

County of Milwaukee

Office of the Sheriff

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TO:

Supervisor Mark Borkowski, 11th District

Chairman, Judiciary, Safety and General Services

FROM:

Edward H. Bailey, Inspector, Milwaukee County Office of the Sheriff

SUBJECT:

13-263 From the Office of the Sheriff, providing a verbal report on

Airport Patrol and Park Patrol activities. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY)

BACKGROUND: In 2004, with the transfer of 16 Deputy Sheriff and 1 Deputy Sheriff Sergeant from various units within the Sheriff's Office and the creation of the Gun Reduction Interdiction Program (GRIP), our Police Service Bureau's efforts included focus on urban crime. Beginning in 2007, when GRIP broadened to become the MCSO Targeted Enforcement Unit (TEU), that focus once again came to include traditional MCSO jurisdictions of Parks and on the MCSO Transit system, and staffing increased to include 2 Deputy Sheriff Sergeants and 25 Deputy Sheriffs. It is the Sheriff's position that the 2012 Adopted Budget and timeframe left him without the ability to deploy in both the Parks and the Transit system in an adequate manner. During the budget Process of October 2012, the Office of the Sheriff revealed a 2013 Parks Patrolling plan that envisioned a full return to the deployment patterns and zoned, high-visibility patrols that had previously existed in MCSO Parks policing. During that process, the County Board requested that the Sheriff submit periodic reports and updates detailing Park / TEU activities.

STATUS: Milwaukee County Parks / 2013 YTD

- YTD 5,200 straight time hours have been have been spent in dedicated Parks operations (Unassigned Patrolling and Calls for Service) as compared to 1,075 hours in YTD 2012 (+383.72%). For comparison, this number is more inline with the YTD 2011 total of 3,804 hours (+36.7%) and is reflective of an earlier patrolling schedule than the traditional April / May heavy rollout.
- Criminal Damage (Graffiti Complaints) have increased by 25% (20 v. 16) 2013 YTD.
 Mitchell, Kosciuszko, Jackson, and Washington Parks have seen multiple incidents

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- YTD. Persons of interest (primarily juveniles) have been identified through cross-referencing incident reports with Milwaukee Police Intelligence operations. Photos have been distributed to MCSO units and mobile cameras are being deployed in these areas.
- Thefts from Vehicle complaints have increased by 400% (5 vs.1) 2013 YTD. Specifically, Whitnall and Mitchell Parks have seen this increase. Patrol has addressed this trend at Park Watch meetings through education; In three of the five incidents, the "time to crime" was under 30 minutes. In a related investigation, an arrest for possession of a stolen vehicle was made in February in the 1500 block of South 27th. In addition, TEU has increased patrols in Washington Park in early afternoon hours in connection with purported vandalism by juveniles. In an unrelated investigation a February incident of arson to vehicle occurred in Washington Park, which corresponds to a prior reported event in the City of Milwaukee being investigated by MPD.
- An increase of pedestrians being struck by vehicles in Milwaukee County has prompted a proactive enforcement effort to increased traffic enforcement in and around park areas in an attempt to change aggressive driving behaviors prior to the heavy volume of summer. YTD activity has yielded 37 drunken driving arrests, 20 warrant arrests, over 250 speeding citations, and the recovery of a firearm w/ felon.
- Using the new ARMED tracing system, the MCSO Law Enforcement Analytics Division is now tracking TEU appearances at Neighborhood / Parks meetings as a valuable metric. YTD we have addressed groups at Saveland, Dretzka and Grants Parks.
- MCSO is engaging in heavy monitoring of main roadways between parks that have a high incidence of transit-related incidents. There is a direct correlation between high incident parks and high incident bus routes. This has resulted in the following transit outputs:

Category	2013 YTD	2012 YTD	% Change (-)
Assault On Operator	4	10	(60.0)
Assault On Passenger	13	7	85.7
Disorderly Conduct	158	126	25.4
Fare Dispute / Non-Payr	nent 82	70	17.1
Fight (physical or verbal) 19	25	(24.0)
Objects Thrown At Bus	28	25	12.0
Ordinance Violations	123	95	29.5
Security Info From Oper	ator 40	57	(29.8)
Theft	32	18	77.8
Vandalism/Graffiti	38	32	18.8
TEU Arrests	73	4	1700

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BACKGROUND: The MCSO Airport Division provides both security assistance and is the primary law enforcement agency at General Mitchell International Airport. It has, in recent years, accomplishes this duty with an assigned force of @50 Deputy Sheriff 1 positions plus a K9 unit. The 2013 Adopted Budget funds 54 Deputy Sheriff positions, 6 Deputy Sheriff Sergeants, 1 Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant, 1 Deputy Captain and 1 Clerical Assistant. Total 2013 charges to the Airport Division are set at \$8,001,280; There is no property tax levy budgeted in the Airport Security program area as the operating cost of this program, less citation and grant revenue, is charged to the Airport. The Airport is currently staffed at 53 Deputy Sheriffs; Included in this is a current K9 complement of 4. This fluctuation is primarily related to 2 workers compensation injuries resulting in retirements. It is anticipated that the Division will be fully staffed NLT 03/30.

STATUS: Airport / 2013 YTD

- This month, the Division is investigating 5 auto break-ins in remote lot B. This investigation encompasses criminal investigation; Video review and improvement recommendation to GMIA; additional staffing; and education in the form of flyer and signage in the shuttle buses and shelters, stairwells, on the ticketing issuing machines which are located at the entrances to all parking lots and various areas throughout the parking structure.
- In February, in recognition of the 40th anniversary (1972 2012) of the first Milwaukee Deputy graduating from the prestigious United States Army Hazardous Devices School in Huntsville, Alabama, the MCSO Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) unit, and its Commander, Deputy Sheriff Gary Nell and Assistant Commander, Deputy Joseph Mazurczak, received an Exchange Club of Milwaukee Crime Prevention Award. This unit is currently staffed with 7 Deputy Sheriffs.
- In December 2012, the Division began investigation of a theft of monies from an Airport vendor office. This case has been referred to MCSO CID and a suspect identified who has left this jurisdiction. Warrant issued.

Category	2013 YTD	2012 YTD	% Change (-)
Assaults	1	2	(50)
Robbery / Fraud	4	8	(50)
Narcotics	1	4	(75)
Disorderly Conduct	2	7	(71)
Airport Arrests*	28	30	(7)

* Domestic Abuse, Battery, Disorderly Conduct, OWI

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