

CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

2010 ANNUAL REPORT



*I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR THAT I WILL SUPPORT
THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES,
THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA AND
THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CRYSTAL.
I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT I WILL FAITHFULLY
AND IMPARTIALLY DISCHARGE MY DUTIES
AS A POLICE OFFICER WHILE PROVIDING
ASSISTANCE AND SERVICE TO ALL WHO
LOOK TO ME FOR HELP
TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY,
SO HELP ME GOD.*





CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

4141 Douglas Drive North
Crystal, MN 55422-1696

Phone: 763-531-1014
Fax: 763-537-3279

April 29, 2011

Ms. Anne Norris
City Manager
City of Crystal
4141 Douglas Drive
Crystal, MN 55422

Dear Ms. Norris:

Enclosed you will find the Crystal Police Department 2010 Annual Report.

During 2010, the Crystal Police Department responded to **30,681 calls for service** which resulted in numerous criminal investigations, including the March fatal hit and run of a Crystal resident on West Broadway at Douglas Drive. This represents the highest number of calls for service that the Crystal Police Department has handled in the past twelve years. Our officers also **arrested 1,081** people on a variety of criminal offenses. Additionally, **both Part I and Part II criminal offenses decreased eight percent** this past year.

Traffic safety and crime suppression continue to be the highest priorities of the Crystal Police Department. Throughout 2010, our patrol officers continued to focus a great deal of their uncommitted patrol time to traffic law enforcement. In fact, a total of 5,369 citations were issued this past year. This represents a fifty-seven percent increase in citations issued since 2007. Our officers have also responded to 609 traffic crashes which is a twenty-one percent increase over 2009.

In 2010, after using the same handguns for many years, we purchased standardized handguns for all police officers. This purchase was made possible by a JAG grant. The JAG grant also allowed us to update our evidence-handling procedures by implementing a bar code system and replace our jail video system.

Throughout 2010, the members of the Crystal Police Department attended a wide variety of training courses. Since thirty percent of our sworn officers have less than three years of law enforcement experience, training continues to be of the utmost importance so we can ensure that our officers are prepared to provide the best law enforcement service to our community.

The members of the Crystal Police Department remain fully committed to the maintenance of public order and prevention of crime while providing the most professional and cost-effective police service possible throughout the coming year.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Banick".

John J. Banick
Chief of Police
Crystal Police Department

"Service with Compassion and Integrity"



CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Letter of Transmittal

Crystal Police Department VISION, MOTTO and MISSION STATEMENT

2010 Department Organizational Chart

2010 Personnel Changes

COMMENDATIONS & AWARDS

- ◆ Letters of Appreciation
- ◆ Officer Performance of the Month
- ◆ 2010 Citizen Award
- ◆ 2010 Crystal Police Officer of the Year Award
- ◆ 2010 Crystal Police Employee of the Year Award

PATROL DIVISION

- ◆ Patrol Statistics
- ◆ Traffic Unit
- ◆ Safe & Sober / Night-Cap / H.E.A.T. Grants
- ◆ Neighborhood Policing & Community Partnership Highlights
- ◆ 2010 Calls For Service by Neighborhood
- ◆ Neighborhood District Map
- ◆ Community Service Officers
- ◆ 2010 Animal Control Program Report

INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

- ◆ 2010 Investigation Summary
- ◆ 2010 Juvenile Specialist Report
- ◆ 2010 North West Metro Drug Task Force
- ◆ 2010 SWAT Team

- ◆ 2010 Criminal Incidents – Part I & II
- ◆ 2010 Part I & Part II Crimes Charts
- ◆ 5-Year Part I & Part II Totals and Arrest Comparison Chart

PROPERTY & EVIDENCE UNIT

- ◆ 2010 Crime Prevention and Property & Evidence Report
- ◆ Police Incident Mapping Application
- ◆ 2010 Property & Evidence Statistics

RECORDS UNIT

- ◆ 2010 Operations and Summary

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

- ◆ Citizen's On Patrol
- ◆ Police Reserve Unit
- ◆ Police Explorer Post
- ◆ Neighborhood Outreach Office

EXTERNAL COLLABORATION & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- ◆ Project P.E.A.C.E.
- ◆ 2010 Crystal Police Department Participation Activities
& Special Events

“SERVICE WITH COMPASSION AND INTEGRITY”

CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT



VISION

THE VISION FOR THE CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT IS THAT WE WILL BE A PROFESSIONAL, WELL-EQUIPPED DEPARTMENT, UTILIZING STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGIES AND CREATIVE-POLICING STRATEGIES THAT FOCUS ON PROBLEM SOLVING AND COMMUNITY POLICING.



MOTTO

“SERVICE WITH COMPASSION & INTEGRITY”



MISSION

THE MISSION OF THE CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT IS TO SERVE ALL CITIZENS WITH RESPECT. WE WILL FORM PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR COMMUNITY TO PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT.



2010 PERSONNEL CHANGES

1/11/2010	Michele Ayotte	Spec. Svcs Assistant	Temp/Part-time (6 months)
2/1/2010	Scott Eriksen	CSO	New Hire/Part-time
7/29/2010	Daniel Drake	Patrol Officer	Retired
9/15/2010	Laurie Schneider	Admin Assist III	New Hire/Part-time
11/5/2010	Danielle Olson	Patrol Officer	Resigned



OFFICER RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

Letter of Appreciation

<i>October 26, 2010</i>	<i>Officer Lisa Vague</i>	<i>Provided shift coverage</i>
<i>October 26, 2010</i>	<i>Officer Julie Severson</i>	<i>Provided shift coverage</i>

Performance of the Month

<i>April 23, 2010</i>	<i>Officer G Kusick</i>	<i>Heroic life-saving efforts</i>
<i>April 23, 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Marson</i>	<i>Heroic life-saving efforts</i>
<i>May 28, 2010</i>	<i>Officer K Gomez</i>	<i>Theft and Narcotics suspect arrest</i>
<i>May 28, 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Wilkes</i>	<i>Theft and Narcotics suspect arrest</i>
<i>June 1, 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Tourville</i>	<i>Excellent tactical skills and team work</i>
<i>June 1, 2010</i>	<i>Officer B Dorr</i>	<i>Excellent tactical skills and team work</i>
<i>June 26, 2010</i>	<i>Officer G Kusick</i>	<i>Narcotics suspect arrest</i>
<i>July 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Nolan</i>	<i>High-performance results - DWI arrests</i>
<i>July 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Tourville</i>	<i>High-performance results - DWI arrests</i>
<i>July 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Barland</i>	<i>High-performance results - DWI arrests</i>
<i>July 2010</i>	<i>Officer B Dorr</i>	<i>High-performance results - DWI arrests</i>
<i>August 4, 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Tourville</i>	<i>Auto Theft suspect apprehension/arrest</i>
<i>August 4, 2010</i>	<i>Officer G Kusick</i>	<i>Auto Theft suspect apprehension/arrest</i>
<i>August 4, 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Barland</i>	<i>Auto Theft suspect apprehension/arrest</i>
<i>August 8 2010</i>	<i>Officer R Hodge</i>	<i>Home Invasion suspect arrest</i>
<i>August 8, 2010</i>	<i>Officer J Donahue</i>	<i>Home Invasion suspect arrest</i>
<i>August 21, 2010</i>	<i>Officer G Kusick</i>	<i>Arrest of subject with 7 felony warrants</i>
<i>August 27, 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Marson</i>	<i>Auto Theft suspect apprehension/arrest</i>
<i>October 31, 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Marson</i>	<i>Auto Theft (2 recovered) suspects/arrest</i>
<i>December 8, 2010</i>	<i>Officer M Barland</i>	<i>Storage lockers burglary suspect/arrest</i>

Citizen Award

GEORGE E. AEBLY was presented a Certificate of Appreciation, on his 80th birthday, in recognition for his many contributions to his neighbors – as well as to the City of Crystal and the Crystal Police Department.

The 2010 *Officer of the Year Award* was presented to:
OFFICER STEVE HART

The Crystal Police Department 2010 *Employee of the Year Award* was presented to:
COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER STEVE LONGAECKER

The *Officer of the Year Awards* and the *Employee of the Year Awards* are for exceptional service, dedication and leadership demonstrated through standards set by the department motto, mission and vision statements.



The 2009 *Officer of the Year Award* was presented to: Officer Rick Zimmermann

The 2008 *Officer of the Year Award* was presented to: Detective Dan Drake

The 2007 *Officer of the Year* was presented to: Officer Justin Tourville

The 2009 Crystal Police Department *Employee of the Year Award* was presented to:
Vicky Dalman – Administrative Assistant – Records Unit

The 2008 Crystal Police Department *Employee of the Year Award* was presented to:
Juvenile Specialist Susan Carstens - the first recipient of this award

PATROL STATISTICS

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
CITATIONS:				
Moving/non-moving tags (ADULT):	5,369	5,139	4,697	3,408
JUVENILE tags:				
(Misdemeanor crimes/status offenses only):	124	237	114	173
ARRESTS:				
Adult / male/female	843	912	840	785
Juvenile / male/female	238	353	318	265
TOTAL:	1,081	1,265	1,158	1,050



DWI ARRESTS:	147	139	126	143
VEHICLE CRASH RESPONSES:	609	502	556	417
CRYSTAL CAD CALLS FOR SERVICE:	30,681	30,007	29,395	24,427



CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC UNIT

The Crystal Police Department has identified traffic safety as a priority in our community. Officer Matt Saba has identified both enforcement and public education as priorities in making our roads safer for everyone.

In 2010, Officer Saba has cited violators for 1,392 violations while making a total of 1,555 traffic contacts. Particular attention has been paid to speed, seat belt and crosswalk enforcement.

