

CITY OF MEDFORD
2020
CRIME STATISTICS REPORT



MEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Message from the Chief of Police:

The Medford Police Department Crime Statistics Comparison Report for the timeframe 2020 with a comparison to the years 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Introduction

There is no doubt we are in the midst of perhaps the most difficult and introspective times in the history of law enforcement. With all that is happening, our police department continues to work hard to provide the highest quality of professional law enforcement services with the goal of enhancing the quality of life for all within our community.

The following 2020 Crime Report is submitted with the intent to give the reader an understanding and assessment of police operations during the 2020 calendar year. The 2020 Crime Report statistics presented, are organized yearly as well as monthly, when compared to the 2017, 2018, and 2019 statistics.

Crime Reporting and Submission

The Medford Police Department submits its data to the Massachusetts State Police Reporting Unit and utilizes the National Incident-Based Report System (NIBRS) classification system. The NIBRS system is utilized nationwide by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for purposes of gathering, analyzing, and developing crime statistics as well as quantifiable data. In January 2021, the NIBRS system became the primary crime reporting system for the nation, as the prior 'Uniform Crime Report' summary reporting system was officially retired.

NIBRS is separated into two distinct groups of Part A & Part B offenses. Part A offenses are major incidents that might remain unsolved. Part B offenses are only counted if a party is arrested for the offense. Part A offenses are broken into three categories Crimes Against Persons, Crimes Against Property, and Crimes Against Society. Massachusetts is a non-codified state in which some particular laws can fit different NIBRS definitions at different times. For example, a larceny could be classified as 'Shoplifting', 'Embezzlement' or 'Theft from a Building.' The computerized record system for the police department makes its best recommendation for the offense based upon the Massachusetts General Law listed as having been reported.

In April 2019, the Medford Police Department hired an experienced civilian crime analyst. Of his many responsibilities, the crime analyst must review each police report and actively validate and check for the proper coding of NIBRS offense submissions. This comprehensive reporting system is necessary yet time consuming.

Additional data presented within this report was gathered through the Medford Police Department - Records Management System (RMS). This third-party software is utilized for tracking calls for service, police reports, accident reports, arrests, and citations. Data collected from this system is a cursory look at the scope of our police records. It is not meant to be an in-depth or overall examination of the data.

Crime Statistics Comparison Report

The Medford Police Department 2020 Crime Report can serve as a general indicator of crime within our community. The following are points of interest for 2020.

1. The Medford Police Department received 34,153 calls for service in 2020. Calls for service increased significantly beginning in February of 2019. Comparatively in 2017 calls numbered 23,136 and 2018 numbered 21,818. The Medford Police Department serviced an average of 12,000 - 13,000 more calls for service in each of the last two years.
2. Emergency 911 calls significantly increased beginning in April of 2020. 911 dialed calls for service usually account for 2% of our total calls. In 2020 these calls accounted for 7% of our total calls for service.
3. Proactive enforcement by individual police officers jumped significantly in 2019 and continued throughout 2020. Proactive call types included: motor vehicle stops, parking enforcement, motor vehicle enforcement, premise checks & well-being checks.
4. Total reports for 2020 reached their highest level compared to prior years. The Medford Police fell just shy of writing 5000 police reports in 2020, averaging 13.5 reports written each day.
5. The highest monthly total of Medford Police Department Initial Police Reports was 447 for November 2020. Of these November reports, 154 were specifically related to Unemployment Fraud. In total for 2020 the Medford Police took 411 reports related to Unemployment Fraud.
6. Mental health reports peaked pre-pandemic between October 2019 and February 2020.
7. In 2020 the Medford Police Department had a significant increase in the number of police reports related to Identity Fraud. In 2019 there were twelve (12) reports and fifty-five (55) in 2020.
8. Burglary reports decreased to 38 reports in 2020. This decrease is significant, as in 2019 there were 52 burglary report.
9. A significant increase in 2020 were the number of reported Stolen MV Parts/Accessories. This is due, in part, to a re-classification of these events from prior years in which they were usually classified as All Other Larceny.
10. Drug narcotics violations dropped from an average of 44 reports to 27 reports in 2020. We believe this is related to the increase in community outreach and our partnership with the Medford Board of Health and the Office of Prevention and Outreach.
11. During March and April 2020, while people were quarantined at home, the Medford Police remained quite active. Reports for this time period remained consistent when compared to other months.

12. Reports of vandalism historically rise over the summer months. However, our numbers either dropped or plateaued during the summer of 2020.
13. During December 2020, 'All Other Larceny' and 'Theft from a Building' tend to increase due to package thefts. For 2020 we did not see this occur.
14. Arrests reduced significantly in 2020. There were 222 arrests for the year in comparison to 415 average over previous years.

In 2020, there was an influx of reported cases of fraud surrounding unemployment. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued guidance for local police departments to take reports on these claims and classify them as 'Welfare Fraud'. These police reports were only taken during 2020, and the expectation exists that they may continue into 2021. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued additional guidance to classify any claim of unemployment fraud that was coupled with other fraudulent activity in the victim's name as 'Identity Fraud.'

Over all the statistics indicate that reported crime in Medford has gone up for the year 2020 totaling 1,660 reports. However, if we consider changes in reporting, the total 411 reported Unemployment Fraud claims, the statistics reveal that the rate of reported crime has decreased some 3.7% in 2020.

Community Outreach

The Medford Police Department has assigned one full-time police officer to Community Outreach. The detective is assigned to the Medford Police Department Family Services Unit and works closely with the city's various community organizations. The goal of the Community Outreach Officer is to identify our most at-risk members of the community and attempt to lower these risks by connecting them to the help they need.

The Community Outreach Officer works alongside other community outreach organizations and partners with community stakeholders through our involvement in the Medford Regional HUB. The Medford HUB is an initiative created by the Medford Police Department and the Medford Board of Health Office of Prevention and Outreach. The HUB consists of designated staff from community and government agencies who meet weekly to address specific situations regarding our community members who are facing elevated levels of risk. The HUB is working to develop immediate, coordinated, and integrated assistance that is outside of the criminal justice arena. The goal of the HUB is to work with our social services partners to mobilize an effective response using all of our available resources.

Our partners within the Medford Regional HUB include the Medford Board of Health, Medford Office of Prevention and Outreach, the Medford Housing Authority, our Medford Social Worker, our Medford Recovery Coach, the Somerville District Court Clinical Care Coordinator, Eliot Community Human Services, Mystic Valley Elder Services, Armstrong Ambulance, Child Life Disaster Relief, Melrose Wakefield Hospital and many others.

Domestic Violence

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Medford Police Department recognized the future challenges of those community members who may be quarantine with those individuals they were previously involved in a reported domestic situation. The Medford Police Department sought to actively communicate with these population and provide connections to assist these individuals and connect them with resources.

The domestic violence follow-up team was subsequently established to contact reported victims from 2019 and 2020. Officers contacted the reported victim(s) to check in on their well-being.

The focus of the domestic violence follow-up call was to let the victims/involvement parties know that the Medford Police Department was still available to help. Medford Police Officers were able to provide a list of useful resources to each follow-up. Through the follow-up calls, officers were able to assess if the victim was quarantined with their abuser and were able to educate them on useful new tools like Text911. Text911 is an underutilized tool that could be used to speak with police dispatch discreetly via text message without the abuser's knowledge.

When necessary, officers were able to take new reports that may have gone unreported because of Covid-19 restrictions. Medford Police Officers were able to inform victims of the new court procedures for obtaining a restraining order put in place during the pandemic.

If the domestic violence victims were open to receiving additional resources, officers emailed a newly created, all-encompassing domestic violence resource sheet (see attached report) which included: hotlines, housing assistance, shelter, support groups, crisis intervention, legal aid, job assistance, and various other resources, websites and phone numbers.

In Conclusion

Overall the City of Medford continues to have low crime rates. Medford remains safe. In March 2021, WHDH news reported on a 'New Study Ranking the Safest Communities in Massachusetts.' The report ranked the City of Medford as the fourth safest large community.

The women and men of the Medford Police Department continue to work hard. The members of this police department performed exceptionally well under challenging and almost impossible circumstances during 2020. Time and time again, each officer has actively dedicated themselves to the service of the community. Our officers have proven they are productive and responsible community members. They should be commended for their service to our City of Medford.

As a police department, we are committed to re-inventing the image of the Medford Police Department and to developing a modern, well organized department.

Respectfully,

Jack D. Buckley
Chief of Police

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National Incident Based Report System (NIBRS)

Part A Offenses – Complete years

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average
Total	1464	1254	1298	1660	1419
Kidnapping/Abduction	3	3	9	5	5
Rape	5	6	7	2	5
Robbery	14	9	17	17	14
Aggravated Assault	72	59	99	53	71
Simple Assault	242	202	189	196	207
Intimidation	51	61	57	80	62
Arson	1	2	1	3	2
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	2	3	1
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	116	86	52	38	73
Pocket-picking	12	7	9	5	8
Purse-snatching	0	0	0	1	0
Shoplifting	31	47	93	83	64
Theft From Building	21	16	35	30	26
Theft From Motor Vehicle	170	81	126	105	121
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	3	7	16	72	25
All Other Larceny	304	298	198	176	244
Motor Vehicle Theft	63	51	35	39	47
Counterfeiting/Forgery	29	23	44	16	28
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	77	72	46	16	53
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	3	26	48	19
Impersonation	0	0	3	1	1
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	411	103
Wire Fraud	0	0	23	28	13
Identity Theft	0	0	12	55	17
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	1	0
Embezzlement	0	2	2	10	4
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	2	4	2
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	209	150	129	118	152
Drug/Narcotic Violations	34	62	51	27	44
Statutory Rape	2	1	1	0	1
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	2	3	1
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	2	0	0	0	1
Prostitution	0	2	1	1	1
Weapon Law Violations	3	4	10	12	7
Animal Cruelty	0	0	1	1	1

NIBRS Part A Continued JANUARY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	109	98	126	99	108.0	-8%
Rape	2	0	0	0	2.0	-100%
Robbery	1	0	2	2	1.7	20%
Aggravated Assault	3	5	12	4	6.0	-33%
Simple Assault	18	25	13	15	17.8	-15%
Intimidation	5	2	10	3	5.0	-40%
Arson	0	1	0	0	1.0	-100%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	6	5	7	6	6.0	0%
Shoplifting	4	3	9	7	5.8	22%
Theft From Building	1	0	1	4	2.0	100%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	12	4	12	11	9.8	13%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	1	1	0	3	1.7	80%
All Other Larceny	26	26	27	10	22.3	-55%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	4	4	3	4.8	-37%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	4	2	4	3	3.3	-8%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	5	6	2	4.5	-56%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	1	5	3.0	67%
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	1	1.0	0%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	9	14	12	11	11.5	-4%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	4	1	6	4	3.8	7%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	0	1	1.0	0%

NIBRS Part A Continued FEBRUARY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	110	95	115	93	103.3	-10%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	5	0	5.0	-100%
Rape	0	1	1	0	1.0	-100%
Robbery	2	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Aggravated Assault	7	2	10	4	5.8	-30%
Simple Assault	21	15	15	11	15.5	-29%
Intimidation	6	2	4	4	4.0	0%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	10	3	9	4	6.5	-38%
Pocket-picking	2	0	2	0	2.0	-100%
Shoplifting	0	2	5	14	7.0	100%
Theft From Building	1	1	1	1	1.0	0%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4	11	14	9	9.5	-5%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	1	5	3.0	67%
All Other Larceny	16	27	20	7	17.5	-60%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	2	3	2	2.3	-11%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	9	0	3	2	4.7	-57%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	7	10	9	1	6.8	-85%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	3	3.0	0%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	5	5.0	0%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	19	11	6	9	11.3	-20%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	8	6	5	5.5	-9%
Statutory Rape	1	0	0	0	1.0	-100%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	1	1	1.0	0%

