



# 2016 THOMASVILLE POLICE

## ANNUAL REPORT

TRUST, TRANSPARENCY, AND LEGITIMACY



A MODEL POLICE AGENCY FOR OTHERS TO FOLLOW



THOMASVILLE  
IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

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The **Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies**

OUR MISSION

We create and deliver exceptional service to our community through a culture of safety, courtesy, professionalism and efficiency.

OUR VISION

An innovative organization exceeding community expectations

The background of the page features a large, light blue watermark of the Thomasville Police Department badge. The badge is shield-shaped with a central emblem of three roses. Text on the badge includes "THOMASVILLE POLICE" at the top, "CITY OF ROSES" at the bottom, and "GA" in a small box at the very bottom. The badge is surrounded by decorative flourishes.

## OUR VALUES

### TEAMWORK

We are a diverse group of individuals working together to serve the community.

### RESPECT

We will be humble and will treat each other the way we want to be treated.

### INTEGRITY

We are honest, fair and accountable for our actions.

### INNOVATION

We reward creativity and imagination that improves service.

### SERVICE

We are proud of our community and strive to serve with excellence.

# CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARDS

As an organization, the City of Thomasville is committed to delivering outstanding customer service through key customer service standards related to gracious problem solving, attentiveness, verbal skills and attitude. Our staff pledges to:

- Serve customers with care, courtesy and professionalism.
- Make customers feel important and appreciated.
- Be good listeners when speaking with our customers.
- Show empathy to our customers' concerns.
- Work cooperatively with fellow team members to assure quality service delivery.
- Be considerate, honest, fair and accountable for our actions.

# MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE



## Chief Troy Rich

2016 was a very challenging year for law enforcement agencies across the country. Police Departments across the nation were experiencing negative responses from their communities due to police shootings that seemed to make the news almost weekly, and many involved unarmed individuals. These adverse responses were a direct result of the August 2014 Ferguson, Missouri incident involving an unarmed suspect who was shot and killed by an officer of the Ferguson Police Department. By 2015, the continuous media coverage of other officer-involved shootings of unarmed persons (whether the officer was justified or not) together with society's outcry for police accountability put a need for transparency and reform directly in the forefront of every police department in the United States. This escalation continued into 2016, when police officers became targets of ambushes and killings. On July 7, 2016, five Dallas, Texas Police Officers were killed in the line of duty and nine were wounded. On July 17, 2016 (10 days later), six Baton Rouge, Louisiana Police Officers were ambushed and shot, killing three and seriously wounding the others. This was a very somber and confusing time for law enforcement officers and agencies. The Thomasville Police Department was not unaffected.

After the Ferguson incident, our police agency did not receive the same outcry from our community for police accountability, transparency and reform as other police agencies experienced. However, we kept our finger on the pulse. As the situation in Ferguson calmed, it appeared our nation was healing until the upswing of other police shootings continued to

escalate. Our agency noticed frustration growing locally from events that were occurring across the country, and we knew these issues were affecting our community.

In October of 2015, I felt it was extremely important to reach out to our community and share our message that national police shootings of unarmed men were not occurring within the Thomasville Police Department or our community. I wanted to reassure our community that the national issues were not Thomasville issues because of a proactive stance our agency has taken regarding accountability, transparency and training. With this in mind, the Thomasville Police Department began a community outreach program for our local pastors called 'Pastor Summit on Police Use of Force Education and Awareness.' The summit was designed to offer a four-day series of education and instruction on police use of force. We shared with local pastors what we are allowed to do by law, we showed them how we do it through actual demonstrations, and then we allowed them to experience it. At the end of the summit, we held an open dialog concerning this and other local community issues. Our goal for this initiative was for the participating pastors to share what they learned with their community. According to our Pastors, they were extremely pleased with our efforts and their educational journey. We all left the summit in great spirits knowing that Thomasville is a great community, with each of us valuing all community citizens and partners.

After the 2016 shooting in Dallas and Baton Rouge, police agencies were distressed by these types of ambushes and police killings. The fallen and injured officers were all protectors of their communities. They placed their lives on the line every day to ensure their communities were safe. Law enforcement officers nationwide became very concerned for their own safety and wondered where and when the next ambush would occur. Thomasville, however, was different. Where other officers were concerned of violence from their community, ours reached out to us to assure our officers that not only were they appreciated, but they were also respected and valued. We received numerous condolences from citizens even though these police shootings occurred hundreds of miles away. Our local pastors, the same ones who earlier attended our Use of Force summit, visited my office and asked what our community could do to help officers calm emotions and stop this type of unnecessary violence. The pastors suggested we hold a prayer vigil and community forum to discuss local issues as they pertained to national issues. We worked together to make these events happen and afterward, I had a sense of how the national events were impacting our community. I have always stated that the national issues are not Thomasville issues, but I was wrong. What I learned was that the national issues are Thomasville perceptions. The forum was a learning lesson for me. I didn't fully realize how a police shooting in New York could impact how our law enforcement officers were perceived locally. After the vigil, I understood and from that moment on, I was on a mission to ensure that accountability and transparency existed in Thomasville. Building trust and ensuring police legitimacy was more important than ever and would remain at the forefront of our organization for our community.

