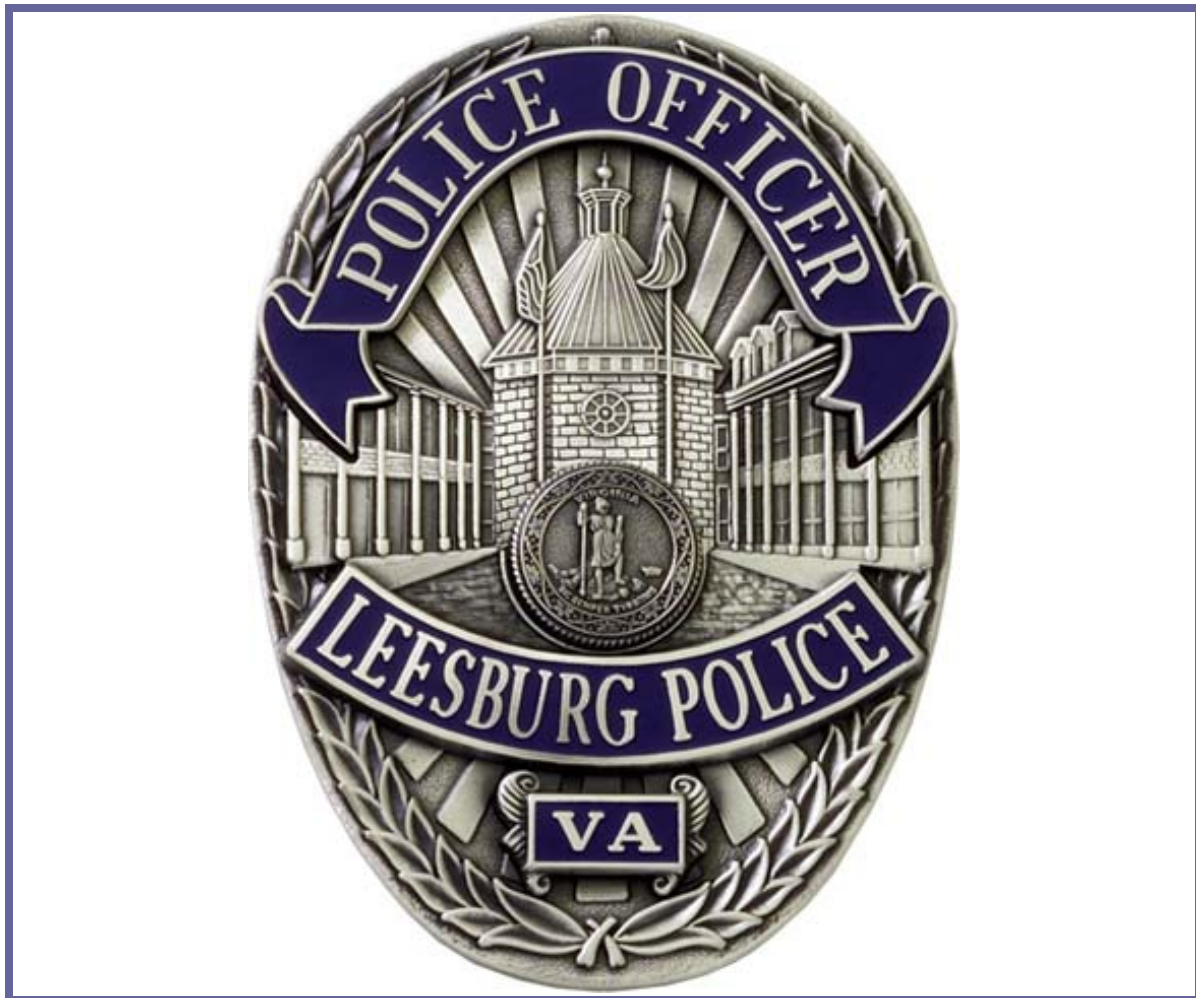


Town of Leesburg Virginia Police Department



2007 Annual Report

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LEESBURG POLICE 2007 FACTS AT A GLANCE

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

GROUP A INCIDENTS

2.8% increase

POLICE ACTIVITY (CALLS FOR SERVICE AND OFFICER INITIATED CALLS)

2% decrease

RESPONSE TIMES (from time citizen's call received in Communications Center until officer arrives on-scene)

Emergency 5 minutes 28 seconds

Non-Emergency 8 minutes 43 seconds

ARRESTS

Total – 1,646

Adult – 1,510

Juvenile – 136



TRAFFIC ACTIVITY

CRASHES

- 3.5% decrease overall
- 4.6% decrease in injury crashes
- Intersection with highest number of crashes – Sycolin Rd @ Bypass
- Causation Factor – Driver inattention

TRAFFIC TICKETS – 5,547

DUI Arrests – 215



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Dear Members of the Leesburg Community:

I am pleased to present you with the Police Department's 2007 Annual Report. The mission of the Town of Leesburg Police Department is to work in partnership with the community to provide the highest quality of police services using innovative, proactive approaches to improve Leesburg, while at the same time maintaining respect for the rights and dignity of all.

During 2007, the members of the Leesburg Police Department continued to strive to keep our community safe. Overall crime during 2007 has increased slightly but violent crime and index crime (crime occurrences per population) has decreased.

Today's society operates in the information world and law enforcement is no different. During 2007, the Leesburg Police Department dramatically improved our information gathering, sharing and analytical capabilities. Information sharing and analysis is a sea change for law enforcement and will have major impacts on how we do business in the future.

The Department continues to focus on prevention programs such as the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) program and our continuing partnership with Leesburg Parks and Recreation Department with the ROCK program and Loudoun County Parks and Recreation with the Midnight Madness program.

I know that I speak for every member of the Leesburg Police Department in saying that our success would not be possible if it were not for the strong partnership that we have with the Town leadership, other Town departments and most of all you the community. We pledge to continue to work with our partners to achieve our shared vision for Leesburg.

Lastly, I want to thank and commend the members of the Leesburg Police Department and the Leesburg Citizens Support Team for their individual and collective efforts, hard work, and contribution throughout the past year. The cornerstone of our success is the skill, dedication, and commitment of the men and women of this Department. These accomplishments reflect every member's strong commitment to our organizational values of Leadership, Pride and Dedication.

Joseph R. Price
Chief of Police



Leesburg Police Department

Mission

The Leesburg Police Department is committed, in partnership with the community, to provide the highest quality of police services by using innovative, proactive approaches to improve the quality of life in Leesburg, while at the same time maintaining respect for the rights and dignity of all.