Public education efforts included five community presentations, two traffic safety articles and two Cable 12 News interviews. Officer Saba also assisted instructing our Forest School safety patrols.



Officer Saba works with other agencies through the Hennepin County Traffic Advisory Committee and Operation NightCAP.

We will continue to partner with other agencies and the public through increased enforcement and education efforts to keep our streets safe for our residents in 2011.



CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Stephanie Fealy
Deputy Chief
763-531-1011

MEDIA ADVISORY

CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AWARDED FOR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE TRAFFIC SAFETY THROUGH ENFORCEMENT AND EDUCATION

Minnesota Department of Public Safety Awards Traffic Safety Grant of \$3,000

Successful traffic safety activities conducted by the Crystal Police Department warranted a federal grant of \$3,000.00 from the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Office of Traffic Safety. The agency was recognized at the *Toward Zero Deaths* Challenge luncheon on March 10, in Oakdale.

The Crystal Police Department demonstrated extraordinary commitment and achievement in reducing traffic-related deaths and injuries in its jurisdiction in 2010.

The awards are based on the merits of the activities that law enforcement agencies conducted in 2010, including traffic safety community programs, enforcement, officer training, public and media relations, and presentations.

The Crystal Police Department was one of 21 winning agencies from across the state. A total of \$45,000 in grants was awarded.

The *TZD Challenge Program* is funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and administered by OTS. The program is a component of the state's core traffic safety initiative, *Toward Zero Deaths (TZD)*. A primary vision of the *TZD* program is to sculpt a safe driving culture in Minnesota in which motorists support a goal of zero road fatalities by practicing and promoting safe and smart driving behavior. *TZD* focuses on the application of four strategic areas to reduce crashes, education, enforcement, engineering and emergency trauma response.

TRAFFIC CAR COMPLAINT AND RESPONSE...

From: John Banick
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2011 4:29 PM
To: 'Bill [REDACTED]'
Subject: RE: Aggressive Driver

Hi Bill,

I was just informed by our Traffic Officer Matt Saba that he located and cited the driver of the Nissan for speeding this afternoon. Officer Saba did a great job working this complaint and bringing it to a successful conclusion.

Although we will consider this case closed, Officer Saba ensured me that he will continue to keep his eyes open for the vehicle.

Thanks for bringing your concern to our attention.

John Banick
Chief of Police
Crystal Police Department
763-531-1010

From: Bill [REDACTED] [<mailto:bill.mallett@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2011 8:44 AM
To: John Banick
Subject: Aggressive Driver

Chief John Banick:

I am writing this to inform you of an aggressive younger male driver that I encounter quite often on my way in to work and again after work.

He drives as if he were late for work everyday, zooming in and out of traffic, not signaling, etc.

This morning he ran a red light at 42nd and Douglas Drive while heading West bound and I am afraid he is going to hurt someone soon with his driving habits.

I work at the SE corner of 42nd and Quebec Avenue and I usually will encounter the vehicle (a white 2000 +/- Nissan Pathfinder with a partial plate I believe of TMZ) while heading West on 42nd Avenue from the Southbound Highway 100 exit ramp at about 6:55 am and again at 3:35 pm heading East bound on 42nd Avenue from Quebec Avenue where he heads North on 100. (last night he used the express lane to enter the freeway from Highway 81 to 100 North)

Thanks for your attention to this matter,

Bill



SAFE & SOBER/NIGHT-CAP/H.E.A.T. GRANTS

The Crystal Police Department collaborates with the cities of New Hope, Golden Valley, and Robbinsdale for enhanced traffic enforcement in conjunction with the Office of Traffic Safety.

The Crystal Police Department was awarded first place for their dedication and service to the citizens of Crystal in prevention deaths and injuries resulting from traffic crashes. We were presented this award by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety and given a \$3,000 grant to utilize for equipment and traffic enforcement.



In 2010, we started receiving grant dollars for a new program from the Office of Traffic Safety called H.E.A.T. which stands for High Visibility Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic. This allows officers to enforce speed and seatbelt violations on Douglas Drive between West Broadway and Highway 55.





CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT NEIGHBORHOOD POLICING & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ **National Night Out was hosted on Tuesday, August 3rd, 2010. A total of 48 parties were visited by the Police & Fire Departments and the City Council. The Crystal Police Department also hosted two Open Houses – one at our police department. We had approximately 141 citizens in attendance.**

- ❖ **Police personnel attended several community events in 2010:**
 - ✓ **Remodeling Fair**
 - ✓ **Bike Rodeo**
 - ✓ **Half-Pint Safety Camp**
 - ✓ **Vehicle Fair**
 - ✓ **Airport Open House**
 - ✓ **Kids, Cops, & Firefighters**
 - ✓ **Several tours of the Police Department for Cub Scouts, and other church-related groups**
 - ✓ **Festival at Brunswick Methodist Church**
 - ✓ **Crystal Frolics**

- ❖ **The City of Crystal is made up of four Neighborhood Policing Districts. When we receive a complaint or concern from a community member that requires prolonged police attention, we assign a Directed Patrol Report to police staff whose district is involved. The Directed Patrol Report procedure helps us to allocate the appropriate resources and implement a problem-solving approach to providing police services. This process was utilized in thirty one instances in 2010. Officers issued six misdemeanor citations, 38 traffic related citations and 50 traffic warnings during the follow up to these citizen complaints. This process also provides for improved follow-up and accountability.**