The next day when I returned to my office, I thought it was important to share with my officers my experience at the prayer vigil and community forum. I decided to send an email to my department to reassure them that we have the support of our great community and that we needed to continue our efforts to maintain their trust. I am sharing my email for all to read:

Staff,

*I just wanted to take a moment and update you on the prayer vigil and community forum from last night. As most of you know this event was sponsored by Reverend Jeremy Rich of the First Missionary Baptist Church and it was open to the community. We received nothing but positive supportive responses from the community. Towards the end of the program we (Thomasville Police) were recognized as “community heroes” and the officers who were in attendance received a standing ovation.*

*As I have always stated, the national issues are not Thomasville issues, but I must be honest, the national issues are Thomasville issues. During the open forum discussion the panel (which consisted of myself, Sheriff Powell, NACCP President Lucinda Brown, and 100 black men and Sanford Bishop rep Michael Bryant) received honest, sincere and “matter of fact” questions on the climate of this country as it pertains to police procedures and community relations. Some of the questions directed to the panel (specifically LE) included cultural diversity training, community policing strategies, racial profiling, diversity in the police departments and de-escalation techniques. Now I am sure you can imagine answering these questions were not difficult since we are ahead of the curve in all of these areas and we serve as a “model police department” for everyone to follow. Although since it is my perception answering the questions were not difficult, I will allow the members in audience (to include members of TPD) to critique my responses.*

*But we cannot just stop here, nor could we have stopped at the Pastor Summit on Police Use of Force, CORE projects or other community outreach programs. We must be mindful of the perceptions and realities as it pertains to Law Enforcement in our community and specifically in our African American community. Whether we agree or disagree, we must be aware of the issues and we must understand how we can make our relationships stronger; trust is the key. The nation is hurting, law enforcement is on edge, but last night the community reached out to us and we started another healing process.*

*As we have always done and will continue to do, we must be courtesy with our approach, display a professional attitude, deploy our de-escalation techniques, apply the “slow down” approach and build trust and legitimacy for our profession and in our community. Remember we will never compromise on officer safety! NEVER!*

*I want to thank those officers who attended last night; we showed unity for our community!*

*We have a great community! We have a great organization and Thomasville is truly a place apart!*

*I am proud to stand alongside you!*

As I stated above, 2016 was a very challenging year for our nation when you consider the number of officer involved shootings of unarmed individuals, specifically unarmed African American males. Since the Ferguson incident, police reform has been on the forefront of police organizations across the nation. The Thomasville Police Department has been a model police agency since the late 1980’s when we became CALEA certified and began implementing best

practices on critical policy issues. Since then, our agency has grown and improved, and we have successfully maintained our certification for more than 30 years. Now, we must be cognitive of the police and community relations issues and continue to develop community outreach programs that will allow us to continue building trust within our community. I have every confidence that together, our community and our police agency will continue strengthening our partnership in order to build trust. It is this trust that will allow the Thomasville Police Department to serve our community with integrity, transparency and honor.



## 2016 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



In 2016, the Thomasville Police Department conducted its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Leadership Summit on “Police Use of Force Education and Awareness. The purpose of the this program was to educate community leaders on the law and policy regarding use of force and then allowed them to participate through demonstration and practical exercise in using the judgement shooting simulator. The above pictures are the 2016 graduates of the summit.

## POLICE OPERATIONS DIVISION



### **Major Shane Harris**

The Thomasville Police Department patrol division consists of 36 officers among 4 patrol teams. Officers work a 12 hour shift, rotating work schedules every four months, to patrol 14.5 square miles. The primary focus on this division is to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for citizens. In order to effectively identify and reduce crime, officers not only rely on technology but they also depend heavily upon citizen-officer communication, problem solving abilities, community engagement and community partnerships. This positive interaction with our community provides trust while building effective relationships which strengthens crime reduction efforts.

The Thomasville Police Department embraces the concept of community policing. The advantages of this concept outweigh those of other, more traditional methods and capitalize significantly on the strong relationships that are built through everyday interactions within the community. Officers must use the principles of both servanthood and protector while building the community's trust through positive interaction and relationships. This policing concept encourages safer policing for the officer while also creating a safer city for the citizens.

Community collaboration is at the heart of this approach—engaging the community to build trust, support, and cooperation; asking the community for input and involvement; and involving community members as active partners in implementing strategies and solutions. Being a guardian of the community requires more than just a philosophy or words; - training, policy and active supervision must be the guiding principles to achieve this end. To be successful and effective, Thomasville police officers are trained in new tactics such as crisis intervention, de-escalation techniques and verbal judo. These types of training initiatives reduce the need for officers to use force in enforcement actions, thus enhancing officer and community safety.

