (UAS; drone) Program

Pullman PD developed a UAS pilot training program in accordance with the Certificate of Authorization. The training program consisted of a computer simulator, practical flight and obstacle course training. The Certificate of Authorization was renewed by the FAA on April 2, 2020, and is effective for two years from the renewal date.

Pullman PD deployed a UAS for several significant events and investigations in 2020. The UAS program allowed officers to assist document crime and collision scenes, and was used in training scenarios for the SWAT and CART teams.

On April 13, a two-vehicle fatality collision occurred on SR 270, at the intersection of NE Terre View Drive. Pullman PD deployed a UAS for scene documentation, while the highway was shut down for investigative purposes.

The UAS team assisted with emergency and contingency planning ahead of protests planned to take place in Pullman in 2020. UAS pilots were on precautionary standby for potential dangers, including counter-protests or rioting. Fortunately, the pilots were not needed for these scenarios, as the protests taking place in Pullman were peaceful.

Several additional pilots were trained in 2020, including Pullman Code Enforcement officers. These pilots were able to assist other City departments in photographing and documenting the Pullman City Playfields ahead of planned renovations.

Looking ahead, the Pullman PD UAS team will be adding additional capabilities, to include 3-D scene mapping, and more advanced aircraft.



Website & Social Media

Efforts to expand outreach through social media continued in 2020. Social media was leveraged to share information including news releases, road closures, safety tips, awareness events, and requests for identification of suspects depicted in surveillance photos.

The Police Department Facebook audience saw a 6% increase in 2020, with a 5% increase on Twitter. NextDoor also continues to grow, with a 24% increase in 2020. The department's Instagram audience grew by 22%.

Social Media	2012	2014	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Facebook Audience	254	1,281	4,148	5,679	8,383	10,701	11,375
Twitter Audience	608	1,824	2,938	3,657	4,031	4,599	4,821
NextDoor.com Users			265	525	854	1,396	1,735
Instagram Audience				231	896	1,068	1,300

Foundrop

Pullman PD has teamed up with Foundrop, a free service that helps recover lost and stolen property. Foundrop is a powerful property tracking and crime prevention tool that helps identify owners of lost and stolen properties by using serial numbers. Foundrop allows users to recover their property when they lose it or have left it behind at places such as coffee shops, restaurants, taxis, airports, hotels, etc. As soon as the serial number on the missing property is searched, the owner simultaneously receives emails from Foundrop for matching found property, stating where it is, who has it, and how to get it back.



Outreach

Special Olympics

In February, police staff assembled a basketball team, and participated in an exhibition game with the Special Olympics of Washington, hosted by WSU.

Guns-N-Hoses Fundraiser

The annual Guns-N-Hoses physical fitness fundraiser raised \$1,379 for The Anna Schindler Foundation. This event was organized by Administrative Assistant Darby Baldwin, and Officer Ashley Lam. Agency participants included Officers Lam, Lambley, and Gordon. Officer Lam earned the top overall score for female competitors.

COVID-19 Collaboration

A working group was established and convened to coordinate response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Local partners include Pullman Police and Fire, Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport, Whitman County Emergency Management, Pullman Regional Hospital, Whitman Hospital, Pullman School District, WSU Emergency Management, and SEL.

COVID-19 Impacts

In an effort to protect officers, staff, and community members from public health risks related to the COVID-19 pandemic, many in-person activities were postponed this year. In-person business services were suspended in March. The department continued to engage with citizens via social media, and provided ongoing education and updates related to COVID-19 on the City website.

Reimagining Public Safety in Pullman: Virtual Summit

In November, the Pullman Police Advisory Committee hosted a virtual summit event, which included presentations by Chief Jenkins and WSU Police Chief Gardner. The event solicited feedback from the public regarding public safety within the Pullman community.





City Ordinances

Fireworks

A fireworks ordinance was adopted in April 2006. The Police and Fire departments have been working together to provide both education and enforcement. Below is a summary of the Police Department's enforcement efforts during July 4th holiday periods (7 a.m. June 28 to 7 a.m. July 6) since the fireworks ordinance was adopted.

