

Allegan County Board of Commissioners



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Jim Storey, Chair
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING – AGENDA

Thursday, May 9, 2024 – 1 PM

County Services Building – Board Room
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DISTRICT 1

Jim Storey
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1 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

OPENING PRAYER: Commissioner Gale Dugan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

PUBLIC HEARING:

COMMUNICATIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 25, 2024

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

PRESENTATIONS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

INFORMATIONAL SESSION:

Frank Baker, Sheriff—Sheriff's Office & Correction Center

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

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DISTRICT 3

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CONSENT ITEMS:

DISTRICT 4

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1. Motion to approve of claims paid and to incorporate into proceedings of the Board (5/3/24 & 5/10/24)
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ACTION ITEMS:

1. None
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DISTRICT 5

Gale Dugan
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DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. None
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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENTS & ELECTIONS: None

ELECTIONS:

1. Road Commission Board:
 - a. One Member Representative—term expires 12/31/26 **Applications REC 4/19/24**
2. Economic Development Commission

Mission Statement

“The Allegan County Board of Commissioners shall plan, develop, and evaluate the necessary policies and resources to ensure our county continues to progress and prosper”

- a. Healthcare Representative—term expires 12/31/23

APPOINTMENTS:

1. Community Corrections Advisory Board
 - a. Business Community Representative—term expires 12/31/23
2. Local Emergency Planning Committee
 - a. Media Representative—term expired 12/31/22
 - b. Facilities Representative—term expires 12/31/25
 - c. Firefighter Representative—term expires 12/31/25
3. Tourist Council
 - a. Two Representatives—term expires 12/31/23 [Application REC 5/3/24](#)
4. Jury Board (Circuit Judge recommends/Board appoints)
 - a. One Representative—term expired 8/31/23
 - b. One Representative—term expires 3/31/25

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. OPENING PRAYER: Commissioner Mark DeYoung
2. INFORMATIONAL SESSION: None
3. CONSENT: Motion to approve of claims paid and to incorporate into proceedings of the Board (5/17/24 & 5/24/24)

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Webinar Registration

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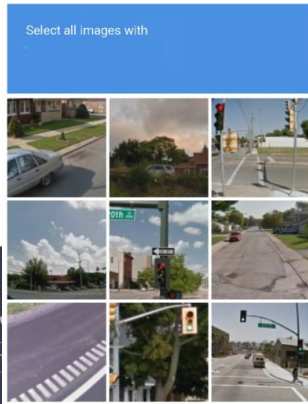
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Advanced

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Economic Development — Greg King, Director
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Motion to approve of claims paid and to incorporate into proceedings of the Board (3/20/20 & 3/27/20)

DISTRICT 4
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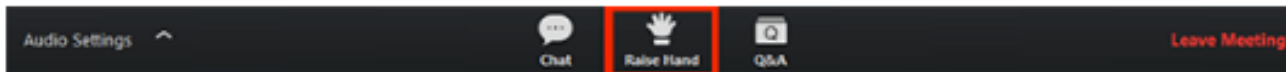
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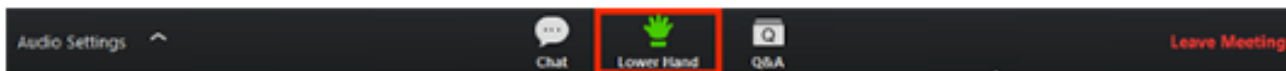
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AFTERNOON SESSION

APRIL 25, 2024 SESSION - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL

1/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Board Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on April 25, 2024 at 3:00 P.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of April 11, 2025, and rules of this board; Chair Storey presiding.

The Deputy Clerk led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Upon roll call the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

DIST #1 JIM STOREY
DIST #2 MARK DEYOUNG
DIST #3 DEAN KAPENGA
DIST #4 SCOTT BELTMAN
DIST #5 GALE DUGAN

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

2/ Chair Storey opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS PRESENTED

3/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Beltman to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:**ADMINISTRATION-CONFIRM HEALTH OFFICER APPOINTMENT**

4/ **WHEREAS**, the Allegan County Health Officer position became vacant on February 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrator advertised the position to be filled on a full-time basis and worked with an interview team of Vice Chair Kapenga, Commissioner Beltman and Vickie Herzberg, Executive Director of Human Resources to select the best qualified candidate.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Allegan County Board of Commissioners confirms the County Administrator's appointment of Jacqueline Billette to the position of Health Officer pending final review by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to take immediate action and approve the appointment made as made. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

911 SURCHARGE -JEREMY LUDWIG, CENTRAL DISPATCH DIRECTOR

5/ BE IT RESOLVED that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) hereby authorizes ballot language for the 911 Operating Surcharge to be placed on the August 6, 2024, primary election:

9-1-1 OPERATING SURCHARGE PROPOSAL

For the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and continuing until the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Enabling Act (Act 32 of 1986) is repealed or through December 31, 2035, whichever occurs first, shall Allegan County be authorized to continue to assess a monthly surcharge of up to and not to exceed \$3.00 on the monthly billings of communication service suppliers to service users within the geographic boundaries of Allegan County to be used exclusively for the funding of 9-1-1 emergency telephone call answering and dispatch services within Allegan County, including facilities, equipment and operations?

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Beltman to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

2023-27 BOARD PLANNING - CLOSEOUT

6/ WHEREAS, through its 2022-2023 planning sessions, the Board of Commissioners identified these projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board recognizes that these projects have been satisfactorily completed and may be closed:

- 2024 Annual Budget,
- 2022 Audit,
- Organizational Energy Plan,
- Former Rock Tenn,
- Marketing of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (New Z-card & Social Media Strategies),
- Public Health - Service levels, fees/funding analysis,
- Access to health services,
- Transportation,
- Mobile Wireless Coverage Drop Zones,
- Housing (BOC presentation to inform on all existing efforts and gaps) - New Goal Established,
- Sustainable Business Park,
- Accessibility of Recycling to West Side (part of Material Management Plan),
- Corridor Development - New Goal Established,
- Child Care - New Goal Established,
- Domestic Violence and School Resource Officers.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

2023-27 BOARD PLANNING – CARRY OVER TO 2024-2028 PLAN

7/ **WHEREAS**, through its 2022-2023 planning sessions, the Board of Commissioners identified these projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board recognizes that these projects may be multi-year in nature; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that these projects will carry over with priority of completion into the 2024-2028 Board Strategic Plan:

- Proactively maintain employee labor relations,
- Comprehensively analyze and evaluate the significance of turnover rates among new employees within the organization, distinguishing between those with 0 to 12 months of tenure and those with 1 year and above,
- Maintain a market-driven classification and compensation structure that aligns comparable county standards, ensuring competitiveness,
- Gauge and enhance overall employee engagement within the organization through a targeted survey, identifying key drivers and areas for improvement,
- Facilities Master Plan (all facilities),
- Courthouse and County Services Building Renovations,
- 2025-29 Annual Budgets,
- 2023-28 Annual Audits,
- Debt Elimination,
- Parks & Recreation Plan,
- Modernization of Parks,
- Broadband Wired Infrastructure Expansion Project implementation,
- DNR State Game Area,
- Water Quality and Availability Plan,
- Calkins Dam Project,
- PACE Program.

Moved by Commissioner Beltman, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the resolution as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to amend the resolution to reflect bullet point number 7 to read 2025-2029 Annual Budget. Motion amendment carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Storey to amend bullet point 15 to read Calkins Dam Project. Motion amendment carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

Final motion to approve the Carry Over projects with amendments carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

2024-28 BOARD PLANNING - NEW PROJECT ADDITIONS

8/ **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners identified new projects through its 2023-24 planning year.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board recognizes that these projects shall be included in the 2024-28 Board Strategic Plan:

- Eden Replacement Solution,
- Housing (Partnerships with community efforts, such as HōM Flats at River Street and the Housing Stock Workgroup, to encourage housing expansion),
- Material Management Plan,
- Increase the involvement of the Regional Planning Commission and, to the extent applicable, Lakeshore Advantage of the expansion of the 131 Corridor,
- Childcare (participate in the Regional Childcare Coalition and explore a partnership with Community Action of Allegan County for expanded opportunity),
- National Community Survey,
- Community Update.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - REAFFIRM 2024-28 STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENTS

9/ **WHEREAS**, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners has reviewed its 2024-28 Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Strategy Plan contains values, goals and goal statements, strategic priorities, objectives, tasks, measurements (trends), and projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board reaffirms the 2024-28 Board Strategic Plan, as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

10/ Administrator Sarro requested that his written report and the Quarterly Capital Report to be accepted as presented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NO COMMENTS

11/ Chair Storey opened the meeting to public participation and as there were no comments from the public, he closed the meeting to public participation.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FEBRUARY 23, 2024 AT 9:00 A.M.

12/ Moved by Commissioner Kapenga, seconded by Commissioner Dugan to adjourn until February 23, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

EVENING SESSION**APRIL 25, 2024 SESSION - INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL**

13/ The Board of Commissioners of the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, met in the Board Room of the County Services Building in the Township of Allegan on April 25, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in accordance with the motion for adjournment of April 11, 2024, and rules of this Board; Chair Storey presiding.

The invocation was offered by District #3 Commissioner Kapenga.

The Deputy County Clerk led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Upon roll call the following members answered as Commissioners for the respective Districts:

DIST #1	JIM STOREY
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COMMUNICATIONS

14/ Deputy Clerk Tien noted to the board that they received the following communications:

1. Two resolutions from Crawford County:
 - a. Supporting the citizens for Local Choice Ballot Initiative
 - b. Supporting the Protect MI Kids Bill Package
2. Resolution from Washtenaw County requesting the Michigan Legislature support a significant increase in funding for Michigan 2-1-1 in the fiscal year 2025 budget
3. Eaton County resolution in opposition to the FY2025 Governor's recommended budget for the reduction of operational funding to the Michigan Conservation Districts and the elimination of local administration of the Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program

April 11, 2024 SESSION MINUTES - ADOPTED

15/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the minutes for the April 11, 2024 session as distributed. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS

16/ Chair Storey opened the meeting to public participation and the following individuals offered comments:

1. Jared Polonowski of Otsego Township addressed the board regarding the opening prayer and the maintenance of roads in Allegan County.
2. Mare Westin of Otsego Township thanked the board for the opening prayer and about a satanic organization Liberty First in Ottawa County.
3. Marla Weber of Heath Township addressed the board regarding illegal citizens in Allegan County.
4. Ashley Lintz of Otsego Township addressed the board regarding a potential gravel pit in the township.
5. Dena Krejer of Otsego Township addressed the board regarding the potential gravel pit in the township.

AGENDA - ADOPTED AS PRESENTED

17/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Beltman to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

INFORMATIONAL SESSION

18/ Drain Commissioner Denise Medemar presented her 2023 annual report to the board.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

19/ Administrator Sarro noted his written report was submitted to Commissioners. Highlights included: spongy moths; animal shelter transition; and financial update.

CONSENT ITEMS:**CONSENT AGENGA - ADOPTED**

20/ Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes. The following were adopted: FINANCE COMMITTEE - CLAIMS & INTERFUND TRANSFERS; SHERIFF DEPARTMENT - APPLY/ACCEPT REVISED FY2025 MDOC COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - CLAIMS & INTERFUND TRANSFERS

20.1/ **WHEREAS**, Administration has compiled the following claims for April 19, 2024 and April 26, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, said claims are listed in the 2024 Claims folder of the Commissioners' Record of Claims.

April 19, 2024

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund – 101	83,241.09	83,241.09	
Friend of the Court Fund - Cooperative Reimb – 215	284.48	284.48	
Health Department Fund - 221	2,074.01	2,074.01	
Solid Waste/ Recycling –226	70,630.80	70,630.80	
Register of Deeds Automation Fund – 256	1,956.69	1,956.69	
Indigent Defense Fund- 260	523,629.29	523,629.29	
Central Dispatch Fund - 261	7,101.71	7,101.71	
Local Corrections Officers Training Fund – 264	1,398.90	1,398.90	
Grants – 279	14,477.94	14,477.94	
Sheriffs Contract - All Other - 287	39.37	39.37	
Transportation Fund – 288	500.00	500.00	
Child Care Fund - 292	5,597.54	5,597.54	
Veterans Relief Fund - 293	2,279.04	2,279.04	
Senior Services Fund - 298	157,187.88	157,187.88	
American Rescue Plan Act - ARPA - 299	89,484.00	89,484.00	
Capital Improvement Fund - 401	37,767.22	37,767.22	
Parks / Recreation Capital- 497	29,479.26	29,479.26	
Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund - 516	1,660.56	1,660.56	
Revolving Drain Maintenance Fund - 639	36.01	36.01	
Self-Insurance Fund - 677	67,251.15	67,251.15	
Drain Fund - 801	62,474.02	62,474.02	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$1,158,550.96	\$1,158,550.96	

APRIL 26, 2024

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund – 101	92,293.62	92,293.62	
Parks/Recreation Fund – 208	5,935.60	5,935.60	
Animal Shelter – 254	915.21	915.21	
Indigent Defense Fund – 260	41,482.20	41,482.20	
Central Dispatch Fund – 261	476.54	476.54	
Local Corrections Officers Training Fund – 264	290.00	290.00	
Justice Training Fund – 266	290.00	290.00	
Grants – 279	2,422.24	2,422.24	
Transportation Fund – 288	123,024.63	123,024.63	
Child Care Fund – 292	3,334.93	3,334.93	
Veterans Relief Fund – 293	13,023.98	13,023.98	
Senior Services Fund – 298	58,998.20	58,998.20	