It is important to each member of the Thomasville Police Department to promote a safe and secure city. Sworn and civilian employees participate in community functions throughout the year with the goal of fostering relationships and determine what is important to our community. In order for the police to do our job effectively, community trust and support is needed.

## Police Officers in Action



## POLICE SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION



### **Major Wade Glover**

The Support Services Division is responsible for non-operational activities to include training of all employees at the Thomasville Police Department. We also provide support to the Community Relations Division with the services of Community Oriented Policing. The Support Services Division is responsible for ensuring that our officers have the necessary training, equipment, and resources to provide the highest quality of law enforcement services to our officers and citizens. The division is comprised of one Major, one Sergeant assigned as evidence custodian, and five civilians staff members who manage the records and court functions in the areas of, record filing, City Municipal Court, and management of the evidence room. We provide excellent customer service to both our internal and external customers.

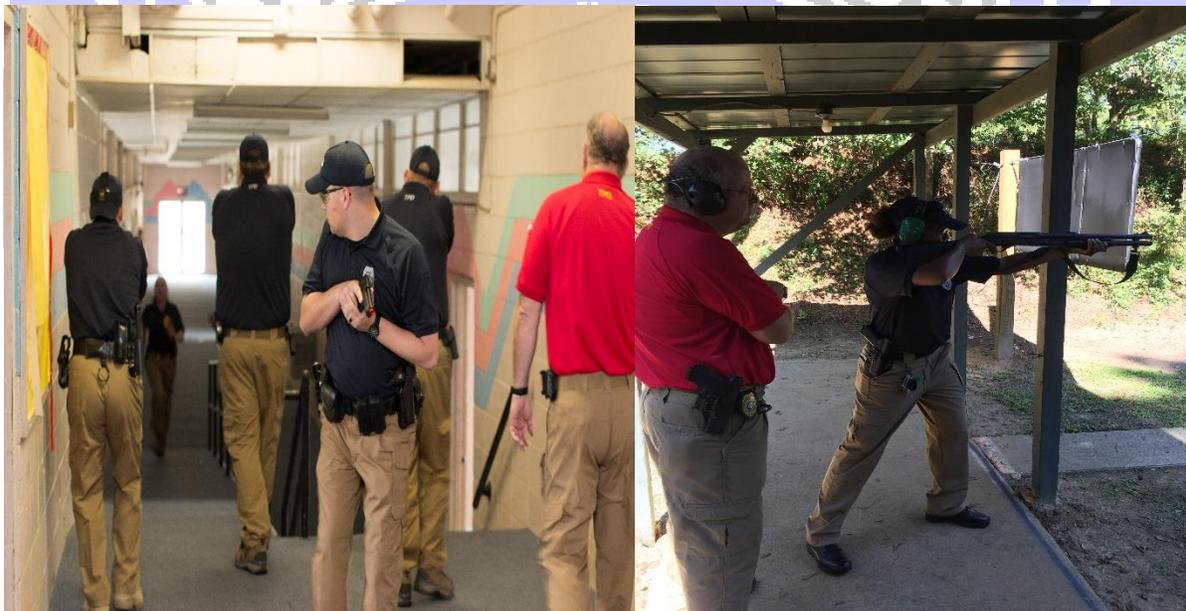
In 2016 we introduced a new concept of policing to all officers called *21st century policing* that changed the way we police within our community. This concept changed the way officers interact with citizens and allowed them even more opportunity to engage and create strong and long lasting relationships with the citizens in which we serve. The concept also enhanced the over concept of our community policing philosophy of Communication, Partnership, and Trust.

In an effort to keep our officers highly trained, some officers are trained as specialized instructors on specific critical task areas, such as Use of Force, De-Escalation Techniques, Crisis Intervention training, and firearms. In turn those certified instructors will teach the rest of the officers within the department. It is imperative we keep up with today's trends in law enforcement especially in the area of Use of Force.

During 2016, Support Services continued the "Active Shooter" training with all Thomasville city employees and taught several classes within our community members as it pertains to their response to an active shooter event. The division also participated in numerous community outreach programs such as Shop with a Cop, Community Outreach Revitalization and Education (C.O.R.E.), and Mobile Watches. We conducted another Leadership Use of

Force Summit. The program consisted of a four week program designed to provide pastors and leaders within our community a one on one opportunity to learn how officers should respond in use of force situations. During the summit, the group was allowed to participate in the department's simulator training and also observed officers participate in several use of force based scenarios to learn how officers respond in those situations. The leadership summit was well received by all who attended.

The Support Division will continue to train all staff members on Procedural Justice for Law enforcement, so we can allow our citizens to have a voice in matters. We will always be transparent, impartial, and fair when dealing with issues that may arise.



## COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION



### **Major Eric Hampton**

The Thomasville Police Department School Resource Officer (SRO) Team and the Community Relations/Crime Prevention Division had a very busy and successful year in 2016. Officer Chris Baggett served as the SRO for Thomasville High School, as well as the Thomasville City Alternative School. He also shared responsibility for Scott Elementary School with Officer Dominic Ford, who also served as SRO for MacIntyre Park Middle School and the Scholar's Academy. DARE was taught at Jerger, Scott, and Harper Elementary Schools. The SROs also offered various other programs such as: Bullying, Stranger Danger, Peer Pressure, Conflict Resolution, Anger Management, etc. to the Thomasville City School System. The SRO/Community Services Team attended various community agency fairs, kid's safety days and career fairs/recruitment drives in the Thomasville community, as well as surrounding communities.

An Annual Thomasville Police Department Youth Programs Softball Tournament took place in June 2016. Approximately \$3000 was raised during the event, which will be used to pay for items needed to continue providing programs and events for the youth of Thomasville/Thomas County.

The 2016 summer months were very busy for the SRO/Community Services Team with numerous programs being provided for the youth of Thomasville/Thomas County. The Safe-t-Ville Program, which has been offered since 1983, teaches children a variety of safety rules including: Bike Safety, First Aid, Stranger Danger, Fire Safety and how to call 911. Approximately 150 children participated in the 2016 summer program. The eighth annual Junior Law Enforcement Academy was a huge success in 2016. The Program gave participating teens a chance to experience some of the duties of a police officer. The Shop With A Cop Program was continued in 2016, benefiting 20 youth. The SRO/Community Relations Team continued to provide various crime prevention programs to the 16 active Neighborhood Watch Groups as well as Mobile Watch initiatives throughout the City of Thomasville.

The SRO/Community Relations Team will continue to work diligently with other teams in the Thomasville Police Department to promote the Department's philosophy of Community

Oriented Policing. This philosophy is intended to provide positive, well-developed, educational programs to the Thomasville City School System and the citizens of Thomasville/Thomas County, in order to help them feel safe and secure in the community. As a crime prevention unit, the team continued to educate the citizens of Thomasville/Thomas County on ways to keep their property free of crime. The division will continue to be proactive in the community and working with the citizens in an effort to improve the quality of life.

### **Community Relation Team**



2016  
CORE Events



# 2016 Shop with a Cop



## CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION



The Thomasville Criminal Investigation Division is comprised of one Captain, two sergeants, five detectives and one crime scene specialist. The main focus of the division is to investigate all felony cases that occur in Thomasville. The Criminal Investigation Division investigated 1116 felony/misdemeanor cases in 2016 with a 50% clearance rate. Each Detective was assigned an average case load for the year of 186 cases or 16 cases per month on average. The division also conducted several public and private identify theft seminars to various civic groups to educate citizens on ways to protect themselves from identity theft.

The Criminal Investigation Division also participated in The Goodwill Project which is accomplished through the sale of BBQ plates with the proceeds used to buy gifts for needy children at Christmas as well as helping needy families throughout the year. Through this event, the division collected almost \$10,000 and assisted over 100 needy children in 2016. Some of the meals were donated and the needy families received their meals free of charge. The funds raised were also used to give to needy families with children to ensure that they were able to celebrate Christmas. These funds are also used throughout the year to assist families or children in need or have run in to unfortunate situations.

The Criminal Investigations Division participated in several community events in 2016 to continue to build trust and legitimacy in our community and maintain our close relationships.

CID participated in all Community Oriented Revitalization and Education (CORE) projects to include Norman Park, Scott Senior Center, Arizona, Cherokee Homes, and the Panel Park Communities. These events build relationships with citizens of all ages through one on one interaction and fun activities, these events also build trust with the children. In addition, CID participated in the Mobile Watch Initiatives as well as events such as Shop with a Cop to purchase Christmas gifts for needy children in our community.



## OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS



**Lt. Kathy Royal**

The Mission Statement for the City of Thomasville is: We will create and deliver excellent service to our community and to our team members through a culture of safety, courtesy, professionalism and efficiency. To insure that all employees maintain this culture, the Thomasville Police Department treats all complaints against our employees seriously. All complaints regardless of severity are investigated at either a supervisor level or through internal affairs. All formal complaints are thoroughly investigated. To file a complaint, a person can contact a supervisor of the Thomasville Police Department and fill out a complaint form. The complaint form contains the name of the complainant, the name of the employee against whom the complaint is made and a brief written summary of the complaint. Anyone wishing to make a complaint against an officer or employee of the police department is encouraged to make the complaint in person; however the department will take complaints over the phone, through the internet or by other means. Each formal complaint is entered into the agencies complaint tracking program for follow up, and cases submitted and assigned to internal affairs will also be assigned a tracking number.