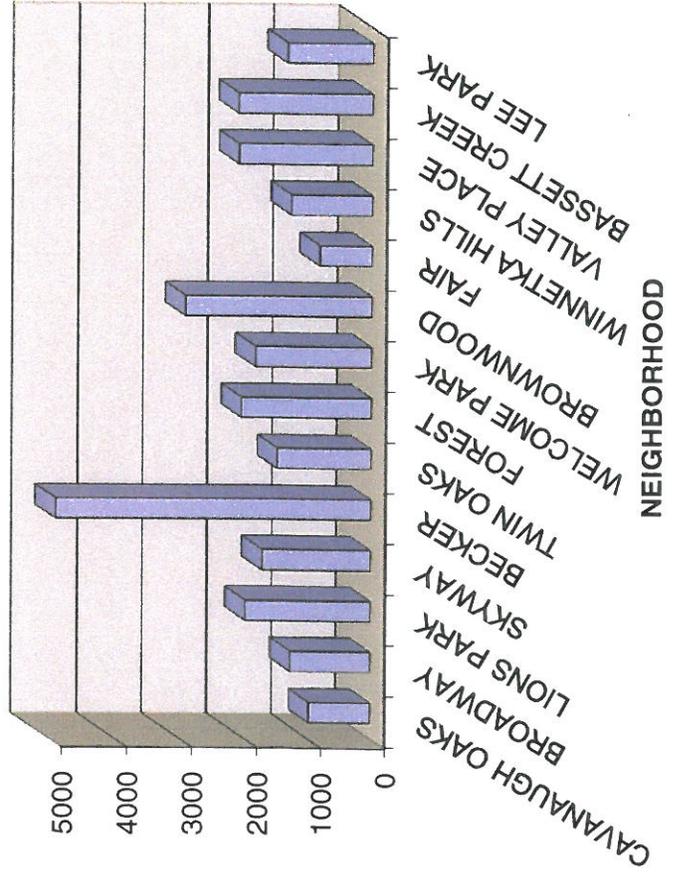
2009 - 2010 CALLS FOR SERVICE BY NEIGHBORHOOD

2010

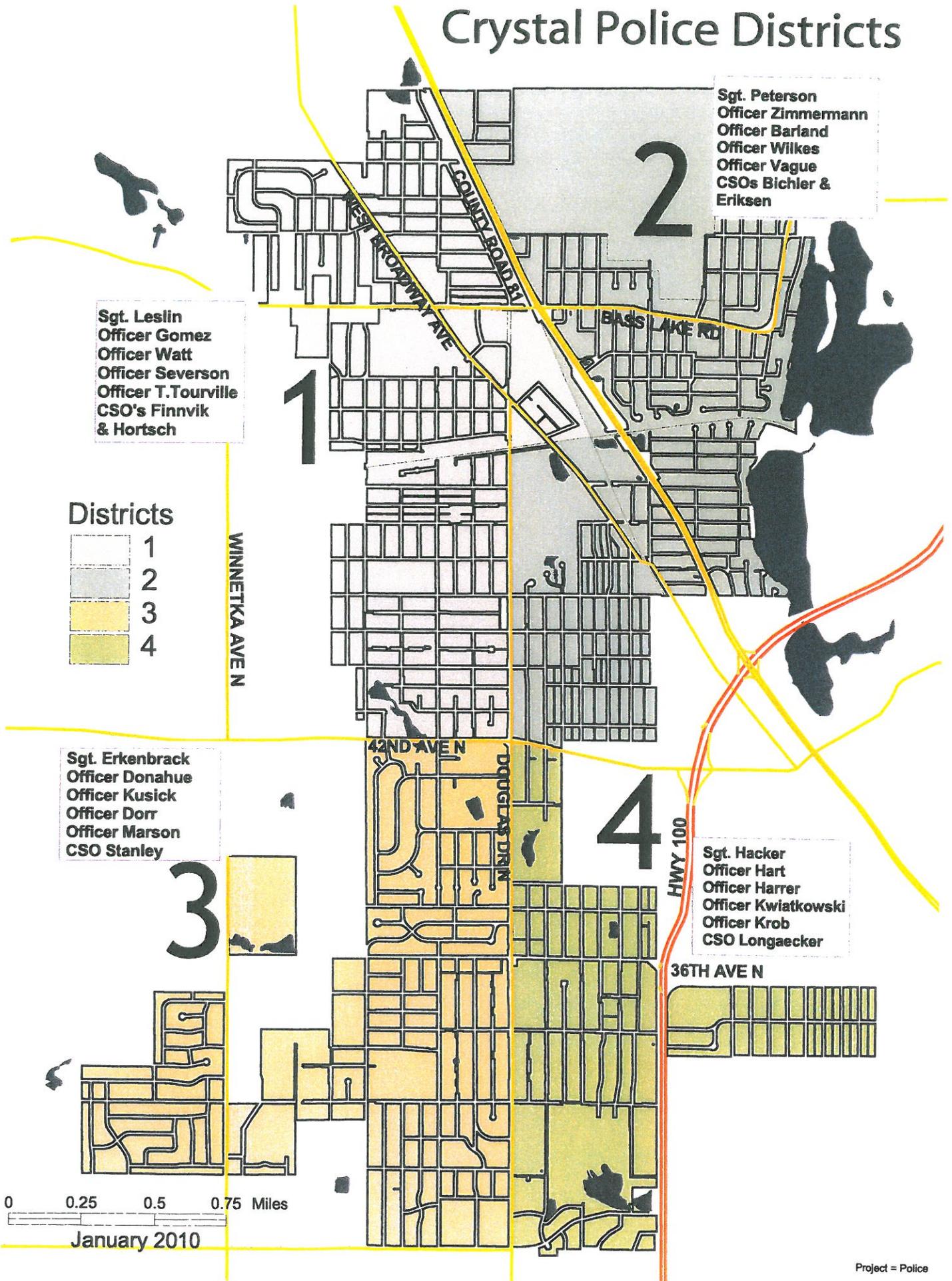
CAVANAUGH OAKS	962	852
BROADWAY	1249	1387
LIONS PARK	1949	1749
SKYWAY	1690	1612
BECKER	4870	4035
TWIN OAKS	1459	1345
FOREST	2017	2004
WELCOME PARK	1797	1608
BROWNWOOD	2884	2962
FAIR	809	786
WINNETKA HILLS	1250	1249
VALLEY PLACE	2062	1960
BASSETT CREEK	2068	1689
LEE PARK	1316	1101
OUTSIDE ASSISTS AND/OR TRAFFIC	4299	5795
TOTAL	30,681	30,134

2009

2010 CALLS FOR SERVICE BY NEIGHBORHOOD



Crystal Police Districts





2010 CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

In 2010, the CSO's (Community Service Officers) handled 7,798 Calls for Service. The calls include, but are not limited to, animal complaints, lockouts, deliveries, parking complaints, courtesy transports, traffic control, and assisting sworn police officers with certain issues.

In 2010, the CSO's wrote 1,600 citations for various violations.

CSO's are also responsible for the processing, monitoring, and care for the individuals who are booked into the Crystal Police Department's jail.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Community Service Officers work closely with the Community Development Department and the inspection of properties in the City of Crystal. CSO's facilitate the safe inspection and follow up of problem properties. CSO's handled 286 code violations in 2010 - involving illegal parking at residential, apartment and commercial properties. All of their hard work helps address quality-of-life concerns and makes Crystal a better place to live.



2010 Crystal Animal Control Report

Beginning January 1, 2010, The City of Crystal eliminated part-time Animal Control coverage on weekends, holidays and when the full-time Animal Control Officer was away. The numbers below represent the calls for service handled by me, the full-time Animal Control Officer and, thus, will be lower than in previous years (indicated in parentheses for 2009).

A total of 443 (709 in 2009) animal-related incidents were encountered or responded to during the period of January 1 to December 31, 2010. The number of citizen complaints was 334 or 75% (550 or 78% in 2009) and the number of officer-initiated complaints was 109 or 25% (159 or 22% in 2009).

Of the 334 citizen complaints responded to by the Animal Control Officer, 98 (29%) (224 or 41% in 2009) concerned dogs at large, resulting in five (5%) citations, 21 (21%) written warnings and eight (8%) impounds. Overall, citizen complaints included 194 (58%) concerning dogs (369 or 67% in 2009), resulting in five (3%) citations, 44 (23%) written warnings and 22 (11%) impounds. There were 14 dog bites (14 in 2009) in which 12 of the dogs passed through quarantine (eight of these were declared Potentially Dangerous), one was euthanized and tested negative for rabies and one dog ran off and was not found. There were three incidents of aggressive dogs (13 in 2009) which resulted in two reports. One of these dogs was listed as Potentially Dangerous early in the year, then escaped again and was aggressive so it was registered as a Dangerous Animal under the city's new dangerous animal ordinance. There were 52 (16%) citizen complaints concerning cats (70 or 13% in 2009). Forty-eight or 92% of the calls were cats at large. These calls resulted in nine (17%) written warnings and 15 (29%) impounds. There were two reported cat bites in which both passed through quarantine with no signs of rabies. Traps were loaned to four residents to capture stray cats. There were 88 (26%) citizen complaints concerning other animals (111 or 20% in 2009). These resulted in one written warning for keeping of chickens in the city. Live traps were loaned to four residents to catch squirrels in their homes.

Of the 109 incidents initiated by the Animal Control Officer 12 (11%) involved dogs at large (17 or 11% in 2009) resulting in one (8%) citation and six (50%) written warnings. Overall, officer-initiated incidents included 95 (87%) involving dogs (148 or 93% in 2009). Sixty-nine of these calls concerned dog licensing. The calls resulted in 21 (22%) citations and 56 (59%) written warnings. One citation was issued for failure to microchip a Potentially Dangerous dog. There were 1009 licensed dogs in the city at the end of 2010, 54 of these were generated from written warnings issued by Animal Control. There were six (6%) officer-initiated incidents involving cats (4 or 3% in 2009) resulting in two written warnings to provide proof of rabies vaccination (new ordinance in 2010) and two written warnings for cats at large. There were eight (7%) officer-initiated incidents involving other animals (seven or 4% in 2009) with one citation issued for keeping of chickens. I inspected or attempted to inspect 25 new or renewed licensed kennels and issued five written warnings to apply for a kennel license.

I was also involved in 55 non-animal related calls for service (103 in 2009) in Crystal. These included: document deliveries to court, city attorney, Council and Commission members; traffic control at accidents and fire calls; motorist assists; medical assists; utility checks; found bicycles; assists at warrant and crime scenes; and vehicle and residential lock outs. I attended Crystal Code Enforcement meetings and represented both cities at the PUPS board meetings. I assisted in the training of new Community Service Officers by reviewing animal related ordinances and procedures. I attended in-service training sessions. I continue to obtain First Responder, Defensive Driving and Defensive Tactics refreshers when offered.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION 2010 SUMMARY

Lt. Dave Oyaas supervises the Investigations Division. The unit is comprised of:

- 4 Criminal Investigators
- 1 DARE/School Resource Officer assigned to area schools
- 1 Narcotics Investigator assigned to the Northwest Metro Drug Task Force
- 1 Specialist who conducts investigations of juvenile and adult protection cases

2010 Cases Reviewed:	1931
2010 Adult Criminal Cases Assigned:	750
2010 Juvenile Cases Assigned:	445
2010 Adult Protection Cases:	110
2010 Child Protection Cases:	58
2010 Narcotics Investigations:	52

The investigations division manages vehicle forfeitures for DWI and qualifying felonies. Qualifying felonies are defined in MN statute and involve felony crimes where the vehicle was used in the commission of the crime.

2010 DWI Vehicle Forfeitures	18
2010 Felony Vehicle Forfeitures	2

MNSCAMS PARTNERSHIP

In January 2010, The Crystal Police Department entered into a partnership with MNSCAMS, which is operated by the State of Minnesota Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division. MNSCAMS, in turn, partners with federal and international police agencies and target groups and individuals who fraudulently scam people out of money. Most scams are operated from places outside the United States, which made previous investigations nearly impossible to resolve.

Through the MNSCAMS partnership, Crystal residents who have fallen victim to financial scams have been better served without the jurisdictional boundaries that previously left these cases unassigned. The International Police Agency, INTERPOL, plays an active role in identifying and prosecuting suspects overseas.

2010 MNSCAMS Cases 20

For more information on scams – go to: www.mnscams.org

Plymouth woman sentenced in fatal hit-and-run

A Plymouth woman will spend the next year behind bars for a hit-and-run that took the life of a 39-year-old Crystal man.

Taylor Hohmann was sentenced to one year in jail and five years probation for the hit-and-run death of Michael Rymer last March.

Rymer, a husband and father of three young daughters, had been out at a Crystal bar with friends drinking on March 20.

Around 1:30 a.m. on March 20, witnesses at the scene told Crystal police officers that they saw Rymer lying on the road in the 5300 block of West Broadway. Rymer was attempting to get up when police say an SUV driven by Hohmann struck and killed him.

Hohmann never stopped and later told police she thought she had hit a pothole.

At Hohmann's sentencing Friday afternoon, nine of Rymer's family members spoke, including Rymer's wife, Heather, and their three daughters. Heather Rymer told Judge Mark Wernick, their family will never be the same and pleaded for the judge to give Hohmann more than a year in jail.

"How do you hit someone and not know?", Rymer told the judge. "How do you hit a 6-foot tall, 200-pound man, and think it's a pothole?"

Rymer's family also pointed to Hohmann's previous arrests for DWI and pending assault charges in another county as examples of what they called "reckless behavior."

Hohmann did apologize to the family in court. Fighting back tears, Hohmann told the family, "I'm very sorry to all the family and friends for your loss."