	Total	Total	Dispositions					
Year	Police Calls	Fireworks Calls	Unable to Locate	Unfounded	Enforcement Action Taken	Warning		
2006	221	47	23	6	8	11		
2007	232	28	16	4	1	7		
2008	219	32	17	1	5	9		
2009	175	29	12	3	1	13		
2010	200	24	11	6	1 (3)*	6		
2011	209	16	5	5	1	5		
2012	197	29	9	1	1	18		
2013	228	24	10	6	3	5		
2014	202	17	8	3	0	6		
2015	237	20	9	6	0	6		
2016	241	16	11	1	0	4		
2017	294	23	14	3	0	5		
2018	248	13	10	2	0	1		
2019	204	20	10	4	0	5		
2020	205	40	6	3	0	1		
*One case with three individuals cited for illegal possession of fireworks								

Residential Rental & Commercial Business Registration

The ordinances requiring residential rental unit and commercial business registration with the Police Department became effective January 1, 2010. The management of these programs was added to the responsibilities of the Police Department Records staff. Beginning In 2014, we were able to receive State business license renewal information directly from the State Bureau of Licensing Services. This has proven to be a more efficient and effective method of obtaining business registration information, resulting in a 145% increase in business registrations. The administration of this program has transferred to the Code Enforcement Officers.

Type of Registration	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Residential Rental Units	1,329	1,003	1,464	1,260	1,333	1,323	1,690	760	756
Commercial Businesses	349	334	818	806	930	800	868	2,373	1,370

Police Advisory Committee

Since its formation in 1992, the Pullman Police Advisory Committee (PAC) has met regularly to represent and communicate the public health and safety concerns of the Pullman community to the Chief of Police. The Pullman Police Advisory Committee is an important resource to the Chief and the committee constantly strives to find new and better ways to connect with, and represent, their constituencies and to provide education about policing issues in Pullman.

2020 PAC Committee Membership

Constituency	Primary Member	Alternate Member
WSU Faculty/Staff	Angela Senter	Vacant
College Hill	Barbara Hammond	Vacant
Pioneer Hill	Vacant	Vacant
Military Hill	Jaya Sivakumar	Filipp Muzychenko
Sunnyside Hill	Phyllis Stallcop	Adam Williams
Business Community	Eric Tetzlaff	Vacant
Multicultural	Angelo Brown	David Makin
ASWSU	Quinton Berkompas	Alex Pan
Pullman School District	Joe Thornton	Vacant
Pullman School District Parent	Stephanie Rink (Chair)	Nathan Deen
Pullman High School Student	Esabella Makin	Gwendolynn Rink
Pullman At-Large	Krista Gross	Craig Watt
GPSA	Amira Albagshi	Vacant
WSU Black Faculty & Staff Association	Kenitra Keeney	Vacant
Black Leaders of Transcendence & Influence	Kamryn McKee	To Be Determined

New members in 2020

Meeting Topics and Presentations

Red Light Cameras

Department Culture, Training & Accountability

Reimagining Public Safety in Pullman: Virtual Summit

Craig Watt Kamryn McKee

PAC Meetings are recorded and available for viewing on the Pullman PD YouTube Channel.

Volunteers

Reserve Police Officers

First Class Reserve Police Officer Dennis Pratt volunteered 478.5 hours in 2020. Officer Pratt supplements our law enforcement presence with bike patrols, football game weekend emphasis patrols, and special events such as the 4th of July and Lentil Festival. Dennis also serves on the Regional SWAT Team. He resigned from his volunteer position in November of 2020, after 10 years of volunteer service to the Pullman Police Department.

Reserve Police Officer Jeff Gordon volunteered 1,124 hours in 2020. Like Pratt, Reserve Officer Gordon supplements Pullman PD by assisting with patrol, emphasis activities, and special events.

Sergeant Greg Umbright was the Reserve Officer coordinator.