Vision

Committed to Make Leesburg the **Safest** Community by:

- ❖ Providing high quality and high value service, the **first time, every time.**
- ❖ Creating a work environment where people want to come to work and succeed.
- ❖ Treating all with respect and dignity

Organizational Values

<i>Leadership</i>	<i>Pride</i>	<i>Dedication</i>
We are committed in leading the town government and the law enforcement profession by setting a mark of excellence in everything that we do.	We pride ourselves on our commitment to maintaining the public trust and respect through a commitment to the highest standards of integrity and professional ethics. We are committed to respecting the rights and human dignity of all and the value of all members of the community and Department.	We are dedicated to provide the highest quality of service in a consistent manner that emphasizes effectiveness, efficiency and innovation. We are dedicated to empower our employees to take risks, expand horizons, and always pursue excellence.

Excellence through Leadership, Pride and Dedication

Major Accomplishments in 2007

Intelligence-Led Policing

In the 21st century law enforcement has realized both the need and the value to effectively utilize the criminal information that we gather. Rather than the traditional methods of stove-piping police reports and criminal information, law enforcement has undertaken a dramatic shift to maximize its effectiveness in the information age and the Leesburg Police Department is in the forefront.

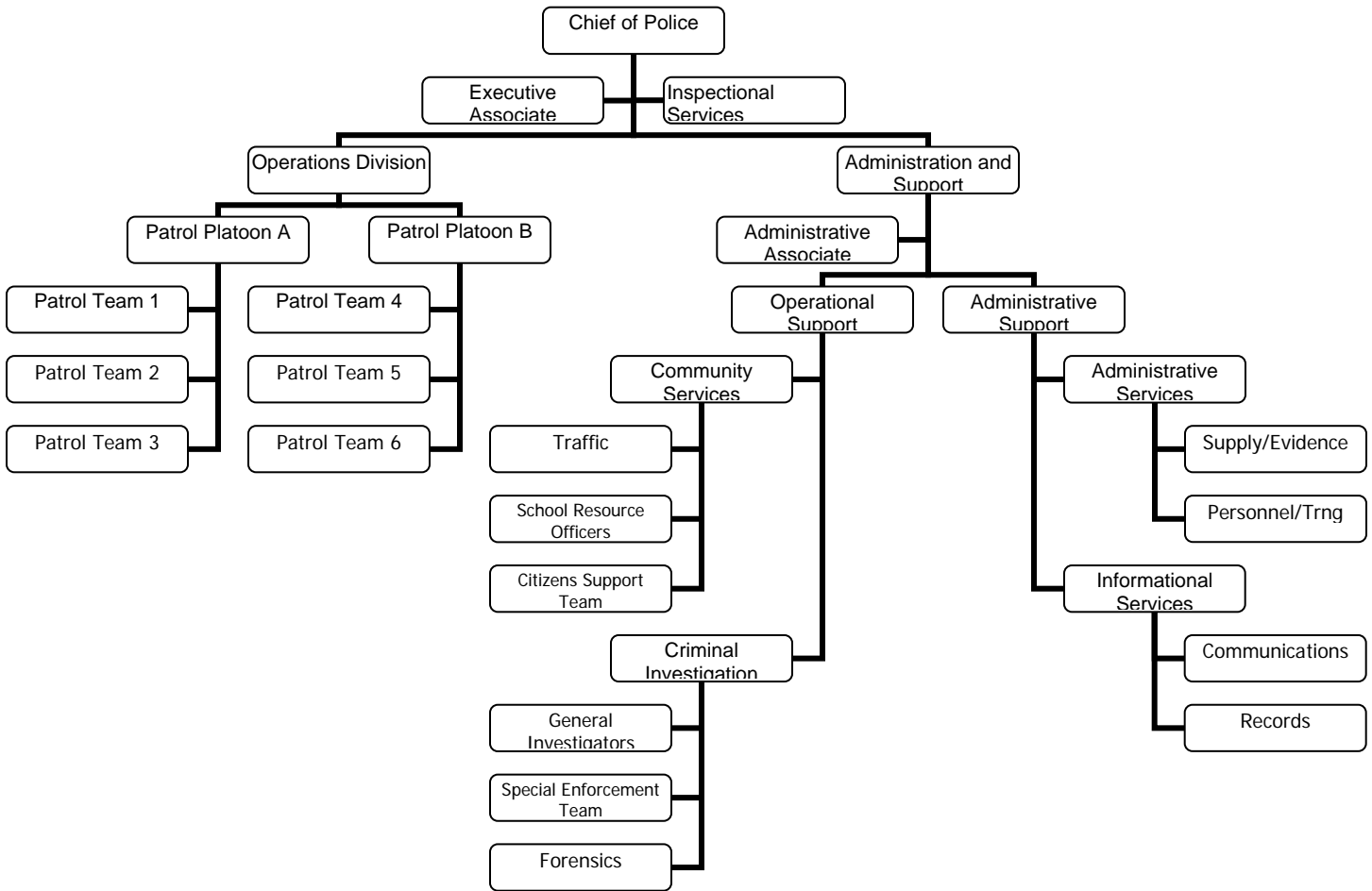
As part of its FY08 Budget, the Town Council added two positions to the Department's Criminal Investigations Section effective January 2008. These new positions provided the core for the implementation of a new unit, the Special Enforcement Team (SET). With this new focus the Department is now able to analyze criminal information to develop actionable strategies and investigative leads.

In June of 2007, the Department became one of the first agencies in the National Capital Region (NCR) to "go live" on the NCR Law Enforcement Information Exchange (LInX) system. This information sharing system currently has over 65 law enforcement agencies in the National Capital Region as members and more are joining every day. The system allows members agencies to instantly search each other's data base (regardless of software vendor or type) to identify similar crime patterns and case information.

As a case in point, shortly after going live, our detectives were investigating a robbery case with few viable leads. Using LInX, the detectives were able to identify 3 suspects based on entries in LInX made by Alexandria Police, Alexandria Sheriff's Office, Fairfax County Police, and Fairfax County Sheriff's Office. Through a joint investigation with Fairfax County Police, the 3 suspects were charged in our robbery case, stolen jewelry from a burglary in Fairfax County was recovered and 3 suspects were identified and charged in that case. Without LInX, the chances of these cases being connected or solved were slim.