Property Tax Adjustments – 516	27,530.49	27,530.49	
Delq Tax Revolving Fund 2023 Taxes – 523	1,904.54	1,904.54	
Fleet Management/Motor Pool – 661	586.87	586.87	
Self-Insurance Fund – 677	1,126.67	1,126.67	
Drain Fund – 801	189.50	189.50	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$373,825.22	\$373,825.22	

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners adopts the report of claims for April 19, 2024 and April 26, 2024.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to adopt the report of claims for April 19, 2024 and April 26, 2024. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT-APPLY/ACCEPT REVISED FY2025 MDOC COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT

20.2/WHEREAS, on April 11, 2024, the Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) approved to apply and accept when awarded the Michigan Department of Corrections, Office of Community Correction Grant for FY2025; and

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2024, the Community Corrections Advisory Board modified the application.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners hereby approves to apply and accept when awarded the revised Michigan Department of Corrections, Office of Community Correction Grant for FY2025 (October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025) to continue programs: Creates (formerly Career Readiness Program), Moral Reconciliation Therapy, Seeking Safety, and Administration, as well as the addition of the Allegan Achieve Program and the Opiates/Methamphetamine Specific Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED any personnel and/or program services are coterminous with receipt of adequate funds through this grant; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Administrator is authorized to make the necessary budget adjustments, and any necessary documents to complete this action are authorized to be signed.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

ACTION ITEMS:

EQUALIZATION -APPROVAL 2023 EQUALIZATION REPORT

21/ WHEREAS, the Allegan County Equalization Department has completed its review of the 2024 assessment rolls of the 24 townships and 9 cities of Allegan County; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Equalization finds one property classification, commercial real, in one government unit, City of Holland, needing adjustment and recommends the adoption of the county equalized values of real and personal property as follows:

Real Property: Agricultural	\$	1,063,619,985
Commercial	\$	795,371,308
Industrial	\$	415,161,529
Residential	\$	7,999,807,488

Timber Cutover	\$	0
Developmental	\$	3,555,800
Total Real Property	\$	<u>10,277,516,110</u>
Total Personal Property:	\$	466,625,230
Grand Total	\$	<u>10,744,141,340</u>

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Allegan County Board of Commissioners (Board) respectfully reports that the totals as shown by the attached schedule (L-4024) have been verified and totaled by classification within each assessing jurisdiction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the in compliance with MCLA 211.34, as amended, the Board agrees to the equalized rolls according to the following L-4024 report for the year 2024; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Board hereby appoints Matthew Woolford, Equalization Director to represent Allegan County in matters of equalization before the State Tax Commission pursuant to MCL 209.7.

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

Allegan COUNTY

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Township or City	Number of Acres Assessed	Total Real Property Valuations (Totals from pages 2 and 3)		Personal Property Valuations		Total Real Plus Personal Property	
	(Col. 1) Acres Hundredths	(Col. 2) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 3) Equalized Valuations	(Col. 4) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 5) Equalized Valuations	(Col. 6) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 7) Equalized Valuations
Allegan City	3,268.76	214,572,700	214,572,700	10,662,000	10,662,000	225,234,700	225,234,700
Allegan Township	20,426.06	314,004,700	314,004,700	11,635,900	11,635,900	325,640,600	325,640,600
Casco Township	25,967.31	581,497,298	581,497,298	9,258,330	9,258,330	590,755,628	590,755,628
Cheshire Township	22,979.75	142,139,900	142,139,900	4,159,500	4,159,500	146,299,400	146,299,400
Clyde Township	22,682.80	128,454,700	128,454,700	3,378,100	3,378,100	131,832,800	131,832,800
Dorr Township	23,196.25	559,681,500	559,681,500	24,244,700	24,244,700	583,926,200	583,926,200
Fennville City	702.38	44,480,700	44,480,700	2,755,300	2,755,300	47,236,000	47,236,000
Fillmore Township	18,033.71	301,260,800	301,260,800	11,812,700	11,812,700	313,073,500	313,073,500
Ganges Township	20,908.04	462,100,400	462,100,400	7,474,500	7,474,500	469,574,900	469,574,900
Gun Plain Township	22,011.65	371,489,000	371,489,000	41,156,800	41,156,800	412,645,800	412,645,800
Heath Township	22,947.00	270,605,400	270,605,400	49,321,900	49,321,900	319,927,300	319,927,300
Holland City	4,881.28	725,040,100	729,926,715	28,235,000	28,235,000	753,275,100	758,161,715
Hopkins Township	22,738.35	213,642,700	213,642,700	6,136,300	6,136,300	219,779,000	219,779,000
Laketown Township	14,103.34	841,352,680	841,352,680	8,266,700	8,266,700	849,619,380	849,619,380
Lee Township	23,096.70	177,821,300	177,821,300	27,543,700	27,543,700	205,365,000	205,365,000
Leighton Township	22,817.94	557,960,900	557,960,900	16,806,700	16,806,700	574,767,600	574,767,600
Manlius Township	23,183.48	220,539,700	220,539,700	7,498,500	7,498,500	228,038,200	228,038,200
Martin Township	22,593.16	208,327,800	208,327,800	5,978,300	5,978,300	214,306,100	214,306,100
Totals for County							

Personal and Real Totals



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Township or City	Number of Acres Assessed	Total Real Property Valuations (Totals from pages 2 and 3)		Personal Property Valuations		Total Real Plus Personal Property	
	(Col. 1) Acres Hundredths	(Col. 2) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 3) Equalized Valuations	(Col. 4) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 5) Equalized Valuations	(Col. 6) Assessed Valuations	(Col. 7) Equalized Valuations
Montarey Township	22,956.18	189,745,900	189,745,900	7,222,000	7,222,000	196,967,900	196,967,900
Otsego City	1,339.98	162,971,400	162,971,400	3,926,500	3,926,500	166,897,900	166,897,900
Otsego Township	21,679.79	343,532,517	343,532,517	13,741,500	13,741,500	357,274,017	357,274,017
Overisel Township	22,863.61	279,045,500	279,045,500	62,206,800	62,206,800	341,252,300	341,252,300
Plainwell City	1,359.49	151,612,200	151,612,200	6,983,900	6,983,900	158,596,100	158,596,100
Salem Township	23,066.43	362,094,400	362,094,400	32,314,300	32,314,300	394,408,700	394,408,700
Saugatuck City	1,615.94	362,993,700	362,993,700	3,151,000	3,151,000	366,144,700	366,144,700
Saugatuck Township	18,870.57	751,689,500	751,689,500	8,879,200	8,879,200	760,568,700	760,568,700
South Haven City	26.50	8,416,800	8,416,800	0	0	8,416,800	8,416,800
Trowbridge Township	22,931.14	166,656,200	166,656,200	7,198,800	7,198,800	173,855,000	173,855,000
Valley Township	23,048.06	175,493,900	175,493,900	2,608,400	2,608,400	178,102,300	178,102,300
Village Of Douglas City	2,351.51	356,318,300	356,318,300	3,390,200	3,390,200	359,708,500	359,708,500
Watson Township	23,069.75	160,733,200	160,733,200	3,614,700	3,614,700	164,347,900	164,347,900
Wayland City	1,939.81	184,829,500	184,829,500	20,340,700	20,340,700	205,170,200	205,170,200
Wayland Township	21,405.68	281,524,200	281,524,200	14,722,300	14,722,300	296,246,500	296,246,500
Totals for County	545,062.40	10,272,629,495	10,277,516,110	466,625,230	466,625,230	10,739,254,725	10,744,141,340

Personal and Real Totals



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Township or City	Real Property Equalized by County Board of Commissioners						
	(Col. 1) Agricultural	(Col. 2) Commercial	(Col. 3) Industrial	(Col. 4) Residential	(Col. 5) Timber-Cutover	(Col. 6) Developmental	(Col. 7) Total Real Property
Allegan City		40,651,800	42,897,100	131,023,800			214,572,700
Allegan Township	39,415,400	18,651,100	5,807,600	250,130,600			314,004,700
Casco Township	50,706,885	14,973,293	1,065,629	514,751,491			581,497,298
Cheshire Township	23,523,800	3,403,100	3,187,300	112,025,700			142,139,900
Clyde Township	7,613,400	549,200	53,600	120,238,500			128,454,700
Dorr Township	72,588,000	45,888,500	11,972,900	429,232,100			559,681,500
Fennville City		8,358,700	5,238,000	30,884,000			44,480,700
Fillmore Township	109,863,400	34,188,300	1,405,000	155,804,100			301,260,800
Ganges Township	34,496,300	12,576,500	2,435,400	412,592,200			462,100,400
Gun Plain Township	34,162,000	23,125,500	14,761,600	299,439,900			371,489,000
Heath Township	24,564,900	12,038,400	14,800,300	219,201,800			270,605,400
Holland City	1,931,900	184,752,415	221,977,600	320,756,900		507,900	729,926,715
Hopkins Township	88,382,600	9,673,100	1,114,800	112,509,300		1,962,900	213,642,700
Laketown Township	13,909,400	15,862,300	1,332,400	809,163,580		1,085,000	841,352,680
Lee Township	10,097,000	5,307,200	1,178,300	161,238,800			177,821,300
Leighton Township	66,275,600	28,222,300	25,415,300	438,047,700			557,960,900
Mansius Township	26,655,100	2,446,900	2,743,900	188,693,800			220,539,700
Martin Township	85,305,500	10,218,800	3,387,500	109,416,000			208,327,800
Totals for County							

Real Property Equalized



Equalized Valuations - REAL

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	(Col. 1) Agricultural	(Col. 2) Commercial	(Col. 3) Industrial	(Col. 4) Residential	(Col. 5) Timber-Cutover	(Col. 6) Developmental	(Col. 7) Total Real Property
Montevoy Township	53,035,000	7,384,100	1,388,800	127,938,000			189,745,900
Otsego City		16,784,100	17,996,700	128,190,600			162,971,400
Otsego Township	34,185,500	44,539,200	2,036,000	262,771,817			343,532,517
Overisel Township	106,334,300	6,248,500	3,123,400	163,339,300			279,045,500
Plainwell City	625,400	24,623,800	10,416,100	115,946,900			151,612,200
Salem Township	54,689,900	12,269,500	2,695,700	292,439,300			362,094,400
Saugatuck City		49,429,900		313,563,800			362,993,700
Saugatuck Township	14,983,200	38,960,300	214,100	697,531,900			751,689,500
South Haven City				8,416,800			8,416,800
Trowbridge Township	40,913,400	6,536,200	688,900	118,517,700			166,656,200
Valley Township	2,390,800	3,210,600	2,952,400	166,940,100			175,493,900
Village Of Douglas City		33,584,500	1,508,400	321,225,400			356,318,300
Watson Township	30,586,400	8,561,400	579,200	121,006,200			160,733,200
Wayland City		60,091,800	8,113,600	116,624,100			184,829,500
Wayland Township	36,384,900	12,260,000	2,674,000	230,205,300			281,524,200
Totals for County	1,063,619,985	795,371,308	415,161,529	7,999,807,488	0	3,555,800	10,277,516,110

Real Property Equalized



Assessed Valuations - REAL

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Township or City	Real Property Assessed Valuations Approved by Boards of Review						
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Allegan Township	39,415,400	18,651,100	5,807,600	250,130,600			314,004,700
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Cheshire Township	23,523,800	3,403,100	3,187,300	112,025,700			142,139,900
Clyde Township	7,613,400	549,200	53,600	120,238,500			128,454,700
Dorr Township	72,588,000	45,888,500	11,972,900	429,232,100			559,681,500
Fennville City		8,358,700	5,238,000	30,884,000			44,480,700
Fillmore Township	109,863,400	34,188,300	1,405,000	155,804,100			301,260,800
Ganges Township	34,496,300	12,576,500	2,435,400	412,592,200			462,100,400
Gun Plain Township	34,162,000	23,125,500	14,761,600	299,439,900			371,489,000
Heath Township	24,564,900	12,038,400	14,800,300	219,201,800			270,605,400
Holland City	1,931,900	179,865,800	221,977,600	320,756,900		507,900	725,040,100
Hopkins Township	88,382,600	9,673,100	1,114,800	112,509,300		1,962,900	213,642,700
Laketown Township	13,909,400	15,862,300	1,332,400	809,163,580		1,085,000	841,352,680
Lee Township	10,097,000	5,307,200	1,178,300	161,238,800			177,821,300
Leighton Township	66,275,600	28,222,300	25,415,300	438,047,700			557,960,900
Manlius Township	26,655,100	2,446,900	2,743,900	188,693,800			220,539,700
Martin Township	85,305,500	10,218,800	3,387,500	109,416,000			208,327,800
Totals for County							

Real Property Assessed



Assessed Valuations - REAL

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Monterey Township	53,035,000	7,384,100	1,388,800	127,938,000			189,745,900
Otsego City		16,784,100	17,996,700	128,190,600			162,971,400
Otsego Township	34,185,500	44,539,200	2,036,000	262,771,817			343,532,517
Ovarisel Township	106,334,300	6,248,500	3,123,400	163,339,300			279,045,500
Plainwell City	625,400	24,623,800	10,416,100	115,946,900			151,612,200
Salem Township	54,689,900	12,269,500	2,695,700	292,439,300			362,094,400
Saugatuck City		49,429,900		313,563,800			362,993,700
Saugatuck Township	14,983,200	38,960,300	214,100	697,531,900			751,689,500
South Haven City				8,416,800			8,416,800
Trowbridge Township	40,913,400	6,536,200	688,900	118,517,700			166,656,200
Valley Township	2,390,800	3,210,600	2,952,400	166,940,100			175,493,900
Village Of Douglas City		33,584,500	1,508,400	321,225,400			356,318,300
Watson Township	30,586,400	8,561,400	579,200	121,006,200			160,733,200
Wayland City		60,091,800	8,113,600	116,624,100			184,829,500
Wayland Township	36,384,900	12,260,000	2,674,000	230,205,300			281,524,200
Totals for County	1,063,619,985	790,484,693	415,161,529	7,999,807,488	0	3,555,800	10,272,629,495

Real Property Assessed



OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF Allegan COUNTY
WE HEREBY CERTIFY that section one column one is a true statement of the number of acres of land in each township and city in Allegan County.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that section one is a true statement of the value of real property and of the personal property in each township and city in Allegan County in the year 2024 as assessed and of the valuation of the real property and personal property in each township and city in said county as equalized by the Board of County Commissioners of said county.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that section two is a true statement of the equalized valuations of real property classifications in each township and city in Allegan County in the year 2024 as determined by the Board of County Commissioners of said county.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that section three is a true statement of the assessed valuations, approved by the Board of Review, of real property classifications in each township and city in Allegan County in the year 2024 as determined by the Board of County Commissioners of said county.

