mission and purpose statement

Our Mission…
To protect the quality of life in our community through the core values of:

HONOR
EXCELLENCE
LOYALTY and
PROFESSIONALISM

Our Purpose…
In partnership with the community, we pledge to:

Protect the lives and property of our fellow citizens
Prevent crime by aggressively pursuing violators of the law
Maintain our Oath of Honor:

Honor, Integrity and Respect are never betrayed.
I will always hold myself and others accountable for having the courage to do the right thing.

Value human life, respect the dignity of each individual and render our services with courtesy and civility.
On behalf of all members of the Auburn Police Department, I am pleased to present our 2013 Annual Report to the community.

This report contains interesting information and highlights significant events as well as “spotlights.” I am very proud of the men and women who work for the police department and who are committed to serving our community. Throughout the year, I enjoy listening to citizens who want to share with me how professional or sincere a staff member has been when they called for assistance. Auburn is fortunate to have employees committed to the department’s mission to enhance the quality of life through our core values of Honor, Excellence, Loyalty and Professionalism for our citizens.

Much took place in 2013 and I would be remiss if I didn’t pause and note how saddened we all were with the passing of former police chief, Richard Small, Jr. I had the honor to be Chief Small’s deputy chief for six years before he retired. Dick understood community policing. It wasn’t from something he read in a book or was trained in – it was at the core of who he was. I am proud to have worked alongside him and we all miss a great friend.

We would like to honor Chief Small’s service with Auburn by dedicating this report to our great leader.

2013 was a challenging year for our agency as it pertains to staffing. There were retirements, vacancies due to injuries, a military deployment and resignations which left us short staffed for seven of the past twelve months. In police work, when you hire an officer, it can take almost eight months before an officer completes training and is assigned on their own. I want to thank my staff for the commitment they had during this time to maintain our minimum staffing and for the long hours they worked to ensure the shifts were filled. I also would like to thank the community for their patience with our workload when services may not have been timely or when we were unable to be present for certain events. I am pleased to report that as we enter 2014, we are fully staffed and look forward to working on some new initiatives like our traffic enforcement unit.

Neighborhood Mobilization will be a focus area for us in the upcoming year. Please consider getting involved and participating where and when you can. In order to affect a meaningful impact in our neighborhoods, it will take all of us partnering and working together. We will be scheduling “Coffee with A Cop” sessions, Neighborhood Watch Groups, Block Parties, and Citizen Police Academies for you to participate in. These efforts will be coordinated with other city departments as we work jointly to strengthen our neighborhoods.

On behalf of the entire staff, I want to thank the City Manager, Mayor and City Council members for the important role they play in the success of our agency.

Phillip L. Crowell, Jr. | Chief of Police
2013 City Government

Mayor
Jonathan LaBonté

Council
Ward 1...Tizz E. H. Crowley
Ward 2...Robert P. Hayes
Ward 3...Mary J. K. LaFontaine
Ward 4...David C. Young
Ward 5...Leroy G. Walker, Sr.
At Large...Belinda A. Gerry
At Large...Joshua A. Shea

City Manager
Clinton Deschene

2013 City Demographics

County
Androscoggin

Population
23,055

Square Miles
67

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Expect Excellence…
It’s more than a tagline, it’s a way of life for the men and women of the Auburn PD.

We are proud of the work our officers do. They serve this great city with honor, integrity and commitment. Four times a year, our Watch Commanders select a Patrol Officer who has distinguished him- or herself by going above and beyond.

The APD is proud to present the four Officers of the Quarter for 2013. We thank them for their service, their dedication and their excellence.

Officer Matthew Johnson
Officer Steven Hammerton
Officer Bryan Parker
Officer Nicholas Gagnon
The Auburn PD offers our Citizens Police Academy (CPA) two times per year. Since 2002, this 10-week series of informational classes has offered citizens an inside look at the operations and inner workings of the APD. ‘Graduates’ of the Academy learn about the structure and activities of the department, share their knowledge with their family and friends, and quite often go on to become volunteers with the department. This is a true ‘behind-the-scenes’ look at the APD.

Lieutenant Tony Harrington has been the driving force behind the Citizens Police Academy, generously sharing his time, knowledge and expertise with citizens for the past 12 years.

All of the CPA classes are taught by Lt. Harrington and other APD officers/staff. Attendees learn about basic patrol functions, use of force, OUI detection and enforcement, domestic violence, our K9 program, drug enforcement, crime scene investigation and much more. “Alumni” of the program have the opportunity to take an Advanced Level CPA that is offered on occasion.

The goal of the CPA is to foster better communication between citizens and police and to offer insight into how this department serves the community. Visit www.auburnpd.com for more information on our Citizens Police Academy.
Administrative Division

Chief of Police  Phillip L. Crowell, Jr.
Deputy Chief of Police  Jason D. Moen
Executive Assistant/Grant Writer  Rita Beaudry
Police Planner/Accreditation Manager  Liz Allen
Information Assistant  Claire Barclay

Support Services Division

Lieutenant  Timothy Cougle
CIU Sergeant  Eric Audette
Support Sergeant  Gary Boulet
Training/Resource Sergeant  Barry Schmieks
Detective  Chad Syphers
Detective  Jason Moore
Detective  Nathan Westleigh
Detective  Terrence McCormick

Task Force Agent  Matthew Elie
Task Force Agent  David Madore

Computer Crimes Task Force  Cpl. Scott Corey

School/Community Resource Officer  Tom Poulin
School Resource Officer  Shawn Carll
School Resource Officer  Donald Cousins

Parking Enforcement Officer  Michael Chaine
Support Services Technician  Rebecca Lacasse
Crime Analyst/GIS Coordinator  Steve Harmon
Animal Control Officer  Wendell Strout
Information Assistant  Kristal Parshall
Court Officer  Richard Mercier

Patrol Division

Lieutenant  Richard Coron
Lieutenant  Anthony Harrington
Lieutenant  Scott Watkins
Lieutenant  Laurie Woodhead

Sergeant  Steven Gosselin
Sergeant  Christopher Hatfield
Sergeant  James Lawlor
Sergeant  Benjamin Quinnell

Corporal  Eric Bell
Corporal  Kristopher Bouchard (K9)
Corporal  Matthew Dailey
Corporal  Marshall McCamish

Officer  Paul Caouette
Officer  John Chamberlain
Officer  Jason Croft
Officer  TJ Ellis
Officer  Nicholas Gagnon
Officer  Tyler Ham (K9)
Officer  Steven Hammerton
Officer  Matthew Johnson
Officer  Brandon Kelly
Officer  Scott Laliberte
Officer  Mark Lemos
Officer  Denis Matthews
Officer  Bryan Parker
Officer  James Phillips
Officer  Justin Richardson
Officer  Andrew Shute
Officer  Eric Ward
Officer  Bernice Westleigh

Retirement
Lieutenant  Paul LaBarre

Resignations
Officer  Mitchel Morse
Officer  Jonathan Provisor
Officer  Nicholas Sparaco

New Officers
Officer  Katherine Avery
Officer  David Brown
Officer  Joseph Correia
Officer  Nicholas Kyllonen
Officer  Krista Lee
Officer  Joseph Miville
The Auburn Police Department is charged with the preservation of life and property through the enforcement of all Federal and State laws, as well as Municipal ordinances and regulations. An integral part of achieving excellence in law enforcement is the adequate training of police officers, combined with sound community relations and customer service. The APD is committed to excellence in all aspects of its performance of duties. Our organizational structure provides an efficient and cost-effective delivery of service to its citizens.

Administration | The Administrative Division consists of the Chief of Police; Deputy Chief; Executive Assistant/Grant Writer; Police Planner and Information Assistant. Administration is responsible for the day-to-day operations of financial management, staffing, training, community partnerships and overall efficiency of the department.