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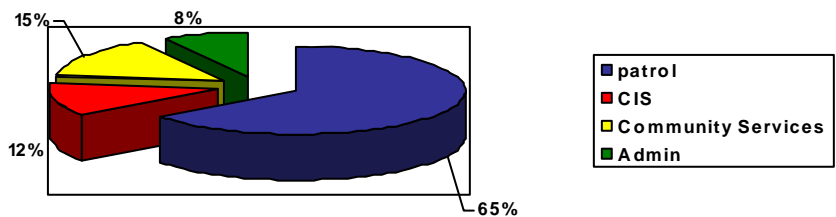
Organizational Chart - 2007



DEMOGRAPHICS

2007 Population: 38,500
 Land Area: 12 square miles
 Total LPD full-time employees: 93
 Total full-time sworn officers: 74
 Officer per 1,000 ratio: 1.92

Officer Deployment



Department Awards & Recognition

Leesburg Police Explorer Post Receives Award

The Leesburg Police Department Explorer Post 1041 was awarded the **“Rookie Post of the Year”** award by the Learning for Life National Exploring Advisory Board for the National Capitol Area Council.

Explorer Post 1041 was started in June of 2007. The post is sponsored by the Leesburg Police Department. It is a law enforcement based post dedicated to introducing young people to the role of law enforcement in today’s society. Explorer post members are trained in basic police procedures. The Post’s goal is to assist the LPD as much as possible. While completing this task, the Explorers learn what is like to be a police officer, give back to the community, and strengthen their own interpersonal and leadership skills. The Leesburg Police Department hopes that with this program, youth can make an informed decision about possible careers in law enforcement and strengthen relationships between the police and young people.

Exploring is a worksite-based program. It is part of Learning for Life's career education program for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years old. Its purpose is to provide experiences that help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Exploring is based on a unique and dynamic relationship between youth and the organizations in their communities.



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Employee Commendations

Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce Valor Awards

Three Leesburg Police Officers and a Loudoun County Deputy were recognized through the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce Annual VALOR Awards with a Unit Citation for working together to achieve a positive outcome in the face of adversity.

Officer Edward Warf
Officer Robert Munger

Officer Warren Houde
Deputy Ethan Martin

MADD DUI Enforcement Excellence Award:

Officer Dale Depoy.

In 2006, Officer Depoy led the Leesburg Police Department by removing 27 impaired drivers from Leesburg's streets through arrest.

Employee of the Quarter

1st Quarter

Detective John Falvey - Detective Falvey was recognized for his efforts in a complex child exploitation investigation that encompassed coordination with several different investigative agencies and included both National and International victims.

2nd Quarter

Officer Chris Tidmore – Officer Tidmore was recognized for his efforts in organizing and stream-lining the Barment Program as well as completing several Crime Prevention Surveys, and the coordination of the 7th Annual Junior Police Camp.

3rd Quarter

Crime Scene Technician Kevin Windle – Mr. Windle was recognized for his efforts in the evidentiary processing of several major crime scenes which led to the gathering of evidence to ensure successful prosecution of crime.

4th Quarter - No award given

Commanders Awards:

The Field Operations Division Commander issues Commanders Awards or Certificates of Achievement in cases where an officer or civilian go above and beyond the call of duty or deliver exceptional service. In 2007, the following people were recognized as indicated below

1. February 13, 2007 – **Sergeant Doug Shaw** was issued a SPOT Award for his initiative in acquiring an approximate \$10,000 grant for a Crisis Response Video Module (CRV) to compliment the Crisis Intervention Team “throw phone.” The CRV provides video capability to enhance the emergency response capability of the Police Department.
2. March 2, 2007 – A Unit Citation was issued to the following officers:
Officer Dale Depoy **Officer Charles Fitch**
Officer Robert Munger **Support Team Member Steve Hood**

During a burglary investigation, assisting officers initiated a canvass of the area for suspects based upon a radio lookout. Officers observed several juveniles in the area similar to the suspect description. Upon seeing the police, multiple suspects fled on foot. Six suspects were observed by a Citizen Support Team member who radioed their movement and location to the pursuing officers. In the end, 5 suspects were identified, 2 were confirmed as forcing entry into an apartment and removing an MP3 player. The

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suspects fled upon being confronted by the resident who called police. The contributing officers and support team member are commended for their unified action to identify, pursue, locate and bring to justice criminal suspects.

3. March 7, 2007 – **Sergeant Carl Maupin** did distinguish himself through several initiatives to support police operations. These projects include, but are not limited to: Operation S.H.O.P., FY08 Patrol Workload Analysis, Roving DUI Patrol Detail, C.T.A.P. Analysis and other miscellaneous targeted patrol initiatives that enhance public safety.
4. March 11, 2007 – **Officer Robert Hall** and **Officer Russell Bolden** were commended for outstanding work during a traffic stop which netted the identification of concealed firearms, ammunition and a schedule II narcotic.
5. March 17, 2007 – A Unit Citation was issued to the following officers and dispatcher:

Lt. Wesley Thompson	Sergeant T J Moore
Sergeant Carl Maupin	Officer Matthew Hackney
Officer Dale Depoy	Officer Jesse Zappia
Officer Tim Diviney	Officer Chris Parker
Communications Technician Sharon Jensen	

As a result of their collaborative efforts, each person is commended for their contribution to successfully investigate and go beyond the original call to bring about the seizure of 21 grams of crack cocaine. The investigative teamwork of the officers involved netted five adult arrests for various criminal charges that enhanced the safety of the law abiding citizens of the Town of Leesburg.
6. March 17, 2007 – Unit Citation issued to the following officers and Support Team member:

Sergeant Thomas Moore	Officer Wael Ablimona
Officer Mark Manocchio	Officer Jesse Zappia
Support Team Member Steve Hood	

The Police and Support Team worked together efficiently to conduct surveillance in an effort to bring to justice persons responsible for the theft of more than \$3,300.00 in merchandise stolen from local retail stores. Officers obtained a search warrant and recovered stolen property and evidence for subsequent investigation. The officers and the Support Team are commended for working together to bring about a positive outcome in the pursuit of justice.
7. March 26, 2007 – Unit Citation issued to the following officers:

Officer Edward Warf	Officer Warren Houde
Officer Robert Munger	

While conducting an investigation of a suicidal person and out of concern for the welfare of another human being, officers forced entry into a motel room and found a person in immediate need of medical and mental health care. The officers are commended for acting quickly and efficiently to assess the situation and for taking decisive less lethal action to safely disarm a person with a knife.
8. April 24, 2007 – Two citizens, **Mr. Atal Mohmand** and **Ms. Joan Hildebrand** were recognized for their assistance to a police officer in pursuit of a fleeing criminal suspect. The suspect was apprehended as the citizens surrounded the man with their vehicles while blowing the horn and flashing their lights to direct pursuing officers to his location.