NIBRS Part A Continued MARCH Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	107	104	85	91	96.8	-6%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
Robbery	4	1	1	3	2.3	33%
Aggravated Assault	3	3	8	5	4.8	5%
Simple Assault	16	20	12	14	15.5	-10%
Intimidation	5	5	2	3	3.8	-20%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	11	5	5	2	5.8	-65%
Pocket-picking	1	1	2	1	1.3	-20%
Shoplifting	3	3	2	12	5.0	140%
Theft From Building	3	0	0	2	2.5	-20%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	9	3	4	9	6.3	44%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	0	2	2.0	0%
All Other Larceny	24	32	16	10	20.5	-51%
Motor Vehicle Theft	5	2	3	8	4.5	78%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	5	1	0	0	3.0	-100%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	3	9	4	1	4.3	-76%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	1	0	5	3.0	67%
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	1	1.0	0%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	1	1.0	0%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	14	11	20	6	12.8	-53%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	1	5	4	1	2.8	-64%
Statutory Rape	0	1	0	0	1.0	-100%
Weapon Law Violations	0	1	2	3	2.0	50%

NIBRS Part A Continued APRIL Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	140	122	109	96	116.8	-18%
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0	0	0	1.0	-100%
Rape	0	0	0	1	1.0	0%
Robbery	0	0	1	0	1.0	-100%
Aggravated Assault	6	5	11	5	6.8	-26%
Simple Assault	22	12	25	22	20.3	9%
Intimidation	5	4	8	9	6.5	38%
Arson	0	1	0	1	1.0	0%
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	1	1	1.0	0%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	7	10	2	2	5.3	-62%
Pocket-picking	0	1	0	0	1.0	-100%
Shoplifting	3	5	5	4	4.3	-6%
Theft From Building	1	1	4	0	2.0	-100%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	24	13	7	9	13.3	-32%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	1	9	5.0	80%
All Other Larceny	26	23	19	17	21.3	-20%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	8	3	1	3.5	-71%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	5	0	1	2.7	-63%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	8	8	1	5.5	-82%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	1	1	1.0	0%
Wire Fraud	0	0	1	1	1.0	0%
Embezzlement	0	1	0	0	1.0	-100%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	32	17	5	9	15.8	-43%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	4	8	7	2	5.3	-62%

NIBRS Part A Continued MAY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	122	79	114	104	104.8	-1%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	2	0	0.5	-100%
Rape	1	1	2	0	1.0	-100%
Robbery	2	1	2	2	1.8	14%
Aggravated Assault	4	2	5	6	4.3	41%
Simple Assault	22	14	17	21	18.5	14%
Intimidation	5	7	4	8	6.0	33%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	6	2	6	5	4.8	5%
Pocket-picking	4	0	0	0	1.0	-100%
Shoplifting	3	2	8	5	4.5	11%
Theft From Building	3	0	3	3	2.3	33%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	8	7	6	4	6.3	-36%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	2	1	3	1.5	100%
All Other Larceny	23	20	23	17	20.8	-18%
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	4	1	3	2.5	20%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	4	2	1.5	33%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	2	1	0	2.0	-100%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	1	2	0.8	167%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	4	1.0	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	3	1	1.0	0%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	4	1.0	300%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	2	0.5	300%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	31	9	17	6	15.8	-62%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	6	7	5	5.3	-5%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%

NIBRS Part A Continued JUNE Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	138	93	118	139	122.0	14%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Rape	1	0	1	0	0.5	-100%
Robbery	0	1	0	0	0.3	-100%
Aggravated Assault	14	4	10	3	7.8	-61%
Simple Assault	25	19	17	19	20.0	-5%
Intimidation	9	2	4	12	6.8	78%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	9	11	3	1	6.0	-83%
Pocket-picking	1	1	2	0	1.0	-100%
Shoplifting	1	4	9	3	4.3	-29%
Theft From Building	6	1	4	3	3.5	-14%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	1	0	0	0	0.3	-100%
All Other Larceny	26	14	14	10	16.0	-38%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	5	6	19	4	8.5	-53%
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	2	7	6	4.8	26%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	2	2	1	1.8	-43%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	16	6	4	0	6.5	-100%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	4	6	2.5	140%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	49	12.3	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	1	8	2.3	256%
Identity Theft	0	0	1	5	1.5	233%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	16	15	10	6	11.8	-49%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	2	5	4	2	3.3	-38%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%

NIBRS Part A Continued JULY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	121	101	123	124	117.3	6%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Rape	0	1	2	0	0.8	-100%
Robbery	1	2	2	1	1.5	-33%
Aggravated Assault	6	2	9	3	5.0	-40%
Simple Assault	26	17	19	16	19.5	-18%
Intimidation	5	4	8	13	7.5	73%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	6	9	8	3	6.5	-54%
Pocket-picking	1	1	0	0	0.5	-100%
Impersonation	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Shoplifting	4	4	8	5	5.3	-5%
Theft From Building	2	1	4	2	2.3	-11%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	13	3	8	2	6.5	-69%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	2	1	1	1.0	0%
All Other Larceny	31	31	14	26	25.5	2%
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	2	6	3	3.5	-14%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	3	4	1	2.0	-50%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	7	4	1	4.3	-76%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	4	2	1.5	33%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	19	4.8	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	5	3	2.0	50%
Identity Theft	0	0	2	11	3.3	238%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	17	11	8	11	11.8	-6%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	0	1	3	0	1.0	-100%
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	1	0	0.25	-100%
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	1	0	0	0	0.3	-100%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	2	0	0.5	-100%

NIBRS Part A Continued AUGUST Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	115	124	109	99	111.8	-11%
Rape	0	1	0	0	0.3	-100%
Robbery	3	0	2	1	1.5	-33%
Aggravated Assault	6	4	7	5	5.5	-9%
Simple Assault	21	21	15	17	18.5	-8%
Intimidation	4	10	4	4	5.5	-27%
Arson	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	12	6	2	1	5.3	-81%
Pocket-picking	1	1	0	0	0.5	-100%
Shoplifting	7	6	9	4	6.5	-38%
Theft From Building	1	2	9	2	3.5	-43%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	7	13	7	4	7.8	-48%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	1	0	1	0.5	100%
All Other Larceny	24	28	27	16	23.8	-33%
Motor Vehicle Theft	3	5	2	1	2.8	-64%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	4	6	1	3.0	-67%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	4	3	3	0	2.5	-100%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	2	4	1.5	167%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	11	2.8	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	0	4	1.0	300%
Identity Theft	0	0	1	3	1.0	200%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	18	10	10	15	13.3	13%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	8	1	1	3.3	-69%
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%
Weapon Law Violations	0	1	0	2	0.8	167%

NIBRS Part A Continued SEPTEMBER Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	122	113	116	140	122.8	14%
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0	0	1	0.5	100%
Rape	0	1	0	0	0.3	-100%
Robbery	0	0	3	4	1.8	129%
Aggravated Assault	3	10	4	6	5.8	4%
Simple Assault	15	21	15	14	16.3	-14%
Intimidation	4	9	5	9	6.8	33%
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	19	6	3	5	8.3	-39%
Pocket-picking	1	0	0	1	0.5	100%
Purse-snatching	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Shoplifting	1	4	8	4	4.3	-6%
Theft From Building	2	1	4	1	2.0	-50%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	15	4	21	11	12.8	-14%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	1	3	8	3.0	167%
All Other Larceny	33	20	13	17	20.8	-18%
Motor Vehicle Theft	5	6	5	3	4.8	-37%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	5	1	1.5	-33%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	8	7	2	0	4.3	-100%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	2	1	0.8	33%
Impersonation	0	0	2	0	0.5	-100%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	27	6.8	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	3	2	1.3	60%
Identity Theft	0	0	0	7	1.8	300%
Embezzlement	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	0	2	0.5	300%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	10	16	13	9	12.0	-25%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	4	6	1	3	3.5	-14%
Statutory Rape	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Weapon Law Violations	1	1	1	1	1.0	0%

NIBRS Part A Continued OCTOBER Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	129	114	94	229	141.5	62%
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	2	0	0	0.5	-100%
Rape	0	1	0	0	0.3	-100%
Robbery	1	3	2	0	1.5	-100%
Aggravated Assault	8	10	8	3	7.3	-59%
Simple Assault	18	22	10	19	17.3	10%
Intimidation	1	2	3	4	2.5	60%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	9	13	1	1	6.0	-83%
Pocket-picking	0	1	1	1	0.8	33%
Shoplifting	1	3	9	9	5.5	64%
Theft From Building	0	2	1	6	2.3	167%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	21	3	11	10	11.3	-11%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	3	7	2.5	180%
All Other Larceny	31	28	11	21	22.8	-8%
Motor Vehicle Theft	7	3	1	4	3.8	7%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	4	0	9	0	3.3	-100%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	5	3	1	4	3.3	23%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	1	6	1.8	243%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	110	27.5	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	3	0	0.8	-100%
Identity Theft	0	0	1	8	2.3	256%
Embezzlement	0	1	1	1	0.8	33%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	18	14	14	11	14.3	-23%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	4	3	1	2	2.5	-20%
Statutory Rape	1	0	0	0	0.3	-100%
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Prostitution	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Animal Cruelty	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%

NIBRS Part A Continued NOVEMBER Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	112	107	74	286	144.8	98%
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	1	0	1	0.8	33%
Rape	1	0	0	1	0.5	100%
Aggravated Assault	6	6	7	5	6.0	-17%
Simple Assault	14	9	10	11	11.0	0%
Intimidation	1	8	0	7	4.0	75%
Arson	1	0	0	0	0.3	-100%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	18	9	3	2	8.0	-75%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	1	2	2	1.3	60%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	12	10	5	8	8.8	-9%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	2	0.5	300%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	7	5	0	4	4.0	0%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	2	4	10	4.0	150%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	154	38.5	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	2	1	0.8	33%
Identity Theft	0	0	1	3	1.0	200%
Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Robbery	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%
Pocket-picking	1	0	1	2	1.0	100%
Shoplifting	3	2	11	10	6.5	54%
Theft From Building	1	5	3	5	3.5	43%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	15	6	5	26	13.0	100%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	5	14	4.8	195%
All Other Larceny	20	30	4	11	16.3	-32%
Motor Vehicle Theft	7	7	0	2	4.0	-50%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	5	7	0	3.8	-100%
Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	1	0	0	0	0.3	-100%
Prostitution	0	1	0	1	0.5	100%
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	2	0	0.5	-100%
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%

NIBRS Part A Continued DECEMBER Analysis

Desc	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2020 Vs Average
Total	139	104	115	155	128.3	21%
Rape	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Robbery	0	1	1	1	0.8	33%
Aggravated Assault	6	6	8	3	5.8	-48%
Simple Assault	24	7	21	17	17.3	-1%
Intimidation	1	6	5	4	4.0	0%
Arson	0	0	1	1	0.5	100%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	3	7	3	6	4.8	26%
Pocket-picking	0	1	1	0	0.5	-100%
Shoplifting	1	9	10	6	6.5	-8%
Theft From Building	0	2	1	1	1.0	0%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	37	8	12	6	15.8	-62%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	1	0	1	19	5.3	262%
All Other Larceny	24	19	10	14	16.8	-16%
Motor Vehicle Theft	15	6	0	3	6.0	-50%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	2	5	5	1	3.3	-69%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	7	7	4	1	4.8	-79%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	0	0	6	4	2.5	60%
Impersonation	0	0	1	0	0.3	-100%
Welfare Fraud	0	0	0	37	9.3	300%
Wire Fraud	0	0	5	2	1.8	14%
Identity Theft	0	0	6	5	2.8	82%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	2	0.5	300%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	0	1	0.3	300%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	13	12	9	17	12.75	33%
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	6	4	2	3.8	-47%
Prostitution	0	1	0	0	0.25	-100%
Weapon Law Violations	2	1	0	2	1.3	60%

NIBRS Part B

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	10	15	12	5
Driving Under the Influence	17	38	25	8
Drunkenness	0	6	1	1
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	10	8	12	15
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	1
Trespass of Real Property	1	5	0	0
All Other Offenses	17	9	15	8
Total	55	81	65	38

Part B offenses require an arrest to be included in the report system. In the event that a party is issued a complaint or a warrant is sought for the party, such as Violation of a Restraining order due to a party texting the plaintiff, it is still counted as an arrest even though the party was not taken into custody at the time. Additionally, if a Part A offense is counted and a Part B offense is included (Such as a domestic incident where the defendant texted the victim and then came over and assaulted the victim), only the Part A offense is counted and the Part B offense is not.