Patrol Division | This Division is responsible for the overall protection of lives and property, maintaining law and order and responding to requests for services (emergency and non-emergency). The Patrol Division enforces all criminal laws that are mandated by Federal, State or Municipal Government. Patrol consists of four Lieutenants; four Sergeants; four Corporals; twenty-two Patrol Officers; and two K9s (Dutch & Rocky).

Support Services Division | This Division is responsible for all functions that support the overall operations of the Police Department, such as: training, vehicle & equipment maintenance, and community event coordination. It includes a Support Services Commander (Lieutenant); Support Sergeant; Training Sergeant; four School Resource Officers; one Support Services Technician; one Information Assistant; one Court Officer; one Animal Control Officer; and one Traffic Enforcement Officer.

The School Resource Officers are assigned to work with the School Department with children from Grades K-12. SROs also conduct classes in a variety of safety topics and participate in many outside activities that are supported by the donations of various civic groups.

The Court Officer is a civilian employee who is responsible for the processing of all court papers and documents to be presented for disposition at the Superior and District Courts.

The Support Services Technician is a civilian employee who is responsible for receiving and maintaining property recovered or turned over to the Auburn Police Department. The Support Services Technician is also responsible for conducting the disposal and/or release of evidence and found/abandoned property.

The Animal Control Officer (contractual) is responsible for the overall enforcement of the Municipal and State laws governing the licensing and care of dogs and other domesticated animals. The ACO responds to all calls relating to these animals and also works with the City Clerk in the enforcement of the licensing of all dogs.

Our Traffic (and Parking) Enforcement Officer is responsible for traffic enforcement and all controlled parking areas in the city (including retail shopping areas within the city and private parking lots by contractual agreement) as per M.R.S.A., which includes "handicapped" and "fire lane" violations. The TEO also focuses on red light, speed and crosswalk violations in the downtown area.
Our **Criminal Investigations Unit** also falls under the Support Services Division. CIU is comprised of one Sergeant; four Detectives; and a Crime Analyst/GIS Coordinator. Also assigned to CIU is one patrol officer on special assignment to the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency, another assigned to the State Police Computer Crimes Task Force, as well as one officer who is assigned to the Maine DEA HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas) Task Force.

The detectives are responsible for the investigation of all felony cases and other related cases that are referrals from the Patrol Division or other agencies. The Support Services Commander and CIU Sergeant are responsible for case assignments and serve as the lead detectives in all serious cases. The Lieutenant is also part of the notification and response protocol along with the Chief and Deputy Chief.

**Community and Specialized Policing Plan** | The ever-changing and evolving nature of police work results in the need to consistently evaluate new methods and approaches to policing. In particular, the involvement of police officers in the community in the prevention of hate and bias incidents. Currently, in addition to the patrol officers who are involved in community meetings for the education and prevention of hate and bias incidences while on-duty, officers have dedicated many hours during their off-duty time.

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**Volunteers in Police Service** | The APD is very proud of our outstanding community volunteers. These volunteers, who are carefully screened and well-trained, help out with various administrative tasks at the station such as answering the phone, filing, data entry, and more.

Additionally, the APD has a **Citizen Patrol** program comprised of trained volunteers who serve as extra ‘eyes and ears’ for the Department. They assist our Patrol Officers with traffic direction at accident scenes, performing vacant house checks and patrolling our retail shopping areas, handicapped parking enforcement, speed details utilizing the handheld radar unit and much more.

Yet another division of our highly successful volunteer program is our **Regional Law Enforcement Cadet Program**. This is an exciting opportunity for area youths to explore a career in law enforcement, learn to help others, serve their community, develop leadership skills, build physical & mental fitness, gain career and personal skills, and have fun!

This career-oriented program is available to qualified young adults of high moral character who have graduated 8th grade and are between the ages 14 and 21.
Our Service Area…

The City of Auburn has 67 square miles and over 230 miles of road to patrol.
The Auburn PD is proud to report that Deputy Chief Jason Moen graduated from the FBI’s National Academy Program at Quantico, Virginia on March 22nd, 2013. The 252nd Session of the National Academy included participants from 49 states, the District of Columbia, 27 international countries, four military organizations and five federal organizations.

Participants in the FBI’s National Academy must be invited to attend the program. Less than one percent of law enforcement is selected to participate in the program. Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy Program offers 10 weeks of advanced investigative, management and fitness training for selected officers having proven records as professionals within their agencies. Training is provided by FBI Academy instructional staff, Special Agents and other staff members holding advanced degrees, many of who are recognized internationally in their fields of expertise. Classes are accredited through the University of Virginia and students are able to earn undergraduate and graduate credits for the classes.

Chief Crowell said, “Moen’s completion of the FBI National Academy Program is a significant accomplishment which will help us to continue to provide excellent service to the citizens of Auburn. We look forward to sending our command level supervisors to this program when the opportunity presents itself.” Deputy Chief Moen said, “I am honored to have had the opportunity to participate in this outstanding academy. The interaction with other law enforcement professionals from around the world has given me a much broader perspective on law enforcement management, allowing me to be more effective as a leader.”

For most people who visit the Auburn Police Department at our home at Auburn Hall, the first face that they see is that of our Information Assistant, Kristal Goff.

Kristal joined the Auburn PD in 2012, coming to us from the Lewiston-Auburn Communications Center. As a dispatcher in the busiest communications center in Maine, she learned much about the fast-paced world of law enforcement.

Kristal is our records clerk, maintaining all of our police records. She also processes concealed weapons permits, performs criminal background checks, and covers our very busy phone system. Most importantly, she fields all incoming in-person inquiries at our front desk, providing the public with police reports, processing payments, and countless other tasks. Kristal is a friendly and talented member of our team, and for so many people, she is the ‘face of APD.’
The Uniform Crime Reporting Program collects information on eight Part I criminal offenses from more than 18,000 Law Enforcement Agencies throughout the United States. These offenses are serious crimes by nature and in volume. The UCR program limits the reporting of offenses to the eight selected crime classifications because they are most likely to be reported and occur with sufficient frequency to provide an adequate basis for comparison.

Crime in Maine…

According to the “Crime in Maine” report published by the Department of Public Safety, during 2012, the ‘crime clock’ average in Maine reflected the following:

In Maine, there was a VIOLENT CRIME every 5 hours, 26 minutes:
- 1 Murder every 15 days, 6 hours
- 1 Rape every 23 hours, 52 minutes
- 1 Robbery every 20 hours, 52 minutes
- 1 Aggravated Assault every 10 hours, 56 minutes

According to Auburn’s crime data, there were 37 violent crimes in 2012. The FBI reports that there were 1,214,462 violent crimes nationwide in 2012.

In Maine, there was a PROPERTY CRIME every 15 minutes, 45 seconds:
- 1 Burglary every 70 minutes, 57 seconds
- 1 Larceny every 21 minutes, 14 seconds
- 1 Motor Vehicle Theft every 8 hours, 52 minutes
- 1 Arson every 38 hours, 52 minutes

According to Auburn’s crime data, there was a property crime every 7.8 hours. The FBI reports that there were 8,975,438 property crime offenses in the nation in 2012.

The Crime Rate is based on the occurrence of an Index Offense per 1,000 residents of the state. Local and county rates are based on their individual populations. The State Crime Rate for 2012 was 26.39 per 1,000. The comparable rate for 2011 was 26.81. The 2012 state population is estimated at 1,329,192 persons.

