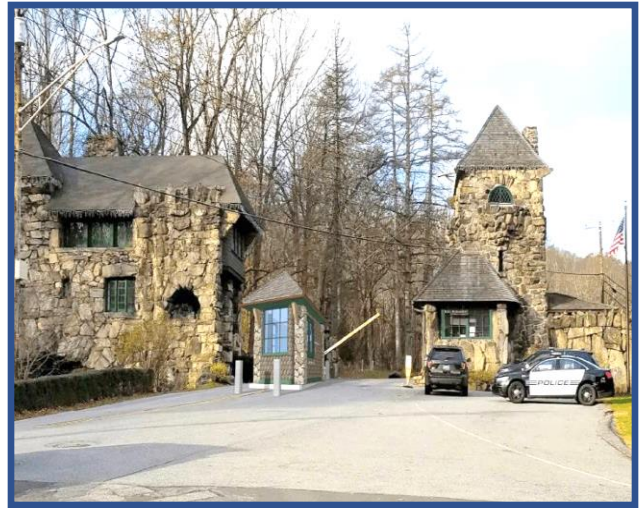


Tuxedo Park Police Department



Annual Report 2021

MISSION STATEMENT

The Tuxedo Park Police Department will deliver effective and responsive law enforcement services to all persons within the Village of Tuxedo Park in a fair and equitable manner, respecting the rights of all regardless of race, creed, religion, sexual orientation, color or origin.

We are committed to making sure that every citizen with whom we interact is treated with dignity, compassion, and a sense of professionalism.

As an integral part of the Tuxedo Park community, we are committed to communicating with those that we serve, and strive to maintain the trust and confidence of our citizens while working to improve the quality of life for the entire community by:

- **Protecting life and property;**
- **Preventing crime;**
- **Enforcing laws;**
- **Maintaining order for all citizens.**

It is essential for all members to remember that in the execution of our duties we act not for ourselves, but for the good of the public; we respect and protect the rights of all citizens and perform our duties with honesty, zeal, courage, discretion, fidelity and sound judgment.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

I am proud to offer this report detailing our activity during the calendar year of 2021. I hope you find it both interesting and beneficial. I regularly review the way we deploy our resources in an effort to increase our ability to respond to the needs of the community and to maximize the resources. The department stays aware of current technological advances and strives to provide the most up-to-date information and equipment for our staff. We are always exploring innovative ways to work with individuals and organizations to make our community an even better place to live and work.

The Tuxedo Park Police Department uses Community Policing principles as one of our main focuses and our officers are reminded of this daily. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic that rocked the world, some of our community policing incentives are on hold due to social distancing and crowd gathering guidelines.

The department continues to seek and recruit quality personnel who are geared towards community policing. It is important while striving to be on the cutting edge of law enforcement technology and to operate within a budget created during tough economic times. Remaining current with state-of-the-art technology and changing trends within the law enforcement community keeps our officers and staff enthusiastic about their chosen profession, while increasing their productivity and drive to serve the community.

I have been serving as your Chief of Police since February 21, 2020 and I take the responsibility and trust that you have placed in me as your chief very seriously. My efforts are focused on providing the highest caliber of police services possible while remaining fiscally responsible to the taxpayers. The men and women of the Tuxedo Park Police Department will continue to serve our residents and visitors in a professional and caring manner.

I would encourage any and all feedback on my job performance, as well as the services of the police department as a whole.

Sincerely,



David Conklin
Chief of Police

PERSONNEL

- The Tuxedo Park Police Department operates 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
- We are currently staffed by 2 full-time police officers, the Chief of Police, 17 part time officers and 1 civilian staff (Clerk). Two police Officers are on duty for each shift; 1 assigned to the desk and 1 assigned to patrol.
- Sergeant Taback retired in December 2021.