NIBRS Part B JANUARY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	1	1	0	2
Driving Under the Influence	2	2	2	2
Drunkenness	0	0	0	1
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	1	1	1
All Other Offenses	1	0	2	2
Total	5	4	5	8

FEBRUARY Analysis

	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	0	1	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	5	3	1
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	0	0	2	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	1
Trespass of Real Property	0	1	0	0
All Other Offenses	3	0	0	0
Total	5	7	5	2

MARCH Analysis

Row Labels	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	2	0	0	1
Driving Under the Influence	0	5	4	2
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	0	0	0	3
Trespass of Real Property	0	1	0	0
All Other Offenses	0	2	1	1
Total	2	8	5	7

APRIL Analysis

Row Labels	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	0	2	2	0
Driving Under the Influence	0	4	3	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	0	1	0
All Other Offenses	1	0	1	0
Total	2	6	7	0

MAY Analysis

Row Labels	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	2	1	3	1
Driving Under the Influence	1	4	0	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	0	0	1
Trespass of Real Property	0	1	0	0
All Other Offenses	1	0	3	0
Total	5	6	6	2

JUNE Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	0	2	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	1	3	1	1
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	0	1	3	1
Trespass of Real Property	0	1	0	0
All Other Offenses	4	0	1	1
Total	5	7	6	3

JULY Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	1	2	2	0
Driving Under the Influence	3	1	1	1
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	0	0	1	1
All Other Offenses	2	0	1	0
Total	6	3	5	2

AUGUST Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	1	3	2	0
Driving Under the Influence	1	3	2	0
Drunkenness	0	4	0	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	2	0	0
All Other Offenses	1	1	4	0
Total	4	13	8	0

SEPTEMBER Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	0	0	2	0
Driving Under the Influence	0	3	2	1
Drunkness	0	1	0	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	2	0	1
All Other Offenses	1	3	1	0
Total	2	9	5	2

OCTOBER Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	1	1	0
Drunkness	0	1	0	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	3	1	1	2
Trespass of Real Property	0	1	0	0
All Other Offenses	0	1	0	1
Total	6	5	2	3

NOVEMBER Analysis

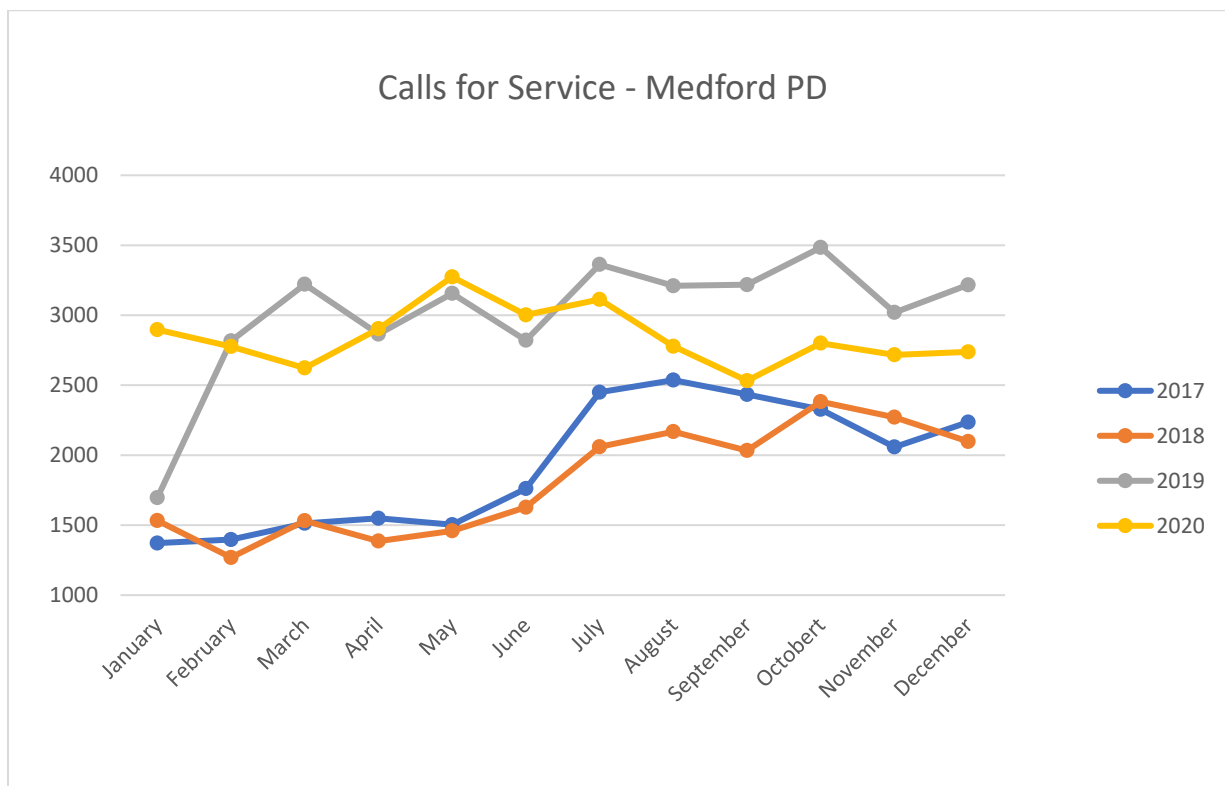
Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	0	2	0	1
Driving Under the Influence	3	4	4	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	0	1	4
Trespass of Real Property	1	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	3	2	1	2
Total	8	8	6	7

DECEMBER Analysis

Offense	2017	2018	2019	2020
Disorderly Conduct	2	1	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	3	2	0
Drunkness	0	0	1	0
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1	1	2	1
All Other Offenses	0	0	0	1
Total	5	5	5	2

Calls for Service – Medford PD

Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2019-2020 change	2019-2020 % change
January	1372	1533	1696	2897	1875	1201	71%
February	1397	1269	2816	2776	2065	-40	-1%
March	1513	1531	3221	2623	2222	-598	-19%
April	1549	1386	2865	2903	2176	38	1%
May	1503	1459	3156	3274	2348	118	4%
June	1761	1628	2821	3002	2303	181	6%
July	2450	2060	3363	3113	2747	-250	-7%
August	2536	2168	3210	2778	2673	-432	-13%
September	2434	2033	3218	2532	2554	-686	-21%
October	2327	2382	3484	2800	2748	-684	-20%
November	2058	2271	3020	2717	2517	-303	-10%
December	2236	2098	3217	2738	2572	-479	-15%
Total	23136	21818	36087	34153			

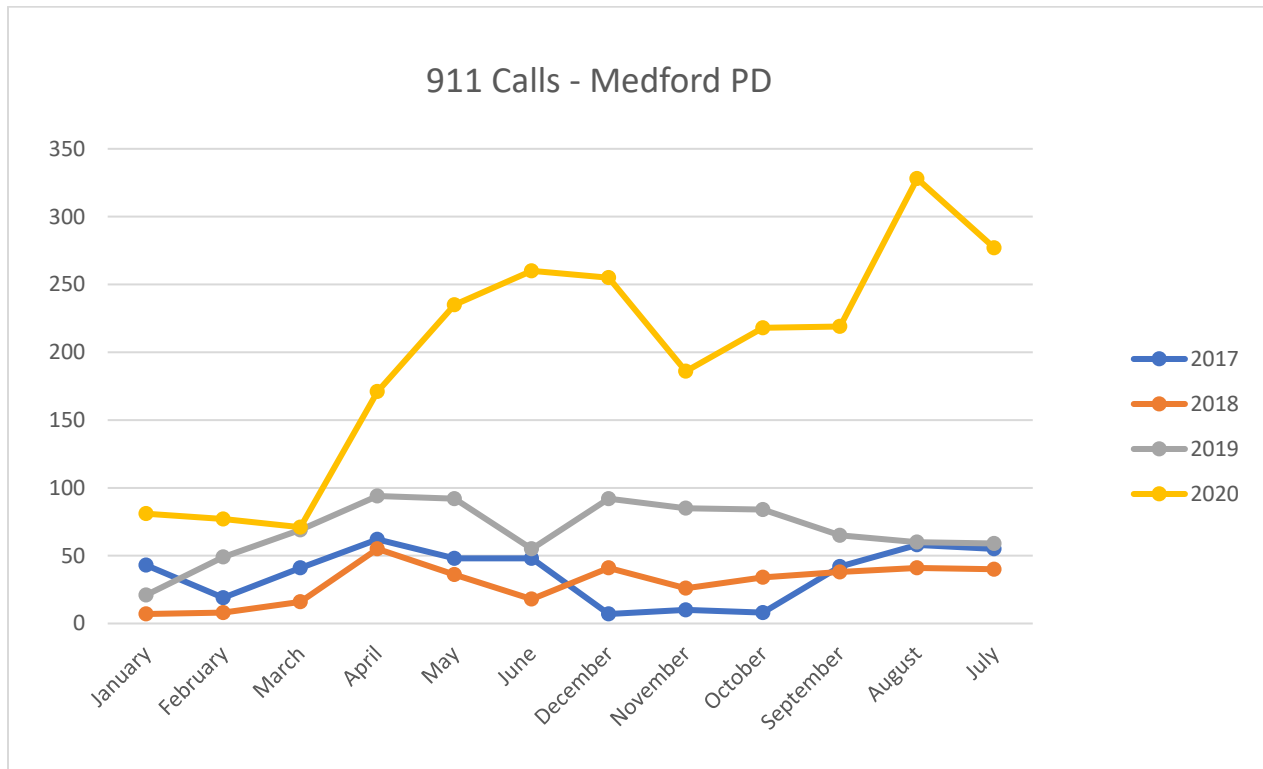


This table and graph includes online reports. Online reports are considered any report sent in via email or webform and generate a single call for service. The online reporting system was activated during the Covid 19 Pandemic and allowed officers to take reports of minor larcenies, identity theft, and other non-emergency reports which did not warrant an immediate officer response. Some of these reports may include those reporting parties violating social distancing protocols.

Calls for Service – Medford PD

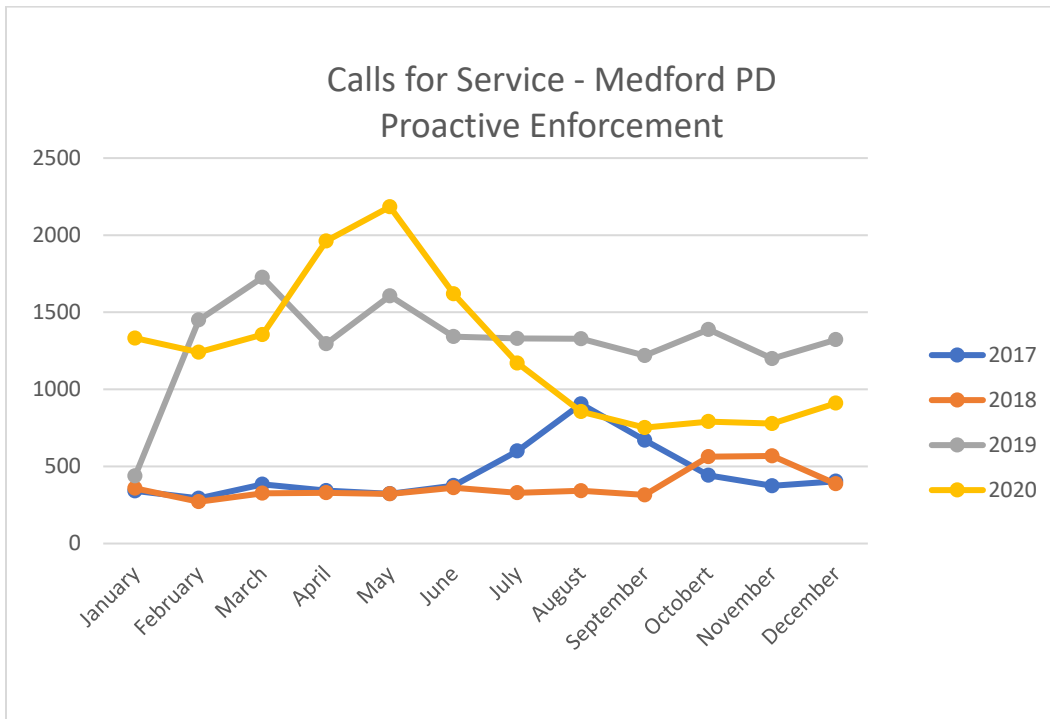
911 Calls

Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2019-2020 Change	2019-2020 % Change
January	43	7	21	81	38	60	286%
February	19	8	49	77	38	28	57%
March	41	16	69	71	49	2	3%
April	62	55	94	171	96	77	82%
May	48	36	92	235	103	143	155%
June	48	18	55	260	95	205	373%
December	7	41	92	255	99	163	177%
November	10	26	85	186	77	101	119%
October	8	34	84	218	86	134	160%
September	42	38	65	219	91	154	237%
August	58	41	60	328	122	268	447%
July	55	40	59	277	108	218	369%
Total	441	360	825	2378			
Total CFS	23136	21818	36087	34153			
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Calls for Service – Medford PD Proactive Enforcement