WE FURTHER CERTIFY that said statement does not embrace any property taxed under P.A. 77 of 1951; P.A. 68 of 1963; P.A. 198 of 1974; P.A. 255 of 1978; P.A. 385 of 1984; P.A. 224 of 1985; P.A. 147 of 1992 or Section 5 of Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan.

These certifications are made on the 25th day of April, 2024, at a meeting of said board held pursuant to the provisions of MCL 209.1 - 209.8.

Signed this 25th day of April, 2024.

Chairperson of Board of Commissioners Equalization Director Clerk of Board of Commissioners

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE 608 (L-4024) ASSESSED AND EQUALIZED VALUATIONS WORKSHEET

This form is due on or before the first Monday in May to the State Tax Commission (STC) (MCL 209.5 (2)) by attaching a signed L-4024 into the Michigan Equalization Gateway (MEG) filing cabinet and submitting the L-4024 form in the MEG county portal by following the instructions below.

The MEG system will autogenerate the L-4023 following the successful save and submission of all local unit L-4018 and L-4022AV forms by the county and the acceptance of those forms by Property Services Divisions (PSD) staff. MEG will auto-generate the L-4024 form upon the successful save and submission of the L-4023 form by the county and the acceptance of the L-4023 form by PSD staff. All data on the L-4024 is populated from the previously submitted L-4023, except for the number of acres. Counties must manually enter the assessable acreage for each local unit.

The county must review, in the MEG county portal the L-4024 valuation data for each local unit as well as the county totals. The county shall verify the valuation and acreage data in the MEG county portal then save the L-4024 in the L-4024 form module thereby creating an L-4024 PDF rendering. The county shall print this PDF rendering and present it to your County Board of Commissioners for signing during their equalization session.

MCL 209.5 requires the Equalization Director and the Chairperson and Clerk of the County Board of Commissioners to sign the L-4024. After signing, scan and upload the signed form to the filing cabinet in the MEG county portal. After the paper copy of the L-4024 has been signed, scanned and uploaded to the filing cabinet in MEG, submit the L-4024 in the MEG county portal. Once submitted, the L-4024 report will be locked in MEG. To make subsequent changes please contact the Property Services Division at equalization@michigan.gov.



DISCUSSION ITEMS:**ROAD COMMISSION BOARD INTERVIEWS**

22/ The Board of Commissioners interviewed the following individuals to fill the vacancy on the Road Commission. The election to fill the vacancy will take place at the May 9, 2024 session.

1. Aaron Brenner - 3072 30th St, Hopkins MI 49328
2. Rex Felker - 2572 62nd St, Fennville MI 49408
3. Harold Hamlin - 6664 111th Ave, South Haven MI 49090
4. Jim Rybicki - 71 129th Ave, Wayland MI 49348

ALLEGAN COUNTY MILLAGE PROPOSITION ROAD RESURFACING AND RECONSTRUCTION RENEWAL

23/ WHEREAS, that the Allegan County Board of Commissioners hereby approves a millage proposal to be placed on the August 2024 ballot to continue the Primary Road Resurfacing Millage for an additional six years, beginning in 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following ballot language be used:

ALLEGAN COUNTY
MILLAGE PROPOSITION ROAD RESURFACING
AND RECONSTRUCTION RENEWAL

(This proposal will permit the County to continue its 1.0 mill levy for County Primary Road Resurfacing, Prevention, and related preparation, and City/Village Road Improvement, which expired in 2023. This proposal would renew the 0.9654 mill not reduced by the Headlee Amendment millage rollback, and it would increase that millage by .0346 to restore it to its original 1.0 mill.)

Shall the current authorized increase in the millage rate limitation of one mill imposed on all taxable property within the County of Allegan, Michigan, which last resulted in the levy of 0.9654 mills (\$0.9654 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for road resurfacing and restoration, be renewed, and shall said millage be increased by 0.0346 mills (\$0.0346 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) to offset the millage reduction from one mill as required by law, resulting in a total levy of one mill (\$1.00 of each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), for a period of 6 years, 2024 through 2029, inclusive, for purposes of providing a fund for the resurfacing, preservation, and related preparation of primary roads included in the Allegan County Road System and for reconstruction, resurfacing, and maintenance of major and local streets within the incorporated limits of villages and cities within Allegan County; and shall the County levy such renewal and increase in millage for such purposes, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$6,146,883?

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Beltman to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

APPOINTMENTS

24/

WEST MICHIGAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Chair Storey announced the appointment of the following individual to the West Michigan Planning Commission to fill the remainder of a 1-year term; term to expire 12/31/2024.

Lindsay Maunz, 201 W Washington Ave, Zeeland MI

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner DeYoung to approve the appointment as made. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD

Chair Storey announced the appointment of the following individual to the Community Corrections Advisory Board to fill the remainder of a 2-year term; term to expire 12/31/2025.

Zachary Osburn, 3562 Dumont Rd, Allegan MI

Moved by Commissioner Dugan, seconded by Commissioner Kapenga to approve the appointment as made. Motion carried by voice vote. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS

25/ Chair Storey opened the meeting to public participation and the following individuals offered comments:

1. Myrene Koch of Valley Township addressed the board regarding IS assistance to the Prosecutor's Office; and updated the board on recent court cases.
2. Jared Polonowski of Otsego Township addressed the board regarding drains, roads, animal services and condemned properties.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MAY 9, 2024 AT 1:00 P.M.

26/ Moved by Commissioner Kapenga, seconded by Commissioner Dugan to adjourn until May 9, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 P.M. Yeas: 5 votes. Nays: 0 votes.

Deputy Clerk

Board Chair

Minutes approved during the 00/00/2024 Session

Annual Report

2023



Serving With Honor and Integrity

Sheriff Frank Baker

Allegan County

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Message from the Sheriff

Dear Chairman Storey:

On behalf of the deputies and staff of the Allegan County Sheriff's Office, I respectfully present the 2023 Sheriff's Office Annual Report to the Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Allegan County.

I am proud of the accomplishments we achieved this past year, and I am honored to be able to share some of the highlights. 2023 was a remarkable year for us as we overcame many of the challenges. As you may know, there has been a drastic reduction in the number of recruits attending the regional police academies causing a shortage of applicants in the law enforcement and corrections profession. I am proud to say that we have been blessed

here in Allegan County as we have been able to maintain our staffing levels. It has not been easy as we experienced a large number of retirements. Deputies hired during the federally funded COPS AHEAD program grants have reached retirement age. A huge benefit to us was the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) public safety academy assistance grant program. Additionally, our reputation as a desirable agency to work for and the support we receive from our communities makes us an attractive agency not only to new recruits but officers looking to make a change. We also received a grant to assist in advertising costs and recruiting new applicants. You may have noticed billboards along the freeways in Allegan and Kent Counties last year highlighting employment opportunities in law enforcement and corrections here in Allegan County.

We also have successfully achieved one of the objectives that I set for this term of office. I wanted to see enhanced collaboration with law enforcement and our schools. We were focusing on utilizing unobligated patrol time and patrol deputies as we lacked funding for additional dedicated positions; however, when the state provided grant opportunities to the schools this all changed. We were able to partner with several school districts to assist with the funding. We now have four deputies who have been specially trained as school resource officers assigned full time in Hamilton, Hopkins, Fennville, and Martin Public Schools and have heard of interest from another school district.

We were also able to partner with the City of Fennville and Allegan Township to provide additional patrols in their jurisdictions. So even with the growth of our agency and the number of retirements we have been able to maintain our staffing levels.

I could not be prouder of the staff and what they have accomplished this past year. It is my hope that through this report, you can see their dedication and desire to proudly serve our citizens.

Sincerely,

Frank Baker



Sheriff Frank Baker

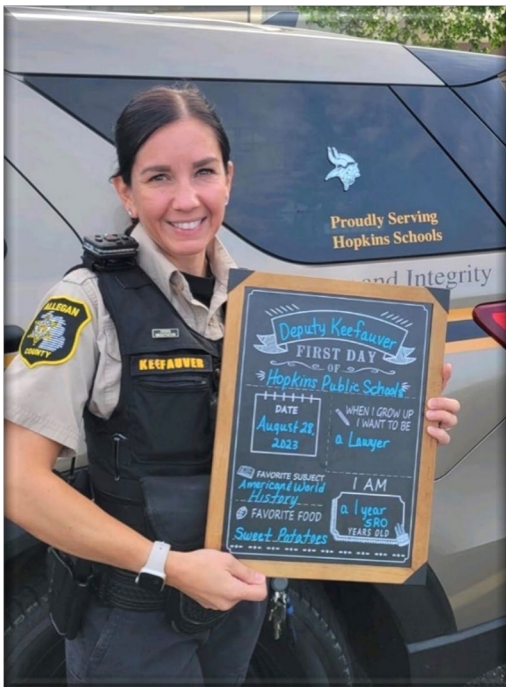
2023 Sheriff's Office Accomplishments

The Sheriff's Office had several noteworthy accomplishments last year and achieved several of our objectives.

It has been a goal to restore a law enforcement presence back in our schools. We were able to partner with the Hamilton Public Schools at the end of 2022 and quickly added Hopkins Public Schools, Fennville Public Schools, and Martin Public Schools in 2023.



Pictured to the left is Deputy Joe Knapp assigned to the Hamilton Public Schools and to the right is Deputy Alan Klein assigned to the Martin Public Schools.



Pictured to the left is Deputy Tracey Keefauver assigned to Hopkins Public Schools and below is Deputy Jason Kruthoff assigned to Fennville Public Schools.



We are extremely excited about this opportunity to partner with these schools and develop relationships with the students and staff that will promote school safety. They work closely with school officials to identify problems and issues pertaining to school safety, bullying, and other areas that students might benefit.

2023 Sheriff's Office Accomplishments (Continued)

Recruiting

The Sheriff's Office received a First Responder Training and Recruitment Grant from the State of Michigan as well through the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES). This allowed us to advertise and purchase hiring and recruiting materials. We were also able to fund the police academy training



for new hires who have not yet been trained and licensed by MCOLES. This made a dramatic difference in our ability to reach our authorized staffing levels both on Road Patrol and in the Corrections Center. In addition, we were able to recruit and hire several deputies who were already licensed or working in law enforcement from other agencies in Michigan as well as out of state.

TruNarc – Handheld Narcotics Analyzer

The Sheriff's Office acquired a TruNarc unit for analyzing suspected narcotics. The TruNarc unit uses Raman spectroscopy, essentially a laser beam, to safely analyze substances. Suspected narcotics do not need to be removed from clear packaging. The risk of deputies coming into contact with a dangerous substance, such as Fentanyl, during an analysis is greatly reduced. The unit was purchased with drug forfeiture funds.