Internal affairs investigations may also be initiated at the request of the Chief of Police. Such investigations typically involve violations of department policy or situations involving one or more supervisors. Request for consideration of a disciplinary action may also be assigned for investigation through the internal affairs function. There was 1 internal affairs investigation involving one officer in 2016. The case involved an allegation that money was taken from a suspect by the officer, and was never returned to the owner or documented on any agency document. Video of the incident clearly showed the amount of money that was alleged to have

been taken never existed, and the small amount obtained from suspect was placed on the books for his use through the jail during his incarceration.

In addition to the complaint that went to internal affairs, there were twenty eight citizen complaints that were minor in nature and handled at a supervisory level. While some complaint titles do not sound minor such as “theft”, if an initial review showed clearly no substance to the complaint it would be assigned for investigation by supervisor level rather than internal affairs. Of the twenty eight, twenty two involved one officer, five involved two officers, and one involved four officers. Of those complaints, twenty three were unfounded, three were sustained (one of the four was from secondary findings rather than from the actual complaint), and two exonerated.

<b>Type of Complaint</b>	<b>Findings</b>
(4) Rude	(4) Unfounded
(2) Failed to Act	(1) Sustained (1) Unfounded
(2) Illegal Towing	(1) Exonerated (1) Unfounded
(2) False Arrest	(2) Unfounded
(2) Improper Use of Authority	(2) Unfounded
(4) Unprofessional	(1) Sustained (3) Unfounded
(2) Theft	(2) Unfounded
(1) False Charges	(1) Unfounded
(1) Illegal Traffic Stop	(1) Sustained
(1) Illegal Search	(1) Unfounded
(1) Driving Habits	(1) Unfounded
(1) Excessive Force	(1) Unfounded
(1) Assault	(1) Unfounded
(1) Harassment	(1) Unfounded
(1) Unlawful Entry	(1) Unfounded
(1) Injury During Arrest	(1) Unfounded
(1) Unfair Treatment	(1) Exonerated

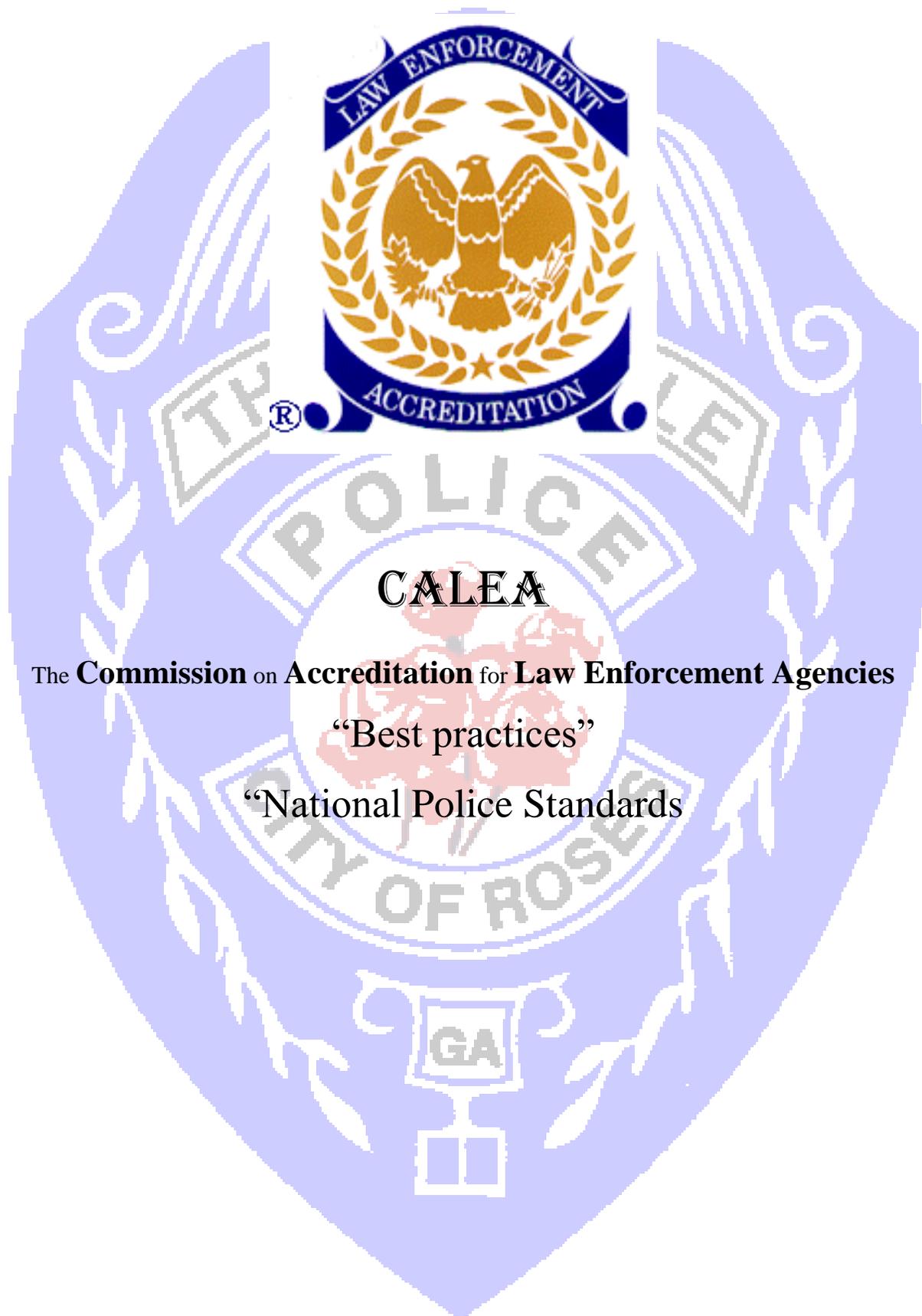
The number of complaints when compared to previous years appears to have increased in volume. This is largely in part due to a new tracking system put in place where all complaints regardless of how minor or how quickly resolved are tracked. In prior years supervisors often handled a minor complaint as it came in, and unless there was any merit to the complaint it was not always tracked. In an effort to be more transparent and provide better accuracy with all complaints the tracking system was put in place to be utilized any time a complaint is filed.