Of the Part I crimes in the City of Auburn in 2012, 46.21 per 1,000 were solved. The Auburn Police Department is proud to have a clearance rate that is higher than the state average of 31.0.
“Police officers know that when we go into a home to arrest an abuser, we look at the child in the room and KNOW that without interventions, THAT child may either be abused or become an abuser. We must make every effort to safeguard the ‘silent voice behind the door’... the child who bears witness to domestic violence.”  ~Chief Phillip L. Crowell

In 2013, the Auburn Police Department responded to 451 calls for service relating to Domestic Violence, an increase from 427 calls in 2012. Of these 451 calls, there were 104 arrests of both male and female offenders. Charges included 126 Domestic Violence (DV) Assault, DV Stalking, DV Criminal Threatening and related crimes. 23 percent of the offenders were females; 77 percent males; and 3 of the offenders were juveniles (all males).

Of the 126 Domestic Charges filed...
  96 were for DV Assault
  17 were for DV Criminal Threatening
  9 were for DV Terrorizing
  3 were for DV Reckless Conduct and
  1 were for DV Stalking

With the number of Domestic Violence calls and the seriousness of injuries, data illustrated that, although we didn’t know where the next offense was going to occur, we did know that the most likely offenders were REPEAT offenders. Removing an offender who was in violation of conditions significantly lowered the recurrence.

The APD responded to these calls for service by implementing a Domestic Violence Safety or Follow Up Team. The goals and objectives of the team are to make survivors aware of what resources and assistance are available in our community; provide information regarding obtaining protection from abuse orders; encourage survivors to report violations and further offences; strengthen cases for prosecution; and reduce incidences of recurrence and calls for service.

We continue to partner with Safe Voices as well as the Androscoggin Children’s Advocacy Center. Our school resource officers, who receive notification immediately after an event, follow up with the children to ensure their safety and make school officials aware of why a child might be “acting out of character.”
motor vehicle crashes

An analysis of the Auburn Police Department’s statistics for motor vehicle crashes from January 1 through December 31, 2013 revealed that the APD responded to 1,464 motor vehicle crashes and handled 1,099 reportable* crashes.

Streets with the most crashes:
- Center Street: 181
- Minot Avenue: 107
- Mt. Auburn Avenue: 104
- Turner Street: 83
- Court Street: 81
- Washington Street (N & S): 66
- Hotel Road: 37

*Reportable crashes: where someone was injured; there was a hit-and-run; or the combined total of damages was over $1,000.

Five year average...

The Maine Department of Transportation reported a 5 year average of 1,082 reportable crashes in Auburn per year. Other cities in Maine with comparable numbers: Augusta - 1,021; Bangor - 1,328; Lewiston - 1,122; State Police, Skowhegan - 1,130; State Police, Troop E - 1,063; and South Portland Police Department - 1,014. Portland had the highest 5 year average, with an average of 2,664 reportable crashes per year.

traffic enforcement

1,256 speeding tickets were issued in 2013:
- Average speed charged: 48 mph
- Average speed limit: 32
- Average MPH over limit: 16

Most citations were issued on Mondays (188), followed by 185 on Saturdays followed by 180 respectively on Fridays and Wednesdays. Times of day when most citations were issued:

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The Auburn Police Department strives to enforce 100% compliance of seatbelt usage by all drivers and passengers who live, work and play in our community. We recognize the direct correlation between non-compliance and fatality rates, particularly young men.

Analysis of the Auburn Police Department’s seat belt monitoring and enforcement efforts from January 1 through December 31, 2013 revealed that 141 seat belt summonses and warnings were issued. Of these:
- 35 were issued to individuals 19-25 years (19 males & 16 females)
- 53 were issued to individuals 26-35 years (28 males & 25 females)
- 53 were issued to individuals 36 and older (34 males & 19 females)

In an effort to reduce our incidences of speed, crashes, and injuries, we have Seat Belt and Speed Enforcement details scheduled to coincide with the highest numbers of crashes, times of day and days of week. High visibility enforcement continues to be our primary strategy in our efforts to slow down the residents and the visitors that pass through our community.
According to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, as of January 2012, there were more than 747,000 sex offenders registered in the United States.

Sex crimes are unfortunately fairly common in the US. The Center for Sex Offender Management (CSOM) reports that sex offenses represent less than 1% of all arrests, and that males account for approximately 95% of arrests nationally. It is estimated that one in every five girls and one in every seven boys are sexually abused by the time they reach adulthood. One in six adult women and one in thirty-three adult men experience an attempted or completed sexual assault.

Most convicted offenders live in the community under probation or parole supervision. According to CSOM, approximately 150,000 adult sex offenders are currently in state/federal prisons. Between 10,000 and 20,000 are released into the community each year. Experts estimate that countless numbers of convicted sex offenders are unaccounted for across the country, with law enforcement unable to find or track their whereabouts.

The first sex offender registry was created in California in 1947. Today, every state has such a registry.

**At the beginning of 2013, the City of Auburn had 42 registered sex offenders. By the end of the year, there were 38.**

In 2006, the Auburn Police Department implemented a “one-to-one” sex offender monitoring program where each patrol officer is assigned a sex offender to check on and monitor. An integral part of the program is the neighbor/community notification process. At least once a month, APD officers verify the offenders’ residences and look for violations. Sex offender notification flyers are distributed to neighbors.

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**SPOTLIGHT...Computer Crimes Task Force**

The Maine Computer Crimes Task Force was formed in 1999. Members are responsible for coordinating computer crime investigations state-wide, but focus primarily on conducting computer forensic investigations. The task force includes representatives from local law enforcement agencies who have been designated by their chief or sheriff as responsible for investigating crimes involving computers. **Corporal Scott Corey represents the Auburn PD on the Task Force.**

The team investigates basic complaints and processes computer crime scenes so that the evidence may be taken to the task force lab for forensic exam. The primary focus of these members is to provide outreach training in their respective communities. They offer courses on protecting children online to teachers, community groups, and school children. The programs are nationally recognized and no doubt help in protecting our children’s safety on-line.

The Maine Computer Crimes Task Force is an example of successful collaboration between local, county, and state law enforcement, prosecutors and the public. It serves as a model nationwide and continues to serve as the only computer forensic lab in the State of Maine.
In 2013, the Auburn PD reported 219 juvenile offenders. Those 219 offenders accounted for 294 violations of civil and criminal law. 36.9 percent of these offenders were female and 63.1 percent were male. Of the 294 total violations, 42 were civil in nature, leaving 252 reported as criminal.

The most challenging aspect of conducting the Annual Juvenile Operations Review is obtaining valuable feedback from our community stakeholders. In an effort to keep the review fresh and continue to obtain vital feedback, we utilized an online survey last year. For our 2013 review, we took a completely different approach, utilizing a college intern to conduct in-person or live phone interviews.

A set of specific questions was developed with the intent of avoiding the tendency of people to only give generic, positive comments. Our intern worked for most of January contacting and setting up appointments and finally documenting the results of his conversations. The results are thorough and, for the first time in several years, they offer specific comments, both positive and negative.

Below is a list and summary of a few of our programs that received the most feedback during this year’s review. A full list and description of all juvenile programs is provided at the end of this report.

**SRO Program** | After reviewing the responses obtained for this project, it is clear that our SRO program remains our highest profile juvenile program in the community. Our SROs are the face of our Juvenile Operations and have a direct or indirect role in almost all of our other juvenile programs.

Many of the responses given praised the SRO program, while looking for more SRO availability in the schools. We are currently down one elementary SRO due to promotions and because of staffing levels we have had to leave that position vacant for most of this past school year. This SRO vacancy has left a void in the schools that both the children and school staff have had a difficult time adjusting to. Outside of our regularly scheduled PEACE classes, there has been little time for interaction with our officers and the K-6 students. We will be filling the vacant SRO position in 2014 and hope to expand our SRO involvement with our younger students. With two K-6 SROs, we hope to reestablish an officer presence at the Boys and Girls Club and be more visible at less formal interactions, such as at bus stops, lunch breaks and student recesses.