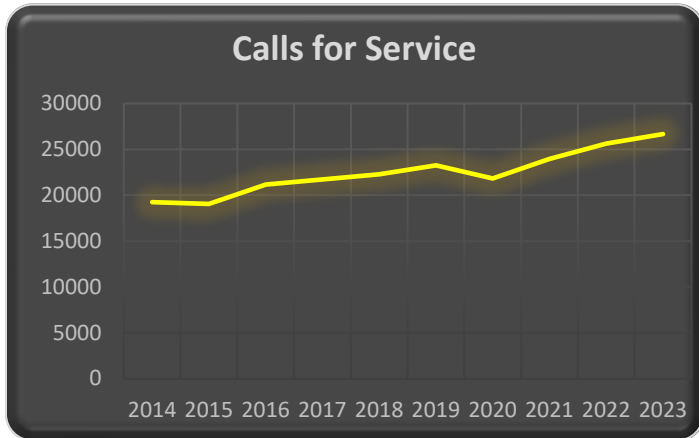
Switch to Tahoe Patrol Vehicles

The Sheriff's Office did a complete fleet analysis as challenges acquiring the Ford Interceptor patrol vehicles were problematic. The analysis revealed that a switch to the Chevrolet Tahoe patrol vehicle would be cost neutral. This considers fuel mileage, projected maintenance costs, and resale value. The comparisons between the two vehicles resulted in the Tahoe scoring better in key areas such as:

- Braking
- Storage
- Resale Value
- Turning Radius
- Front Visibility
- Rear Visibility
- Front Seat Comfort
- Overall Ergonomics
- Projected Vehicle Life



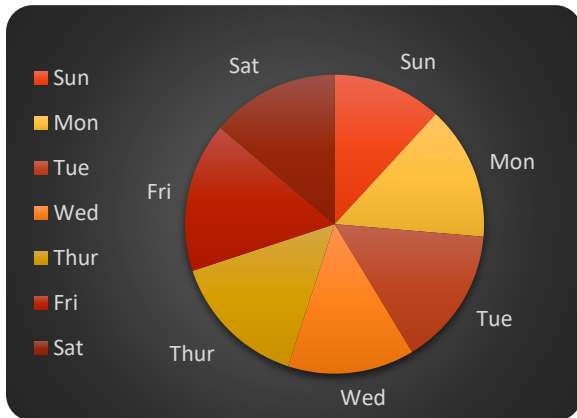
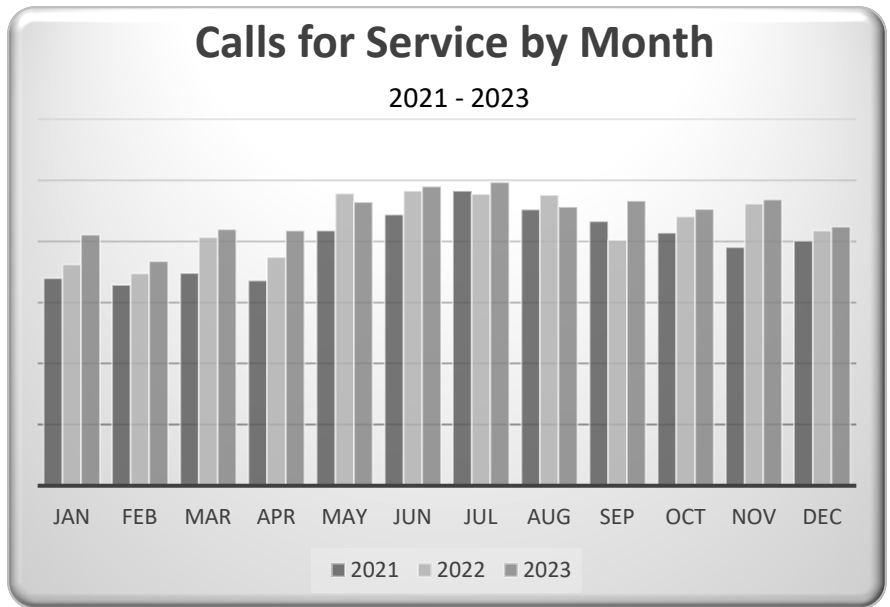
Law Enforcement Division – Road Patrol



We experienced a slight increase in calls for service last year. We finished with **26,669 calls for service**. That includes both dispatched and self-initiated calls by the deputies.

We do anticipate that this number will continue to trend higher as our population continues to grow.

This chart demonstrates that seasonal differences do not impact the actual call volume. While we know that summers are typically a very busy time for deputies, we also know that fall and winter will bring a different type of call volume. We anticipate an increase in car deer crashes in the fall and an increase in weather related crashes in the winter. Seasonal differences are more related to call type than call volume.



The day of the week does not impact call volume significantly. Friday is typically the busiest day of the week for our deputies.

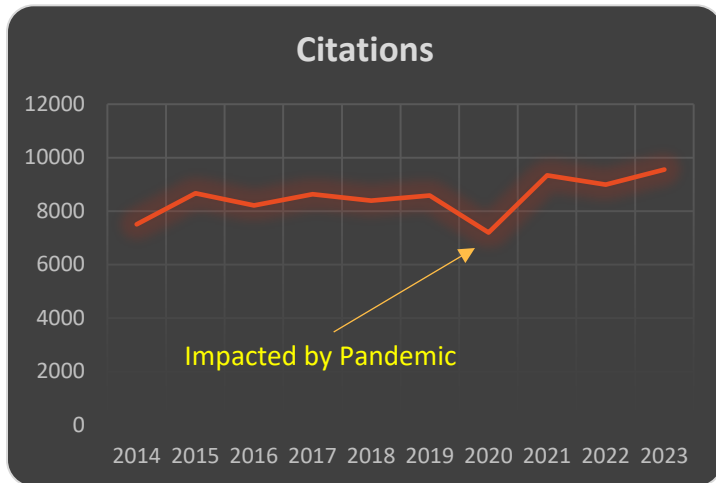
There are many variables that factor into the call volume. Weekday crashes during the morning and evening commute to work would be a good example.

Day	%
Sunday	11.8
Monday	14.5
Tuesday	15
Wednesday	13.7
Thursday	14.9
Friday	16.2
Saturday	13.9



Law Enforcement Division – Road Patrol (Continued)

Traffic Enforcement

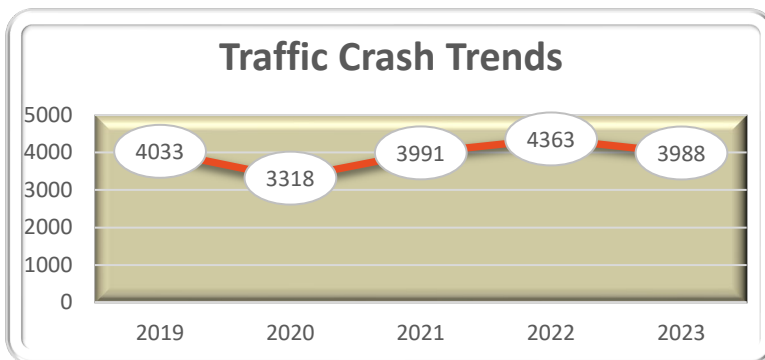
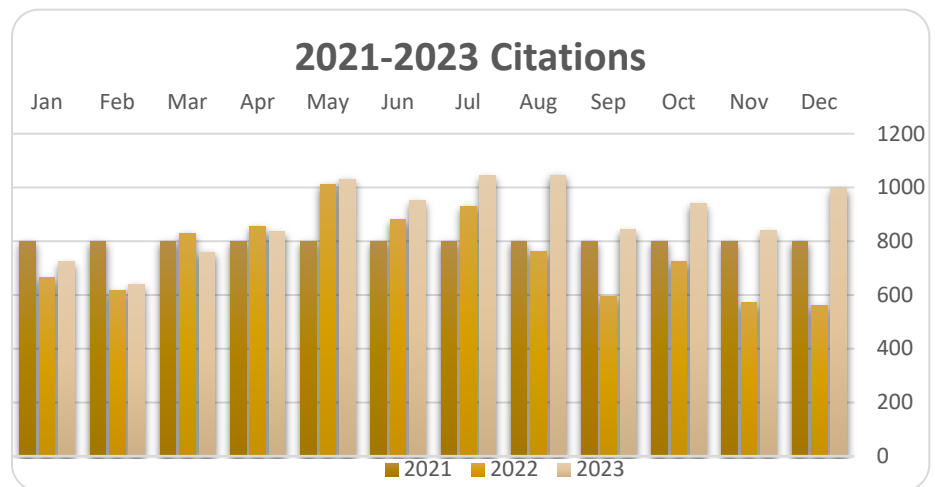


The number of traffic citations issued in 2023 was 9,554. This was an increase of 6.2 % over 2022. The number of traffic stops conducted was 19,191 and the number of verbal warnings given was 11,530. Our deputies are doing an excellent job of using discretion in their decision to take enforcement action. Our goal is to bring the motoring public into compliance with the law either through enforcement, education, or deterrence.



This is often done during Federal and statewide enforcement initiatives and through educational information and public awareness campaigns. Some you may have heard of over the years such as:

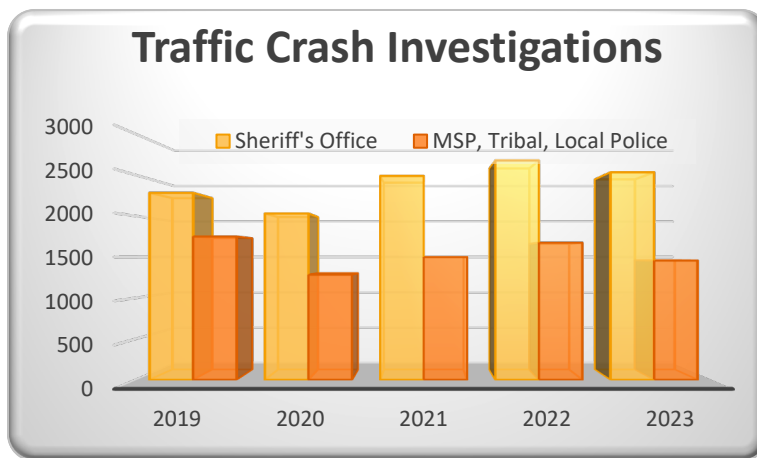
- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over -Impaired Driving
- Don't Veer for Deer – Car Deer Crashes
- You Drink You Drive You Loose – Drunk Driving
- Operation Safe Stop – School Bus Safety
- Drive Slow on Ice and Snow – Winter Driving
- Slow Your Drive and Stay Alive - Speeding



Traffic Crashes

We anticipated a drop in crashes during the pandemic; however, coming out of the pandemic we observed drivers speeding and driving more aggressively. That trend has hopefully been deterred through traffic patrols by ACSO and our partner agencies.

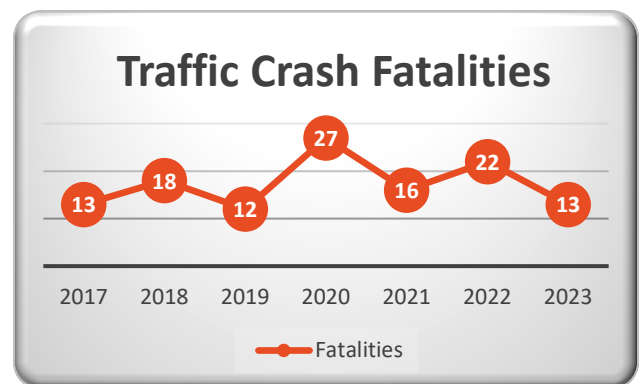
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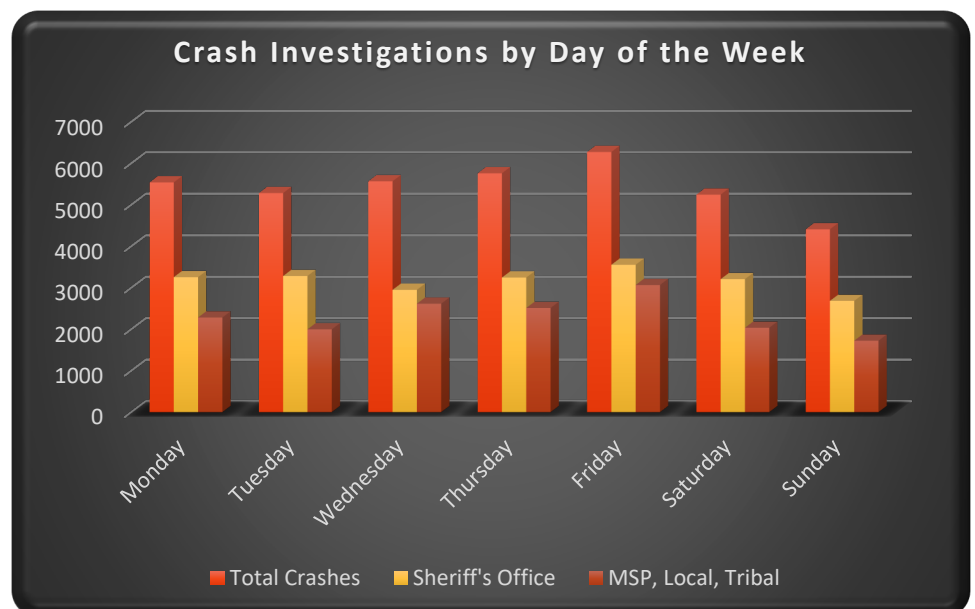
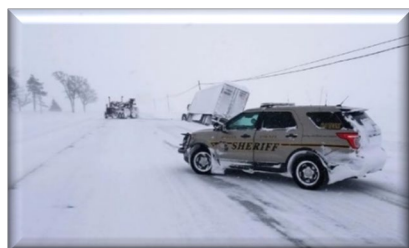
As you can see from the chart on the left the Sheriff's Office investigates the majority of the traffic crashes occurring in Allegan County. **The Sheriff's Office investigated 2,532 crashes last year.** Our law enforcement partners from the Michigan State Police, Holland Police, Plainwell Dept of Public Safety, Allegan Police, Otsego Police, Wayland Police, Tribal Police, and Douglas Police investigated the remaining 1,456.

Fatal Traffic Crashes

We are pleased to report that the fatalities occurring because of a traffic crash went down last year. The recent high of 27 was right after the pandemic when there seemed to be a spike in speed, aggressive, and distracted driving. We are hopeful that we will see this number remain below 2020 levels.



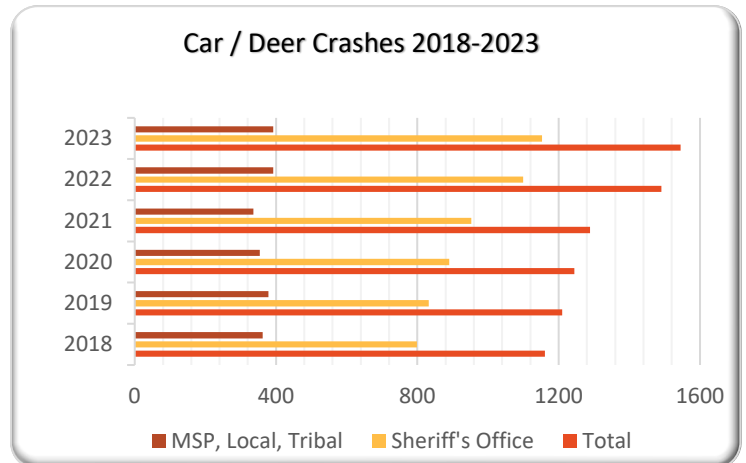
The chart below indicates the total number of crashes by day of the week in Allegan County, as well as the number investigated by the Sheriff's Office and the number investigated by our law enforcement partners throughout the county.