Under the conditions of the plea agreement, Judge Wernick sentenced Hohmann to one year in jail, which she begins serving immediately, five years of probation, and \$6,000 in fines and \$14,000 in restitution. If Hohmann violates any of the terms of her probation, she will face an additional four years in jail.

The Rymer family said they were glad to see justice served, but they didn't feel it was enough time.

"It's not close to what she deserves for what she did to us," said Heather Rymer.

2010 JUVENILE SPECIALIST REPORT

Diversionsary Shoplifting Seminar: For over thirty years, the Crystal Police Department has offered an educational Shoplifting and Theft Seminar for first-time, misdemeanor juvenile offenders who have been caught stealing. The Seminar is a two-hour voluntary police diversion program that is offered as an alternative to a referral to juvenile court. A parent or guardian must attend the Seminar with the juvenile. The Seminar uses the Restorative Justice model and begins with a presentation about how stealing negatively impacts the community.

Seven seminars were held during 2010; 26 juveniles and 26 parents attended the seven seminars. Those invited who do not attend receive citations to Juvenile Court for their thefts. Due to the store security's focus on theft rings and repeat adult offenders, fewer juveniles are being apprehended than was the case a few years ago.

**SHOPLIFTING ARRESTS: 2009 = 66 juveniles
2010 = 48 juveniles**

Truancy Enforcement: When a student is truant from school and found in the community, an officer will take the student to school. If a parent, neighbor, or school personnel contacts the police to report the truancy of a student who lives in Crystal, an officer is sent to the student's home. If the student is found, the officer will transport the student to school.

In 2010, police brought 12 students to school as follows:

- 4 to Cooper High School;
- 2 to Armstrong High School;
- 1 from Roosevelt who was released to his parent;
- 3 to Robbinsdale Middle School;
- 1 to Plymouth Middle School;
- 1 to Park Center School.

Parents and school personnel have expressed extreme gratitude in having the police department partner with them in keeping young people in school.

Runaway Youth: The majority of runaway youth don't go far from home; they return usually in a day or two, and sometimes without a few hours. However, in 2010 the Crystal Police had a report on a runaway youth that went to Texas where he had cousins. After several contacts were made with the authorities in Texas, the youth was eventually caught stealing. After he went to court in Texas for the stealing, his father who lived in Crystal went to Texas to return him home. The juvenile specialist works with the parents and the runaway youth to attempt to resolve the conflicts that led to the child's leaving home without permission. In most cases, directing the family to follow-up counseling services resolves the problem.

**2009 = 96 reported incidents with 45 juveniles arrested/cited
2010 = 88 reported incidents with 36 juveniles arrested/cited
(Numbers include repeat runaways.)**



Northwest Metro Drug Task Force

2010 NORTHWEST METRO DRUG TASK FORCE

The Crystal Police Department has a detective assigned to the Northwest Metro Drug Task Force. Other agencies contributing to the task force include the, New Hope, Golden Valley, Robbinsdale, Plymouth, St. Louis Park and Hopkins Police Departments and the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office.

Detective Pete Underthun was assigned to the Northwest Metro Drug Task Force in 2010. The seven-city task force completed the following in 2010:

- **Crystal Narcotics Cases** 52
- **Total Task Force Investigations** 214
- **Search Warrants Conducted** 131
- **Narcotics Arrests** 123
- **Non-Narcotics Arrests** 6
- **Firearms Seizures** 32

Of the 123 arrests, 92 were charged through the state court system and 31 were charged federally.

Drugs seized by the task force in 2010 included Cocaine, Crack, Heroin, Marijuana, Methamphetamine, Mushrooms, Oxycotin and various other controlled prescription medications.



S W A T

The Crystal Police Department is one of four member cities that make up the West Metro SWAT Team. Crystal Police Department contributes seven officers to the team. The team is made up of twenty tactical officers, one paramedic and six negotiators.

The SWAT Team participated in over 100 hours of training to help our communities stay safe from emerging threats and challenges.



Crystal partners with the cities of Golden Valley, New Hope and Robbinsdale to provide critical incident and high-risk warrant service to a metropolitan population of over 75,000 citizens.

In 2010 the SWAT team ...

- * Assisted in resolving three barricaded suspect incidents:
 - Officer Involved shooting involving an AK-47
 - Aggravated Assault
 - Armed Robbery

- * Executed 6 high-risk search warrants.

The West Metro SWAT Team also served as a support team for the Hennepin County Sheriff's Department Tactical Team.

Sergeant Derrick Hacker won the Commanders Cup at the 2010 SWAT Training at Camp Ripley for his commitment to excellence and best shooter.

CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT
2010 CRIMINAL INCIDENTS

PART I CRIMES	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	YTD %
HOMICIDE	0	0	0%
RAPE	2	10	-80%
ROBBERY	19	22	-13%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	24	20	20%
BURGLARY	116	158	-26%
LARCENY/THEFT	574	603	-5%
AUTO THEFT	25	47	-47%
ARSON	2	3	-33%
TOTAL Part I Crimes	762	863	-12%

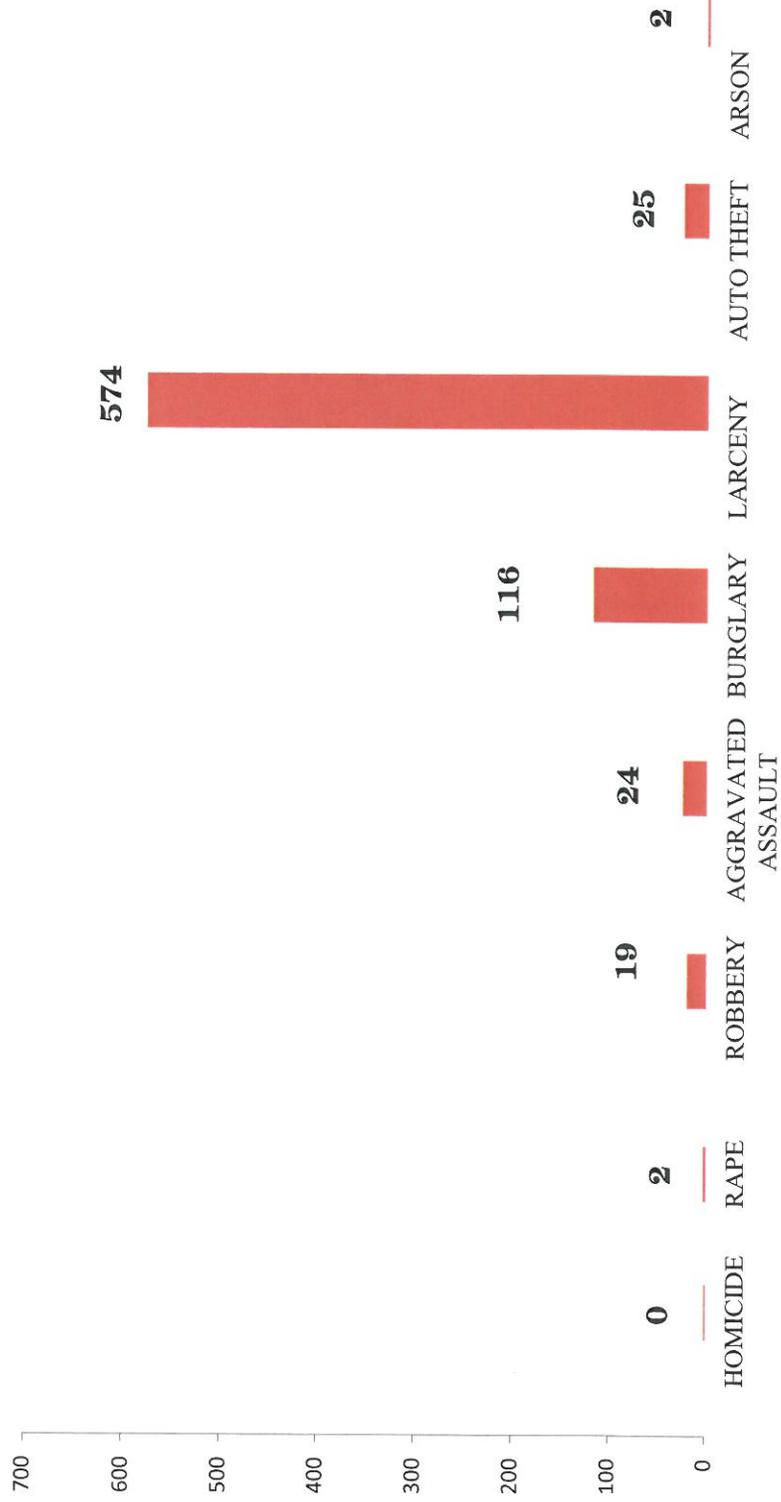
PART II CRIMES	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	YTD %
ASSAULT	169	178	-5%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	30	41	-27%
FRAUD	113	116	-2%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	1	-100%
POSSESS STOLEN PROPERTY	9	16	44%
VANDALISM	157	196	-20%
WEAPONS	5	8	-37%
PROSTITUTION	0	2	-200.0%
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT	25	11	227%
NARCOTICS	65	46	141%
GAMBLING	0	0	0.0%
FAMILY/CHILDREN	4	3	25.0%
* DUI	147	139	6%
LIQUOR VIOLATIONS	27	31	-13%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	77	71	8%
VAGRANCY	0	0	0.0%
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	87	91	-4%
TOTAL Part II Crimes	901	944	-5.0%

TOTAL PART I and II CRIMES	1,663	1,807	-8.0%
-----------------------------------	--------------	--------------	--------------

ARRESTS	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	YTD %
ADULT	843	912	-8%
JUVENILE	238	353	-32%
WARRANTS	159	163	-3%
TOTAL ARRESTS (Adult & Juvenile)	1,081	1,265	-15.0%