**PAL Center** | Over the past two years the APD has been working on the creation and development of our new PAL Center. This project has been a significant commitment on the part of our department and our community.

We started the 2013 school year with two elementary SROs. One of the two was assigned to the PAL center after school each day. As mentioned above, one of our two elementary SROs was promoted, leaving just one SRO for all the K-6 schools and to continue providing a police presence at the PAL Center each day after school. This was challenging but we were able to keep the both programs functioning throughout the school year by adjusting the class schedules and the work hours of our remaining K-6 SRO.

The good news is that the PAL Center continues to grow and take on its own identity. The Center has recently hired a part-time civilian coordinator who is now taking over many of the responsibilities that were left up to the SRO last year.

The PAL Center is operating or hosting several programs and services on a routine basis. Some of these programs include the following:

- Summer running program
- Summer Breakfast/lunch program
- Gardening classes
- Art/Music classes
- Ice skating
- Soccer program
- Thanksgiving Meals (prepared at the center and delivered)
- After school homework help
- Cooking classes
- Robotics classes
- Junior Police Camp

**Youth Diversion** | Beginning next month, DHHS (Department of Health and Human Services) will have a fulltime case worker assigned to the PAL neighborhood. The case worker has an office in the PAL Center and will work with our SROs to respond to referrals generated by families living in the PAL neighborhood, but while also working preventatively with these families.

Another exciting initiative that we are working to implement is a youth intervention program for students serving school suspensions.
Over 550 students serve some form of suspension each year in Auburn. The new program will have suspended students report to the Diversion Program, where they will serve their suspension. Our hope is to have an Ed Tech from the school department onsite to assist students with their course work. We anticipate that Juvenile Probation and Parole will also have a role in this program.

**Lewiston/Auburn Youth Court** | Youth Court is a court-based program involving juniors and seniors from Lewiston/Auburn High Schools who are charged as first time offenders and sent to Youth Court instead of the Juvenile System. Convictions are not placed on the Juvenile’s permanent record. Guilt has been previously determined through the respondent’s own admission. Through the peer judgment process, the youth respondent’s are given fair, consistent and appropriate dispositions, restorative in nature. High School and Middle School SROs serve as the department’s liaisons.

In 2013, Youth Court heard 17 cases over 7 court sessions. 248 hours of community service were issued with an average of 14.6 hours of community service per respondent. School Resource Officers are the mechanism to ensure that each disposition is completed.

**Project Lifesaver** | Several APD officers attended the first phase of “Project LifeSaver (PL)” training. PL is a program that Auburn PD has committed to. This program provides electronic tracking bracelets and receivers for the elderly as well as for children who are at risk of wandering.

**Summary** | As the Support Service Division Commander responsible for overseeing our juvenile operations, I am pleased with the new initiatives our department is undertaking to proactively connect with the youth of our community. The programs we are administering and participating in are very important and I believe are effective tools in both diversion and prevention. There is always room for improvement and this year’s review has provided some specific areas that we can focus our efforts on throughout the upcoming year.

I recommend that the Auburn Police Department continue to participate in the Juvenile Programs outlined in this report, making improvements as necessary and when needed.

*Lt. Timothy Cougle*

**APD JUVENILE PROGRAMS**
- SROs @ High Schools
- SROs @ Middle Schools
- SROs @ Elementary Schools
- Internal Contracts
- Lecture/ Reprimands

**Boys and Girls Club**
- Camp P.O.S.T.C.A.R.D
- Law Enforcement Cadet Program
- Junior Police Camps
- Auburn PAL
- Badges 4 Baseball
- Gardening Program with University of Maine Cooperative Extension Program
- DHHS Referrals
- Internet Safety Programs
- P.E.A.C.E. Classes
  - Self Esteem
  - Choices and Decisions
  - Diversity
  - Tobacco
  - Alcohol
  - Drugs
  - Civil Rights
  - Internet Safety
  - Relationships
- Advocates for Children
- Anti- Bullying Classes
- Community Learning Center
- Special Olympics
- J.A.R.T.
- Androscoggin Youth Court
- Bike Rodeo
- National Night Out
- Teen Space – Library
- Tri-County Referral
- Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention
- Healthy Andro. - Project Unite
- Effective Police Interaction with Youth
- Tim Horton’s Foundation
- Volunteers in America (VIA)
- Life skills/Cooking
- Immigrants/Refugee Programs
- Shop With a Cop (Christmas)
“Volunteers can be an important part of any organization and are proven to be a valuable asset to law enforcement agencies. Volunteers help to increase police responsiveness, service delivery, and information input, and they provide new program opportunities. In addition, volunteers can bring new skills and expertise to the job and prompt new enthusiasm.”

Auburn Police Department Standard Operating Procedure 16A: Volunteers in Police Service

The Auburn PD is extraordinarily proud to present this summary of the APD VIPS program and its achievements in 2013. The number of volunteer hours given by our volunteers during the year is impressive, as always. We consider these totals to be “conservative,” as volunteers often forget to track their actual hours. In reality, the figures are much higher.

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER HOURS GIVEN BY APD VIPS MEMBERS: 2,280
These are our in-house, fully screened, official VIPS program volunteers. This is up considerably; 145 hours higher than our 2012 VIPS total of 2,135. According to Independent Sector, the estimated dollar value of volunteer time for 2012 is $22.14 per hour. Using that figure, the value of the volunteer hours donated by our VIPS members is: $50,479.20.

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS: 3,083.75
This VERY conservative number includes the hours listed above, and also represents volunteer labor donated to the renovation project at our Police Activities League (PAL) Center, including the incredible team at YouthBuild/Take 2; our PAL volunteers; our PAL Board/Steering Committee and others. This also includes hours contributed by “other” community volunteers who gave their time and talents to the APD in 2013: volunteers at our Human Trafficking Conference and our annual Bike Rodeo; etc. Using the estimated dollar value of volunteer time for 2012, the value of the volunteer hours donated in support of the APD and its programs is: $68,274.23!

The VIPS program had another remarkably successful year. Our volunteers surpassed last year’s total hours donated by 145 hours. We received applications from (and accepted) several highly qualified and energetic new volunteers in 2013.

- We had one VIPS intern in 2013, from Campbell University in North Carolina.
- Volunteers continued to take responsibility for entering agency training records into IMC. This demonstrates the considerable amount of trust our Training Coordinator has in our volunteers.
- VIPS volunteers participated in two Prescription Drug Collection Events, directing the steady stream of traffic, and helping officers from APD collect unwanted/unused prescription medications.
- Volunteers also assisted our Patrol and Support Services Divisions at many community events such as the Liberty Festival, Bike Rodeo, and the Festival of Lights Parade.

The list of VIPS successes and highlights goes on and on. It is very important to note that our volunteers continue to be very well-received at the PD. Sworn and non-sworn staff and Administration alike have been very accepting of these community members. Our outstanding volunteers continued to serve this agency with pride, generosity and a commitment to building a safer, stronger community.

From parking enforcement, vacant house checks and traffic control at parades and community events; to filing and endless amounts of data entry; to disaster preparedness training; our dedicated volunteers stepped forward time and time again to support the men and women of the Auburn Police Department, and we look forward to more of the same in 2014.
2013 saw the opening of the Auburn PAL Center.

After two years of renovations, hard work and building incredible community partnerships, our dream became a reality. In April of 2013, the doors to the Auburn Police Activities League opened. There have been many highlights in our first year of operation.

Auburn kids between the 3rd and 8th grades spent lots of time at the PAL Center, getting homework help, learning from mentors, cooking, playing games, and having fun in a safe environment with trusted volunteers.