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9. June 25, 2007 – **Officer Charles Fitch** was recognized for outstanding work. Police observed an abandoned vehicle while en-route to investigate the complaint. Upon hearing the vehicle registration return over the radio, Officer Fitch recalled a burglary in 2006 at the vehicle's registered address. Officer Fitch quickly made a nexus and relayed the information to effectively coordinate a dual police response to the 2006 B&E suspect address and separate location of the 2006 burglary. As a result, police apprehended nine people for various criminal violations, recovered a vehicle and secured a breached residence without further property damage or loss. Officer Fitch is commended for furthering the mission of the Leesburg Police Department through exemplary work in partnership with the citizens to achieve a positive outcome.

10. July 25, 2007 – Unit Citation issued to the following officers:

Officer Russell Bolden

Officer Matt Hackney

Officer Sasha Johnston

Officer Joseph Marsten

Officer Drew Stanley

Officer Carl Ford

Officer Robert Hall

Officer Travis Lotz

Officer Nick Martin

Following a traffic stop for suspicion of DUI, the subject vehicle made a brief attempt to elude, but found itself in a cul-de-sac, at which point the driver exited his vehicle and fled on foot. An extensive foot pursuit and application of force by 4 officers was required to take the driver into custody. At the same time the foot pursuit was taking place, a burglary was being reported at a residence in the 1100 block of Franklin Court. Subsequent to his capture and arrest, the driver was found in possession of items from the burglary to include a 5 shot .38 revolver. The driver was charged with Burglary, Grand Larceny, Possession of Marijuana, Obstruction of Justice, Concealed Weapon, Reckless Driving and Driving While License is Suspended. The officers are commended for their teamwork and determination in bringing a criminal to justice.

In addition to annual awards, the Town of Leesburg sponsors a special category of "Spot Awards" which are small monetary awards to be given by department directors and the Town Manager. The six (6) Leesburg Police Department employees who received a SPOT Award during 2007 are as follows:

Russ Bolden

Charles Fitch

Carl Maupin

Cindy Cain

Robert Hall

Doug Shaw

Promotions

Master Police Officer

Michael Amato

Edward Warf

Gregory Parsons

Police Officer III

John Pearson

Wael Abilmona

Christian Loran

Police Officer II

Dale Depoy

Nicholas Martin

Heather Maupin

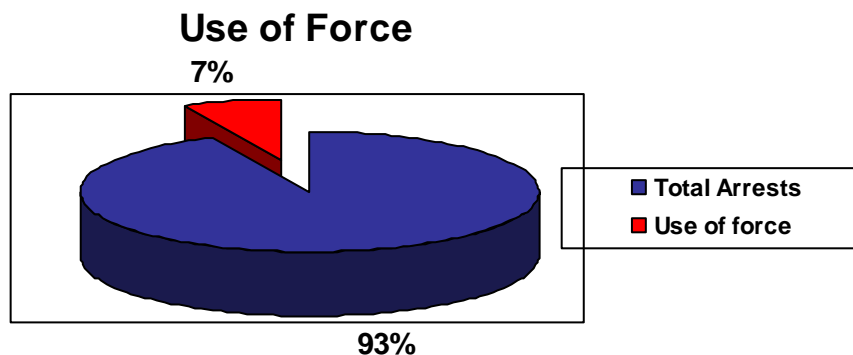
Communication Technician III

Alicia Taylor

Citizen Complaints & Use of Force

During the calendar year 2007, the Police Department received 11 formal complaints from citizens arising from more than 35,000 documented citizen contacts. In addition to the citizen complaints, the Department self-initiated 6 complaints. An administrative investigation was initiated in each of the 17 cases. The complaints involved concerns such as improper application of law, improper application of Department policy or procedure, and allegations of misconduct. Following an internal investigation of each incident, 11 of the complaints were found to be unsubstantiated. In 6 cases, an employee was found to have violated Department policy and appropriate corrective action was taken.

During 2007, the Leesburg Police Department had over 35,000 documented contacts with citizens, including 1,646 criminal arrests, 215 DUI arrests, 5,547 traffic tickets and over 25,900 citizen-generated calls for service. In reviewing all recorded contacts for 2007, there were no allegations of excessive use of force by an officer (this data is included in the total number of complaints from above). In 122 cases, force was used to place a suspect into custody as a result of a lawful arrest. Nineteen (19) of these cases resulted in officers using a chemical irritant (pepper spray) to gain compliance, 33 cases were instances where an officer drew their weapon as a result of a potentially threatening situation. In the remaining cases, officers were required to physically subdue the suspect. As a result of the use of force, ten suspects received minor injuries and 3 officers were injured. Additionally, five Leesburg police officers were assaulted during 2007 while performing their duties. All use of force incidents are reviewed and analyzed. The purpose of the analysis is to carefully monitor the use of force, keep all members informed of any trends concerning resistance by arrestees and to reinforce the use of sound officer safety and arrest techniques. The analysis of officer applied force aids in identifying potential training needs and serves to minimize officer injuries. Most importantly, a comprehensive review serves to ensure that only reasonable force is used to achieve lawful enforcement objectives.

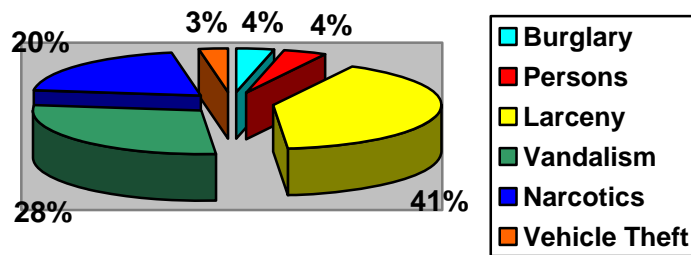


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Criminal Activity

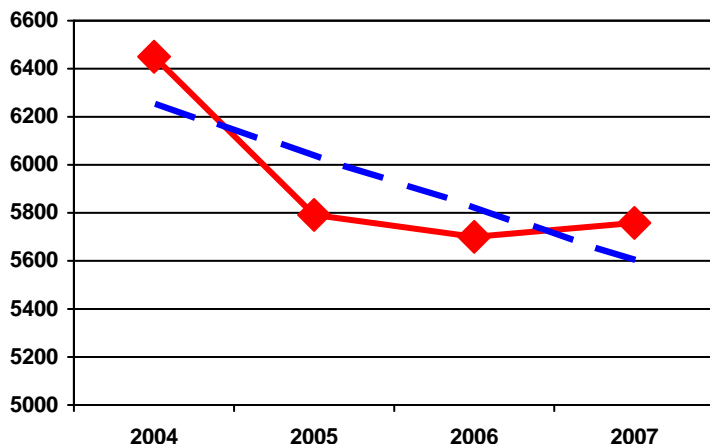
During calendar year 2007, serious crime incidents (group A) increased from 2,157 to 2,218 (2.8%) Property related crimes; in particular larcenies and vandalism / destruction of property continue to account for the largest categories of criminal activity in 2007.