* Adjusted to show total number of DUI arrests

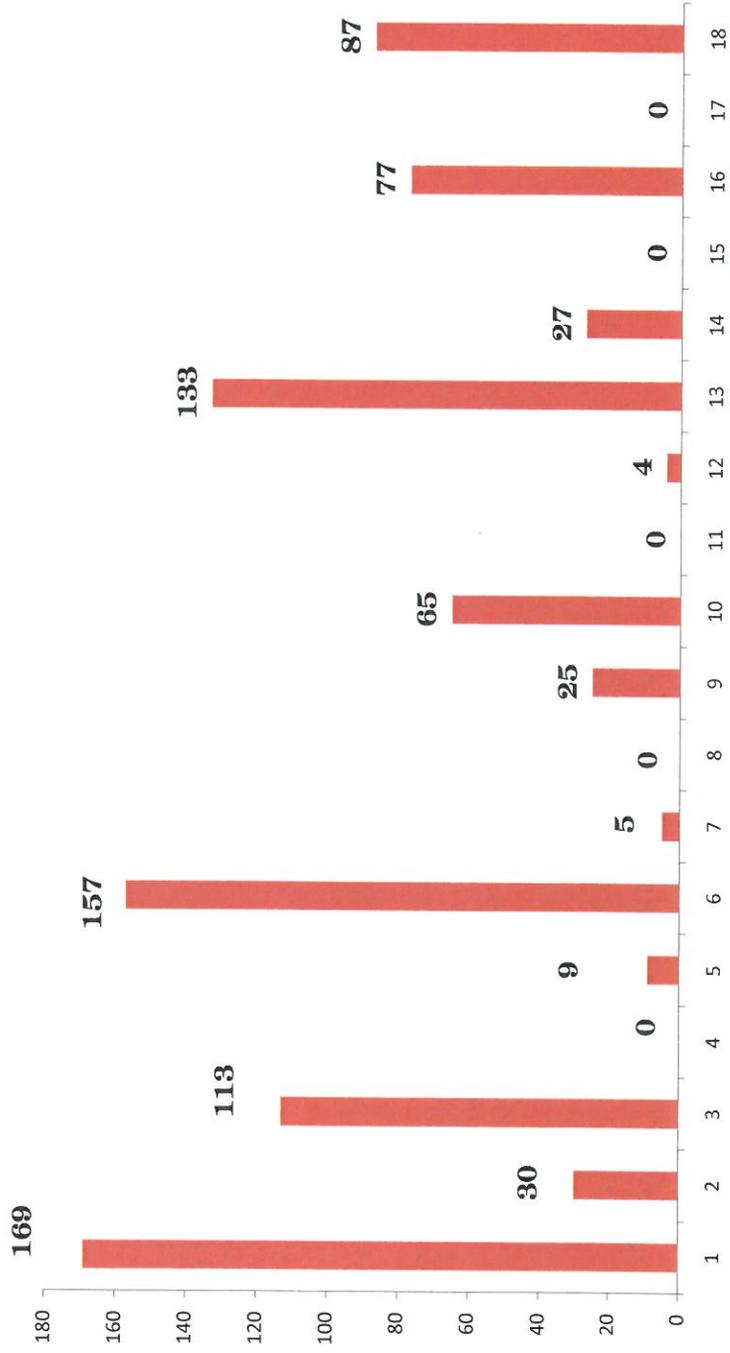
CITY OF CRYSTAL 2010 PART I CRIMES



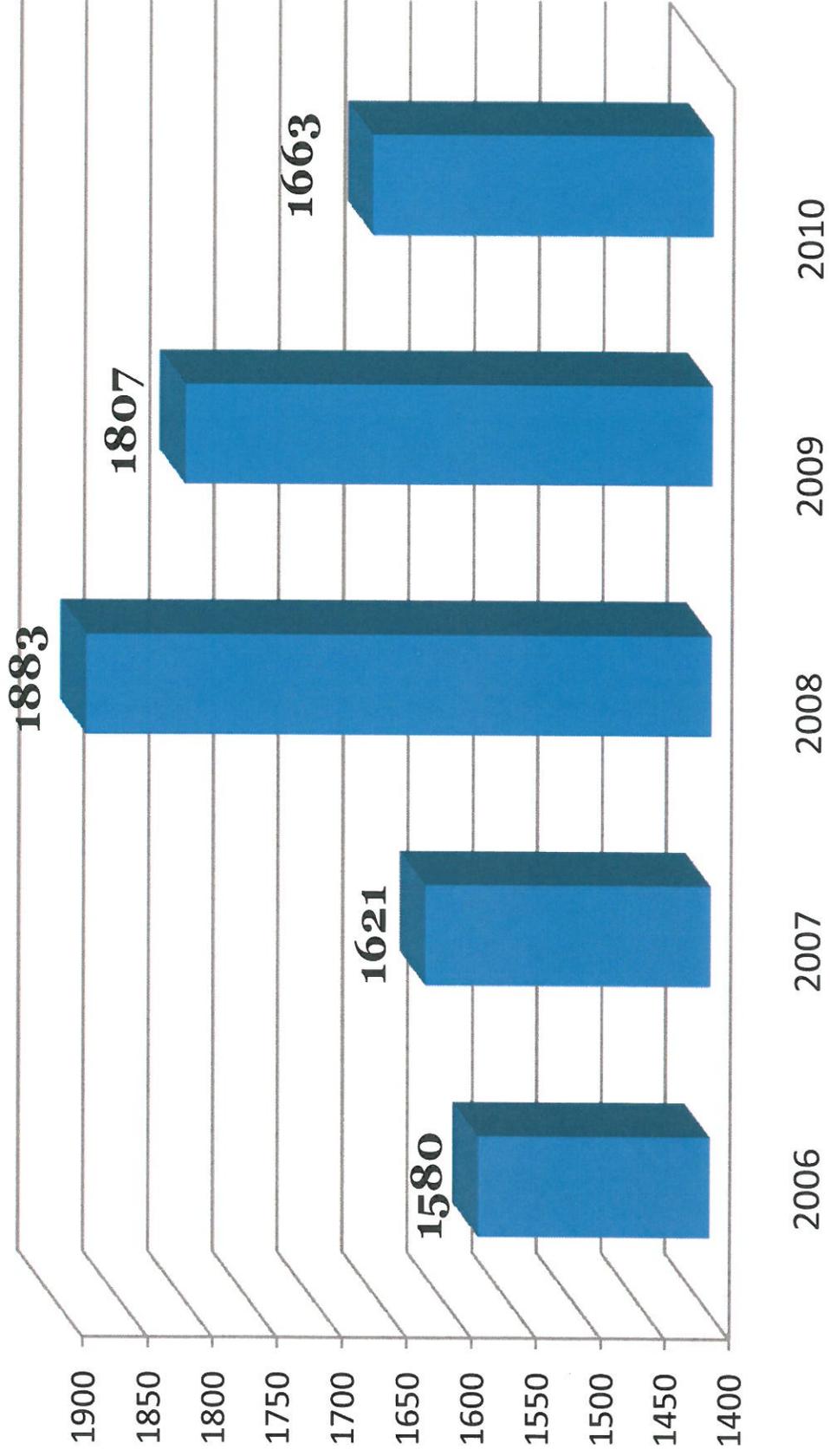
CITY OF CRYSTAL

2010 PART II CRIMES

- 1 Other Assaults
- 2 Forgery
- 3 Fraud
- 4 Embezzlement
- 5 Stolen Property-Possess
- 6 Vandalism
- 7 Weapons Offense
- 8 Prostitution
- 9 Other Sex Crimes
- 10 Narcotics
- 11 Gambling
- 12 Family / Children Crimes
- 13 DWI
- 14 Liquor Laws
- 15 Drunkenness
- 16 Disorderly Conduct
- 17 Vagrancy
- 18 Other (ex. Traffic)



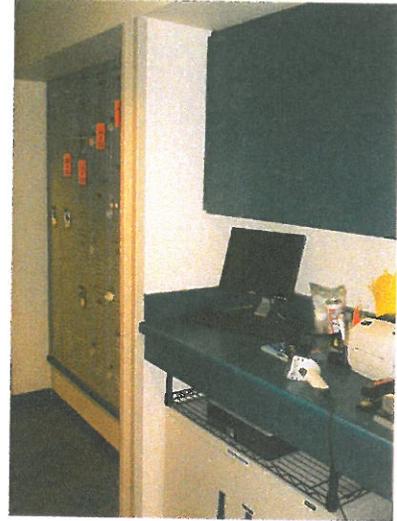
PART I & II TOTALS -2006 THRU 2010
YEAR-END TOTAL



2010 Crime Prevention Property & Evidence Office

Property/Evidence Room

- In 2010 the Property/Evidence Room took in and managed approximately 5,255 items of evidence and property ranging from narcotics and guns to bikes and tools and everything in between including found property.
- In 2010, we implemented a new “bar code” inventory system into the property room. This system of bar coding or adding a “SKU” number to a piece of property/evidence aids in the handling and inventory of property/ evidence. This also adds to our already wide ranging use of technology for recording reports and photographing crime scenes.
- Property/Evidence Room handled 3,800 digital recordings for the purpose of archiving and 3,925 digital photographs. Digital recordings and photographs save the Police department money and storage space, cutting the area needed for photo/tape storage by about two thirds.
- The Property/Evidence Room handled more than 375 requests for video/audio or photographs by prosecuting attorneys, defense attorneys and officers. Currently we produce a disc of the digital recordings and/or photographs after receiving payment then mail the disc to the requesting party.
- In 2010, we sold good unclaimed property on PropertyRoom.com. A web site similar to eBay.