More than 100 kids received brand new running shoes and/or winter boots at the PAL Center. With guidance and instruction from the Master Gardeners of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, our PAL kids planned, built, planted and nurtured an incredible community garden full of flowers and vegetables.

Summer saw the APD’s very successful annual Junior Police Camp and Badges 4 Baseball program.

More than 100 kids participated in the “Chestnut Street Champions” PAL summer running program! Twice a week, our kids (of all ages) trained together, learned about fitness and teamwork and had a blast. Many of them ran in the 2013 Lake Auburn Half-Marathon Kids Run.

Auburn PAL has an active, committed Board of Directors, which is comprised of community leaders who understand the importance of providing a safe place for at-risk kids to spend their time:

Phillip Crowell  Auburn Police Department, President
Janice Callahan  Auburn Housing Authority, Vice-President
Philip Doucette  Austin Associates, Treasurer
Rita Beaudry  Board of Directors, Secretary
Elizabeth Allen  Volunteer Coordinator
Tracy Allen  New Beginnings Outreach Program
Laura Bragdon  Auburn Housing Authority
Paul Caouette  Auburn Police Benefit Association (APBA)
Tim Cougle  MAP Auburn - Command Union
Joshua Cousineau  Redemption Hill Community Church
Holly Couturier  Washburn School
Ruth Decoster  Advocates For Children
Susan Donar  Kaplan University
Vickie Gaylord  Park Avenue School
Cassandra Giguere  APD Cadet Program
David Gonyea  Central Maine Community College
Carmen Haggerty  Retired School Teacher
Paul Josephson  DHHA - Child & Family Services
Janice Lare  Community Credit Union
Luci Merin  Auburn School Department
Anne Ryan  Kaplan University
Barry Schmieks  Auburn Police Department
Ravi Sharma  Auburn Recreation Department
Matthew Tifft  Central Maine Community College
Susan Verrill  Washburn School/Spurwink Counselor
Donna Wallace  Auburn Public Library
Richard Whiting  Auburn Housing Authority
T.J. Abacha  PAL Coordinator
The Auburn Police Department’s “Target: Zero - Survive Your Drive” program is presented in partnership with the Maine Bureau of Highway Safety. Since January of 2010, the City of Auburn has not had any teen driver fatalities. It is our goal to maintain that number: **ZERO fatalities.**

Our “Target: Zero” program is multi-faceted, and includes:

- The production of an anti-distracted driving public service announcement created by community members and students at CMCC
- An electronic survey of Auburn teens (ELHS and St. Dom’s) - **created by** local teens - to gather data on the driving habits of our teen driving population
- A pledge for teens NOT to text and drive
- Distracted driving awareness assembly at ELHS and St. Dom’s
- Free “Park Your Phone” zippered pouches for students to store their phones while driving
- A “mock fatal” car crash scenario at ELHS during prom/graduation season
- Targeted distracted driving enforcement details by Auburn PD
- Retractable display banners showing teens the risks of distracted driving
- A media campaign to spread awareness
- A community wrap-up at National Night Out 2014 and more!

The Auburn Police Department’s “Coffee with a Cop” Program is a brand new initiative of the APD. There will be no agenda, no speeches... just a chance for community members to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers who serve their community & neighborhood.

These events will take place in an informal, neutral space. Officers will be on-hand to discuss community issues, build relationships and drink some coffee. The APD plans to mobilize citizens to participate in neighborhood watch groups and to create lasting connections with citizens, one cup of coffee at a time. This is Auburn’s community-police partnership at its best!

Local coffee shops or restaurants interested in hosting a “Coffee With a Cop” event should contact Sergeant Barry Schmieks at 333-6650 x2068.

The APD is pleased to announce that a Prescription Medicine Drop-off box has been installed in the lobby of the PD. Residents can now bring in their unused and unwanted prescription medication for safe disposal.

“We welcome this opportunity to provide a safe way for our residents to dispose of their prescription medication” stated Chief Phil Crowell. “Medications left in homes are a leading cause of accidental poisonings. Flushing medications into the septic system can pollute the ground water.” Residents can come into the police station lobby at anytime and safely dispose of the medications in the Drop Box.

The following items **cannot** be left in the Drop Box: Needles; Ointments, Lotions or Liquids; Aerosols; Inhalers; Thermometers; Hydrogen Peroxide; Medications from Businesses or Clinics. This Drop Box is provided in partnership with Healthy Androscoggin.
We are very proud of Patrol Officer Scott Laliberte, who is currently deployed to Afghanistan with the Maine Army National Guard’s 133rd Engineer Battalion. Officer Laliberte is serving our country with pride and WE HONOR HIS SERVICE.

We miss Officer Laliberte while he is serving his country with honor. We are proud of him and his service to this city and this great nation and we await his safe return.

In honor of Officer Laliberte, we proudly display a Blue Star Flag at our Fallen Officer Memorial (on the corner of Court Street and Turner Street), as well as a Blue Star Service Banner in our police department lobby. First used in World War I, this service banner signifies that one of our members is serving active duty.

The APD Patrol/Detectives Union (MAP) sold “Laliberte stickers” during 2013 in an effort to raise funds to send packages to Officer Laliberte and his unit, as well as provide Christmas gifts for his wife and children. 400 stickers (pictured at right) were sold - a huge outpouring of support for Officer Laliberte and the 133rd.

Officer Laliberte recently sent us this great photo (below). He is standing alongside two of his fellow law enforcement officers from Maine.

Pictured left to right: Deputy Jacob Pierce, Kennebec County Sheriff’s Office; Agent Sean McCraith, US Customs Border Agent; and Officer Scott Laliberte, Auburn PD.

Officer Laliberte wrote: “This flag was flown by Sergeant Major Randall Liberty (now Kennebec County Sheriff) in Iraq in 2004, in Fallujah. He fought alongside the Marines. I’m honored to hold this flag and pose with it.”
use of force analysis

Analysis of all use of force (UOF) incidents that occurred in 2013 showed that there were a total of 75 incidents where force was applied, involving 104 officers. This reflects a 27% increase in UOF occurrences involving 21% more officers than compared to 2012. Reports reflect that 45.7% of the suspects who had force applied to them were under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs as compared to 50% in 2012.

The 2013 analysis shows that:

- 30.4% of all suspects involved were age 18-24. This age bracket also represented 28.7% of the total physical arrests made. This is a shift from past years where the 25-34 age bracket had consistently the most use of force incidents.
- In the 2012 Analysis, a trend with Juveniles was identified where the rates of alcohol and or mental health problems factoring into UOF incidents were increasing. In 2013, UOF incidents involving juveniles rose 16% from 2012, however in 2013, there were no juvenile UOF incidents involving alcohol.
- 41 out of the 75 UOF incidents occurred during the night shift hours of 19:00-06:00. 66% of those UOF incidents involved the suspect being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.
- 72% of Force applied was by an officer with four years or less of service with the agency. However, those officers make up 73% of the patrol force.
- 4 suspects received medical treatment for injuries received as a result of force being applied. All four received minor abrasions or lacerations.
- There were 9 types of force used in UOF incidents
  - Wristlocks 8 (6.8%)
  - Armbar 12 (10.2%)
  - Strikes 4 (3.4%)
  - Force to Ground 25 (21.2%)
  - Tackles 5 (4.2%)
  - Holds 5 (4.2%)
  - Push 4 (3.4%)
  - TASER 26 (22%)

  **Taser Displayed** 19, 15 out of the 19 times, merely displaying the TASER ended the incident without the further use of force. In the other four, another form of force was used to gain control of the subject.
  **Taser Deployed** 4, in three of the incidents, the TASER was the only type of force deployed and it was immediately effective. In the remaining incident, the Officer missed the subject. This is a 42.9% reduction in Taser deployments compared to 2012.
  Gun - Displayed 29 (24.6%) All displays involved armed or reportedly armed suspects or the response was appropriate for the situation.