Current Roster

FULL TIME		
RANK	NAME	DATE OF HIRE
Chief	David Conklin	02/21/2020
PO	Daniel Sutherland	4/12/2012
PO	Max Serrine	7/24/2017
PART TIME		
PO	Clifford Ader	6/17/2020
PO	James Ascione	6/2/2017
PO	Adam Basilicatta	10/1/2021
PO	Gianna Capone	2/17/2021
PO	Antonio Esposito	5/1/2021
PO	Johnny Gonzalez	6/1/2021
PO	Eric Johnson	8/2/2016
PO	Neil Kassel	6/17/2021
PO	Rodney Krinke	11/14/2006
PO	Brian Levy	4/16/2020
PO	Timothy Lowry	11/4/2016
PO	Robert Mainolfi	5/21/2021
PO	Johnny Motz	9/5/2017
PO	Greg Panzarella	6/17/2021
PO	Joseph Panzica	6/17/2016
PO	Kenneth Sanford	3/18/2020
PO	Tyler Stark	5/20/2020
	VACANT	
	VACANT	
CLERK		
	Denise Spalthoff	12/10/2001

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

Annual Statistics

Totals	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total Calls for Service	2,957	3,136	3,901	4,138
Criminal Complaints	27	42	39	54
Arrests Made	8	20	25	9
Traffic Tickets Issued	104	165	140	236
Motor Vehicle Accidents*	3	2	12	6

- **Motor Vehicle Accidents (No injuries)**

- *1 accident involved a delivery vehicle scraping a rock wall

- *1 accident involved a DPW vehicle hitting a parked car

- *1 accident a car slid on snow covered roads into a fence

Traffic Ticket Breakdown:

Totals	2021	2020	Percentage
Traffic Stops	287	248	-13%
Tickets Issued	104	165	-36%
Warnings Issued	183	83	+120%
Speeding Tickets	23	28	-17%

Arrest Breakdown:

	2021	2020	2019	2018
Driving with suspended license or registration	7	16	15	1
Trespassing	0	2	3	4
Larceny (theft)	1	0	0	1
Mental Health Law	0	2	1	1
Village Code Violation (noise, dogs, etc)	0	1	3	1
Unlawful Possession of Marihuana	0	2	1	0
Menacing	0	1	0	0
Fishing without a license	0	1	0	0
Driving while intoxicated	0	0	2	0
Harassment	0	0	0	1
Unlawful Imprisonment	0	0	0	1

DEPARTMENT TRAINING

In-Service and refresher training is very important for police officers and is required to help mitigate potential liability on the village.

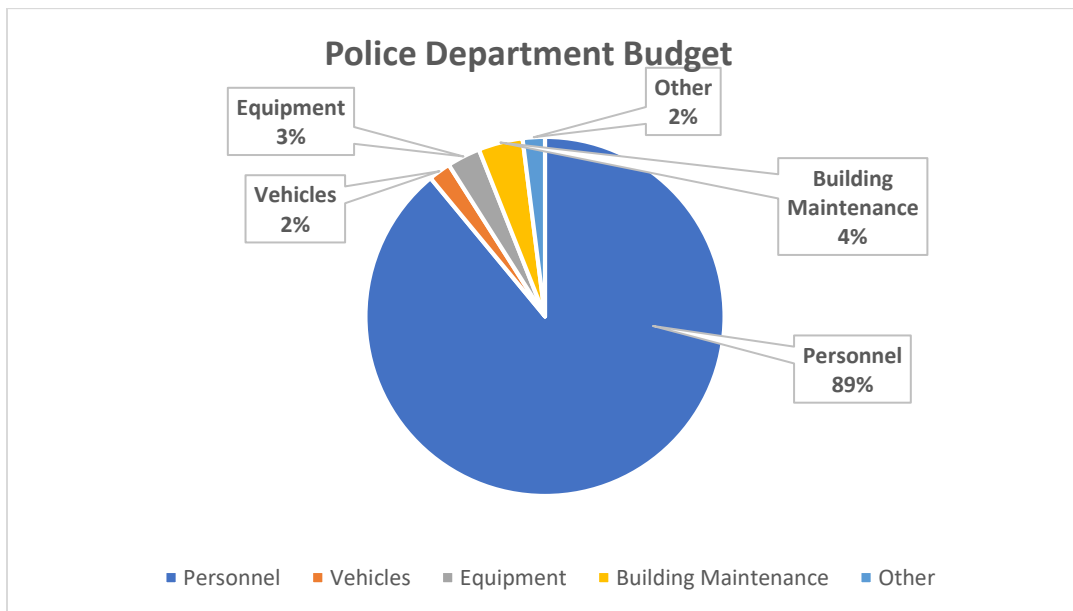
All police officers in the department have received the following training in 2021:

- Firearms qualifications
- Use of Force Refresher Course
- De-Escalation
- Sexual Harassment
- Taser Training/Certification
- Implicit Bias
- Procedural Justice

FISCAL MANAGEMENT

POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET:

- The Fiscal year 2021/2022 Police Department Annual Budget is \$1,082,259 is approximately 24% of the total Village budget. Excluding personnel costs such as health insurance, workers compensation insurance and retirement for full time employees.
- The police department budget does not contain “fluff” and the majority of the budget is for personnel costs.
- \$114,410 of the police budget is for the Building Inspector



OVERTIME

Overtime:

- Overtime was a large part of personnel costs prior to 2020.
- Through proper schedule management and personnel recruitment, overtime costs have gone down tremendously.

Overtime Hours/Costs:

Fiscal Year	Overtime Hours	Cost
FY 2017-2018	565.25	\$33,661.27
FY 2018 – 2019	586.25	\$40,754.66
FY 2019-2020	1,156.5	\$73,025.62
FY 2020/2021	28.5 (3.5 shifts)	\$1,766.10
FY 2021/2022	32 (4 shifts)	\$2,071.36

COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

The Tuxedo Park Police Department has added several programs for our residents this past year. In addition, we have partnered with other programs to provide additional services to our residents who may need them. The programs and services include:

- Hope Not Handcuff's – Drug treatment and rehabilitation
- Orange County Department of Mental Health- Mental Health illnesses
- Fearless Orange County- Domestic Violence Victims
- Project Child Safe- Free Gun Locks
- Unwanted prescription drug disposal services
- Community Well Check Program
- Vacant House Checks

We are currently planning a bicycle rodeo and community day as well.

For a description of these services please view the Village of Tuxedo Park Website at:

<https://www.tuxedopark-ny.gov/police-public-safety>

CLOSING

In June of 2020 Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 203: Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative and in August this Executive Order along with a 135-page book of mandates and recommendations were distributed to all municipalities. The requirements are that a committee of community stakeholders review and amend police departments response to calls, change policies and procedures and formulate a new plan that the Village Board must adopt before April 1, 2021.

The Village formed a Police Reform Committee which consists of the following people:

- David Conklin, Chief of Police
- David McFadden, Mayor
- Chris Kasker, Village Trustee
- Joshua Scherer, Tuxedo Club, resident
- Serena Muller, Tuxedo Park School, resident
- Richard Robyn (Father Rick), St. Mary's Church, resident
- Meg Vaught, editor of TPFYI and resident
- Stewart Rossenwasser, Orange County District Attorney's Office

The committee worked together and formulated a Police Reform Plan which the Village Board adopted and sent to Albany as required. This plan created positive changes in the police department including new and revised policies and procedures, more community policing and training for the police officers. Our committee continues to meet quarterly to evaluate police practices and plan for future events and changes. The Police Reform Committee are planning a Bicycle Rodeo and Community Day for Spring/Summer of 2022.

We are anticipating a February 2022 launch date for the new Safe Passage System which will bring more security to the Village. This system involves residents and authorized guests to be pre-screened and entered into our database to include their vehicle license plate numbers. When approaching the Main and South Gates, a License Plate Reader camera will communicate with the database and open the gate. All visitors who approach the gate who are not enrolled in the system will be thoroughly screened and vetted. This system will replace the current tag system that is currently in place.