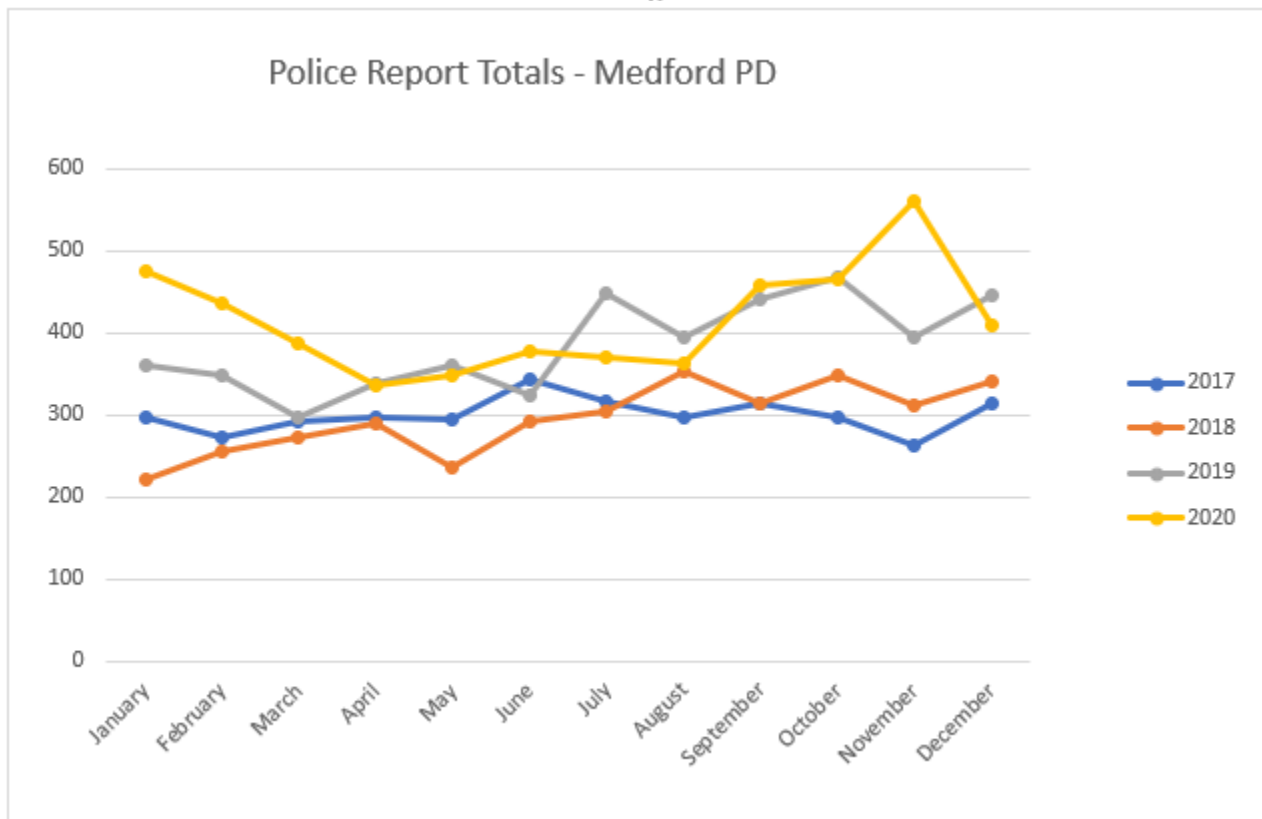
Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	AVG	2019-2020 change	2019-2020 % change
January	341	358	438	1332	617	894	204%
February	293	271	1450	1241	814	-209	-14%
March	384	326	1726	1355	948	-371	-21%
April	343	329	1296	1962	983	666	51%
May	323	322	1606	2184	1109	578	36%
June	376	362	1342	1619	925	277	21%
July	600	329	1330	1170	857	-160	-12%
August	905	342	1328	855	858	-473	-36%
September	670	315	1219	752	739	-467	-38%
October	442	563	1388	791	796	-597	-43%
November	374	568	1199	778	730	-421	-35%
December	404	387	1322	910	756	-412	-31%
Total	5455	4472	15644	14949			
TOTAL CFS	23136	21818	36087	34153			
% Proactive	24%	20%	43%	44%			



Call types included: MV Stops, Parking Enforcement, MV Enforcement, Premise & Well-being checks

Police Report Totals – Medford PD

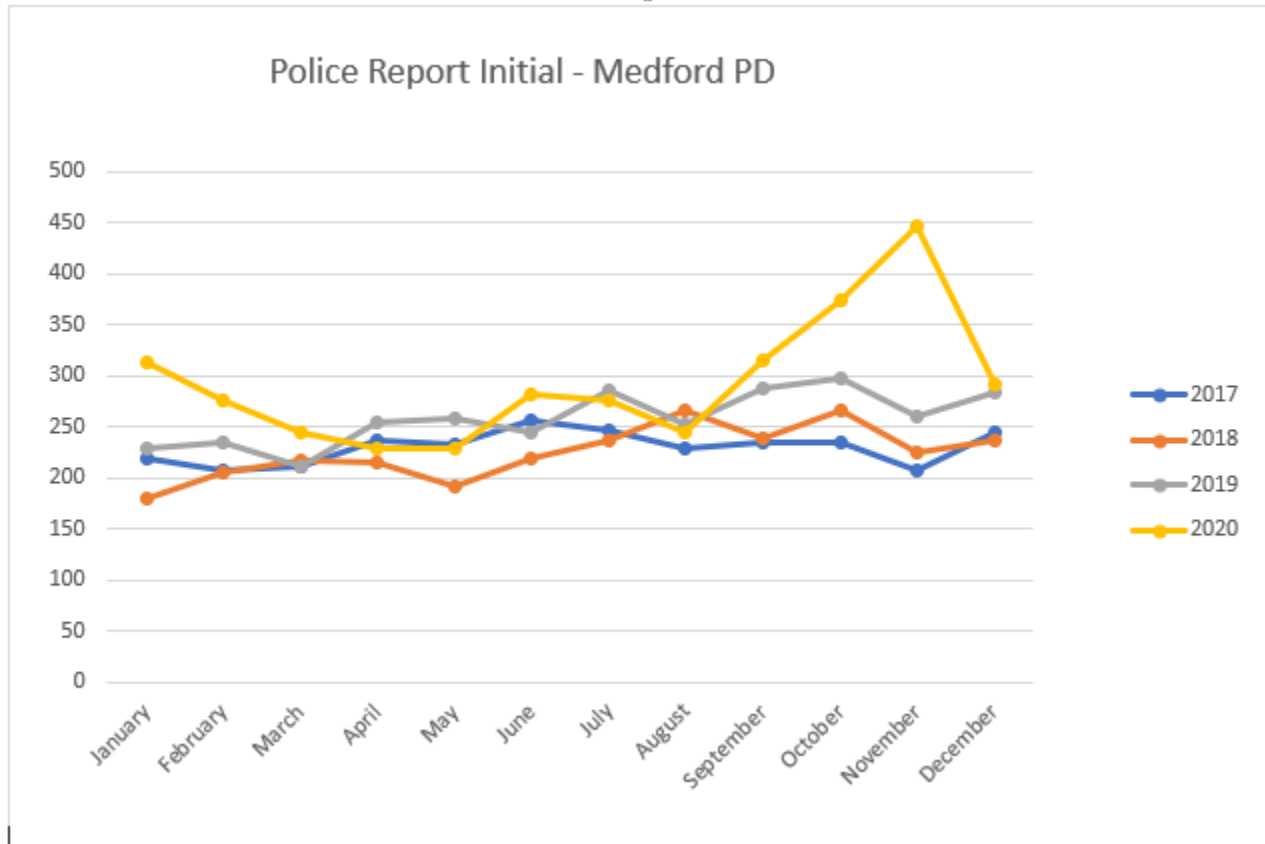
Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Average	2019-2020 Change	2019-2020 % Change
January	297	221	360	474	338	114	32%
February	273	255	348	436	328	88	25%
March	291	273	298	388	312.5	90	30%
April	297	290	339	337	315.8	-2	-1%
May	295	235	361	347	309.5	-14	-4%
June	343	291	323	377	333.5	54	17%
July	316	304	448	371	359.8	-77	-17%
August	298	354	395	362	352.3	-33	-8%
September	314	314	441	457	381.5	16	4%
October	298	349	467	466	395	-1	0%
November	263	311	394	560	382	166	42%
December	314	341	446	408	377.3	-38	-9%
Total	3599	3538	4620	4983			



Police Reports – Medford PD

Initial Police Reports

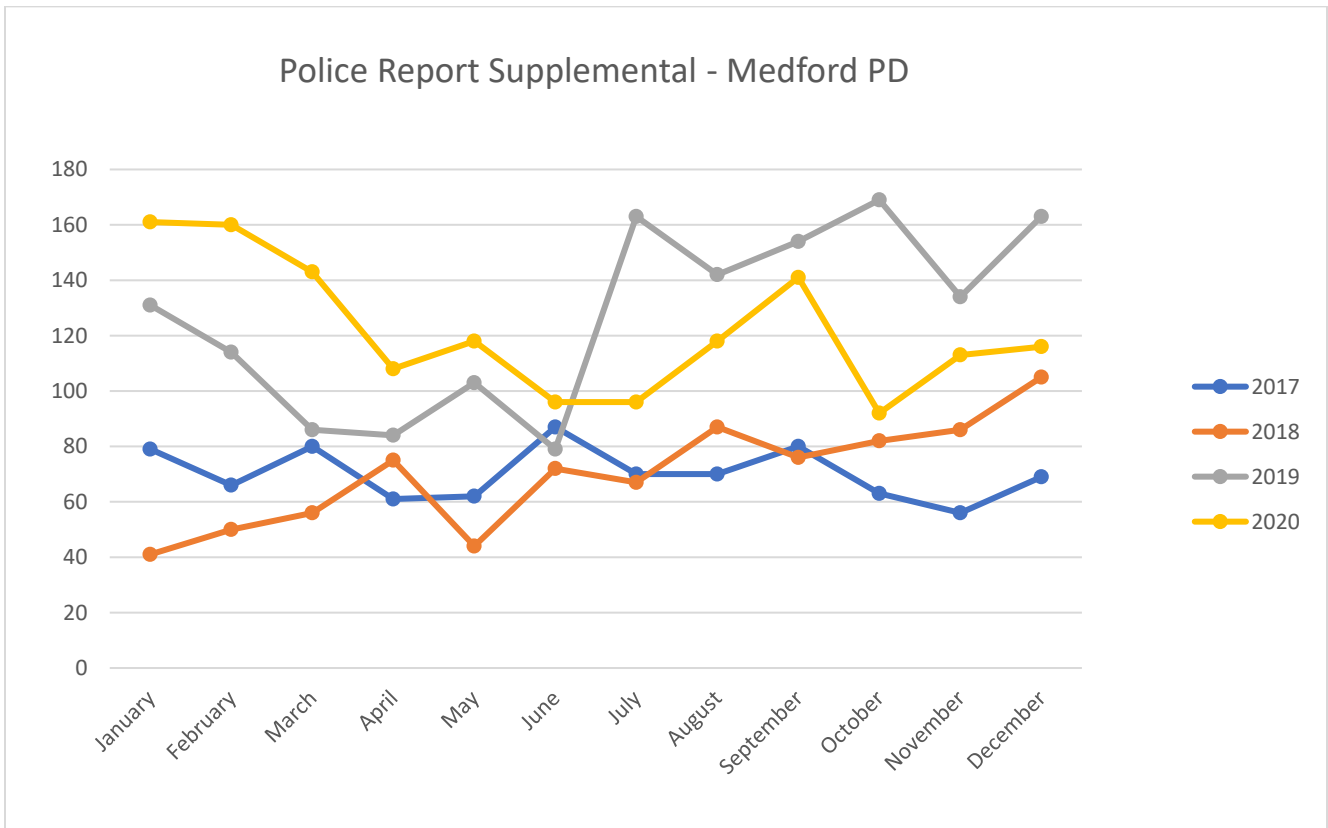
Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Avg	2019-2020 Change	2019-2020 % Change
January	218	180	229	313	235	84	37%
February	207	205	234	276	230.5	42	18%
March	211	217	212	245	221.3	33	16%
April	236	215	255	229	233.8	-26	-10%
May	233	191	258	229	227.8	-29	-11%
June	256	219	244	281	250	37	15%
July	246	237	285	275	260.8	-10	-4%
August	228	267	253	244	248	-9	-4%
September	234	238	287	316	268.8	29	10%
October	235	267	298	374	293.5	76	26%
November	207	225	260	447	284.8	187	72%
December	245	236	283	292	264	9	3%
Total	2756	2697	3098	3521			



Every report that officers take begin in as initial report. Those reports that require supplementary follow up, investigation, or added facts will have a supplement added to the original report.