Five Officers were injured during UOF incidents, which is the same as 2012. Three of the five injuries were contusions or minor lacerations; two were muscle strains.

Drilling down into the 27% increase in UOF incidents show that actual hand-on force used on suspects increased 15.7%. The remaining 11.3% increase is attributed to the increase in Taser and Firearm displays. Officers conducted 978 physical arrests in 2013, of which 221 (22.6%) were alcohol and/or drug related.

The use of strikes decreased in 2013. The 2012 Analysis recommended the reintroduction of the baton into the use of force continuum in an effort to reduce the number of strikes used to gain control of subject’s hands. While strikes are down, reintroduction of the baton is recommended.
An analysis of the vehicle pursuits by officers in 2013 was conducted. There were a total of four pursuits which is a decrease from six in 2012.

Analysis showed the following:

- All four pursuits were initiated by our officers and there were no secondary officers involved in the pursuits.
- Two of the pursuits ended when the suspect crashed the vehicle. In both cases, the operator of the vehicle was charged with Operating Under the Influence.
- One pursuit ended when the suspect fled on foot from the vehicle and was never apprehended.
- One pursuit ended when the pursuing officer crashed his cruiser in a parking lot. The initiation of the pursuit was found not be within policy and the officer was disciplined for the pursuit.
- Three out of the four pursuits occurred between the hours of midnight and 3:00am. All three of these pursuits were initiated for suspected OUI.
- Three of the four pursuits were less than 1.3 miles in length. The fourth pursuit was 3.4 miles. All four pursuits lasted under two minutes.
- In three of the pursuits, the suspect’s speed exceeded 90mph.
- Pursuit termination devices were not used in any of the pursuits.
- In the three pursuits within policy, officer experience ranged from 3-10 years. The non-compliant pursuit occurred with an officer with only one year of experience.

Conclusion:
The relatively short distances of the pursuits did not afford the officers the opportunity to deploy Stinger spike mats. The department recently converted from Stinger spikes to Stop Sticks.

Critiques were conducted on all of the pursuits. Officer inexperience was a contributing factor in the non-compliant pursuit and subsequent cruiser crash. Cruiser video was available for all of the pursuits which made the critiques much more conducive to capture lessons learned.

All of the pursuits took place within the urban area of the city, contributing to the relatively short distances and time spans involved with the pursuits.

The pursuit policy was modified in 2012 in the area of pursuit justification, which may have played a role in the decrease of pursuits in 2013.

Based upon the review and analysis of the 2013 pursuits, there are no recommended changes to current policy.
We are proud to report that Officer Brandon Kelly received the 2013 Public Safety Real Heroes Award from the United Valley American Red Cross. He was presented with the award by former Governor John Baldacci and Chief Phil Crowell at the Real Heroes Breakfast held in March. Officer Kelly and six other individuals received Real Heroes Awards for demonstrating “an act of heroism and showing courage, kindness and unselfish character in their service to others.”

A day in the life of a police officer is filled with traffic stops, parking tickets, accidents, arrests, neighbor disputes...they serve and they protect. They put their lives on the line every day and they answer the call – no matter what – showing up to help on what is often the ‘worst day ever.’

One night last winter was the ‘worst ever’ for one Auburn couple. The call came in to 9-1-1 as a medical crisis. A woman who had suffered a diabetic event took a terrible fall, crashing through a glass privacy wall in the bathroom. She suffered severe cuts to her torso, and she had lost a lot of blood.

“I was panic-stricken,” said her husband. “My wife told me she was going to die...her eyes were lifeless. I knew I needed assistance.”

Auburn Patrol Officer Brandon Kelly – who had been on the force for just over a year – rushed in to help. “I didn’t really think about it, I just jumped in,” said Officer Kelly. “I knew I had to keep her talking – and that’s what I did.” Using towels, he applied constant pressure to the woman’s wounds. All the while, he kept her distracted and he kept her awake.

“They have several dogs, so I asked her about them. She would tell me their names, and I would get them wrong on purpose. She was really getting kind of frustrated with me.” But Officer Kelly knew that keeping her alert was key. “At least once I heard my wife mumble that she needed to sleep,” said the husband. “Officer Kelly responded ‘NO, NO, NO – you are staying with me!’ Firefighters soon arrived, taking over care of the woman. They rushed her off to the trauma center for emergency surgery.

If not for Officer Brandon Kelly, this woman would most certainly not have survived. The glass she fell on severed at least one artery. The staff at the hospital told the husband that he had saved his wife, but he says with conviction: “I may have helped, but Officer Kelly saved my wife.”

As you would expect, Officer Kelly says he’s not a hero. But the APD is very proud of him. His swift response, calm and professional demeanor and quick thinking saved a life. Congratulations, Officer Brandon Kelly, recipient of the 2013 Public Safety American Red Cross Real Heroes Award.
This community is at the heart of everything we do. As a law enforcement agency, building a strong police/community partnership is imperative. Quite often, a citizen goes above and beyond - helping the police to solve a crime, helping a neighbor or another citizen who is injured or in need, the list goes on and on. As a way to recognize and commend the ‘everyday heroes’ who go that extra mile, the Auburn PD initiated our Challenge Coin Program.

Our officers are each given a department “challenge coin” (pictured below). If they witness a citizen doing something ‘above and beyond,’ they present the coin to that individual to thank them. They then submit a memo to the chief about the incident and receive another coin to keep the program going. In 2013, more than a dozen coins were given out by officers, proof that there are everyday heroes all around us. This is truly a great community with great people.

History of Challenge Coins:
Challenge Coins surfaced during the World War II era. The practice of carrying a coin designed specifically for a unit was popular with the Army Special Forces. Carrying the coin at all times and presenting it when ‘challenged’ often resulted in consequences for anyone who could not produce a coin; the most popular required the coinless soldier to buy a round of drinks.

In 2013, a procedural shift was made in regarding Internal Affairs investigations. Past practice involved conducting an Internal Affairs Investigation for each citizen’s complaint received, regardless of severity. This practice was changed to fall more in line with policy where citizen complaints regarding minor rule infractions were investigated by the Watch Commander of the officer involved and not the internal affairs unit. This explains the decrease in internal affairs investigations from seven in 2012 to one in 2013. The one investigation was department initiated concerning conduct unbecoming of an officer. The investigation exonerated the officer.

There were six citizen complaints in 2013 regarding minor rule infractions which were investigated by Watch Commanders. This is an increase of two from 2012. Four of the complaints sustained rule infractions. One complaint exonerated the officer and the other complaint was unfounded. One officer was the subject of three of the sustained citizen complaints.

This review does not show the need for any policy modifications at this time.
The last of the APD’s two original K9 officers retired from duty in 2013.

Inka was born in New York on May 9, 2005. She is a pure-bred female German Shepherd that was trained in the dog training art of Schuetzen. Inka began her tour of duty on March 20, 2007 at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) K-9 Patrol School, with her handler, Corporal Scott Corey.

Dogs come in an huge variety of shapes and sizes, and not every breed of dog is suited for police work. The key attributes of a successful police dog are intelligence, aggression, strength, and sense of smell. Inka possessed all of these, and so much more. She served our agency and this city well. She worked hard - she loved her job - and she served with heart and with courage.

Inka’s heart showed through in everything she did. She would allow the smallest child to pet her and kiss her; but she knew when it was time to work, tracking the bad guys with tenacity and ferocity. She was always right beside her handler, ready to face anything - clearing buildings, searching vehicles, wading through mud, water, woods...anything that was asked of her.