Crimes By Type (*Includes Attempts)	2005	2006	2007
Murder	0	0	0
Rape*	8	12	13
Robbery*	22	19	22
Aggravated Assaults	53	41	33
Burglary*	40	55	62
Larceny*	638	678	680
Motor Vehicle Thefts*	50	48	46
Vandalism / Destruction of Property*	334	433	473
Narcotics	318	349	338



All members of the Department are committed to achieving our vision of making Leesburg the **Safest Community**. Even with increasing population and workload, the Department through innovative approaches such as our problem solving activities and the Crime and Traffic Accountability Program (CTAP), has been able to achieve substantial crime reduction over the past five years.

Five Year Trends

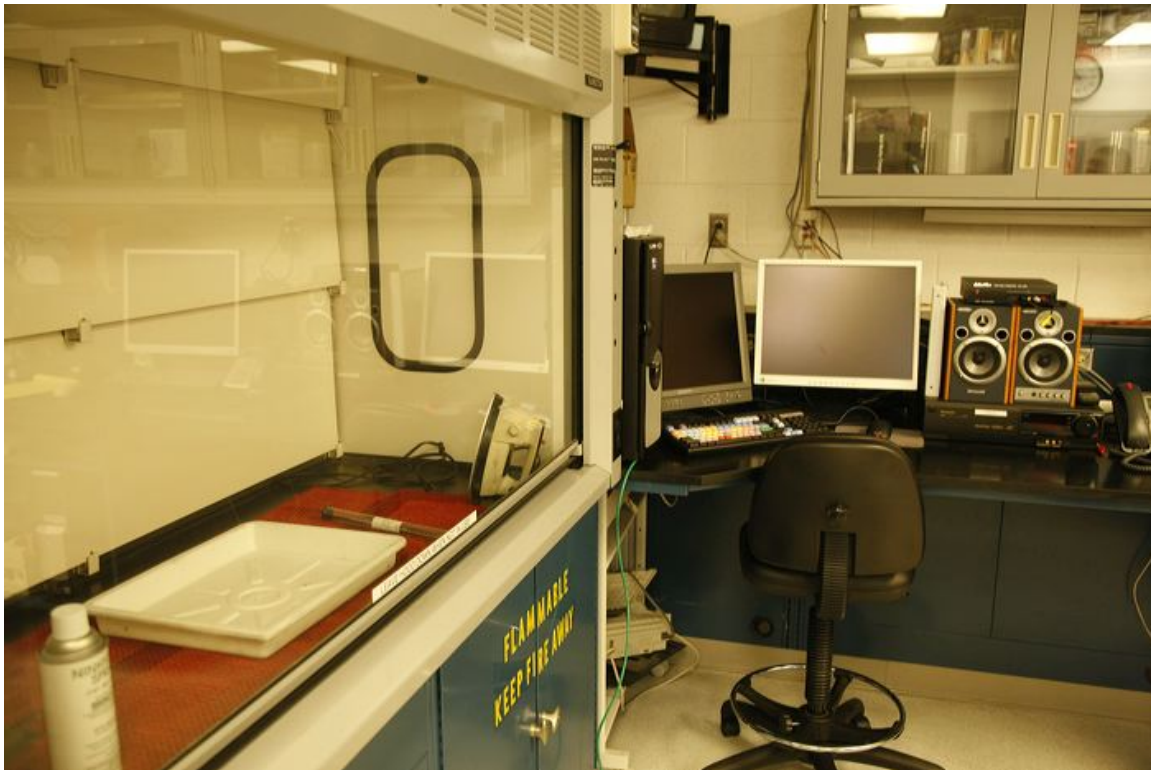


Index Crime
(Grp A incidents per
100,000 population)

Criminal Investigations

While it is our primary goal to prevent crime from ever happening, the Department prides itself on its ability to conduct effective and efficient investigative follow ups of reported criminal activity and to bring the case to closure. For serious offenses assigned for criminal investigations follow up during 2007 the Department had a closure rate of over 71% compared to a national average of about 20%. The Criminal Investigations Section investigates a large number of serious offenses (Group A) and also investigates a number of other crimes (Group B) such as forgery, fraud, embezzlement, vice offenses, offenses against the family and children, etc.

During 2007, the Special Enforcement Team (SET) became an operational component within the Criminal investigations Section. SET is one of the Department's principal tools in achieving effective intelligence led policing. The mission of the Special Enforcement Team is to provide proactive analytical and enforcement capability in order to target areas of high/serious crime and individuals who pose a serious threat to the public safety. The Special Enforcement Team provides the capability to identify, locate and apprehend serious criminals and address crime problems and patterns that impact the public safety. The analytical aspect of this unit provides direct support to many investigative programs in identifying and targeting suspects in serious criminal activities.



SET Organizational Structure and Duties

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Intel Products & OPS Plans/Support

Intel Projects & OPS Request

SET Leader

Daily

- Review all info sources
- Publish intel documents
- Attend SET roll call at beginning of shift
- Assign Category 5 hotspots for review
- Info. gathering & patrol of Category 5 hotspots.
- Forward info. received from all sources to SET Leader

Weekly

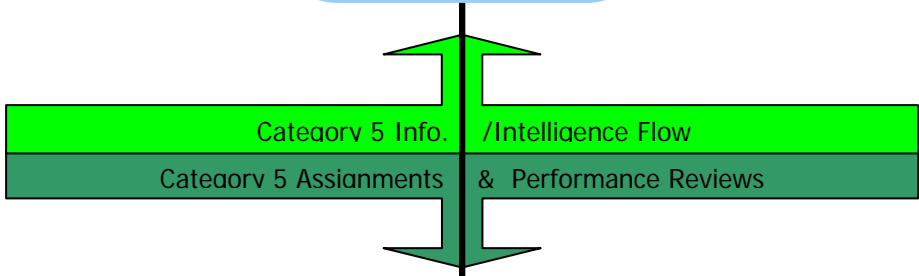
- Draft summary of Category 5 activity, projects, & investigations for CMD & Field OPS DIV

Monthly

- Draft summary of Category 5 activity, projects, & investigations highlighting trends/series for CMD and CIS quarterly report.