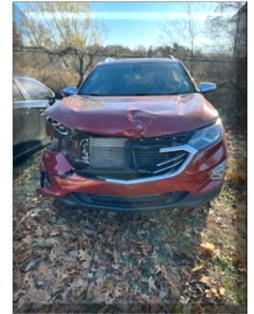
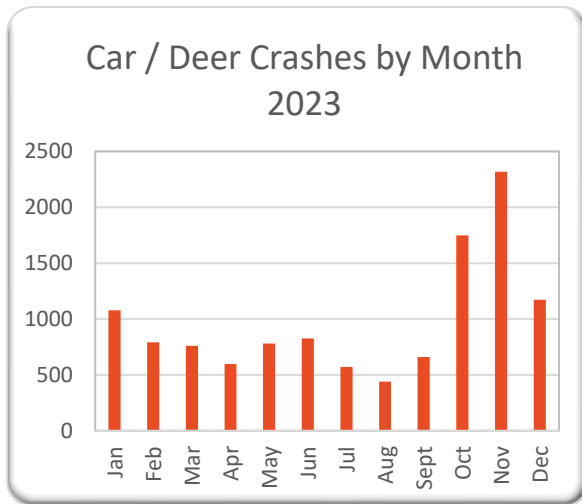
Law Enforcement Division – Road Patrol (Continued)

Car / Deer Crashes

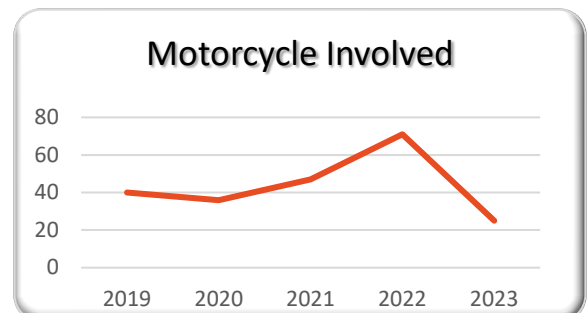
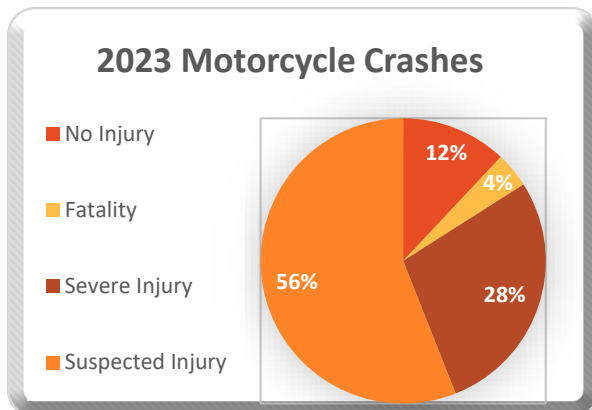
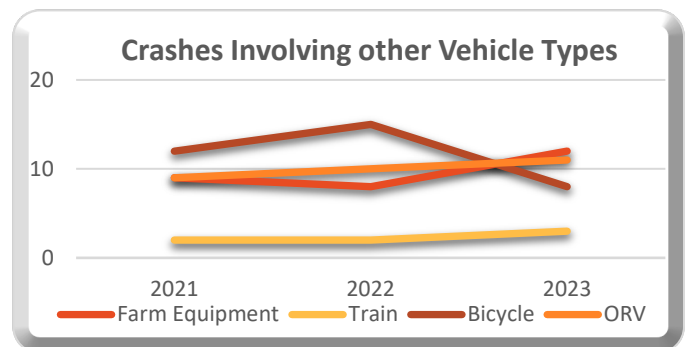
The number of car/deer crashes has steadily increased over the last few years. **We ended 2023 with 1,545 car deer crashes in Allegan County. The Sheriff's Office responded to 1,153 of those crashes.** The remaining 392 were handled by our law enforcement partners.



It is no surprise that November has the most car / deer crashes of any month. Deer are on the move during the fall and as a result more car/ deer crashes.



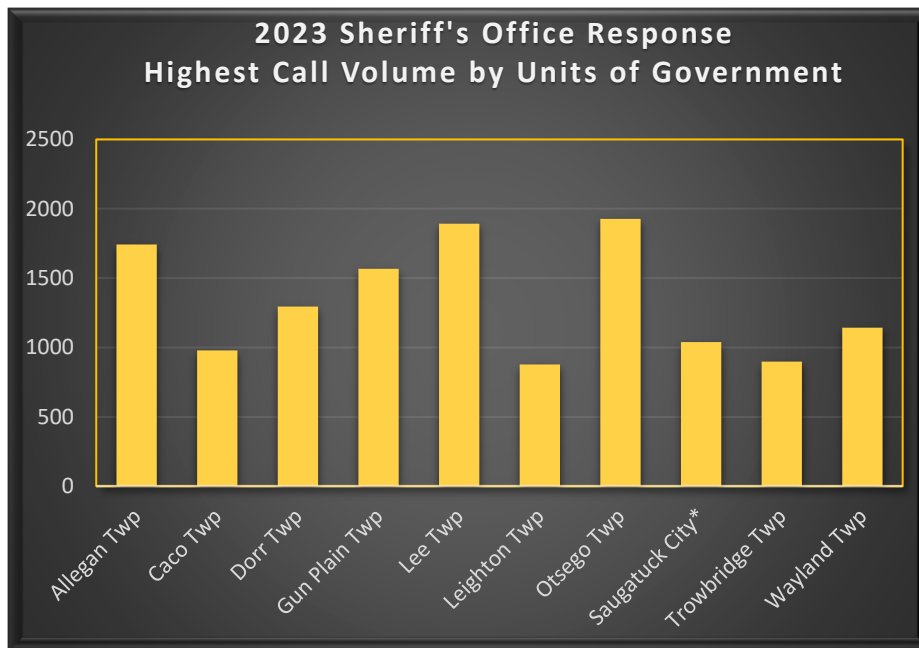
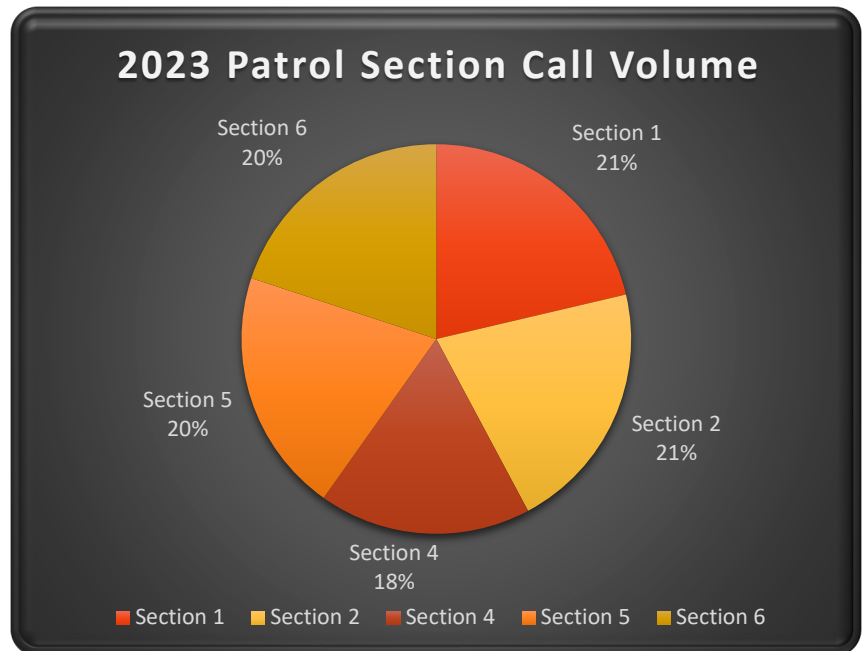
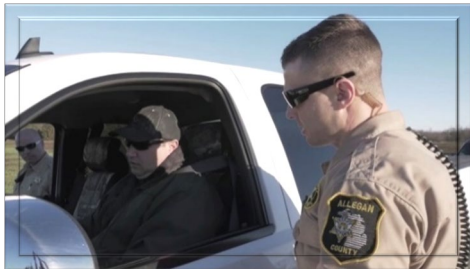
The chart to the right represents the number of crashes involving other vehicles. The data last year indicates a significant decrease in crashes involving motorcycles and a slight decrease in crashes involving bicycles. There was however, a slight increase in crashes involving farm equipment and the slightest of increases in ORV crashes that occurred on the roadway and crashes involving trains.



Law Enforcement Division – Road Patrol (Continued)

Patrol Section –Calls for Service

One of our goals in designing patrol areas is to balance the call volume so that each area receives a similar level of response. If one area has significantly more calls for service it could negatively impact on the services provided. Last year we had 26,669 calls for service. That includes both dispatched and officer-initiated calls for service.

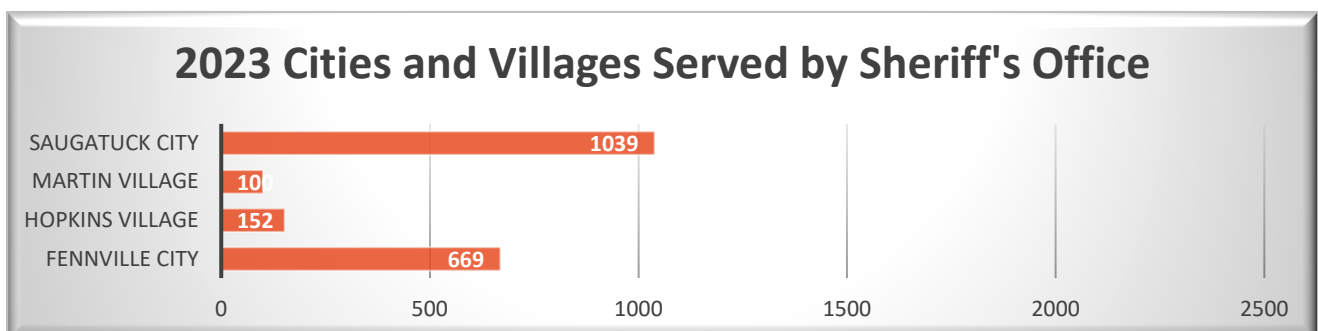
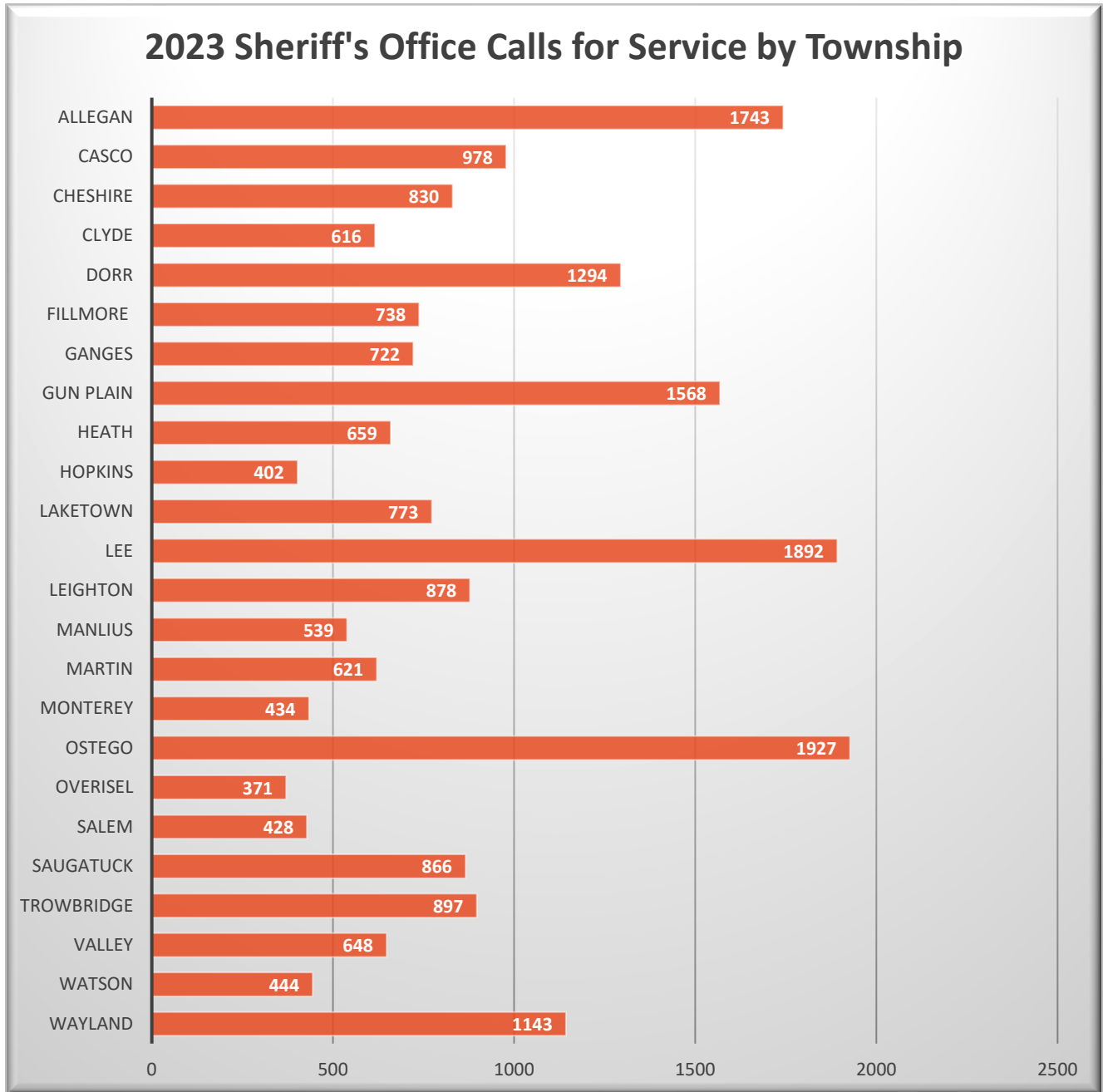


The Township with the highest call volume responded to by the Sheriff's Office last year was Otsego Twp with 1,927 calls for service. Lee Twp followed with 1,892 calls for service and Allegan Twp was third with 1,743.