Inka is living out her well-deserved retirement with APD Patrol Officer Dennis Matthews and his family. She is a very happy family pet now, getting lots of love and attention, and romping with ‘her kids’ and her canine siblings.

We will always remember and honor Inka’s service to the Auburn Police Department. Enjoy your retirement, Inka. Good dog.
**K-9 Officer “Dutch”** was born in Canada on March 9, 2009. He is a black and tan pure-bred German Shepherd.

Dutch was purchased after a donated dog failed to have the proper traits needed to be a police K9. His handler, Corporal Kristopher Bouchard was 2 weeks into K9 Training when it became apparent that the dog would not make the cut. Dutch began the training with only 9 weeks left and he passed with flying colors. During patrol training, K9s are trained in obedience, tracking, evidence searches, building searches, aggression and officer protection. Dutch is trained to detect marijuana, hash, cocaine, crack cocaine, methamphetamine and heroin.

On the streets, this K9 team is utilized by the Auburn PD as well as surrounding departments. They are used on a regular basis for tracking suspects and searching for drugs in vehicles, residences, correctional facilities and schools. The team also conducts demonstrations for many community organizations.

Dutch is a social dog who loves attention and enjoys work and play equally. He resides with Corporal Bouchard and his family in Auburn.

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**K9 Rocky**

Auburn Police Department welcomed our newest K9 officer in 2013.

**K9 Officer “Rocky”** and his handler, Patrol Officer Tyler Ham graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy K9 School, an intensive 14-week K9 training program.

“Rocky,” a two year old German shepherd, is named in honor of Auburn Police Officer Rodney “Rocky” Bonney, who was killed in the line of duty on April 6, 1981. Officer Bonney’s widow, Cherrie, got to meet her husband’s namesake for the first time when Rocky was sworn-in before Auburn’s City Council, and she very proudly ‘pinned’ his badge during the ceremony.

We are proud to have Rocky join our team. He is dedicated and very intelligent. With his namesake, he has some very big shoes to fill.
No one likes a parking ticket, but parking enforcement is a big part of Support Services Officer Michael Chaine’s job.

Parking tickets generate revenue for the City of Auburn, and while enforcement is the responsibility of all of our officers, it is one of the primary functions of our Support Services Officer. The City of Auburn has a parking garage and many city-owned parking lots. Officer Chaine spends much of his day keeping an eye out for violations, as well as monitoring the on-street parking in our business district. Additionally, he enforces state and federal laws regarding handicapped parking spots and fire lanes.

The Auburn PD uses the Cardinal Tracking System, a modern technology that has transformed the way we do parking enforcement. The handheld computer unit streamlines the process, saving time and eliminating the ‘old school’ method of marking tires with chalk. The Cardinal unit allows the officer to track vehicles parked in ‘timed’ spots (1 hour or 2 hour parking spots), and best of all, captures images of handicapped and fire lane violations. The unit quickly issues violations - printing the ticket out right on scene, eliminating the need for officers to handwrite violations.

The City restructured the permit parking process in 2013, improving the process for permits used in the Mechanics Row parking garage and in city-owned lots. Permit holders pay on a monthly basis, right at the APD.

“Timed spots, specifically those in our business district, are limited to one or two hours to generate ‘motion’ and open up spaces for more people to visit and support our local businesses and restaurants,” says Officer Chaine. “Citizens and visitors to Auburn should be aware of where they are parking their vehicle; check the signs and keep an eye on the clock.”

Are YOU Connected with the APD?

There are many ways to connect with the Auburn Police Department. Here are a few innovative and time-saving ways to plug in to the APD.

Download our “MyPD” APP onto your smartphone. Contact us, see our latest tweets, commend an officer, make a police report, and more. This incredible & handy app is available for your iPhone or Android. Just search “MyPD” in your app store today!

“Like” us on Facebook. This is a great way to connect with us and get all of the latest news on what is happening in Auburn and at the APD. Parking bans, events, road closures, wanted suspects...you can find it all at www.facebook.com/auburnpd.

Get a copy of your accident report - from the comfort of home. Being in an accident is difficult enough. Save yourself a trip to the APD for your accident report: visit www.getcrashreports.com. Within 48 hours of your crash, your report will be available. You can print it right from the comfort of home.

File a police report online. Our Citizen Online Reporting System (CORS) is the ultimate in convenience. You can access it via your MyPD app or simply visit our website: www.auburnpd.com and click on “file a police report.” You can submit reports on a large number of issues, including animal complaints, crime tips, lost property, identity theft, harassment, vandalism, theft and more. You can even print a temporary police report for free. Your report will be reviewed within 3 days and if follow-up is needed, an officer will contact you.
The Auburn Police Department is one of only two* law enforcement agencies in Maine to receive national accreditation from CALEA, the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. We are the ONLY agency in Maine to have achieved the Gold Standard level of Accreditation, an accomplishment of which we are very proud.

Established in 1979, accreditation serves many purposes. It improves the delivery of law enforcement services by offering a body of standards developed by law enforcement practitioners that covers a wide range of topics. Additionally, it helps to formalize essential management and administrative procedures; establish fair and nondiscriminatory personnel practices; solidify interagency cooperation and coordination; boost citizen and staff confidence, trust and support in the agency; reduce liability and increase internal and external accountability; and institutionalize self-improvement practices in relation to efficiency and effective performance.

Some of the internal benefits of accreditation are: controlled liability insurance costs; stronger defense against lawsuits and citizen complaints; greater accountability within the agency; and improved employee morale. Some external benefits are: staunch support from government officials; increased community advocacy; international recognition for professional excellence; and perhaps most importantly, increased public understanding of police operations/management.

There are currently 482 standards that the Auburn Police Department must meet to qualify for CALEA Accreditation, encompassing all facets of law enforcement management, operations and support functions.

The Commission accredited this agency in 2007, 2010, and again in 2013 after determining that the APD had demonstrated its compliance with all applicable standards during an on-site assessment of the agency.

- CALEA Accreditation requires an agency to develop a comprehensive, well thought out, uniform set of written directives. This is one of the most successful methods for reaching administrative and operational goals, while also providing direction to personnel.
- CALEA Accreditation standards provide the necessary reports and analyses a CEO needs to make fact-based, informed management decisions.
- CALEA Accreditation requires a preparedness program be put in place—so an agency is ready to address natural or man-made unusual occurrences.
- CALEA Accreditation is a means for developing or improving upon an agency's relationship with the community.
- CALEA Accreditation strengthens an agency’s accountability, both within the agency and the community, through a continuum of standards that clearly define authority, performance, and responsibilities.
- Being CALEA Accredited can limit an agency’s liability and risk exposure because it demonstrates that internationally recognized standards for law enforcement have been met, as verified by a team of independent outside CALEA-trained assessors.
- CALEA Accreditation facilitates an agency’s pursuit of professional excellence.