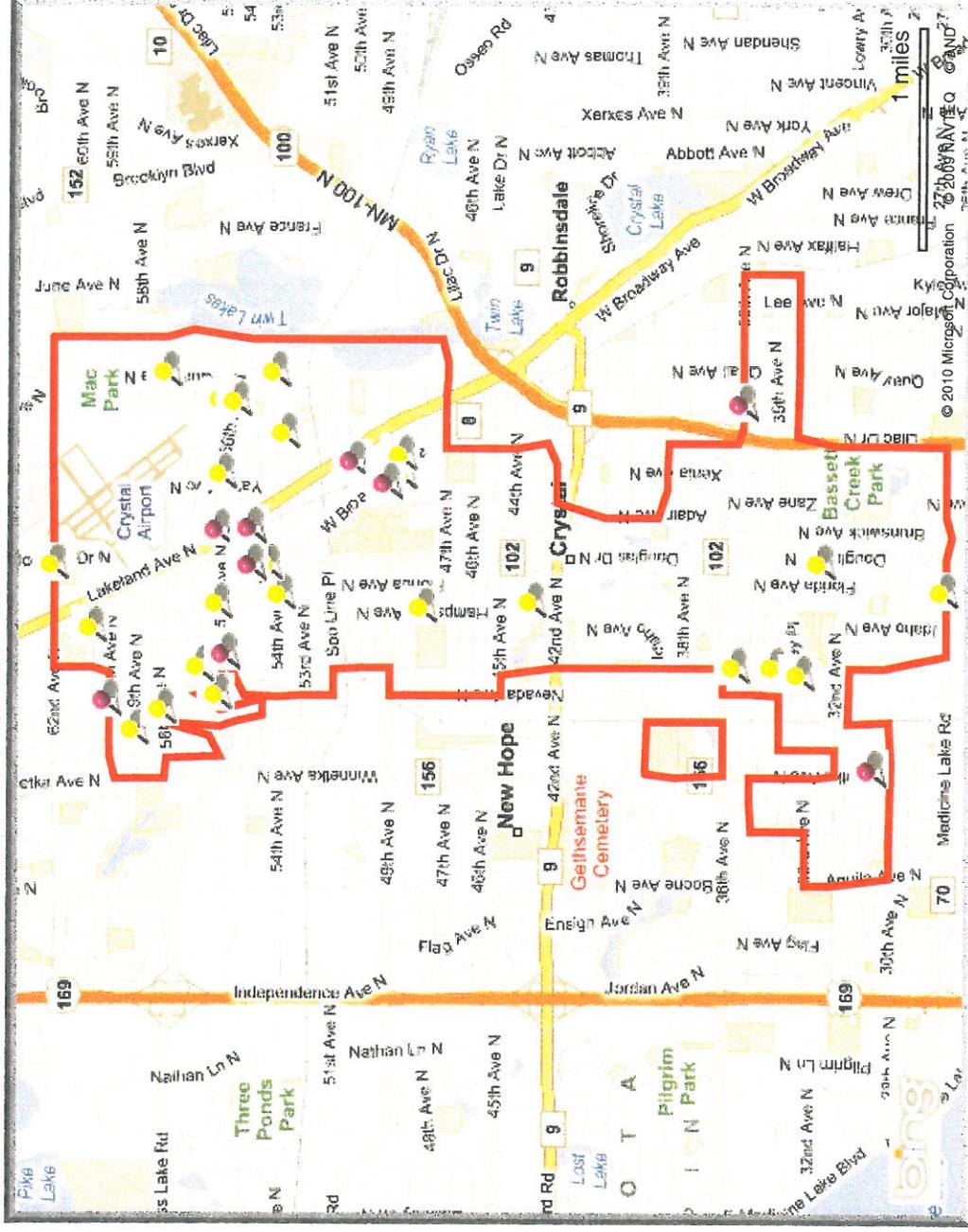
Crime Prevention

- The Crime Prevention Specialist continues to utilize the Police Incident Mapping Application (PIMA): <http://gis.logis.org/crystal/PIMAWeb/PIMAWeb.aspx>. This site shows selected crime reports for the past 90 days from the time of viewing.

PIMA is an interactive crime mapping product available to the public. The link is located on the City of Crystal web site under the Public Safety section. Go to: “Crime Statistics” then click on “Interactive Crime Map.” (See next page for a sample of this application.)

Police Incident Mapping Application v6

City of Crystal Police Department



Mouse wheel also zooms into Map

View Select Crimes Reported

Last 90 Days

- Burglaries
- Robberies
- Arsons
- Thefts
- Vehicle Thefts
- Damage to Property

Zoom to City Extent

Delete all Points

Find Address

EX: 4141 Douglas Dr, Crystal, MN

Find

Info

Incidents are updated weekly and only display the previous 90 days from date of entry, excluding a 7 day backlog. Police department business procedures dictate the timely display of recent crime data. Recording requirements may delay the availability of certain incidents on this map. Multiple incidents at a single location may not be apparent. Not all crime/call types are shown.

Related Links

- [City of Crystal Police Department](#)
- [MN Department of Corrections](#)

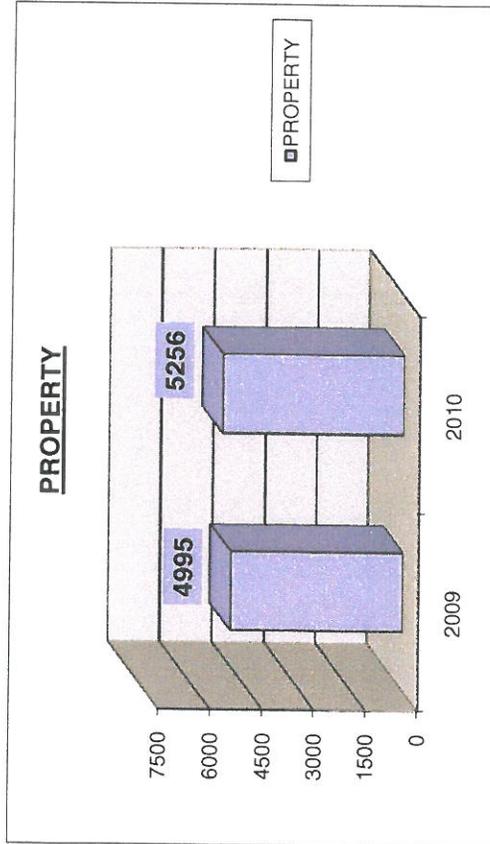
Contact Information

If discrepancies are found, please contact Dan Barry, Crime Analyst, City of Crystal Police Department at 763-531-1014
 You may also send an email here for suggestions and feedback: [City of Crystal Police Chief](#)

PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE

PROPERTY

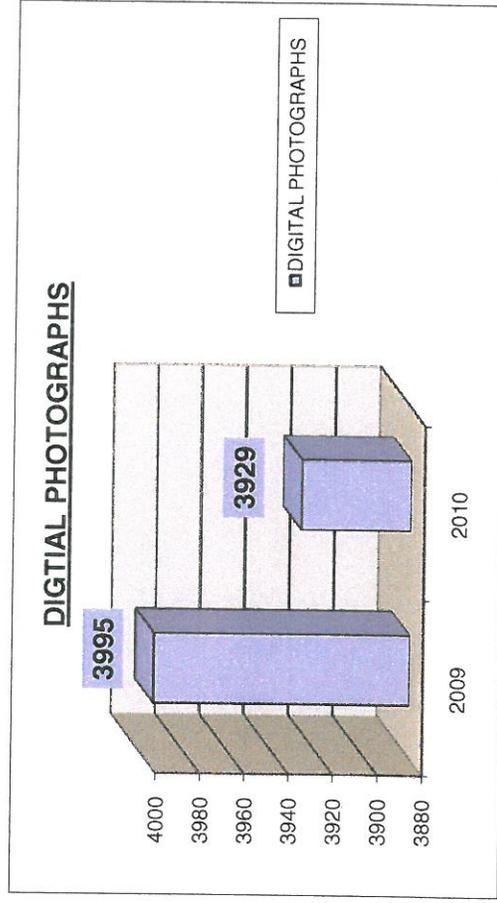
2009	4995
2010	5256



Following are three main groups of property processed by the Property & Evidence Technician, the number of items for each group comparing 2009 to 2010

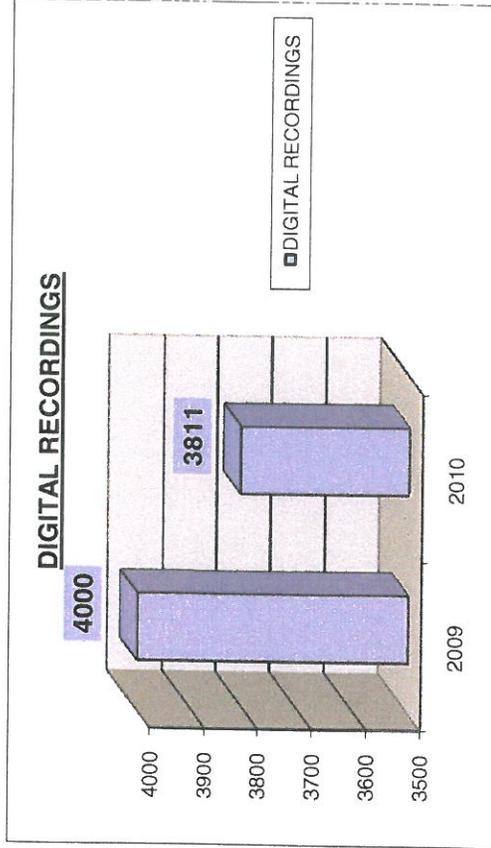
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHS

2009	3995
2010	3929



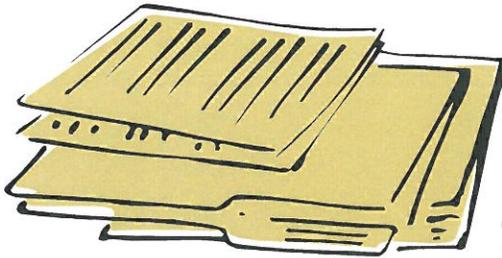
DIGITAL RECORDINGS

2009	4000
2010	3811



DIGITAL RECORDINGS

2009	4000
2010	3811



CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS UNIT

The Records Unit faced many challenges during 2010. The most significant was the reduction in staffing. We were short a full-time employee from the beginning of 2010 until a part-time employee was hired in September. The number of cases entered into the records management system in 2009 was 2,998 and the number entered in 2010 was 2,905. Our employees did a commendable job keeping up with the workload - meeting deadlines for charging cases through the City and Hennepin County Attorney Offices, and continuously providing quality customer service.