As Assigned

- Draft OPS Plans
- Assign & review intelligence projects



SET 1 (NVGTF)

Daily

- Attend all NVGTF roll calls & operations
- Gang info liaison LPD/NVGTF
- Email shift summaries of NVGTF activities
- Update SET DB w/ field contacts, operations, and info. received.

Monthly

- Case/Project review w/ SET Leader

As Assigned

- Complete intelligence projects
- Complete Category 5 investigations
- Forward LPD gang projects/investigations for NVGTF OPS Plans

SET 2 (IT)

Daily

- Attend SET roll call at beginning of shift
- Maintain & facilitate deployment of surveillance equipment for LPD OPS.
- Info. gathering & patrol of Category 5 hotspots.
- Forward info. received from all sources to SET Leader
- Update SET DB w/ field contacts, operations, and info. received.

Monthly

- Case/Project review w/ SET Leader

As Assigned

- Complete intelligence projects
- Complete Category 5 investigations
- Utilize confidential informants in support of LPD OPS

SET 3 (POC)

Daily

- Attend SET roll call at beginning of shift
- Liaison w/ federal LEA for non-gang related joint operations (ICE, FBI, ATF, DEA)
- Info. gathering & patrol of Category 5 hotspots.
- Forward info. received from all sources to SET Leader
- Update SET DB w/ field contacts, operations, and info. received.

Monthly

- Case/Project review w/ SET Leader

As Assigned

- Complete intelligence projects
- Complete Category 5 investigations
- Utilize confidential informants in support of LPD OPS

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Patrol Activity

The primary responsibilities of the Patrol Section are to respond to reported criminal activities, conduct motor vehicle crash investigations, maintain consistent enforcement of traffic and criminal laws and work proactively to partner with the community in a joint effort to improve the quality of life in Leesburg. These activities help to maintain and promote highway safety for motorists and pedestrians alike.

Enforcement activities also serve to maintain the Town's excellent quality of life for its residents and the business community. Responsiveness to neighborhood complaints about traffic and quality of life issues was a significant focus of the Patrol Section in the year 2007.

Arrests/Citations	2005	2006	2007
Traffic	4,913	5,770	5,170
Criminal	1,629	1,903	1,675
DUI	257	202	215
Parking	2,477	1,416*	1,226*

* Meter enforcement now done by Finance Department

New 4-legged members join the department



Canine **Otto**

Handler Greg Parsons



Canine **Bak**

Handler Dale Depoy

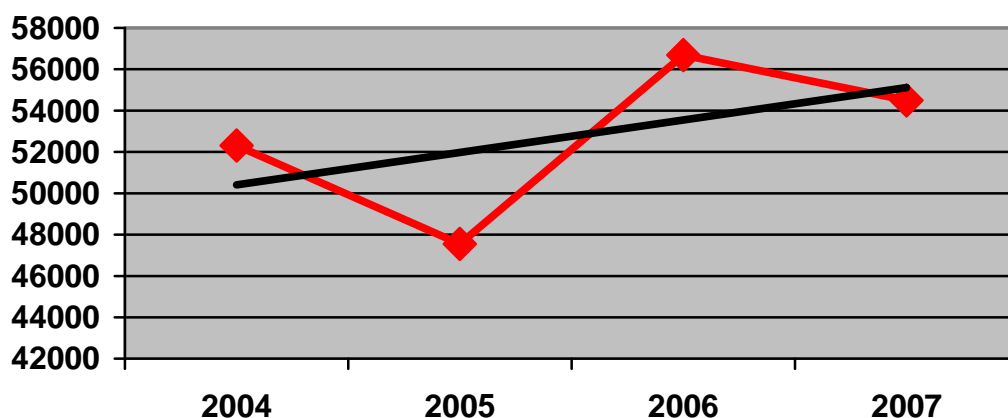
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Calls for Police Service: 2004 - 2007

Citizen calls for police service and officer generated calls totaled 54,494 in 2007, a decrease of 3.86% over 2006. The Department strives towards efficient community policing and encourages the community to call the police for any suspicious activity.

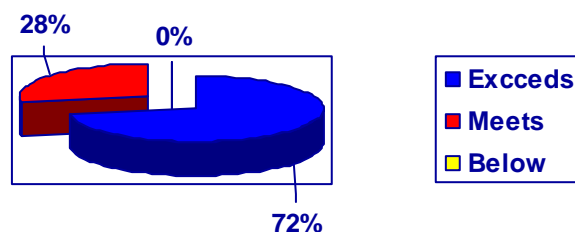
As part of its community policing philosophy, the Department uses a multitude of strategies to solve community problems. As an example, the Department initiated an interdiction program in 2007 to deal with individuals who are chronically arrested for drinking/drunken in public. In 2006, the Department made 268 arrests for DIP; in 2007 with the implementation of the interdiction program, that number was reduced to 188.

Police Workload



Quality Service

The Department strives to provide quality service, *the first time, every time*. To insure that this occurs, supervisors conduct quarterly quality assurance surveys. These surveys are conducted to random individuals who had made a police call for service during the quarter. During 2007, 72.21% of respondents reported that the service exceeded their expectations. 27.79% reported that the service met their expectations, and 0 percent reported that service was below expectations.