*We are pleased to report that three other agencies within Maine have made this commitment to law enforcement excellence and are currently in the ‘self-assessment’ phase of the accreditation process.*

CALEA Commissioners present Gold Standard certificate to Deputy Chief Jason Moen, Accreditation Manager Liz Allen, and Chief Phil Crowell
FY15 BUDGET GOAL 1
CREATE A NEIGHBORHOOD MOBILIZATION INITIATIVE
Establish two Neighborhood Watch groups and recruit volunteer leadership
Facilitate five neighborhood block parties (National Night Out)
Conduct four neighborhood forums to discuss safety concerns and opportunities (Coffee with a Cop)
Conduct two Citizens Police Academies to increase citizen knowledge
Participate in Community Partnerships for Protecting Children
Provide Education on the use of technology-based communication for citizen interaction

FY15 BUDGET GOAL 2
IMPLEMENT TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT
Create a traffic unit to enforce traffic laws and impact the safety of our neighborhoods
Provide data-driven analysis of high crash areas, crosswalk safety concerns and excessive speed to the traffic unit for effective deployment and increased deterrence
Improved driver behavior and attitude as a countermeasure to reduce death and injury
Initiate “Target Zero” – Survive your Drive
Submit DDACTS (Data Driven Approach to Crime & Traffic Safety) operation model for implementation
Seek grant funding to fund costs associated with the traffic unit

FY15 BUDGET GOAL 3
CONTROL COSTS
Research and assess innovative solutions to reduce taxpayer burden
Enhance regional partnerships for the continuation of cost-effective services
Equip personnel to respond to critical incidents and protect our community
Continue to build our volunteer program
Conduct a space needs facility assessment
Analyze all programs and service to determine the value in meeting the organization’s mission

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National Law Enforcement Officer Fatalities. Maine has lost 85 officers in the line of duty.

Law Enforcement Facts:
There are more than 900,000 sworn law enforcement officers now serving in the United States. About 12 percent are female.
Since the first recorded police death in 1791, there have been almost 20,000 law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.
A total of 1,539 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty during the past 10 years, an average of one death every 57 hours.
The deadliest day in law enforcement history was September 11, 2001, when 72 officers were killed.
New York City has lost more officers in the line of duty than any other department, with 697 deaths.
Texas has lost 1,653 officers, more than any other state. The state with the fewest deaths is Vermont, with 22.
There are 270 female officers listed on the Memorial; twelve female officers were killed in 2012.
During the past ten years, more incidents that resulted in felonious fatalities occurred on Thursday than any other day of the week.
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Police Budget Preparation  
Analysis Reports  
Maine Criminal Justice Academy Annual Reports  
OSHA Injuries & Illnesses Report  
Special Olympics – ski meet  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| February | Ethnic Equality Month  
Police Annual Report  
Goals & Objectives Planning  
CIP (Capital Improvements) Proposals  
Cab Company - Vehicle Inspections  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| March | Parenting Awareness Month  
Parenting Education Programs  
Community Activities Report  
Citizens Police Academy  
Special Olympics – swim meet  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| April | Sexual Assault Awareness Month  
Alcohol Awareness Month  
Child Abuse Prevention Month  
National Volunteer Week 6th - 12th  
Officer Rodney Bonney Remembrance, April 6  
Special Olympics – State swim meet  
Prescription Drug Collection Event  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| May | Senior Citizens Awareness Month  
Education on Elder Abuse, Scams, Identity Theft  
Law Enforcement Memorial Week  
Memorial Day Parade  
Hospice House 5K  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| June | Special Olympics Torch Run  
Kick Off the Summer - Youth BBQ’s  
Triple Crown – YMCA Fit Fest 5K  
Triple Crown – Bands on the Run 5K  
Dave Rancourt Memorial Run  
Camp POSTCARD  
Senior Resource Fair (Natl. Elder Abuse Awareness Day)  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| July | Officer Norman Philbrick Remembrance, July 7th  
Liberty Festival  
Triple Crown – Emily’s Race  
PAL Center Summer Programs  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| August | Back to School Safety Awareness  
School Crosswalk Education  
National Night Out  
Balloon Festival  
Triple Crown – 5K Bridge Run  
PAL Center Summer Programs  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| September | Command Staff Retreat  
Citizens Police Academy  
Firearms Training & Qualifications  
5K Race – Bob Boucher Memorial  
Amer. Heart Assoc. - Heart Walk  
Greater Andro. Humane Soc. - 5K & Pet Walk  
Lewiston-Auburn Half Marathon  
OUI/Speed Enforcement - Highway Safety Grant  
Teen Driver Safety Grant  |
| October | Domestic Violence Prevention Month  
Community Education on Winter Parking  
Permits for Winter Parking Relief  
Halloween Safety  
United Way Campaign Kickoff  
EVOC Training  
Dempsey Challenge  
Halloween 5K  
Prescription Drug Collection Event  |
| November | Runaway Prevention Month  
Veterans Day Parade  
Black Friday – Retail Merchants Workshop  
Elections  
Festival of Lights  
Review Mandatory Training  
Volunteer Recognition Event  |
| December | National Drunk & Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month  
Inventory of Equipment Readiness  
Retail Merchants Enforcement  |
It is with deep regret that the Auburn Police Department announces the passing of former Chief Richard “Dick” Small. Chief Small, who was a great leader and friend of our community, died in April of 2013.

Chief Small was hired on December 26, 1979 by then-Chief Peter Mador. He joined the Auburn Police Department after working for two years as a Sergeant for the Androscoggin County Sheriff’s Office under Sheriff Lionel Cote.

Small, a 1976 graduate of Edward Little High School, attended the University of Maine at Augusta, and was a graduate of the 39th Municipal/County Basic Police School in Waterville.

After spending his first three years as a Patrol Officer, Small worked his way through the ranks, serving as Corporal for five years and Detective for seven years – including a special assignment as a Maine Drug Enforcement Agent. He became Acting Sergeant over the APD’s Bureau of Criminal Investigations in 1994, then Deputy Chief in 1996. While serving as Deputy Chief, he attended the 194th Session at the FBI Law Enforcement Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Small became Chief of Police in 1999, serving until his retirement in 2006.

“Dick Small was community-minded,” said Chief Phil Crowell. “He was kind, funny, and generous, and kids loved him. For years, he was Santa Claus at our annual ‘Blue Christmas’ event. Dick always made it a priority to help meet the needs of those who were less fortunate.”

Chief Richard Small will long be remembered at the Auburn Police Department and in the City of Auburn.

**Policeman’s Prayer**

When I start my tour of duty God wherever crime may be, as I walk the darkened streets alone, let me be close to Thee. Please give me understanding with both the young and old. Let me listen with attention until their story’s told. Let me never make a judgment In a rash or callous way, but let me hold my patience, let each man have his say.

And if some dark and dreary night I must give my life, Lord with Your everlasting love protect the loved ones in my life.
We remember and we salute the officers who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the performance of their duties. Their courage and service to the Auburn Police Department and the City of Auburn will never be forgotten.

**Officer Norman Philbrick** died in the line of duty on July 7, 1949. Fire crews from our sister city were called in to assist with a large fire. While Officer Philbrick was directing traffic, two fire trucks rounded the intersection at the same time, crushing him to death. Officer Philbrick’s duty weapon was bent during the impact. Officer Philbrick’s weapon is displayed at the Auburn Police Department as a reminder of the ultimate sacrifice he gave to the citizens of our city.

**Officer Rodney (Rocky) Bonney** drowned in the line of duty on April 6, 1981. He died while trying to rescue a young man who had fallen into the Androscoggin River while riding his bicycle across the trestle/foot bridge behind Florian’s Market on Main Street in Auburn. Officer John Perrino also dove into the Androscoggin and attempted to save both Bonney and the young man, but was unable to. He managed to get ashore and was pulled from the water. When Florian’s Market was relocated, a park was built on its site. The park has been named “Bonney Park.”

Residents and visitors to Auburn will notice the law enforcement memorial at the intersection of Court and Turner Streets, across from Auburn Hall. This memorial, which was previously situated in front of the Auburn Police Department at One Minot Avenue, was moved to its impressive new location in 2011.

Surrounded by a carefully-placed cobblestone courtyard, flagpoles, and lush landscaping, the memorial stone stands as a reminder of the ultimate sacrifice that Officer Bonney and Officer Philbrick made. It is, perhaps, the perfect location - because the entire community can view it; but also due to the fact that both officers lost their lives just a short distance from the site.

Rubbings from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, Washington, DC