Police Reports – Medford PD Supplemental Police Reports

Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Avg	2019-2020 Change	2019-2020 % Change
January	79	41	131	161	103	30	23%
February	66	50	114	160	97.5	46	40%
March	80	56	86	143	91.25	57	66%
April	61	75	84	108	82	24	29%
May	62	44	103	118	81.75	15	15%
June	87	72	79	96	83.5	17	22%
July	70	67	163	96	99	-67	-41%
August	70	87	142	118	104.3	-24	-17%
September	80	76	154	141	112.8	-13	-8%
October	63	82	169	92	101.5	-77	-46%
November	56	86	134	113	97.25	-21	-16%
December	69	105	163	116	113.3	-47	-29%
Total	843	841	1522	1462			



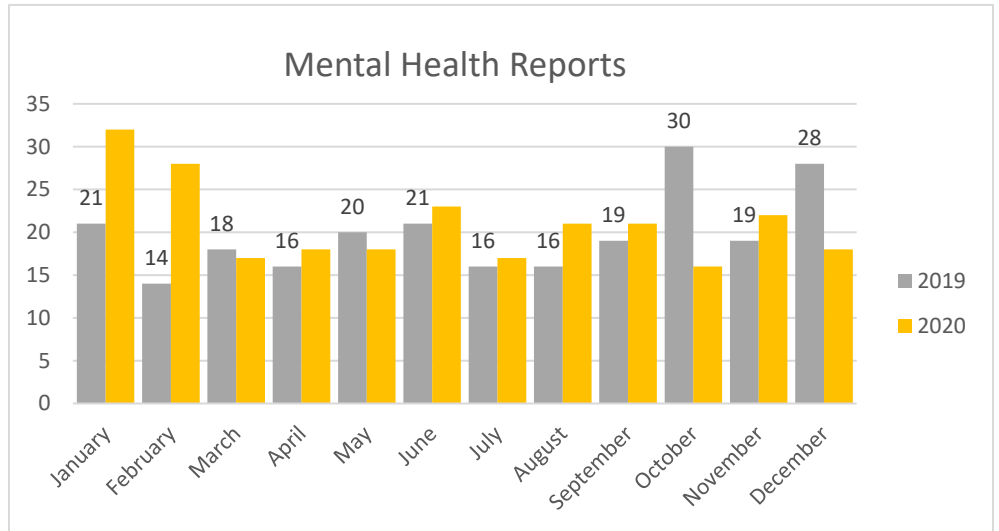
If a case is assigned to a detective for follow up, the investigating officer will file a supplemental report depending on the nature of and result of the investigation. For more serious or complex investigative cases, the number of supplements on an original report can increase exponentially. The highest reported amount of supplements for 2020 in an investigation is 25 supplemental reports.

Police Reports – Medford PD

Specialized Police Reports

Mental Health Reports

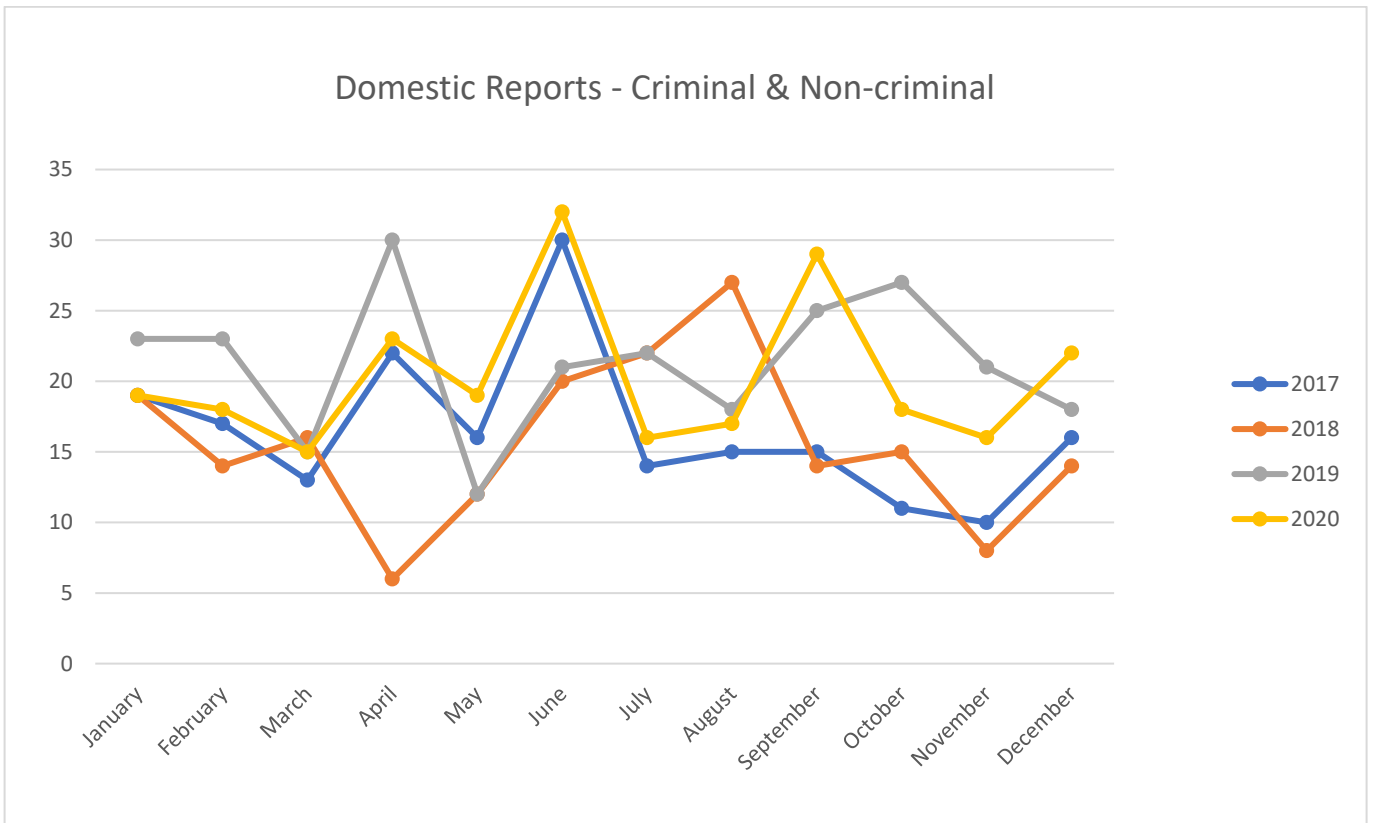
Month	2019	2020
January	21	32
February	14	28
March	18	17
April	16	18
May	20	18
June	21	23
July	16	17
August	16	21
September	19	21
October	30	16
November	19	22
December	28	18
Total	238	251



These reports were given a non-criminal classification of mental health interaction. Due to the nature of the records management system, these reports will still be criminal in nature but includes a classification specifying the clear and present mental health issues.

Domestic Related (Criminal & Non-Criminal)

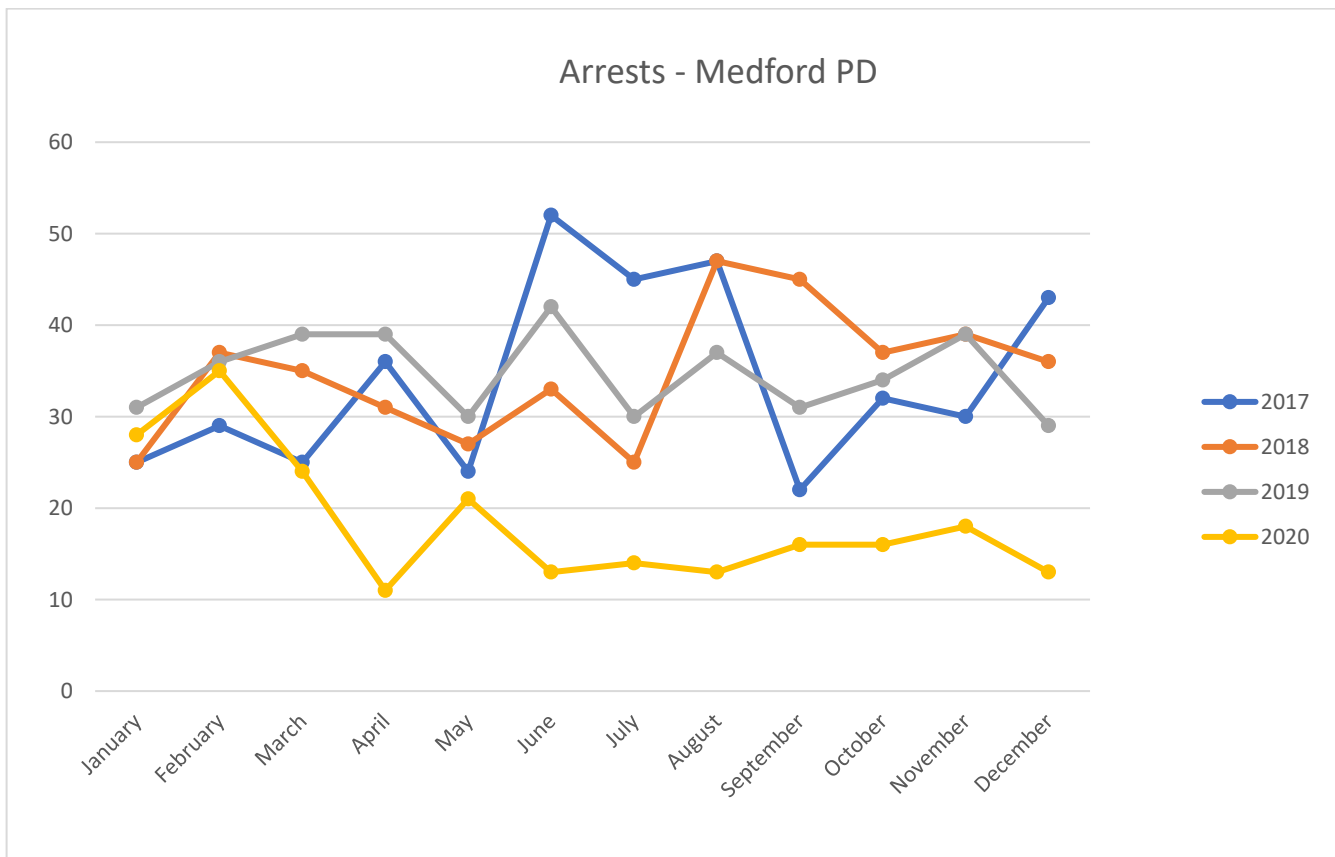
Month	2017	2018	2019	2020
January	19	19	23	19
February	17	14	23	18
March	13	16	15	15
April	22	6	30	23
May	16	12	12	19
June	30	20	21	32
July	14	22	22	16
August	15	27	18	17
September	15	14	25	29
October	11	15	27	18
November	10	8	21	16
December	16	14	18	22
Total	198	187	255	244



In 2019 Medford PD focused on more accurate and detailed tracking of Mental Health and Domestic Violence. These findings will be presented in 2021 crime reports as the department at that point will have compiled one full year of data. These reports tallied were given the non-criminal classification of "Domestic Incident" added to them, but can be criminal in nature depending on the situation.