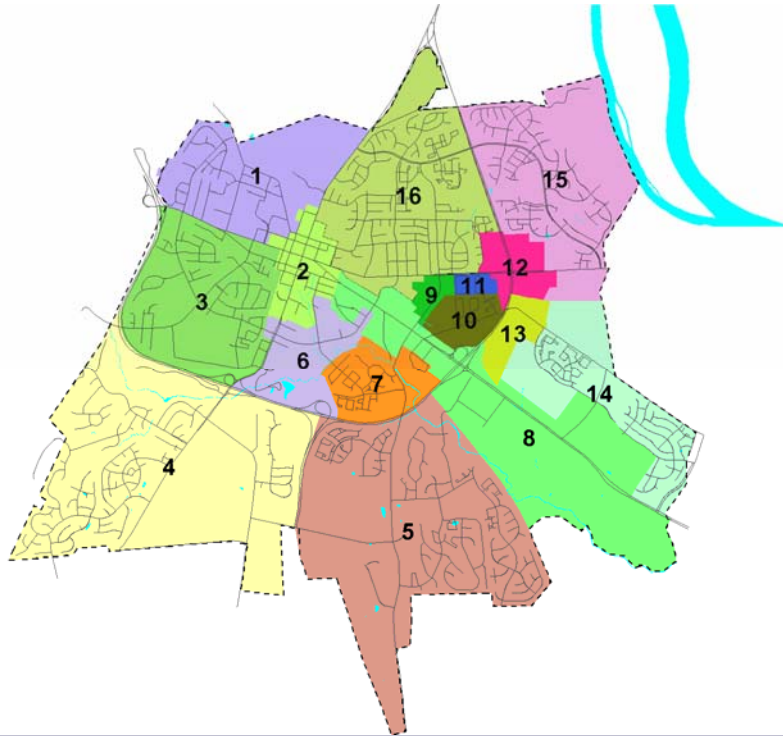


Community Policing

Community policing is the operational philosophy of the Leesburg Police Department. In simple terms it means that every member of the Department, sworn and non-sworn, subscribes to and follows the principles of community policing in carrying out their assigned duties. The Department is committed to work in partnership with the community to solve problems and prevent crime. To facilitate this philosophy and build strong partnerships, the Department has established 16 community policing sectors (also called CTAP sectors) within the Town. Sectors are reflective of neighborhoods throughout the Town and where possible, homogenous linkage (commercial to commercial; residential to residential) has been used in establishing the sectors. Each sector has several officers assigned for ownership. Those officers are required to monitor activities within their sector, develop partnerships with their assigned communities and develop and implement programs to address criminal activity and improve the quality of life. Citizens can locate their neighborhood on the map below and determine which sector they live/work in. The table lists the officers assigned to the sectors. Citizens are encouraged to communicate directly with their assigned officers, and to invite the community policing sector officers to community meetings and other events. Much of our community policing efforts are prevention based and thus a significant effort is made to work with the youth of our community. The Department conducts its Junior Police Camp (JPC) over the summer months. Offering the program twice in 2007, allowed the Department to provide this unique opportunity to a larger number of Leesburg children. The JPC is a structured program which affords middle school age children the opportunity to better understand the true workings of their community police department. The Department also works closely with other agencies such as the ROCK program from the Parks and Recreation Department to insure that children at all ages are involved in productive preventive activities.



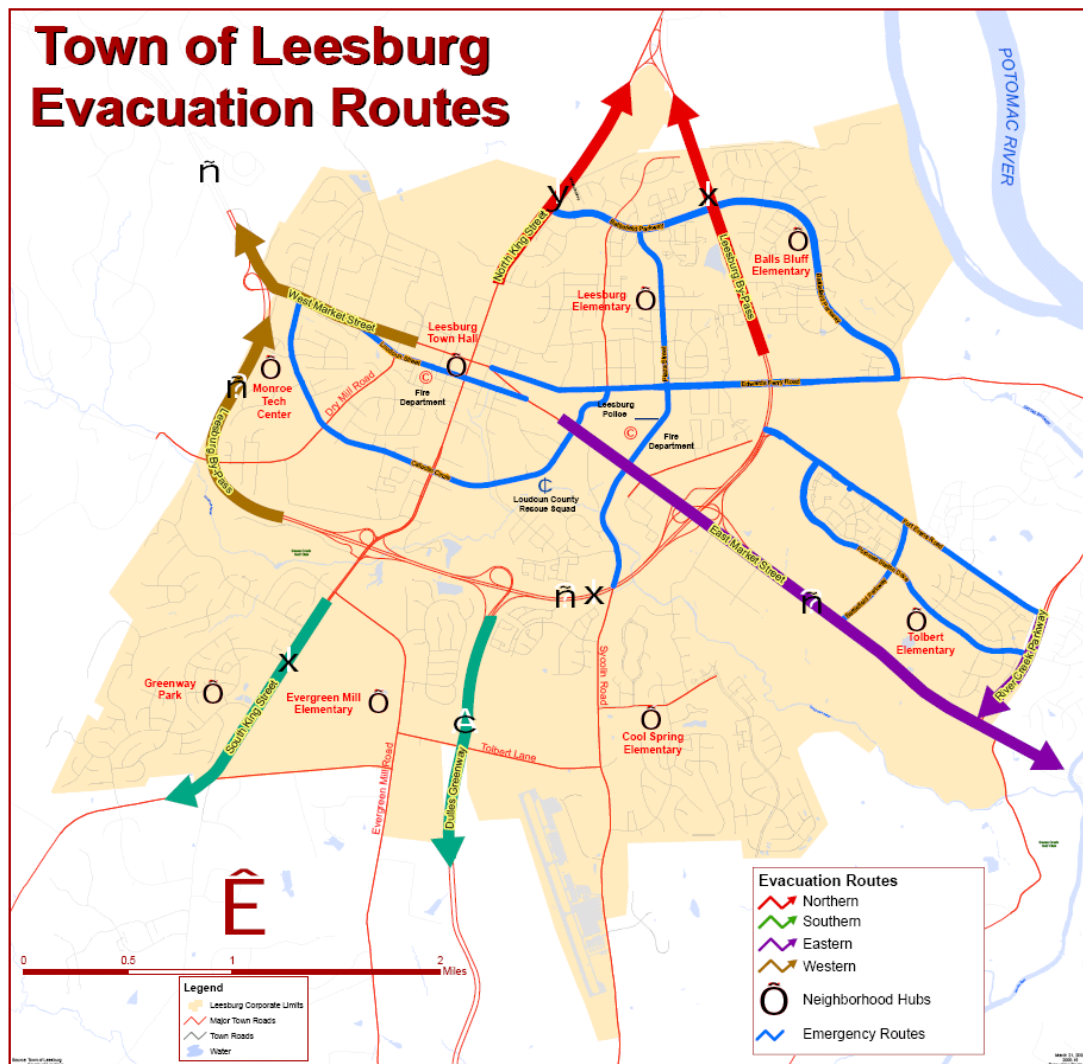
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CTAP Sector	Day Officer(s)	Evening Officer(s)	Night Officer(s)
1	M. Kadric & N. Martin		
2	M. Bennett & C. Cline		
3	G. Ascunce		M. Hackney
4	S. Johnston		J. Marsten
5	M. Plank		D. Moreau
6	H. Maupin		M. Kibble
7	C. Loran	J. Wilt	C. Ford
8	W. Houde		C. Parker
9	M. Ash	S. Winkler	C. Fitch
10		G. Parsons & R. Bolden	
11			M. Santo & K. Zodrow
12	K. Augustine		J. Zappia
13	C. Sciolino	D. Depoy	K. Greene
14	W. Abilmona		T. Lotz
15		D. Payne	R. Munger
16	M. McDonald	D. Stanley & B. Hall	Officers can be reached by calling 703-771-4500.