Chaplain

Pastor Matthew McNelly (Pullman Presbyterian Church) has been the Pullman PD Chaplain since February 2010. Pastor McNelly is a volunteer resource for the Pullman community as well as police department support staff, officers, and their families. In their work, law enforcement officers are called to respond to a variety of situations that may place considerable emotional and mental stress on the officer and their families. Chaplain McNelly provides emotional and spiritual support for officers, non-commissioned support staff, and families through various forms of counseling. Counseling visits may occur as Matt accompanies an officer in their vehicle during a patrol shift, meeting at the police station before or after a shift, or outside of regularly scheduled work hours, when the need arises.

Another primary role Matt serves as Chaplain is to make death notifications to next of kin when a loved one has been involved in a fatal accident or a sudden/unattended death. He also offers assistance to crime victims and their families when police are responding to a call or actively investigating a crime. Chaplain McNelly is on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to assist officers in any incident where they feel community members affected by a crime or emergency may benefit from a caring, empathetic, and calm presence.



2020 Significant Events

January

A 15-year old male subject stabbed a 17-year old male during an argument in the 700 block of North Grand Avenue. The victim was stabbed multiple times in the torso and arm. He was transported to PRH with non-life threatening wounds. The suspect fled, and later turned himself in. He was transported to Martin Hall. The knife was recovered from a rooftop, with assistance from the Pullman Fire Department.

April

A fatal traffic collision occurred on April 13.

The Whitman County Coroner released a report that WSU football player Bryce Beekman died on March 23 from Fentanyl and Promethazine overdose. Pullman investigators are working with the DEA to identify the source of the drugs, for possible criminal prosecution.

May

Unemployment fraud claims were reported, victimizing Pullman residents and City employees. By May 20, more than 55 cases were reported.

A peaceful protest was held at Cougar Plaza on May 30, with approximately 10-20 people in attendance.

On May 31, marchers traveled between Gladish and Reaney Park as part of a peaceful protest, with approximately 100 people in attendance.

June

Pullman PD's Chemical Agent Response Team (CART) responded to downtown Spokane, in response to a request for mutual aid, to assist Spokane PD and the Spokane County Sheriff's Office with protests.

Chief Jenkins addressed the Pullman community in an open letter, released June 8.

More than 200 people marched from WSU campus to Pullman City Hall in a peaceful protest on June 12.

On Saturday, June 20, protestors marched from the Chipman Trail to Pine Street Plaza. Chief Jenkins was invited to participate as a speaker at this event.

August

On August 1, officers responded to what was originally reported as a road rage incident, determined to be a domestic violence incident/stabbing that occurred in the Whitman County area. Pullman officers assisted with Whitman County Sheriff's Office in apprehending the suspect for attempted murder and kidnapping.

September

A "Patriot Prayer" group of approximately 15 people held a First Amendment rally at Reaney Park, to protest Pullman's enforcement of State proclamation and health department orders via the nuisance party ordinance. They also visited the Pullman Police Department parking lot, and drove around Greek Row. There were no counter protestors, and no issues as a result of this protest.

October

A suspicious device was reported at the vehicle licensing office on Bishop Boulevard. The area was evacuated, awaiting the Spokane County Explosives Disposal Unit. The item was identified as non-threatening, and the area was reopened.

Four juveniles were reported as runaways. Request for help on social media reached more than 57,000 Facebook users, and more than 5,000 Twitter users. All four subjects were later stopped in a vehicle in Pullman, and returned home.

COVID-19

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Washington State Governor Jay Inslee issued a number of proclamations throughout 2020, including placing limits on gatherings in an effort to mitigate public health risk. The Pullman Police Department enforced these gathering restrictions through the Nuisance Party Ordinance. Officers received 285 calls about proclamation violations. In responding to these reports, 54 written warnings and 36 infractions were issued to responsible parties in violation of gathering limits.

COVID-19 impacted the Pullman Police Department in a variety of ways. Due to public health risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, approximately 1,300 planned training hours were canceled during 2020. A small portion of these training events were rescheduled, or changed to a virtual format.

We worked diligently to protect our officers, staff, and our public by modifying operations and services to ensure the health and safety of our Pullman community.







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