Arrests – Medford PD

Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Avg	2019-2020 Change	2019-2020 % Change
January	25	25	31	28	27.3	-3	-10%
February	29	37	36	35	34.3	-1	-3%
March	25	35	39	24	30.8	-15	-38%
April	36	31	39	11	29.3	-28	-72%
May	24	27	30	21	25.5	-9	-30%
June	52	33	42	13	35	-29	-69%
July	45	25	30	14	28.5	-16	-53%
August	47	47	37	13	36	-24	-65%
September	22	45	31	16	28.5	-15	-48%
October	32	37	34	16	29.8	-18	-53%
November	30	39	39	18	31.5	-21	-54%
December	43	36	29	13	30.3	-16	-55%
Total	410	417	417	222			



Incidents with arrests generating an Offender Based Tracking Number (OBTN) must be reported to the state. These arrests are separate in classification from the court order Section 35 arrests and were only arrests of a criminal nature or those taken in for Protective Custody.

Arrest Demographics

Hispanic Origin					
Race/Sex	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	0	1	0	2	3
MALE	0	1	0	2	3
BLACK	1	3	5	2	11
MALE	1	3	5	2	11
WHITE	24	37	29	24	114
FEMALE	4	5	4	2	15
MALE	20	32	25	22	99
UNKNOWN	6	8	10	6	30
FEMALE	0	3	1	0	4
MALE	6	5	9	6	26
Total	31	49	44	34	158

Not of Hispanic Origin					
Race/Sex	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE	0	0	1	0	1
FEMALE	0	0	1	0	1
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	8	18	9	3	38
FEMALE	2	4	3	0	9
MALE	6	14	6	3	29
BLACK	51	52	59	35	197
FEMALE	11	10	4	3	28
MALE	40	42	55	32	169
WHITE	172	166	169	87	594
FEMALE	50	41	35	11	137
MALE	122	125	134	76	457
UNKNOWN	7	5	3	5	20
FEMALE	1	2	0	2	5
MALE	6	3	3	3	15
Total	238	241	241	130	850

Arrest Demographics Continued

Unknown Ethnicity					
Race/Sex	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	3	4	2	0	9
FEMALE	0	0	1	0	1
MALE	3	4	1	0	8
BLACK	42	27	35	14	118
FEMALE	4	2	7	3	16
MALE	38	25	28	11	102
WHITE	87	85	79	36	287
FEMALE	28	24	20	4	76
MALE	59	61	58	32	210
UNKNOWN	0	0	1	0	1
UNKNOWN	9	11	16	8	44
FEMALE	4	2	0	2	8
MALE	3	7	14	6	30
UNKNOWN	2	2	2	0	6
Total	141	127	132	58	458

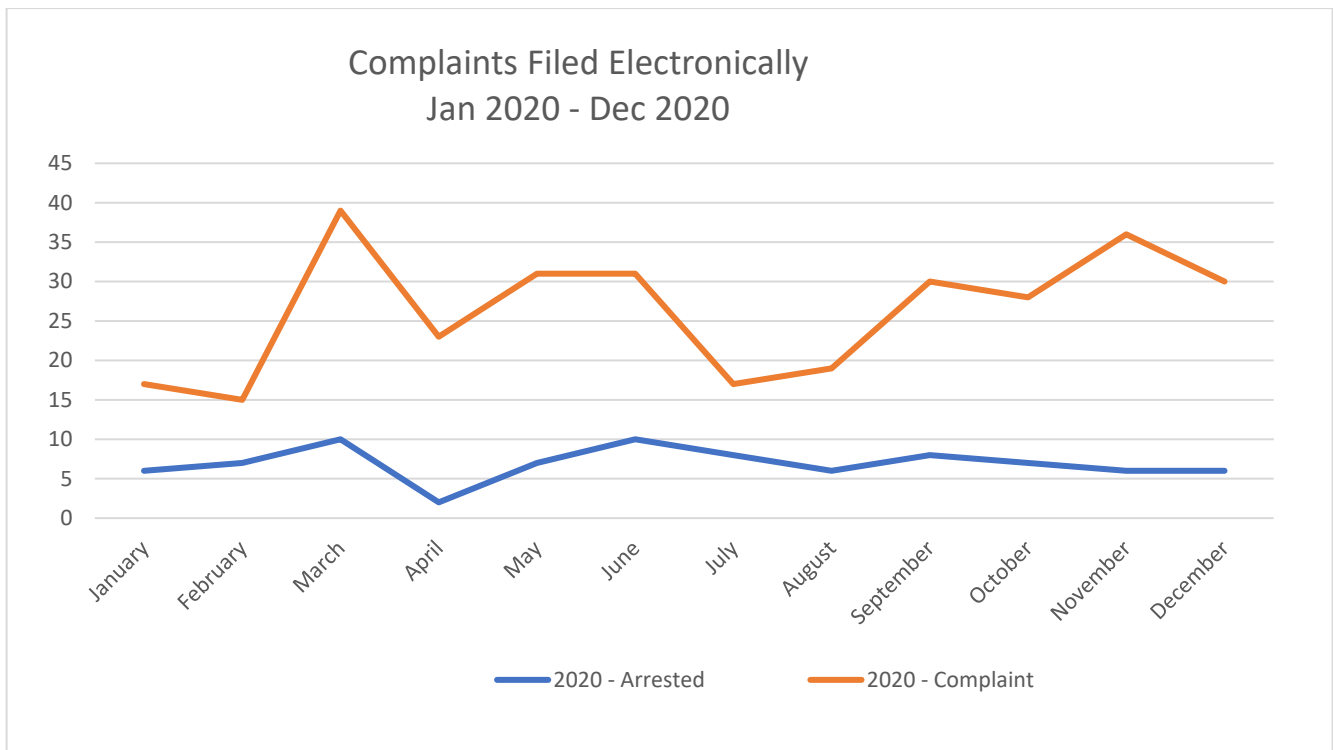
Arrest Demographics Continued

Sex, Race, Ethnicity Sorted by Most Arrests	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
MALE, WHITE, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	122	125	134	76	457
MALE, WHITE, UNKNOWN	59	61	58	32	210
MALE, BLACK, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	40	42	55	32	169
FEMALE, WHITE, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	50	41	35	11	137
MALE, BLACK, UNKNOWN	38	25	28	11	102
MALE, WHITE, HISPANIC ORIGIN	20	32	25	22	99
FEMALE, WHITE, UNKNOWN	28	24	20	4	76
MALE, UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	3	7	14	6	30
MALE, ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	6	14	6	3	29
FEMALE, BLACK, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	11	10	4	3	28
MALE, UNKNOWN, HISPANIC ORIGIN	6	5	9	6	26
FEMALE, BLACK, UNKNOWN	4	2	7	3	16
FEMALE, WHITE, HISPANIC ORIGIN	4	5	4	2	15
MALE, UNKNOWN, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	6	3	3	3	15
MALE, BLACK, HISPANIC ORIGIN	1	3	5	2	11
FEMALE, ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	2	4	3		9
FEMALE, UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	4	2		2	8
MALE, ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER, UNKNOWN	3	4	1		8
UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	2	2	2		6
FEMALE, UNKNOWN, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN	1	2		2	5
FEMALE, UNKNOWN, HISPANIC ORIGIN		3	1		4
MALE, ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER, HISPANIC ORIGIN		1		2	3
UNKNOWN, WHITE, UNKNOWN			1		1
FEMALE, AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE, NOT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN			1		1
FEMALE, ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER, UNKNOWN			1		1
Total	410	417	417	222	1466

Electronic Complaint Filings – Medford PD

Electronic court filings of complaints only started in the beginning of this year [2020]. An electronic complaint can be filed after arrest, or if the suspect is identified but not able to be arrested at the time. Officers additionally can, in lieu of arrest, for certain crimes can seek a complaint in court to have the party appear before the court at a later time.

Month	Arrested	Complaint	Total
January	6	17	23
February	7	15	22
March	10	39	49
April	2	23	25
May	7	31	38
June	10	31	41
July	8	17	25
August	6	19	25
September	8	30	38
October	7	28	35
November	6	36	42
December	6	30	36
Total	83	316	399





DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FOLLOW UP TEAM RESULTS

Medford Police Department

Detective Sergeant Shawn Norton & Detective Brooke Stanton Hurd

Results summary of the Medford Police Domestic Violence Follow up Team calls up until March 1, 2021. Victims from January 2019- April 2020 were contacted by various Medford Police Officers and followed a PDF template to reach out, provide resources and offer information on useful tools. During the current Coronavirus Pandemic, domestic violence risk is at a high. Through this outreach, Medford Police attempted to gather data and offer assistance to those victims involved in recent domestic violence incidents.

Brooke A. Stanton Hurd
Medford Police Department



Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn,

Recently, we have been making changes to update the Domestic Violence Unit and the Medford Police Department's response to domestic violence since the beginning of 2020. First and foremost during the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, we realized that there are many citizens that may be involved in domestic violence relationships who would now be quarantined with their abusers and not have access to help. In response to this possible issue the department created a **Domestic Violence Follow Up Team** of patrol officers and detectives who would reach out and contact victims of domestic violence who were involved in incidents from January 2019 - April 2020. I, Detective Stanton Hurd created a follow up packet that included important questions to ask domestic violence victims and a list of resources that may be helpful to them.

The main focus of the DV follow up was to let the victims/involved parties know that the Medford Police Department is here to help, offer resources, and take any new reports that the victim hasn't informed the police of. Through the follow up officers were able to assess if the victim was co-quarantined with their abuser and also educate them on useful tools like text911, an underutilized tool that could be used to speak with police dispatch discreetly via text message without the abuser's knowledge. Officers were able to take new reports that may have gone unreported without the follow up team, and were able to inform victims of the new procedures for obtaining a restraining order during Covid-19. If the domestic violence victims were open to receiving additional resources, they provided the officers with their email address, and were emailed a list of resources including: hotlines, housing assistance, shelter, support groups, crisis intervention, legal aid, job assistance, and various other resources.

The department was able to strengthen our relationship with Portal to Hope, a nonprofit organization which helps victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking crimes. Portal to Hope offers services free of charge to including emergency shelter, legal aid, job placement, housing assistance, youth programs, and support groups. Moving forward in the new Medford Police station, Portal to Hope will have an office to work out of on site to better work with Domestic Violence Detectives and assist victims. Portal to Hope and Domestic Violence Detectives are currently creating a list of families who recently were affected by domestic violence and may benefit from some financial assistance due to hardships or a member of their families leaving the home. Once the list of affected families is completed, the Medford Police Department will be offering these families gift cards to assist them.

A **Domestic Violence Packet** was created for officers to give to victims when they respond to domestic violence calls. The Domestic Violence Packet has a copy of the updated 209A Abuse Law and information for the victim about the next steps in the police investigation process. The packet informs the victim that a Detective from the Family Services/Domestic Violence Unit may be in contact with them for further investigation and provides contact information to reach Domestic Violence Detectives should they have any questions. Also included in the packet is a list



and description of local resources to support the victim as well as a Support Services Worksheet from the Middlesex District Attorney's Office.

A **Domestic Abuse/Violence High Risk Danger Assessment** worksheet was also created for officers to fill out while speaking with a victim of the domestic incident; the worksheet would then be forwarded to detectives for follow up. The High Risk Assessment worksheet should be filled out for intimate partner relationships only, and the assessment consists of a series of yes/no questions that will paint a picture of the relationship and past domestic violence behavior. At the end of the worksheet the officer will add up the number of questions that were answered yes and write the assessment number on the back of the sheet for detectives. On a scale from 0-14, with 14 being the highest score, the detective will better understand how dangerous of a living situation the victim may be in and be able to better assist them, rather than only reviewing the incident that the police responded to on that night. The worksheet will also be a useful tool to view the history/possible progression of violence with repeat victims. Police will be able to see if an abuser's behavior is escalating from the last Assessment done, and provide better service to help the victim.

