

Topeka Police Department

2019 Year In Review



**TOPEKA POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

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Homicides	2018	2019
Victims/Incidents	17/16	16 /15 12 solved
Drug/Gang Related	13 of 16	8 of 15
Known subjects	13 of 16	12 of 15
With Firearms	13 of 16	12 of 15

Shootings	2018	2019
Victim numbers	64	85
Incident numbers	53	78
Firearms Seized	462	502
Felon w/Firearms cases	78	116

Overall Crime Statistics	2018	2019
Violent Crime	772	913 (+141)
Property Crime	6623	5961 (-662)
Overall Crime	7395	6874 (-521)
Overall %		-7.05%
PSU/ Administrative Investigations	9	7
Citizen Complaints	35	35
Calls for Service	105,294	99,821
Arrests	5,256	5,313

Agency Initiatives

- Revamped Command level promotional process to increase community participation.
- Developed violent crime reduction strategy in collaboration with Bureau of Justice Statistics & PERF; to be used as model for national level police practices
- Agency strategic plan completed which included quarterly and annual goals, for a multiple year forecasting guide
- Updated totality of sworn employee position descriptions
- Completed multi-year downtown area strategic plan to support economic revitalization efforts

Training Initiatives

- Completed independent validation process for the SGT & DET promotional processes
- Began CALEA accreditation process for the training academy
- Established law enforcement career track at TCALC
- Augmentation of agency handgun weapons system to mounted flashlights option
- Upgraded supervisor training in collaboration with Washburn University

Technology

- Technology Unit consolidation completed to oversee all agency equipment
- Upgraded tracking software for PSU investigations and other personnel statistics
- Upgraded tracking software and completed transition of use of force, motor vehicle accident and pursuit reporting to electronic format
- Completed transition of field reporting for agency criminal/incident documentation

Community Outreach

- Crime Summits held in the city
- TPD personnel on multiple charity organizations board of directors
- Community Outreach via partnership with LULAC & Center for Peace and Justice
- LEC Community Mural completed
- GUNSTOPPERS Program

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