Emergency Preparedness

The Police Department continued to develop and refine emergency plans and preparedness. Training was also conducted for Town staff to insure compliance with the federal National Incident Management System (NIMS) requirements. The Department continues to build and maintain a strong partnership with other response agencies such as the Leesburg Volunteer Fire Department and Loudoun County Rescue Squad as well as the Loudoun County Department of Fire and Rescue, Office of Emergency Management, and the Health Department through integrated planning and exercises. Significant focus this year was on the development of comprehensive topic specific plans. Among those are plans to deal with evacuations both within Leesburg and from areas to the east. Additionally, a comprehensive response plan to deal with the challenges presented by a pandemic flu event continues to be refined. Finally, the Department also focused on refinement of its own and Town wide Continuity of Operations Plans (COOP) that are designed to deal with the response to and recovery from critical events.



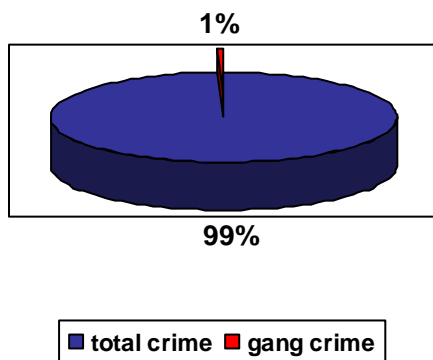
Gang Activity

Gangs are an issue of concern throughout the Northern Virginia region. The Leesburg Police Department is one of the founding members of the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force. The task force is made up of 15 local jurisdictions and includes state and federal partners. Our strategy for dealing with gangs works on a number of levels. We work diligently to investigate gangs and gang related/motivated criminal activity. Additionally, in conjunction with Loudoun County Public Schools, we offer the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) program for all 6th graders. Our Department is committed to continue to work diligently to prevent and suppress gang activity in Leesburg. As can be seen by the table and chart, gang crime accounts for a very small percentage of the overall criminal activity in Leesburg.

2007 Gang Statistics

Category of Crime	Total	Gang
Criminal Homicide	0	0
Forcible Rape	13	0
Robbery	22	1
Aggravated Assault/Malicious Wounding	33	1
Burglary(Break/Enter)	62	0
Larceny/Theft	680	3
Motor Vehicle Theft	46	0
Arson	5	0
Simple Assault	297	1
Weapons Offense (Carry/Possess)	52	0
Drug Offense (Possess/Sale/Use/Manufacture)	338	1
Disorderly/DIP	233	2
Graffiti/Vandalism/Destruction of Property	473	5

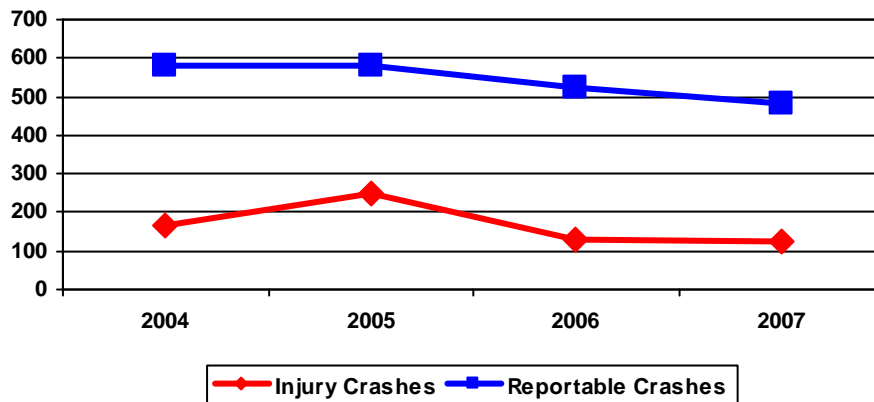
2007 Leesburg Gang Stats



Traffic Activity 2005 through 2007

- The Town of Leesburg saw an 8.6% decrease in reportable crashes, 480 in 2007 compared to 525 in 2006. There were no fatal crashes in 2007. The number of injury crashes decreased from 130 in 2006 to 124 in 2007; however alcohol related crashes increased from 30 to 39. Crashes involving pedestrians remained the same with 9 occurring in 2007. A noticeable increase in Hit and Run crashes also occurred with 219 in 2007 and 133 in 2006.
- There were 501 non-reportable crashes* during 2007, an increase of 10 over 2006.
**A non-reportable crash as defined by Virginia DMV and is a crash with less then \$1,000 of combined property damage and no personal injuries. Crashes that occur on private property are also classified as non-reportable.*
- Driver Inattention, Fail to Yield Right of Way and Following Too Closely were the most frequent cause of vehicle crashes.

Type of Crash	2005	2006	2007
Fatal Crashes	0	1	0
Injury Crashes	250	130	124
Total Reportable Crashes	580	525	480
Non-Reportable	600	491	501
Total All Crashes	1396	1016	981
Alcohol Related Crashes	36	30	39
Hit And Run	275	133	219
Pedestrian Crashes	5	9	9



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Traffic Management

Activity	2005	2006	2007
Special Enforcement activity (in hours)	708	785	452
Funeral Details	101	118	43
Citations during Special Enforcement	790	1570	848



Intersections with the highest number of crashes:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Location</u>
Calendar Year 2007:	28	Sycolin and Bypass
	23	Edwards Ferry / Bypass
	20	E. Market / Cardinal Park Drive
	18	E. Market / Battlefield Pkwy.
	18	E. Market / Plaza St.

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	<u>Number</u>	<u>Location</u>
Calendar Year 2006:	29	Sycolin Rd. @ Bypass
	23	Ed. Ferry @ Bypass
	23	E. Market St. @ Cardinal Park.
	20	E. Market @ Plaza St.
	17	E. Market @ Battlefield Pkwy.
Calendar Year 2005:	41	Ft. Evans Rd @ Bypass
	35	Sycolin Rd @ Bypass
	28	Cardinal Park @ E. Market St
	24	Battlefield Pkwy @ E. Market St.
	18	Plaza St @ E. Market St.

Community/ Volunteer Involvement

During 2007, the Department and community continued to benefit from the dedication and support provided by the Leesburg Police Citizen Support Team. These dedicated citizen volunteers provide tremendous support in areas such as special events, traffic control, searching for missing persons and community safety events. In 2007, the Support Team provided 8,500 staff hours saving the Town over \$50,000.

Community Patrol

Number of staff hours needed for specified proactive patrol activities	8,500
Number of patrol FTEs replaced by support team	1.5
Emergency/ Disaster Call Outs	12