In addition to the investigation of complaints as they are made, the department also conducts analysis of all use of force incidents and internal affairs cases as part of our Employee Warning System. The purpose of this analysis is to identify specific areas of operations or specific employees which exhibit potential patterns of concern. Once identified, areas of concern can be addressed through training or disciplinary intervention. No employees were flagged by the Early Warning System as potentially problematic in 2016.

Citizens may also make a formal commendation for the positive actions of police officers and civilian employees. Commendations can be made by sending a letter summarizing the actions of the police officer or civilian employee to the Chief of Police.

## **USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS**

<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Type of Force Used</b>
7	Taser Used
13	Handgun Drawn But Not Fired
13	Physical Force Used Only
0	O/C (Pepper) Spray
25	Soft hands
0	Handgun fired
0	K9 Bite
0	ASP Baton



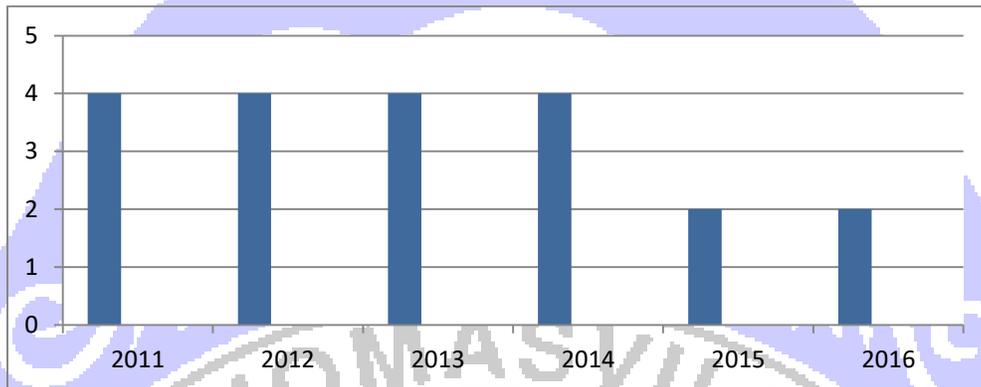
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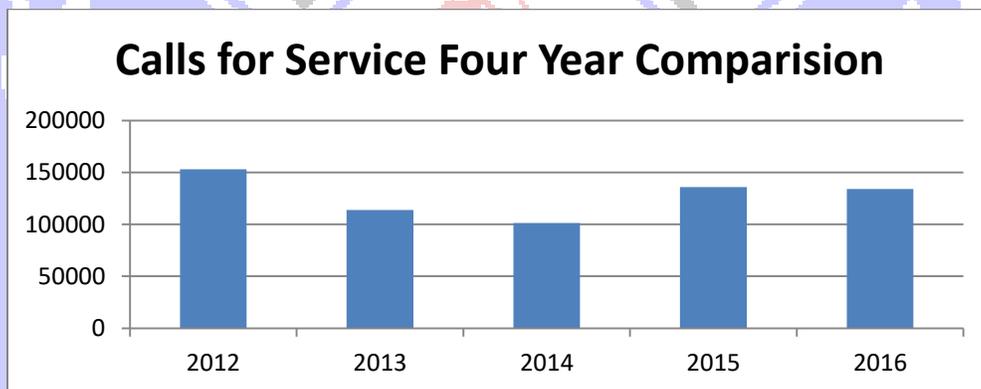
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## Police Pursuits