The Records Unit was fortunate to have a volunteer again this year who came in one day a week. Our volunteer provided about 4 hours each week working on filing, copying projects, assisting in purging 2003 case files. Scanning permanent documents was a major project in 2010. Our volunteer assisted by scanning these documents which were then saved to our server. Valuable space was opened up in a storage room for other needs and our permanent cases are in a protected format saved on the city's server. This project will save significant retrieval time when a case is requested. In 2010, over 150 hours were unselfishly donated to the Records Unit. *Our volunteers are invaluable.*

A digital recording system is utilized by the Records Unit to process incident and arrest transcriptions. In 2010, a total of 3,800 digital recordings were downloaded – compared to 4,000 recordings in 2009. Not all recordings are transcribed, however, these numbers represent hundreds of hours of transcription processed by the Records Unit.

Paper reduction is an on-going effort by this unit. We are utilizing scanning technology to significantly cut back on cost of paper and reduce storage space. Scanning documents saves significant staff time when having to retrieve a case or accident report. Numerous document types are being saved in designated files on the server for long-term retention and immediate retrieval.

Number of cases processed:

2009	2,998	2010	2,905
------	-------	------	-------

Gun purchase applications processed:

2009	186	2010	194
------	-----	------	-----

In addition to the 194 backgrounds for gun applicants, and an *additional 197 backgrounds* were conducted for other requirements – such as Park & Recreation personnel, solicitors, liquor licensing, etc.

Dog license tags issued:

2009	350	2010	344
------	-----	------	-----

Denied gun purchase applications:

2009	9	2010	8
------	---	------	---

The goal of the Records Unit is to maintain the current excellent quality of service to our internal and external customers and produce a high-quality product.

Citizens' On Patrol

Have you ever wanted to assist and support your local police department? Have you ever wanted to “patrol” the streets of Crystal and be an extra set of eyes and ears for your police officers? Well, now you can!

Become a member of the newest volunteer group at the Crystal Police Department...the Citizens' On Patrol! As a COP member, you and another COP members will perform “routine patrol” through neighborhoods, parks, and shopping areas in a marked police volunteer vehicle. If you see something suspicious or “out of the ordinary”, you will alert the on-duty patrol officers as to the nature of the activity and your location. Officers will then respond to the area and check on the activity.

There is training provided, including first aid, CPR, as well as ride-a-longs with officers and trainers. There is also classroom and practical training as well. All training is provided free-of-charge to the successful candidate. We are looking for people that are able to volunteer a minimum of 16 hours per quarter.

If you are interested, or just want to learn more about this new and unique opportunity with the Crystal Police Department, please contact Sergeant Mark Peterson by e-mail at mark.peterson@ci.crystal.mn.us, or call 763-531-1033.



CRYSTAL POLICE RESERVE UNIT

The Crystal Police Reserves volunteered a total of 2,576 hours in 2010.

All of the reserves should have a minimum of 120 hours for the year. Working the Crystal Frolics will usually provide a majority of these hours for each reserve officer. Only three reserves had less than 120 hours in 2010. The unit had thirteen active members in 2010.

The following events were worked:

- * Remodeling Fair
- * Crystal Frolics
- * Antique Car Run
- * Tater Daze in Brooklyn Park
- * Pierre Bottineau Days in Maple Grove
- * Duk Duk Daze in New Hope
- * Whiz Bang Days in Robbinsdale
- * Raspberry Festival in Hopkins
- * Anoka Halloween Parade
- * National Night Out
- * DARE Graduations
- * Block Party Visits (numerous)
- * NOO Open House
- * Kids Cops and Firefighters
- * Citizens Police Academy
- * Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- * Annual Bike Rodeo
- * Maple Grove Days Parade
- * Monster Mash Dance
- * Music In The Park-Plymouth
- * West Metro Fire Open House
- * Crystal Airport Open House
- * Champlin Parade



**KIDS, COPS &
FIREFIGHTERS**

Applications for the **Crystal Police Reserve Unit** are on the City of Crystal website:
www.ci.crystal.mn.us - forms are also located in the police lobby.



2010 Crystal Police Explorer Post

The Crystal Police Department Explorer Post logged over 1000 hours of time worked. These hours include meeting and training time.

The following events were worked:

- * Crystal Frolics
- * Crystal Frolics Parade
- * Alcohol and Tobacco Compliance Checks
- * Crosswalk Enforcement Projects
- * Opportunity Fest
- * National Night To Unite
- * Neighborhood Outreach Office Open House
- * Kids, Cops, and Firefighters
- * Annual Bike Rodeo
- * Seatbelt Surveys
- * Half Pint Safety Camp
- * Cub Scout Presentations
- * Vehicle Fair
- * 3M Golf Tournament
- * SWAT Training



The following officers worked as advisors to the Post in 2010:

Sergeant Mark Peterson, Committee Chair

Officer Alan Watt, Advisor

Officer Julie Severson, Advisor

Officer Matt Marson, Advisor



2010 NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH OFFICE

105 WILLOW BEND, CRYSTAL SHOPPING CENTER

The Crystal Police Department is dedicated to working with community stakeholders and providing a safe and livable community. The Crystal Police Department has partnered with Paster Enterprises Inc., the owners of the Crystal Shopping Center, to lease space for a Neighborhood Outreach Office which opened in March 2008 at 123 Willow Bend. In 2010, we moved several doors to the east to a new site located at 105 Willow Bend. Neighborhood meetings, police training, and various park and recreational events have been hosted at the space. Below are the names of groups who have benefited from this partnership:

- City of Crystal Park & Recreation Department
- City of Crystal Police Department
- City of New Hope Police Department
- Crystal Business Association
- Paster Enterprises & Tenants of the Crystal Shopping Center
- North Memorial Education Center
- Crystal Cub Scouts

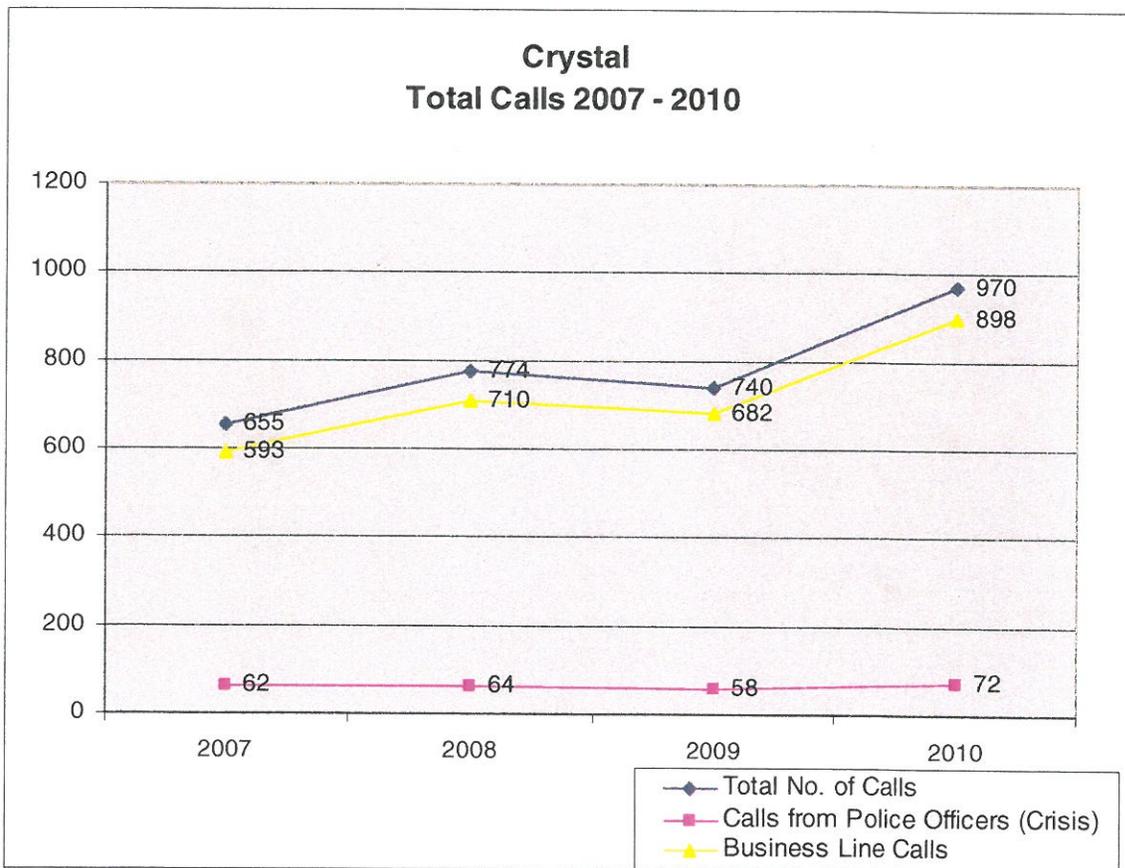
We staff the NOO (Neighborhood Outreach Office) with our *Volunteers in Police Service* and their hours vary throughout the week. Over 200 hours of volunteer time were logged in 2010! The partnership has gone so well that the lease has been extended through 2011.