*Saugatuck City is included as the Sheriff's Office is contracted to provide police services. Saugatuck City had 1,039.



Law Enforcement Division – Road Patrol (Continued)



Law Enforcement - Investigative Services Division

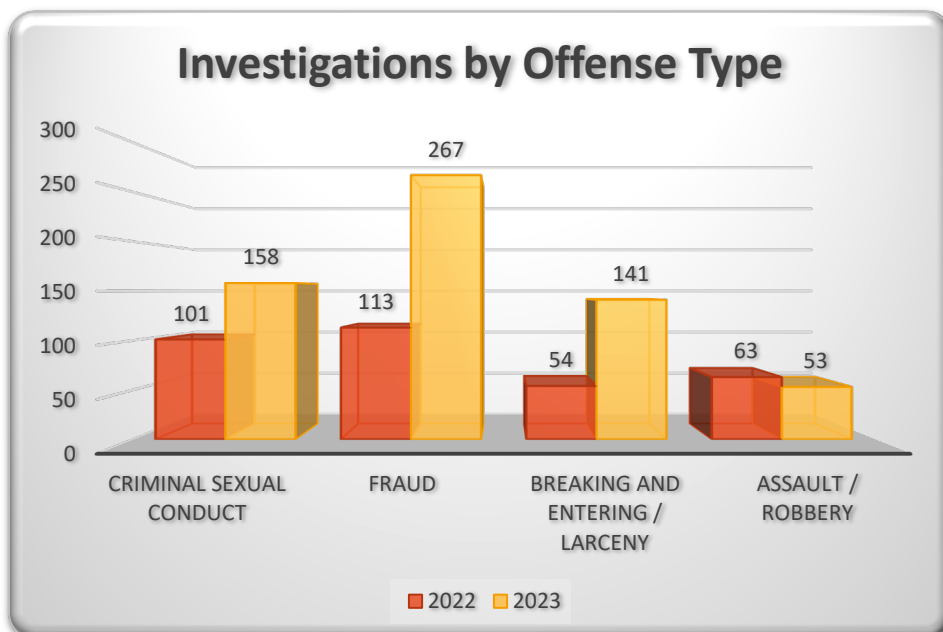
Investigations

When a request for service comes into Central Dispatch it is dispatched to the closest available police officer. Many of these calls for service are resolved by the responding officer. Incidents which require additional or specialized investigations are referred to the Investigative Services Division for additional investigation.

The Investigative Services Division, also known as the

Detective Bureau, typically consists of four general case detectives, one digital forensics detective, one detective who specializes in domestic violence, and one detective who is assigned to a multi-jurisdictional drug team. For most of 2023 this number was reduced to three general case detectives, one digital forensics detective and one detective assigned to a multi-jurisdictional drug team to assist in overcoming personnel shortages while newly hired road patrol officers were being trained.

One homicide incident was reported in 2023 and resulted in four deaths. The suspect had killed 3 family members then took his own life prior to law enforcement contact.



Domestic Violence Investigations

Detective Janel Hagerty is in her third year assigned as our domestic violence investigator. Although temporarily assigned as a general case detective for much of the year, as mentioned above, Detective Hagerty continued to work with victims of domestic violence.

Along with conducting follow up interviews and taking additional photographs of any newly visible injuries, Detective Hagerty remains in contact with victims, makes sure they are aware of their rights as a victim of crime, and aware of the services that are available to them. Additionally, Det. Hagerty provides emotional support throughout the court process. Detective Hagerty acts as a liaison between the victims and often has transported victims to court when they encountered transportation issues.

In 2023, 184 cases were referred to Detective Hagerty for additional investigation despite the temporary reassignment.



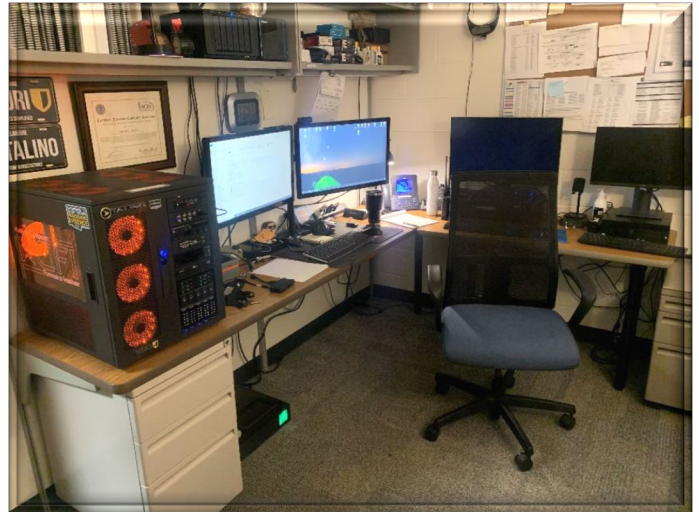
Law Enforcement - Investigative Services Division (Continued)

Digital Forensics

Digital forensics is a branch of forensic science encompassing the recovery, investigation, examination, and analysis of material found in digital devices, such as cellular phones, computers, and tablets. the only digital forensics lab within Allegan County. It is operated by Detective Dave Ashton.

This position was approved by the Allegan County Board of Commissioners in 2020 and has had a significant impact on our ability to investigate and solve crime. In one such case, which began near the end of 2023, a subject was arrested for the theft of several thousand dollars of tools and equipment. A search warrant was obtained to examine the contents of his cellular phone.

Through an examination of the conversations, GPS locations, and photographs found on the phone, two additional subjects were identified as coordinating a criminal enterprise responsible for thefts of power tools, equipment and recreational vehicles and transporting them to Chicago, IL for sale. This occurred over a period of several years. Without the information from the cell phone and Det. Ashton's expertise, the larger conspiracy would not have been discovered. This is just one of the dozens of such cases he has been instrumental in solving.



Detective Ashton has completed hundreds of hours of training and is certified by the International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists. The Sheriff's Office offers this service to all law enforcement agencies within Allegan County.

In 2023 Detective Ashton received 316 devices, up from 165 in 2022 and examined 33.48 TB of data up from 19.1 TB in 2022.

Southwest Enforcement Team – SWET



To combat the use and sale of illegal narcotics in Allegan County the Sheriff's Office assigns one detective to the Southwest Enforcement Team (SWET). SWET is a multijurisdictional task force assigned to illegal narcotics investigations.

Methamphetamine accounts for most illegal drugs seized in Allegan County while fentanyl accounts for the majority of accidental deaths. A few cases from 2023 are highlighted on the next page.

Southwest Enforcement Team - SWET (Continued)

- SWET detectives began an investigation in January of 2023 stemming from information obtained through confidential informants. SWET detectives corroborated the information and deemed it to be reliable. SWET detectives utilized confidential informants, electronic and in-person surveillance, and executed multiple search warrants. Detectives also shared intelligence information with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Central Michigan Enforcement Team (CMET), Metropolitan Enforcement Team (MET), and the State Police.

In August SWET detectives and assisting law enforcement partners were able to intercept 10lbs. of crystal methamphetamine coming from Detroit that was headed to the primary suspect in Kent County. Through this investigation, SWET detectives learned the primary suspect was responsible for supplying large quantities of methamphetamine throughout Michigan. He was known to be supplying Allegan County, Barry County, Ionia County, Kent County, Alpena County, and counties in the Upper Peninsula. Known areas within Allegan County included, but were not limited to, the townships of Lee, Wayland, and Dorr. Several individuals have been indicted federally and are pending federal prosecution for conspiracy to deliver methamphetamine.

- SWET Detectives received a tip from Allegan Township Officials that a subject living residing in their township was possibly dealing methamphetamine. SWET detectives were advised that the location had suspicious traffic coming and going at all hours of the night.

SWET conducted surveillance on the residence and stopped a vehicle that was leaving. During a search of the vehicle, they located methamphetamine and were informed it was purchased from the suspect residence. The driver then cooperated with SWET detectives and acted as a confidential informant. The confidential informant performed controlled purchases at the residence and a short time later a search warrant was obtained and executed. Methamphetamine and firearms were found during the search and the suspect in this case was charged with delivery of methamphetamine, felon in possession of firearms, felony firearm, and felon in possession of ammunition.

- SWET detectives were contacted by patrol deputies from the Sheriff's Office about an overdose case in Gun Plain Township. SWET detectives were able to identify the suspected dealer in this case from prior investigations. While this investigation was on-going detectives were contacted again about the same suspect still dealing heroin to neighbors and that another fatal overdose had occurred.

SWET detectives interviewed the suspected drug dealer who admitted he had delivered heroin/fentanyl to the second overdose victim. A search of the subject's residence resulted in more fentanyl being seized. When detectives arrested the suspect on warrants for delivery of heroin/fentanyl, multiple pills found on him were determined to be a controlled substance. A search warrant was executed again on the suspect's home where heroin/fentanyl, methamphetamine, and a hand gun were located. The suspect was charged with 1 count of delivery heroin/fentanyl, 2 counts of possession heroin/fentanyl.

***UPDATE-January 2024-Case resulted in a conviction of the offender for delivery of controlled substances causing death.**

Law Enforcement - Investigative Services Division (Continued)

Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation



The Investigative Services Bureau investigates incidents involving the online exploitation of children, which includes crimes such as sextortion and the manufacture, distribution, and sale of child sexually abusive material (child pornography). In 2023 Sheriff's Office detectives investigated 27 incidents related to child sexually abusive material.

To help combat these heinous crimes, Detective Dave Ashton is the department's affiliate on the Michigan State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC). Lt Mike Brown is a task force officer with the FBI's West Michigan Based Child Exploitation Task Force (WEBCHEX). ICAC and WEBCHEX are multijurisdictional task forces which investigate human trafficking and the online exploitation of children.

In one such case, which occurred in June of 2023, WEBCHEX special agents and task force officers assisted the Sheriff's Office in the execution of a search warrant at a residence in the City of Wyoming. The 28yr old suspect was taken into custody and is awaiting trial for multiple counts of criminal sexual conduct and production of child sexually abusive material involving a two-year old child in Allegan County.

Some facts from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children regarding child exploitation in the US are listed below:

- Cyber Tip Line reports regarding online child pornography

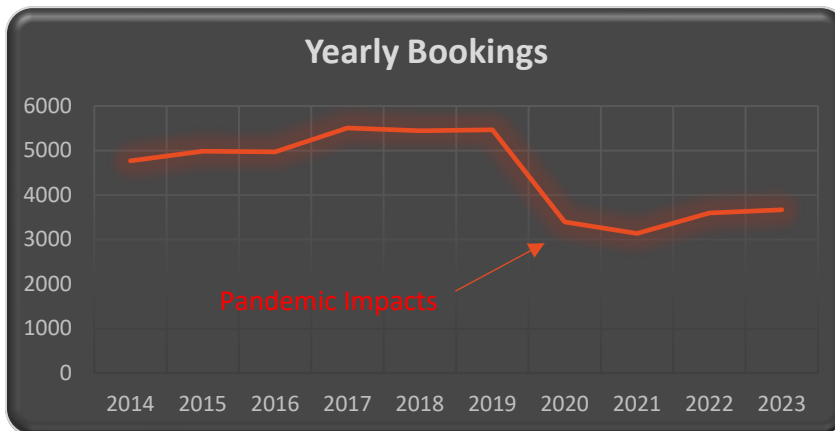
2020	2022
21,669,264	31,901,234

- Reports of Online Enticement of Children for Sexual Acts

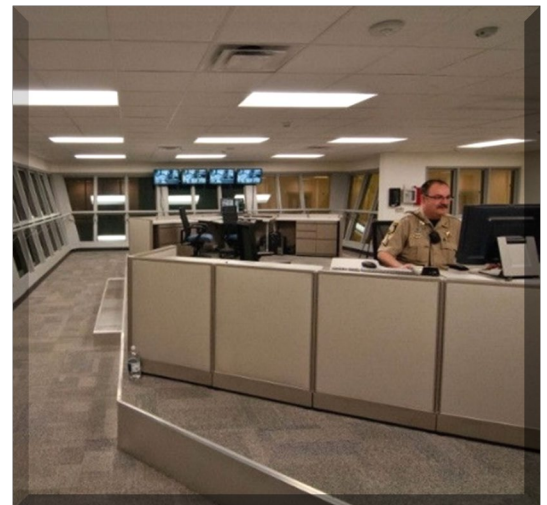
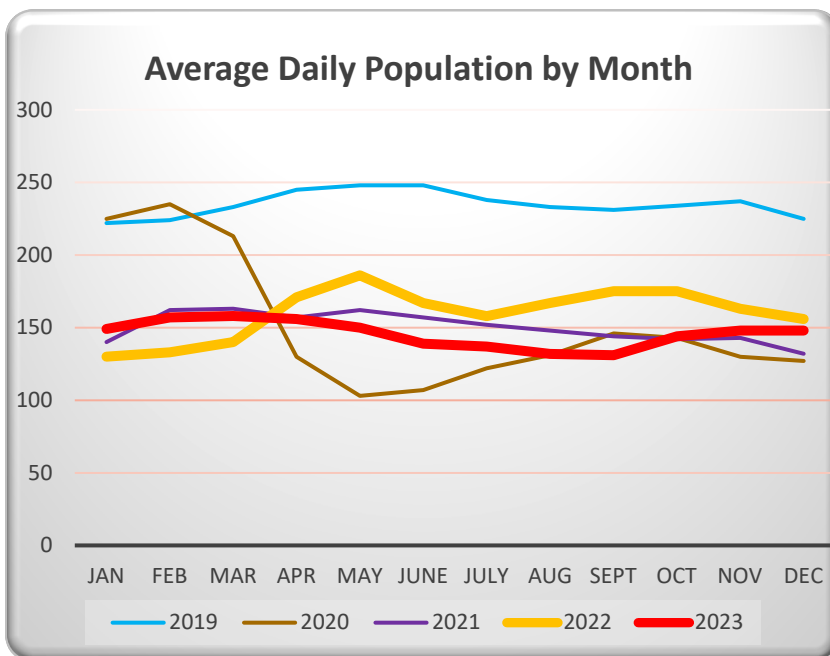
2020	2022
37,872	80,524