## CALLS FOR SERVICE

2011 - 2015 THOMASVILLE POLICE STATISTICS





# CRIME STATS

## 2015 - 2016 THOMASVILLE POLICE STATISTICS

\*Reported Offenses - Part I Crime Comparison

December and YTD - 2016 vs 2015

Part I Crimes	DEC 2016	DEC 2015	+/- #	Change %	YTD 2016	YTD 2015	+/- #	Change %
Homicide	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Rape	0	1	-1	-100.00	0	2	-2	-100.00
Aggravated Assault	2	1	1	100.00	17	15	2	13.33
<b>Violent Crime Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Robbery	4	2	2	100.00	17	12	5	41.67
Burglary -								
Residential-Forced	13	9	4	44.44	98	104	-6	-5.77
Residential-No Force	4	5	-1	-20.00	52	51	1	1.96
Commercial-Forced	7	3	4	133.33	48	52	-4	-7.69
Commercial-No Force	1	2	-1	-50.00	19	16	3	18.75
Larceny -								
Parts From Vehicles	0	2	-2	-100.00	26	25	1	4.00
Articles From Vehicles	28	7	21	300.00	186	168	18	10.71
Shoplifting	19	19	0	0.00	161	287	-126	-43.90
All Other	35	33	2	6.06	406	355	51	14.37
Stolen Vehicle -								
Excludes Other Veh.	3	1	2	200.00	16	21	-5	-23.81
Other Vehicles	0	0	0	0.00	6	1	5	500.00
Arson	0	0	0	0.00	1	1	0	0.00
<b>Property Crime Total</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>37.35</b>	<b>1036</b>	<b>1093</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>-5.22</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36.47</b>	<b>1053</b>	<b>1110</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>-5.14</b>

# TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

## 2011 - 2015 THOMASVILLE POLICE STATISTICS

### Five Year Summary of Citations Issued

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>Black</b>	2961	2825	2504	2857	2341
<b>White</b>	3172	2262	2081	2025	1781
<b>Hispanic</b>	144	90	77	97	90
<b>Other</b>	23	49	0	179	72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6300</b>	<b>5226</b>	<b>4662</b>	<b>5158</b>	<b>4284</b>
<b>Male</b>	3898	3193	2729	3063	2467
<b>Female</b>	2402	2033	1933	2095	1817
<b>Total</b>	<b>6300</b>	<b>5226</b>	<b>4662</b>	<b>5158</b>	<b>4284</b>

### Written Warning Issued

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
<b>Black</b>	1085	1569	1899	2548	1617
<b>White</b>	1247	1338	1834	1937	1300
<b>Hispanic</b>	40	30	41	57	68
<b>Other</b>	17	38	175	244	74
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2389</b>	<b>2975</b>	<b>3949</b>	<b>4786</b>	<b>3059</b>
<b>Male</b>	1407	1604	2086	2501	1560
<b>Female</b>	982	1371	1863	2285	1499
<b>Total</b>	<b>2389</b>	<b>2975</b>	<b>3949</b>	<b>4786</b>	<b>3059</b>

2016 CITATIONS	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOT
Seat Belt	98	64	72	124	127	107	96	42	74	54	44	57	959
Child Restraint	17	11	7	11	12	10	11	9	8	12	9	10	127
Speeding	160	168	111	87	122	114	124	101	143	134	134	150	1548
Reckless Driving	1	1	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	3	12
Uninsured Motorists	22	19	13	8	8	8	16	10	9	9	15	12	149
DUI	6	13	16	5	8	6	5	4	5	6	6	8	88
Susp./Rev. License	14	22	13	10	15	20	17	12	16	11	13	10	173
Move Over	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Traffic Citations	521	379	404	291	320	287	329	345	309	324	351	372	4232
All Arrests	101	100	109	91	115	116	98	84	90	113	99	86	1202
Drug Arrests	20	13	16	11	15	29	17	11	13	13	20	12	190
Other Felony Arrests	7	9	9	9	12	16	7	4	10	16	14	7	120
Stolen Veh. Recovered	3	3	4	1	2	1	1	5	4	3	1	3	31
# of Roadchecks	0	0	2	4	11	11	5	1	3	3	2	1	43
Accidents	92	81	136	92	119	128	122	123	101	117	106	118	1335
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>7598</b>

