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Introduction



For more than half a century, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office has worked closely with elected officials and community leaders in Rochester Hills to improve the quality of life and safety for residents and businesses. To ensure the continued delivery of the best law enforcement services available, we recommend current staffing be expanded to create a Directed Patrol Unit.



The Facts



- Of the nine largest cities in Oakland County, Rochester Hills (fourth largest) is the **ONLY** city without a specialized law enforcement unit dedicated to address specific criminal activity trends quickly.
- Rochester Hills substation has 60 sworn personnel - .08 Deputies for every 1,000 residents – barely half the 1.5 officer level suggested by the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting
- Troy has about 10,000 more residents than Rochester Hills’ 74,764 residents, yet its police department has 107 full-time officers – **47 more officers than Rochester Hills.**
- Troy spends \$28.3 million annually to fund police services – nearly **TRIPLE** what Rochester Hills spends annually.
- Troy’s police-to-residents ratio is 1.27 officers per 1,000 residents. Rochester Hills staffs at .08 Deputies per 1,000.



Historical Data



Year	Number of Deputies	Population	Per Deputy ratio
2009	60	69,209	.087
2010	60	70,995	.085
2011	57	71,694	.080
2012	57	72,455	.079
2013	57	73,116	.078
2014	57	73,363	.078
2015	58	73,627	.079
2016	58	73,849	.079
2017	58	74,517	.078
2018	60	74,544	.081
2019	60	74,516	.081
2020	60	74,764	.080
2021	60	74,764	.080

2009 – 2019 – population data from the U.S Census Bureau.
Per officer ratio is based on 1 officer for every 1000 residents.
2020 and 2021 estimated population for Rochester Hills budget plan book 2021 – 2023 adopted – page 83



FBI Uniform Crime Reporting 2019



Full-time Law Enforcement Officers, by Region and Geographic Division by Population Group, Number, and Rate per 1,000 Inhabitants, 2019

- In 2019, the average number of full-time law enforcement officers in the nation's cities was 2.3 per 1,000 residents.
- The overall rate of full-time law enforcement officers per 1,000 inhabitants was 2.2 in cities in the Midwest
- **For cities in the Midwest with a population of 50,000 to 99,999, the rate of full-time law enforcement officers per 1,000 inhabitants was 1.5 officers.**



Serial Breaking and Entering April 2021



- Deputies responded to a business alarm at 94 W. Auburn where they discovered a recent break and enter with chain saws stolen.
- Deputies located a stolen vehicle used in the B&E and were able to develop a suspect.
- A search warrant was obtained and stolen property was recovered from the suspect's house.
- The suspect was ultimately arrested and is responsible for multiple business B&E's in surrounding area.





Carrying Concealed Weapon April 2021



- Deputies responded to Maplevue Court for two suspicious vehicles with persons possibly using drugs.
- Deputies located five individuals smoking marijuana and when the vehicle was searched, they located a loaded Walther P22.
- One individual admitted to possessing the firearm and he was charged with Carrying Concealed Weapon, with the driver having previous felony arrests.
- The recovered firearm had the serial numbers scratched out which makes tracking the firearm more difficult.

Attachment File : FIREARM WITH MISSING SERIAL NUMBER





Concealed Weapon in Vehicle June 2021



- Deputies were on patrol and found a suspicious vehicle with no license plate at a local hotel with known drug activity on Star Batt.
- Deputies identified the persons in the vehicle and one of them came back with a probation violation warrant.
- Deputies arrested the person and found a Springfield 40-caliber under the passenger seat which was reported lost/stolen out of Shelby Township.
- The person arrested has an extensive juvenile and adult record including carrying a concealed weapon.





Attempt Murder July 2021



- On July 16, deputies responded to a call of “shots fired” on Helmsdale.
- Deputies arrived and found two men fighting, each of them holding a handgun.
- The victim had parked in his driveway and fell asleep after work. He awoke to find two suspects wearing hoodies and ski masks.
- One of the suspects was pointing two handguns at the victim at which time he grabbed onto the guns and started fighting with the suspect.
- Three rounds were fired while the victim was literally fighting for his life, later saying he didn’t want to die there.
- Luckily, the victim suffered only minor injuries.
- One suspect was arrested and the other ran away.
- Deputies determined that one of the firearms was reported stolen out of Detroit.



Rochester Hills Current Staffing



1 - Captain

2 - Lieutenants

1 - Detective Sergeant

6 - Patrol Sergeants

8 – Patrol Investigators / Detectives

3 – School Resource Deputies

39 - Deputy II (no-fill)

60 - Total

2 – Administrative Assistants



Directed Patrol Unit (DPU)



- Increased property protection for businesses and residents
- Quickly identify and address emerging threats
- Targeted response to any criminal activity
- Sexual offender registration enforcement
- Surveillance of suspected criminals
- Tobacco and vape enforcement
- Enhanced quality of life



Rochester Hills Proposed Staffing



- 1 - Captain
- 2 - Lieutenants
- 2 - Detective Sergeant
- 6 - Patrol Sergeants
- 12 – Patrol Investigators / Detectives
- 3 – School Resource Deputies
- 39 - Deputy II (no-fill)
- 64 - Total
- 2 – Administrative Assistants



The Ask and Benefits



- Fund one Detective Sergeant and three Deputy positions to create Directed Patrol Unit.
- Provides dedicated unit to respond quickly to trends, hot spots and emerging threats to businesses and residents.
- Maintain quality of life that makes Rochester Hills a premier place to live and work.
- Ensure Rochester Hills remains one of the safest communities in United States.



THANK YOU