Corrections Division

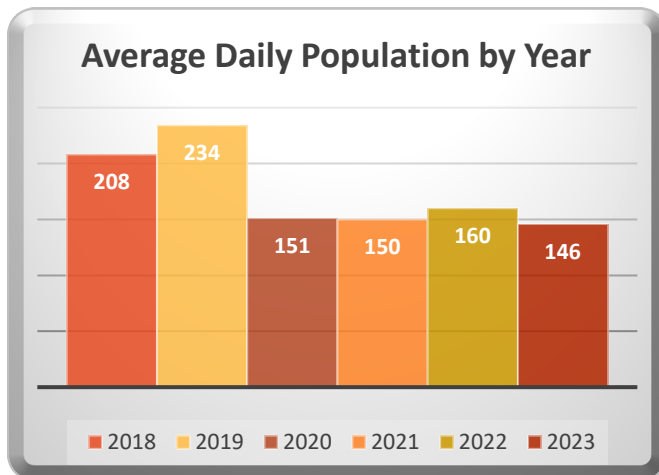
We are immensely proud of the corrections officers working in the Corrections Center. There have been many changes for the new staff members, many of which were hired after the pandemic. We have restored the inmate programs and services that were suspended or only partially operational during the pandemic when many of the newer deputies were hired. They have caught on and embraced the inmate programming and have been instrumental in bringing many of these programs back to full operational status.



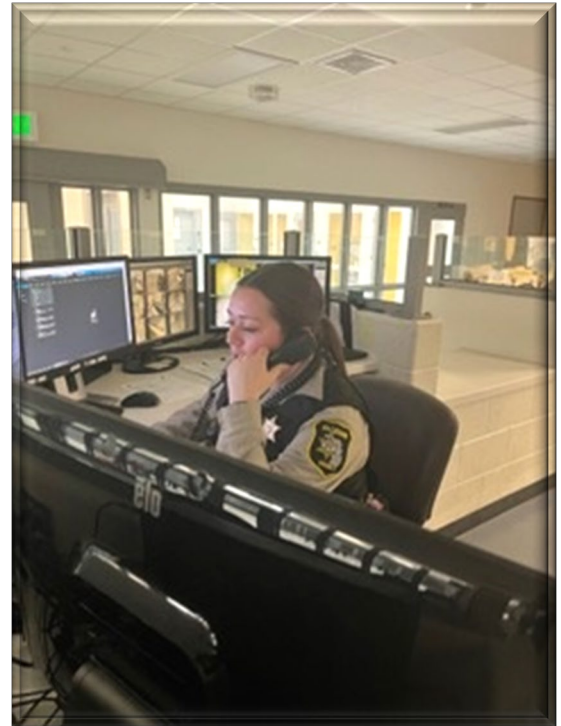
There were 3,673 bookings into the Corrections Center last year. This is a slight increase of 2% over the bookings in 2022. As you can see from the chart on the left. The number of bookings plummeted during the pandemic; however, as a result of “raise the age” legislation and additional changes in legislation our numbers have remained relatively stable showing only slight increases.



Corrections Division (Continued)



The average daily population by year went down slightly in 2023. We averaged 146 inmates housed in the Corrections Center each day during 2023, which is down 8% from the previous year.



Inmate Programs

Inmate programs are an integral part of the Corrections Division operation. Our goal is to return inmates back to the community with a better chance of being successful and less likely to reoffend. The Programs often focus on substance abuse issues, educational needs, improving the chance of gaining employment, and improving relationships within the family.

Additionally, participation in certain programs for those who qualify, offers opportunities for reductions in sentence. This is reflected in the bed days saved and in our budget as we utilize inmates as workers within the facility. For example, inmates assigned to the kitchen, dorm porters, cleaning crews, and animal shelter workers.

D.E.B.T.S. Crew (Detail Enabling Better Transition to Society)

The D.E.B.T.S. crew had 16 participants last year and 14 successful completions. This resulted in 429 bed days saved as participants earn days off their sentence for successful participation.

Community Service

Community Service had 35 attendees with 30 successful completions for a total bed days saved of 428.

Inmate Workers

There was a total of 140 inmate workers last year and 104 successful completions. The inmate workers are critical to the operation as their responsibilities include working in the kitchen, laundry, and cleaning crews. We also provide inmate workers to the Health Department and they are assigned to the Animal Shelter. This resulted in 2,668 bed days saved which is a 4% increase over the previous year.

Faith Based Programs

We have several faith-based programs such as Men's and Women's bible study and our community re-entry programs. These are conducted by volunteers who come meet with inmates at the Corrections Center and provide services.

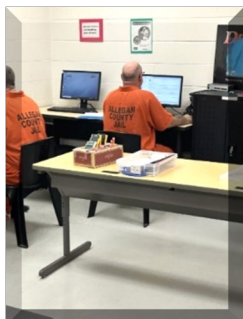
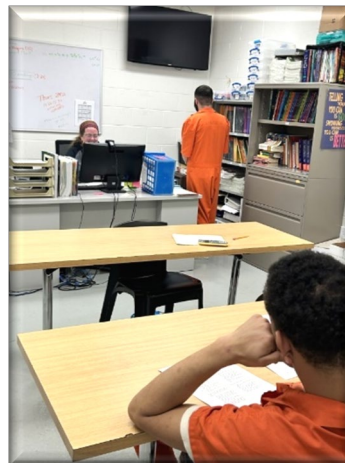


General Educational Development (GED)

The GED program had 96 attendees resulting in 190 bed days saved. There were 9 graduates with their GED.

Career Readiness (CCAB funded)

There were 103 participants in the Career Readiness program and 28 successful completions. We are proud of the Career Readiness program. It is one of the newest programs offered. We collaborate closely with partners such as Michigan Works to assist in finding employment for inmates with area businesses.



The program helps the inmate to prepare a resume, practice job interviews, complete college applications, financial aid forms, and set up and facilitate actual Zoom/online job interviews from the Corrections Center. Successful inmates have had jobs waiting upon their release.

We currently have 2 individuals taking online college courses. One of the students asked to have their sentence extended so she could complete the course.

MRT – Moral Reconciliation Therapy (CCAB funded)

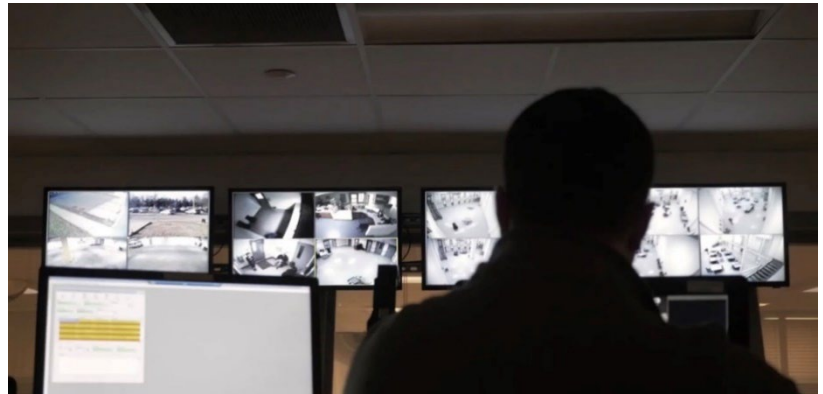


There were 96 attendees in the MRT program in 2023. We had 43 successful completions.

The MRT program is a type of behavioral therapy with a goal of decreasing the chances that someone will return to substance or alcohol abuse. The program does not provide any bed days saved as good time is not earned through participation.

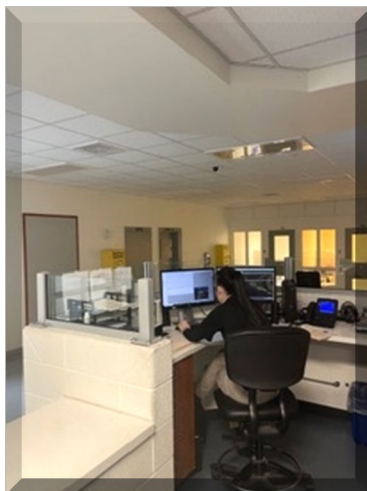
Corrections Division Cont'd Control Center

The responsibilities of deputies assigned to the control center include monitoring the facility security cameras and the opening and closing of security doors throughout the facility. Additional responsibilities include the answering of phones and communicating with the bond lobby visitors and with the front lobby visitors after hours.



Booking

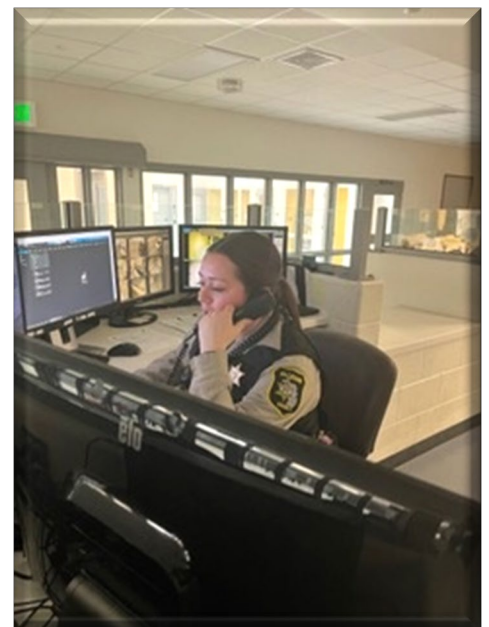
Deputies and our civilian booking officer are responsible for booking and releasing over 3,600 individuals over the course of the year in 2023. This requires data entry, mugshots, body scanning, and fingerprinting.



Civilian Booking Specialist



Body Scanner



Booking Deputy

Corrections Division Continued

Corrections Center Court Room

Deputies assist with hearings, such as arraignments, which are conducted remotely via Polycom from the Corrections Center to courtrooms in the courthouse or other counties.



Control Center

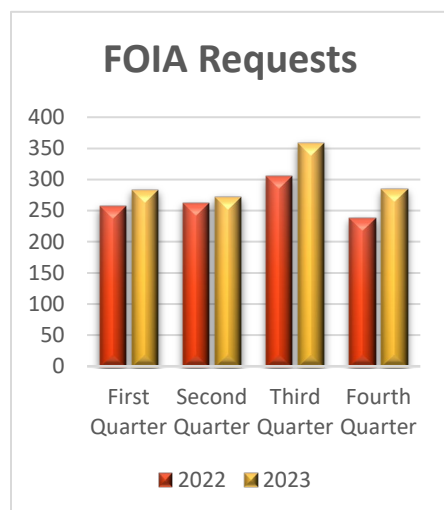


Court Room

Administrative Services Division

The staff transcribing reports and processing documents for the sheriff's office, the courts, the prosecutor's office, and the public, did an amazing job. They prepared the records of the 26,669 calls for service in 2023.

Administrative staff also responded to 2,091 Freedom of Information Act requests, processed pistol sales records, and assisted over 7,000 individuals at the lobby window.



Month	Lobby
Jan	738
Feb	583
Mar	666
Apr	615
May	685
Jun	576
Jul	608
Aug	588
Sept*	454
Oct*	428
Nov	579
Dec	485
Total	7,005

*Missing some data due to personnel changes



Administrative Services Division (Continued)

Livescan Fingerprinting	
Concealed Pistol Applicant	562
School Employment	150
Criminal Justice	143
Liquor License Applicant	7
Driver Education Certification	3
Licensed Health Care Professional	2
Dept. Agriculture – Horse Racing License	2
State Bar License	1
Sex Offender	1
Total	871

The Administrative Staff is responsible for conducting Livescan fingerprinting of individuals who are seeking licenses or employment in fields requiring fingerprinting.

The Administrative Staff also is responsible for conducting verifications of individuals who are on the Sex Offenders Registry. Last year they verified a total of 982 Sex Offender Registrants. Verifications require individuals to report and provide address changes, employment, vehicle, phone, and in some instances internet and social media use.

Marine Patrol Division

The Marine Patrol conducted 10 boating safety classes in 2023. The 2023 Marine Patrol consisted of 1 full time deputy and 20 part time deputies operating 10 boats in the fleet. They investigated 8 boating accidents and were involved in 2 rescue operations.



They inspected 15 boat liveries and a total of 199 boats were inspected. Many of these types of operations are boat, canoe, and kayak rentals.

They also participated in Operation Dry Water with a focus on impaired boating enforcement.



Marine Patrol Division (Continued)

Safety Equipment	Citations	Warnings
Wearable PFDs	19	34
Type IV/Throwable PFD	2	13
Fire Extinguisher	1	28
Visual Distress Signal	0	0
Sound Producing Device	1	11



The Marine Patrol partners with the Lakeshore Realtors Association in the “Safe a Life” program. The Lakeshore Realtors Association provides donated lifejackets to

our deputies to provide to children and boaters who may not afford one or have one. Our Marine Deputies literally received a boat load of lifejackets thanks to the Lakeshore Realtors Association!