\*NOTE: THIS DATA INCLUDES CITATION AND WARNINGS COMBINED

# TRAFFIC CRASH INVESTIGATIONS

2016

## CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

	NOT INDICATED	2
1	NO CONTRIBUTING FACTORS	27
2	DUI	11
3	FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE	226
4	FAILED TO YIELD	141
5	EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT	3
6	DISREGARD STOP SIGN/SIGNAL	32
7	WRONG SIDE OF ROAD	19
8	WEATHER CONDITIONS	10
9	IMPROPER PASSING	9
10	DRIVER LOST CONTROL	24
11	CHANGED LANES IMPROPERLY	43
12	OBJECT OR ANIMAL	14
13	IMPROPER TURN	7
14	PARKED IMPROPERLY	2
15	MECH. OR VEHICLE FAILURE	7
16	SURFACE DEFECTS	4
17	MISJUDGED CLEARANCE	49
18	IMPROPER BACKING	55
19	NO SIGNAL/IMPROPER SIGNAL	0
20	DRIVER CONDITION	1
21	DRIVERLESS VEHICLE	0
22	TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS	3
23	IMPROPER PASSING OF SCHOOL BUS	0
24	DISREGARD POLICE OFFICER	1
25	DISTRACTED	20
26	OTHER	29
27	CELL PHONE	2
28	INATTENTIVE	4
<b>TOTAL (ON STREET)</b>		<b>745</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER OF FATALITIES - 0**

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# THE COMMUNITY WE SERVE

## City of Thomasville Census

People Quick Facts	Thomasville	Georgia
<i>i</i> Population, 2013 estimate	18,718	9,994,759
<i>i</i> Population, 2010 (April 1) estimates base	18,554	9,688,681
<i>i</i> Population, percent change - April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2013	0.9%	3.2%
<i>i</i> Population, 2010	18,413	9,687,653
<i>i</i> Persons under 5 years, percent, 2010	7.5%	7.1%
<i>i</i> Persons under 18 years, percent, 2010	25.9%	25.7%
<i>i</i> Persons 65 years and over, percent, 2010	15.5%	10.7%
<i>i</i> Female persons, percent, 2010	54.4%	51.2%
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<i>i</i> White alone, percent, 2010 (a)	43.0%	59.7%
<i>i</i> Black or African American alone, percent, 2010 (a)	53.8%	30.5%
<i>i</i> American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent, 2010 (a)	0.3%	0.3%
<i>i</i> Asian alone, percent, 2010 (a)	0.8%	3.2%
<i>i</i> Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent, 2010 (a)	0.0%	0.1%
<i>i</i> Two or More Races, percent, 2010	1.1%	2.1%
<i>i</i> Hispanic or Latino, percent, 2010 (b)	2.3%	8.8%
<i>i</i> White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent, 2010	41.9%	55.9%
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<i>i</i> Living in same house 1 year & over, percent, 2009-2013	82.1%	83.6%
<i>i</i> Foreign born persons, percent, 2009-2013	1.8%	9.7%
<i>i</i> Language other than English spoken at home, pct age 5+, 2009-2013	3.0%	13.3%
<i>i</i> High school graduate or higher, percent of persons age 25+, 2009-2013	83.5%	84.7%
<i>i</i> Bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25+, 2009-2013	23.2%	28.0%
<i>i</i> Veterans, 2009-2013	1,513	690,208
<i>i</i> Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16+, 2009-2013	17.0	27.0

<i>i</i>	Housing units, 2010	8,534	4,088,801
<i>i</i>	Homeownership rate, 2009-2013	48.1%	65.1%
<i>i</i>	Housing units in multi-unit structures, percent, 2009-2013	23.6%	20.5%
<i>i</i>	Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2009-2013	\$138,200	\$151,300
<i>i</i>	Households, 2009-2013	7,574	3,518,097
<i>i</i>	Persons per household, 2009-2013	2.39	2.71
<i>i</i>	Per capita money income in past 12 months (2013 dollars), 2009-2013	\$19,657	\$25,182
<i>i</i>	Median household income, 2009-2013	\$29,924	\$49,179
<i>i</i>	Persons below poverty level, percent, 2009-2013	32.1%	18.2%
<b>Business QuickFacts</b>		<b>Thomasville</b>	<b>Georgia</b>
<i>i</i>	Total number of firms, 2007	2,175	901,105
<i>i</i>	Black-owned firms, percent, 2007	21.9%	20.4%
<i>i</i>	American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, percent, 2007	2.2%	0.7%
<i>i</i>	Asian-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	5.1%
<i>i</i>	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	0.1%
<i>i</i>	Hispanic-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	3.6%
<i>i</i>	Women-owned firms, percent, 2007	29.3%	30.9%
<i>i</i>	Manufacturers shipments, 2007 (\$1000)	474,566	144,280,774
<i>i</i>	Merchant wholesaler sales, 2007 (\$1000)	499,591	141,962,359
<i>i</i>	Retail sales, 2007 (\$1000)	469,836	117,516,907
<i>i</i>	Retail sales per capita, 2007	\$24,739	\$12,326
<i>i</i>	Accommodation and food services sales, 2007 (\$1000)	38,419	16,976,235
<b>Geography QuickFacts</b>		<b>Thomasville</b>	<b>Georgia</b>
<i>i</i>	Land area in square miles, 2010	14.96	57,513.49
<i>i</i>	Persons per square mile, 2010	1,231.2	168.4
<i>i</i>	FIPS Code	76224	13
	Counties	<a href="#">Thomas County</a>	

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