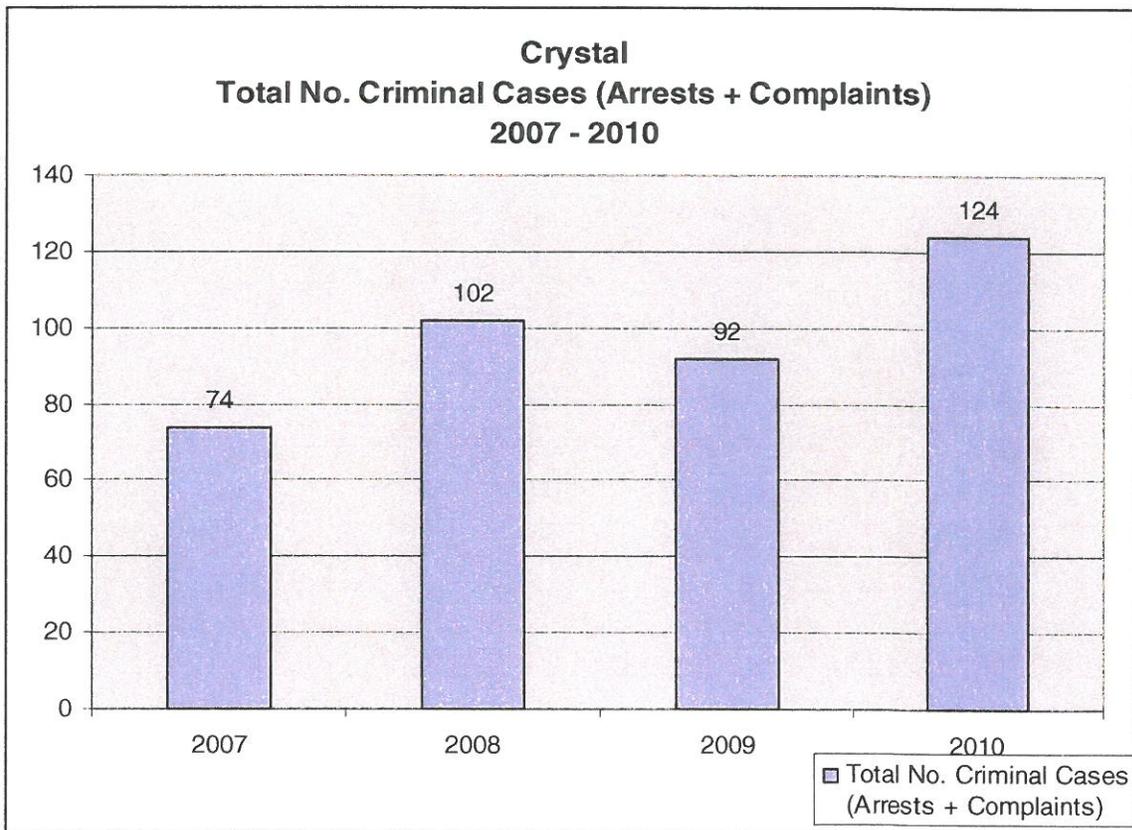
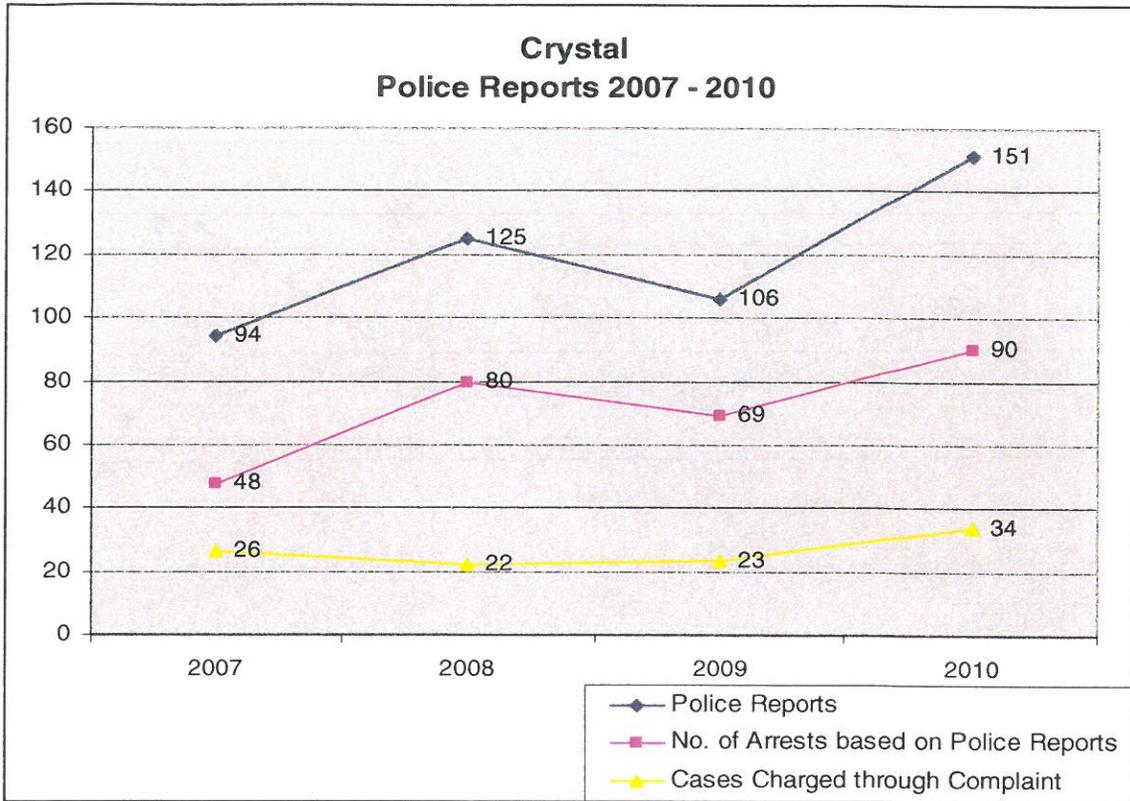


We look forward to another great year...please stop in!!!

PROJECT P.E.A.C.E.
 4 Year Trend Analysis
 Submitted February, 2011
 City of Crystal

Years	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total No. of calls	655	774	740	970
Calls from Police Officers (Crisis)	62	64	58	72
Business Line Calls	593	710	682	898
Police Reports	94	125	106	151
No. of Arrests based on Police Reports	48	80	69	90
Cases Charged through Complaint	26	22	23	34
Total No. Criminal Cases (Arrests + Complaints)	74	102	92	124
OFP/HROs Written	22	18	18	26





2010 Community Events

GIVE THE KIDS A WORLD – SPONSORED BY PERKINS AND - 3/23/2010

WITH...

SPECIAL
WAITRESS AND
WAITERS FROM...



*The Crystal Police
Department & West Metro
Fire Department*

BIKE RODEO – 5/5/2010



VOLUNTEER PICNIC – 6/4/2010



EGGIES CLOSES – 6/19/2010



EST. 1976



SUMMER FLOOD of 2010 – 6/25/2010



Crystal police officers providing assistance to stranded motorists during a major storm and flood just inside New Hope on 42nd Avenue North. An example of commitment and dedication from our officers.



CITY OF CRYSTAL 50TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION - 6/26/2010



“Crystal’s 50th Anniversary Celebration a success!”



On June 26 and 27, Crystal observed 50 years as a Home Rule Charter City. On Saturday, this event was celebrated with an “Amazing Race Around Crystal”, followed by a community celebration picnic at Becker Park with over 450 attendees. On Sunday, over 1,000 guests enjoyed the .50 cent admission to the Crystal Cove Aquatic Center.



Crystal became a village in 1887. In 1960, the residents of Crystal voted to approve a home rule charter and Crystal changed from a village to a home rule charter city with a council-manager form of government.

KIDS * COPS * FIREFIGHTERS – 7/23/2010



FUNERAL PROCESSION FOR DEPUTY DEWY THROUGH CRYSTAL 8/18/2010





Deputy Sheriff Christopher L. Dewey
Mahnomen County Sheriff's Office
Minnesota

End of Watch: Monday, August 9, 2010



NIGHT-TIME HOUSE FIRE 10/26/2010



TOYS FOR TOTS – ANNUAL TOY DROP OFF AT KARE11 - 12/17/2010



2010 CENSUS IS HERE.....2010 CENSUS IS HERE.....2010 CENSUS IS HERE

CITY	2000	2010	% CHANGE
<i>Crystal</i>	<i>22,698</i>	<i>22,151</i>	<i>-2.4%</i>
New Hope	20,873	20,339	-2.6%
Robbinsdale	14,123	13,953	-1.2%
Golden Valley	20,281	20,371	0.4%
Brooklyn Center	29,172	30,104	3.2%
Brooklyn Park	67,388	75,781	12.5%
Minneapolis	382,618	382,578	0.0%
Hennepin County	1,116,200	1,152,425	3.2%

<http://2010.census.gov/2010census/>



CRYSTAL SHOPPING CENTER TREE LIGHTING WITH SANTA 12/18/2010



THE END