Reserve Division



2023 Reserve Academy Graduates

The Reserve Division currently consists of 22 deputies who work part-time and volunteer hours to assist the Sheriff’s Office and our communities. We run Reserve Deputy Academies periodically to maintain staffing. The Academies provide our Reserve deputies with extensive training before they assume their duties working alongside our deputies.

The reserve deputies worked a total of 3,598 hours last year. They provide essential services including hospital sits with inmates, courthouse

security, traffic control, house moves, foot patrols in Saugatuck, traffic control at events, patrols, and security at the county fair. Reserve deputies volunteered approximately 1,641 hours doing patrols with deputies, conducting property inspections, and attending training. Anyone interested in joining the Reserve Division is encouraged to contact us and we would be happy to discuss opportunities.

Emergency Management Division

Sarah Clark joined us in March of last year. She is our Emergency Management Coordinator. She hit the ground running as that month our Emergency Management Division assisted the Wayland Fire Department and several other assisting Fire Departments with an oil well fire in Wayland Twp.



Then in April Emergency Management assisted the Department of Natural Resources with a wildfire in Clyde Twp. 6 homes were evacuated, and 303 acres were burnt. Numerous state and local agencies were on hand to assist.

Justin Johnson joined the Emergency Management Team in July as the Deputy Coordinator and Local Emergency Planning Committee Coordinator.



Emergency Management is extensively involved in the planning of large events occurring within the county. They assisted in planning the Luke Bryan Farm Tour concert, The Allegan County Fair, Dorr July 4th celebration, Wayland Balloon Festival, and the Saugatuck Venetian Festival.

The Emergency Management Division coordinates and collaborates with our Local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Allegan County Search and Rescue (ACSR), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Radio Service (RACES), the Red Cross, and several other volunteer organizations.

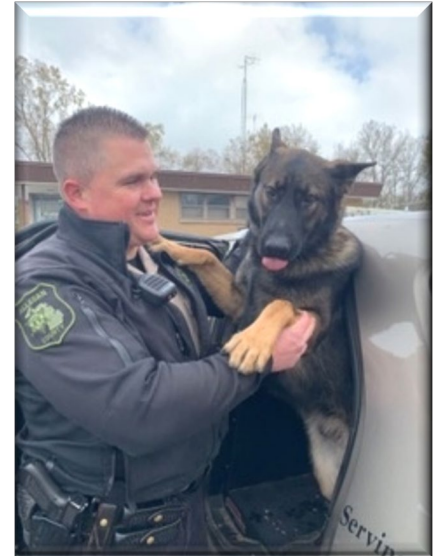


Specialty Teams

The Sheriff's Office has several specialty teams as well as deputies trained in specialized skills in addition to their normal patrol or investigative responsibilities.

K9 Units

4 deputies and their K-9 partners train in narcotics detection, tracking, and apprehension.



SWAT Team

Deputies who have applied for, met the physical fitness and background standards, may be assigned to the SWAT Team. The SWAT Team conducts high risk search warrants, responds to armed barricaded individuals, hostage situations, and other appropriate call outs.



Cell Extraction Teams

Each of the shifts in the Corrections Division has deputies and a sergeant trained in cell extractions. This is a specialty team utilized to minimize chances of injury to the inmate and staff.



Snowmobile Patrol

Utilized and funded through a DNR grant to patrol the snowmobile trails and teach snowmobile safety classes.




ALLEGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Snowmobile Division & Enforcement

Snowmobile Safety Classes offered

The Allegan County Sheriff's Office will once again be holding snowmobile safety classes for anyone wishing to operate a snowmobile in Michigan.

Classes are free and last 5 to 6 hours in duration. Upon successful completion students will receive a Snowmobile Safety Certificate allowing them to legally operate a snowmobile.

Classes can be found on the Sheriff's Office webpage at:
<http://www.allegancounty.org/sheriff/Patrol/StatePages/Snowmobiles.aspx>



Who can operate a snowmobile in Michigan?

A person, under the age of 12:
may not operate a snowmobile without the direct supervision of the parent or guardian except on property owned or controlled by the parent; may not cross a highway or street.

A person who is at least 12 but less than 17 years of age:
may operate a snowmobile under direct supervision of a person 21 years of age or older, or have in their immediate possession a valid snowmobile safety certificate; may not cross a highway or street without having a valid snowmobile safety certificate in their immediate possession.

Drone Operators

Several deputies are trained and authorized to utilize our drones for purposes such as locating lost or missing persons, evidence collection, crime scene measurements, and close observation of high-risk situations.

We are now moving towards the use of drones and specialty software for crash and crime scene measurements and mapping. The technology will allow roads to open faster after serious crashes and better document crime scenes.



Dive Rescue Team

Deputies trained as divers and surface personnel to conduct water rescues, body recovery, and evidence collection.



Evidence Technicians

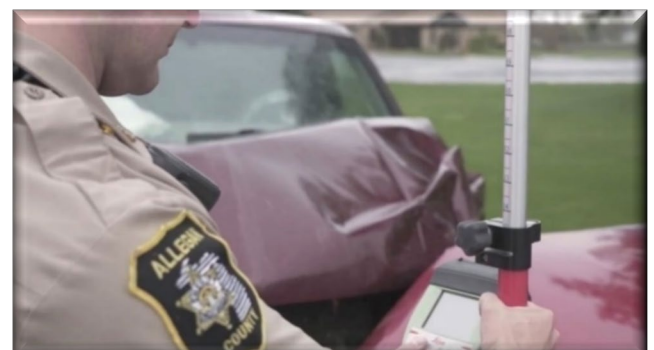
Deputies trained to collect, package, and preserve crime scene evidence for purposes of solving crime and successfully prosecuting suspects.



Crash Reconstruction Team

Deputies specially trained to investigate crashes utilizing specialized equipment and software for measuring and determining the facts surrounding fatal and very serious injury crashes for purposes of prosecution.

The deputies trained as reconstruction team members are also available to assist the officers of other agencies within the County who may have serious crashes within their jurisdictions.



Animal Control

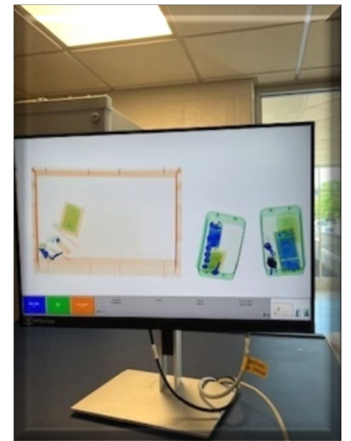


The Animal Control Unit consists of 2 deputies. They were dispatched to 1,918 calls for service last year. They are responsible for enforcement of the Michigan dog laws as well as domestic animal care and cruelty related issues.

They also investigate incidents of dog bites, dog attacks on livestock, and other similar type calls for service.

Court Security

Deputies assigned to Court Security provide screening at the entrance to the Court and County Building. They also act as bailiffs in the Courtrooms, conducting transports of inmates and juveniles to and from the Courts, the Corrections Center and the Youth Home. They provide overall security for the building and provide inmate court services in the Corrections Center.



Victim Services Unit

The VSU is a group of dedicated volunteers who are trained by the Michigan Sheriff's Association to provide comfort and direction after there has been a loss of a loved one. They respond to assist families after fatal traffic crashes for instance. They are trained in subjects such as the stages of grief, effective communication, law enforcement protocols, and the rights of victims in the criminal justice system. One of our patrol sergeants is assigned as a liaison to the unit.



In Conclusion



The Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Board of Commissioners for your trust and support over this past year. I am very proud of the work we have done together to enhance public safety in Allegheny County. We have taken on several key projects over the last few years and the communities and citizens we serve are seeing the benefits.

Please reach out should you have any questions, would like more information, or are looking for something specific that was not included in this report.

The deputies and staff at the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office would also like to thank the communities, the businesses, and the citizens we serve for all their support.

It is an honor to serve Allegheny County as your sheriff and all of us at the Sheriff's Office look forward serving you in 2024.



Additional Information and Photos

Sheriff's Office Approved Staffing (full time): law enforcement and corrections combined:

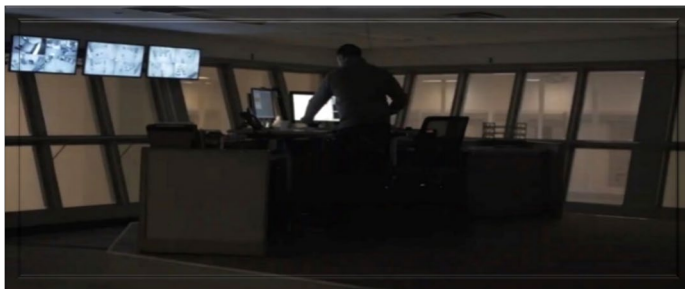
Sheriff	1	Corrections Deputies	30
Undersheriff	1	Patrol/Traffic Deputies	29
Captain	1	Contracted Patrols	14
Lieutenants	4	Court Security	2
Sergeants	16	Friend of Court Deputy	1
Detectives	7	School Resource Deputies	4
Administrative	12	Compliance Specialists	2
Mechanic	1	Total	125

There are currently open positions in both Corrections and Law Enforcement. We have new hires in the Police Academy.



Additional Accomplishments:

- Transition to new Uniforms and colors
 - Cost savings and availability
- Transition to 9mm handguns
 - Lower ammo costs
- Restraint wrap equipment in Corrections
 - Reduce liability and risk
- Enhanced use of body cameras
 - Utilizing within Corrections Center
- Established an employee focus group
 - Better feedback from staff



Future Vision/Projects

- Accreditation
- Safe Schools Conference
- Crime Victim Services
- Scheduling Software project
- Drone Evidence Software Project
- ORV Training

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

FINANCE - CLAIMS & INTERFUND TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, Administration has compiled the following claims for 5/3/24, 5/10/24; and

WHEREAS, the following claims, which are chargeable against the County, were audited in accordance with Section 46.61 to 46.63, inclusive, M.C.L. 1970 as amended and resolutions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, said claims are listed in the 2024 Claims folder of the Commissioners' Record of Claims.

May 3, 2024

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund - 101	210,057.70	210,057.70	
Parks/Recreation Fund - 208	535.18	535.18	
Friend of the Court - Cooperative Reimb - 215	85.00	85.00	
Health Department Fund - 221	33,782.37	33,782.37	
Solid Waste/Recycling - 226	10,670.71	10,670.71	
Animal Shelter - 254	1,191.66	1,191.66	
Register of Deeds Automation Fund - 256	336.48	336.48	
Central Dispatch Fund - 261	2,058.70	2,058.70	
Concealed Pistol Licensing Fund - 263	524.90	524.90	
Local Corrections Officers Training Fund - 264	357.00	357.00	
Justice Training Fund - 266	4,580.99	4,580.99	
Grants - 279	7,095.32	7,095.32	
Crime Victims Rights Grant - 280	291.59	291.59	
Sheriffs Contracts - 287	3,391.54	3,391.54	
Transportation Fund - 288	854.01	854.01	
Child Care Fund - 292	17,687.03	17,687.03	
Veterans Relief Fund - 293	36,304.73	36,304.73	
Senior Services Fund - 298	1,053.79	1,053.79	
American Rescue Plan Act - ARPA - 299	354,819.71	354,819.71	
Public Works Project Debt Fund - 365	125.00	125.00	
Jail Building Debt Fund - 366	125.00	125.00	
Fillmore: Re-Funding 2013 Bund Debt - 379	125.00	125.00	
Capital Improvement Fund - 401	902,049.79	902,049.79	

Property Tax Adjustments - 516	30,503.13	30,503.13	
Self-Insurance Fund - 677	351,306.50	351,306.50	
Drain Fund - 801	73,731.93	73,731.93	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$2,043,644.76	\$2,043,644.76	

May 10, 2024

	TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED	AMOUNT ALLOWED	AMOUNT DISALLOWED
General Fund - 101	137,254.40	137,254.40	
Parks/Recreation Fund - 208	1,993.01	1,993.01	
Friend of the Court - Cooperative Reimb - 215	1,011.50	1,011.50	
Health Department Fund - 221	44,984.84	44,984.84	
Solid Waste/Recycling - 226	10,227.17	10,227.17	
Animal Shelter - 254	11,584.20	11,584.20	
Indigent Defense Fund - 260	3,579.86	3,579.86	
Central Dispatch Fund - 261	840.77	840.77	
Concealed Pistol Licensing Fund - 263	21.99	21.99	
Local Corrections Officers Training Fund - 264	33.64	33.64	
Law Library Fund - 269	2,152.50	2,152.50	
Grants - 279	4,435.67	4,435.67	
Crime Victims Rights Grant - 280	155.44	155.44	
Sheriffs Contracts - 287	325.68	325.68	
Transportation Fund - 288	22,606.84	22,606.84	
Child Care Fund - 292	46,495.58	46,495.58	
Senior Services Fund - 298	475.75	475.75	
American Rescue Plan Act - ARPA - 299	11,587.20	11,587.20	
Property Tax Adjustments - 516	830.18	830.18	
Revolving Drain Maintenance Fund - 639	473.45	473.45	
Fleet Management/Motor Pool - 661	180.73	180.73	
Self-Insurance Fund - 677	460,569.68	460,569.68	
Drain Fund - 801	45,787.76	45,787.76	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIMS	\$807,607.84	\$807,607.84	

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners adopts the report of claims for 5/3/24, 5/10/24, and interfund transfers.