Lastly, the department will be implementing the use of the **Strangulation/Suffocation Supplemental Form** for documenting valuable information after a victim has been strangled or suffocated. The supplemental form will include incident information, victim and suspect information, method and manner of strangulation/suffocation, victim's symptoms and other additional information. The department will also be able to keep better statistics for strangulation and suffocation crimes through creating QED tabs to record data on domestic violence.

The Medford Police Department hopes to continue strengthening its relationship with its citizens and make victims of domestic violence feel as comfortable as possible in reporting crimes to the department. The goal is for victims to feel empowered, welcome and supported by their police department and to work together to end domestic violence, and help people live free from abuse.

Respectfully,

Detective Brooke Stanton Hurd
Medford Police Department
Family Services Unit/DVU





Domestic Violence Follow Up Team Results

January-April 2020:

2020	New report taken?	Accept DV resources?	Refuse to speak?	Still in contact with abuser?	Quarantined with abuser?
January	1	8	3	6	3
February	0	5	0	7	6
March	2	4	1	5	2
April	3	4	2	5	3

** Cases from 2020 to present are monitored on a regular basis and do not require follow-up at this time.*

January-December 2019:

2019	New report taken?	Accept DV resources?	Refuse to speak?	Still in contact with abuser?	Quarantined with abuser?
January	0	1	6	1	0
February	0	1	2	8	4
March **	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
April **	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
May **	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
June **	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
July	2	6	5	9	3
August	1	3	1	12	8
September	0	9	1	12	6
October	1	6	0	8	5
November	0	0	2	6	4
December	0	1	2	0	0

*** Signifies months where the outreach is still on going.*

As of 3/1/2021:

Total number of attempted follow ups: 408

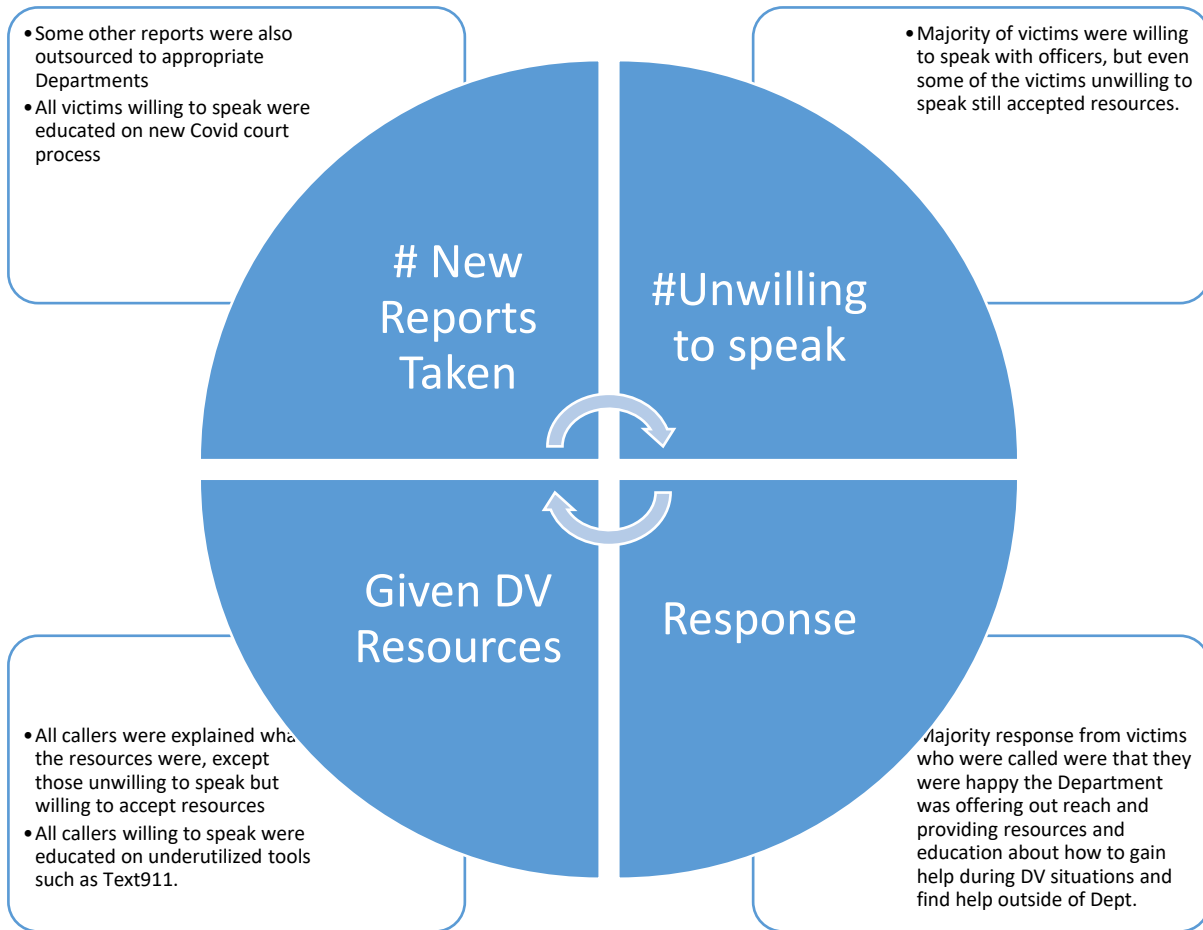
New reports taken: 10

Accepting of DV resources: 48

Refused to speak with officers: 25

Still in contact with abuser: 79

Quarantined with abuser: 44





Through the Domestic Violence Follow up Team as of March 1st, 2021, there have been **408** attempted follow ups made by officers so far. Incidents from March 2019-June 2019 are still currently being reached out to for domestic violence follow up. There were **10** new police reports taken from past victims of domestic violence that possibly would've gone unreported if not contacted by the Medford Police Department. Not included in the **10** police reports are many other incidents reported to officers which did not occur in Medford. In the instances where incidents occurred outside of Medford's jurisdiction, the officers advised the victim to contact the appropriate police department to create a report; we do not have statistics on how many of these victims followed through with reporting to other departments.

48 of the victims spoken to were interested in receiving the new domestic violence resource list, which was emailed or mailed to them. The domestic violence resource list combined emergency service information, domestic violence support programs, domestic violence and sexual assault hotlines, victim witness advocate text line, sexual assault crisis center location resources, DCF hotline, tip lines, substance abuse recovery coach contacts, and mental health resources. The complete domestic violence resource list will be attached to this results sheet. Whether or not the victims wanted to receive the domestic violence resource list or not, all who spoke with officers were informed of the resources, and educated on the new Covid-19 Court process for obtaining restraining orders and harassment prevention orders.

There were **24** victims who refused to take part in the domestic violence follow up calls. Out of the **24** victims unwilling to speak with officers, some still requested the domestic violence resources sheet be emailed to them. Some phone numbers were no longer in service when officers attempted to contact victims, or voicemails were not returned; those numbers were not counted as refusals to speak. **77** of the victims spoken to were still in contact with their past abusers, and **44** victims were quarantined with their past abusers during the Covid-19 pandemic.

During the Coronavirus pandemic there is a high risk of domestic violence victims becoming isolated during quarantine with their abusers, so regardless of if the victim spoken to wanted the resources or not, all officers at a minimum educated victims on the underutilized, useful tool of Text911. By informing past victims of Text911, if a victim needed help in the future and could not safely contact emergency services because of proximity to their abuser, now they would understand how to use Text911 to get in contact with a police dispatcher discreetly if needed.



During the domestic violence follow up calls, officers filled out a PDF with information gathered and questions to ask the victim/involved party. The PDF included basic information like police report incident number, the officer calling, victim and suspect names, and number of attempts made to contact victim. The questions filled out in the PDF are as follows:

1. How have you been doing since the domestic incident which happened on (date)?
2. Are you still in contact with the suspect involved in your domestic violence incident?
3. Are you in a relationship with your past abuser?
4. Do you live with your past abuser?
 - a. Are you quarantined with your abuser?
 - b. Do you or your abuser have anywhere else to go, where you could be safe and quarantine?
5. Do you think that substance abuse (drugs/alcohol) or mental illness played any role in your past/current domestic violence incident?
6. Have there been any new incidents of abuse? Mental? Financial? Physical? Sexual?
7. Have you reported any new incidents of abuse/domestic violence to the police?
 - a. Would you like to report any new incidents?
8. Would you like to apply for a restraining order?
9. Are you interested in any resources to help you?

All victims contacted had a PDF created, and a supplemental report added to their original police report stating that they were contacted as a part of a domestic violence follow up. If a new police report was required, the supplement would reference the new report number. A blank PDF template will be attached to this results sheet for reference.

The overwhelming response from the victims contacted was that they were happy the Medford Police Department was offering outreach, providing resources and education on how to gain help during domestic violence situations both inside and outside of the police department.

Respectfully,

Detective Brooke Stanton Hurd #D28
Medford Police Department
Family Services Unit/DVU





Thank you for speaking with the Medford Police, please do not hesitate to contact us should you need emergency services. Below you will find the contact information for Medford Police and various other resources to assist you as a domestic violence survivor. Stay safe!

Domestic Violence Resources:

Resources available:

- a. Medford Police: 911
Dispatch: 781-395-1212
Main Line: 781-391-6404
- b. Text911—an alternative to calling 911 if not safe to do so, text 911 is a useful tool to get emergency services without making a phone call within earshot of an abuser.
- c. Portal to Hope—assistance with housing, long term shelter, emergency shelter, support groups, youth programs, veterans program, crisis intervention, resources for legal aid, and job assistance among other resources. (Medford)(24/7)
781-338-7678
<https://www.Portaltohope.org/>
- d. RESPOND Inc. (Somerville)(24/7)— Crisis hotline, shelter assistance.
Hotline: 617-623-5900
Programs and services: 617-440-7267
- e. Safelink—(Boston)(24/7) Domestic Violence hotline, resources and support.
877-785-2020
- f. National Domestic Violence Hotline—(24/7)
1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
<https://www.thehotline.org/help/> (More than 200 languages chat available)
- g. DA's Office Special Covid Text Line—Direct access to a victim witness advocate via text message for non-emergency situations with an advocate through the District Attorney's Office. During Regular Office Hours: 8:30 am- 5:00 pm via text message at 781-281-4066. Not monitored 24/7. Not an emergency line.
- h. RAINN Hotline—(24/7) Victims of Sexual Violence Hotline help.
1-800-656-HOPE(4673)
<https://www.rainn.org/>
- i. Jane Doe Inc.—locate sexual assault/rape crisis center and domestic violence services near them at <http://janedoe.org/findhelp>.
- j. DCF Child abuse hotline for any children at risk.—1-800-792-5200
- k. Tip411—Medford Police NON EMERGENCY anonymous text line.
Important to note: Tip411 IS NOT monitored 24/7 and is not a substitute for calling 911 for emergency services. Text 847-411 and type Medford and message for tips anonymously.
- l. City of Medford Recovery Coach (Medford)—call or text 781-654-5635
Get direct access to a substance abuse recovery coach.
- m. Eliot Mental Health Crisis—(24/7) Mental health assistance
800-988-1111 www.eliotchs.org



Blank Domestic Violence Follow Up PDF Template:



Domestic Violence Follow Up Questions

INCIDENT #:

VICTIM:

OFFICER CALLING:

SUSPECT:

PHONE CALL ANSWERED?

YES

NO

OF ATTEMPTS TO CALL:

VICTIM WILLING TO SPEAK?

YES

NO

VICTIM WILLING TO RECEIVE EMAIL WITH RESOURCES?

YES

NO

VICTIM EMAIL:

Introduce self, explain that we are reaching out to victims of domestic violence to check in on them, ask some questions, offer help and resources to domestic violence survivors.

1. How have you been doing since the domestic incident which happened on (**date**)

2. Are you still in contact with the suspect involved in your domestic violence incident?

3. Are you in a relationship with your past abuser?

Blank Domestic Violence Follow Up PDF Template Continued:

4. Do you live with your past abuser?

[Redacted]

a. COVID-19 related questions:

i. Are you quarantined with your abuser?

[Redacted]

ii. Do you or your abuser have anywhere else to go, where you could be safe and quarantine? (So that you do not have to quarantine with your abuser).

[Redacted]

5. Do you think that substance abuse (drugs/alcohol) or mental illness has played any role in your past/current domestic violence incident?

[Redacted]

6. Have there been any new incidents of abuse? Mental? Financial? Physical? Sexual? No

7. Have you reported any new incidents of abuse/domestic violence to the police? N/A

a. Would you like to report any new incidents?

[Redacted]



Blank Domestic Violence Follow Up PDF Template Continued:



- b. **If they are reporting a new incident, or have recently, and the victim is interested in a restraining order (and the incident constitutes them obtaining one)*: Ask them: Would like to apply for a restraining order? Yes No N/A*

i. *Instructions for applying for restraining order during Covid-19:*

1. During normal business hours when court is "in session" and it is prior to 1:00 pm, direct the victim to call the Somerville District Court at 617-666-8000, extension 2213715. The victim should follow the prompts until reaching a representative from the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office representative will do the intake and arrange for a telephonic conference call between the plaintiff and the judge via the plaintiff's phone from home.
2. Outside of normal court hours, plaintiff must come to the Medford Police Department and have the restraining order processed by the Medford Police.

8. **If unwilling or unable to leave dangerous living situation*:* Inform what text911 is to the victim. Explain that they can text 911 and reach a police dispatch and get emergency police response without the abuser hearing.

- a. When the victim texts: 911, instruct them that if possible they should try and text their location including the street and city name, apartment number, and what is happening. The most important thing to include is the address when using text 911 so that police can get to them as fast as possible.

9. Are you interested in any resources to help you?

- a. Housing?
- b. Support Groups?
- c. Phone numbers to speak with people?
- d. Substance abuse/mental illness resources?

10. We just wanted to reach out to you, and check in to see how you are doing. We know domestic violence sometimes continues even after a report has been made to the police, and we wanted to let you know we are here to help if you need assistance or help. *Resource contact information and descriptions on next page.*

11. If the victim is willing to receive an email with domestic violence survivor resources, make sure to write their email at the top of sheet and send them DV Resource Email.



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Print Form

Clear Form



Domestic Violence Packet

Created for officers to give to victims when responding to domestic violence calls.



Medford Police Department Family Services Unit

100 Main Street, Medford, MA, 02155

You were recently involved in an incident which the Medford Police Department has begun investigating. A police report will be filed documenting the incident. Along with this letter, you will find a copy of your rights under the 209A Abuse Law.

A Detective from the Family Services Unit may be in contact with you in the next few days to investigate the incident further, and to offer resources and assistance.

If you are in need of additional services or assistance and you do not want to involve the police, we would encourage you to contact **Portal to Hope** at their helpline 781-338-7678 or **RESPOND Inc.** at 617-623-5900, or **Safelink** at 877-785-2020. Portal to Hope is a unique community collaboration between our police department and a non-profit agency. Volunteers proactively advocate for victims of domestic violence and offer immediate and follow-up crisis intervention services, including risk assessment, safety planning and connection with supportive community resources such as: support groups, housing/shelter, crisis intervention, legal aid and job assistance. Portal to Hope is completely confidential. RESPOND and Safelink are also organizations and hotlines which provides individuals and communities with resources and tools necessary to heal from abuse and prevent future violence.

A list of additional resources and their contact information is enclosed in this packet as well. If you need any further information, or have any questions or concerns – please do not hesitate to contact the Family Services Unit at **781-391-6767**.

We understand that this may be difficult for you, and we are here to help.

Sincerely,
The Medford Police Department
Family Services Unit
Domestic Violence
Sexual Assaults
Juvenile Crime





Domestic Violence Packet Continued:
Copy of the 209A Abuse Law.



MEDFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

100 Main Street • Medford, Massachusetts 02155
Emergency Telephone: 911 or 781-395-1212
Domestic Service Unit 781-391-6778 (10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)

ABUSE LAW

"You have the right to appear at the superior, probate and family, district or Boston Municipal Court, if you reside within the appropriate jurisdiction, and file a complaint requesting any of the following applicable orders: (a) an order restraining your attacker from abusing you; (b) an order directing your attacker to leave your household, building or workplace; (c) an order awarding you custody of a minor child; (d) an order directing your attacker to pay support for you or any minor child in your custody, if the attacker has a legal obligation of support; and (e) an order directing your attacker to pay for losses suffered as a result of abuse, including medical and moving expenses, loss of earnings or support, costs for restoring utilities and replacing locks, reasonable attorney's fees and other out-of-pocket losses for injuries and property damage sustained."

"For an emergency on weekends, holidays, or weeknights the police will refer you to a justice of the superior, probate and family, district, or Boston Municipal Court departments. You have the right to go to the appropriate district court or the Boston Municipal Court and seek a criminal complaint for threats, assault and battery, assault with a deadly weapon, assault with intent to kill or other related offenses. If you are in need of medical treatment, you have the right to request that an officer present drive you to the nearest hospital or otherwise assist you in obtaining medical treatment."

"If you believe that *Police Protection* is needed for your physical safety, you have the right to request that the officer present remain at the scene until you and your children can leave or until your safety is otherwise ensured. You may also request that the officer assist you in locating and taking you to a safe place, including but not limited to a designated meeting place for a shelter or a family member's or a friend's residence, or a similar place of safety. You may request a copy of the police incident report at no cost from the police department. *The Officer Shall leave a copy of the foregoing statement with such person before leaving the scene or premises.*"



Domestic Violence Packet Continued:
Current restraining order process during Covid-19.



Below is the current restraining order process being used by the Somerville District Court. The process is being handled differently than usual due to Covid-19.

The Somerville District Court is currently closed to the public. All emergencies are currently being held via telephone and video conference including:

Restraining Orders
Petitions for Commitment due to:
Mental Health Illness or Substance Abuse Disorder

Contact:
Somerville District Court Clerk's Office
(617)-666-8000 extension 2213715
cmsomervilledc@jud.state.ma.us
Trial Court Helpline 833-91COURT

Court forms available at www.mass.gov/orgs/district-court

Instructions for applying for a restraining order during Covid-19:

1. During normal business hours when court is "in session" and it is prior to 1:00 pm, call the Somerville District Court at 617-666-8000, extension 2213715. You should follow the prompts until reaching a representative from the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office representative will do the intake and arrange for a telephonic conference call between the plaintiff and the judge via the plaintiff's phone from home.
2. Outside of normal court hours, plaintiff must come to the Medford Police Department and have the restraining order processed by the Medford Police.



Domestic Violence Packet Continued:
Copy of domestic violence resources included in packet.



Thank you for speaking with the Medford Police, please do not hesitate to contact us should you need emergency services. Below you will find the contact information for Medford Police and various other resources to assist you. Resources range from hotlines, support groups, shelters, housing assistance, and legal/job assistance. These are mostly resources for Medford residents, there are also some Somerville, Malden, Boston, and National resources provided. If you need additional services outside of the Medford/Malden/Somerville area please refer to the Support Services for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Worksheet which was provided by the Middlesex District Attorney's Office. Stay safe!

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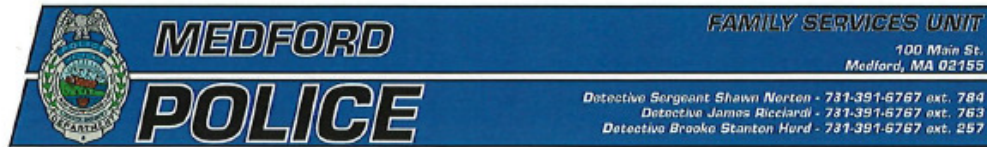
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<https://www.thehotline.org/help/> (More than 200 languages chat available)
- g. DA's Office Special Covid Text Line—Direct access to a victim witness advocate via text message for non-emergency situations with an advocate through the District Attorney's Office. *During Regular Office Hours: 8:30 am- 5:00 pm via text message at 781-281-4066. Not monitored 24/7. Not an emergency line.*
- h. RAINN Hotline—(24/7) Victims of Sexual Violence Hotline help.
1-800-656-HOPE(4673)
<https://www.rainn.org/>
- i. Jane Doe Inc.—locate sexual assault/rape crisis center and domestic violence services near them at <http://janedoe.org/findhelp>.
- j. DCF Child abuse hotline for any children at risk.—*1-800-792-5200*




Domestic Violence Packet Continued:

Middlesex District Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Support Services worksheet in packet.




Below is a worksheet provided by the Middlesex District Attorney's Office for Support Services for Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence, this includes resources outside of the immediate Medford area.



Support Services for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence


Social Connection is VITAL now more than ever especially for Survivors and Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. If you or someone you know is experiencing or has experienced abuse.

You are not Alone!



Find your local sexual and domestic violence services here: janedoo.org/hud_help/

Call SafeLink, the statewide domestic violence hotline
1-877-785-2020



If you need help but are unable to speak for any reason, you can still access the **National Domestic Violence Hotline** by

Using the "chat" feature on thehotline.org or

Texting LOVEIS to 22522

In the case of an emergency, you can also use the

911 Silent Call Procedure

Call 9 1 1, once the call is answered:

PRESS

1 for Police	4 for "Yes"
2 for Fire	5 for "No"
3 for Ambulance	

Local Resources

Alternative House (Greater Lowell Area)
24 hr. Hotline: 1-888-291-6228
alternative-house.org/

Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence (Greater Boston & Greater Lowell Areas)
24 hr. Multilingual Helpline:
617-338-2355
atask.org/site/

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center
24 hr. Hotline: 1-800-841-8371
Online Chat available 9AM-11PM
barcc.org/

Center for Hope and Healing, Inc. (Greater Merrimack Valley Area)
24 hr. Hotline: 1-800-542-5212
Online Chat available M-F 9AM-5PM
chhinc.org/

Domestic Violence Services Network (Concord Area)
24 hr. Hotline: 1-888-399-6111
dvsn.org/

Portal to Hope (Medford & Malden Areas)
781-338-7678
portaltohope.org/

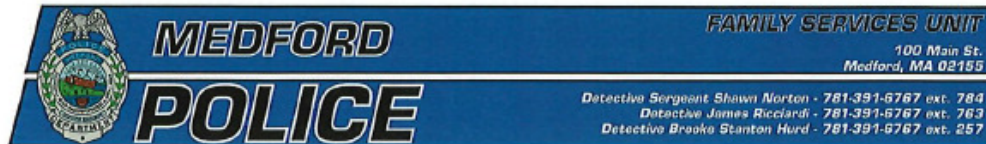
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Middlesex District Attorney's Office Domestic Violence Support Services worksheet continued.



<p>REACH Beyond Domestic Violence, Inc. (Waltham & Woburn Areas) 24 hr. Hotline: 1-800-899-4000 reachma.org/</p> <p>RESPOND, Inc. (Somerville & Malden Areas) 24 hr. Hotline: 617-623-5900 respondinc.org/</p> <p>Sahell, Support and Friendship for South Asian Women and Families (Greater Boston Area) 24 hr. Hotline: 1-866-472-4354 sahellboston.org/</p> <p>The Network/La Red (LGBQ/T) 24 hr. Hotline: 617-742-4911 tnlr.org/en/</p> <p>Transition House (Cambridge Area) 24 hr. Hotline: 617-661-7203 transitionhouse.org/</p>	<p>Voices Against Violence (MetroWest Area) 24 hr. Hotline: 1-800-593-1125 Online Chat available M-F 9AM-5PM rc.chat/voices smoc.org/voices-against-violence.php</p> <p><i>National Hotlines (24/7):</i></p> <p>National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233 1-800-787-3224 (TTY) thehotline.org/</p> <p>National Deaf Domestic Violence Hotline 1-855-812-1001 (Video Phone) 1-800-787-3224 (TTY) thedeafhotline.org/</p> <p>National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline 1-866-331-9474, 1-866-331-8453 (TTY) TEXT loveis to 22522 Online Chat available 24/7 loveisrespect.org</p>
Local Legal Services	
<p>De Novo Center for Justice and Healing (Cambridge Area) 617-661-1010 (M-F, 9AM-5PM) denovo.org/</p> <p>Greater Boston Legal Services Eastern Region Legal Intake Line 617-603-1700 (M-F, 9AM-11AM) gbls.org/</p>	<p>MetroWest Legal Services (Framlingham Area) 508-620-1830 or 1-800-696-1501 (MWF, 10AM-1PM; T, TH, 2PM-4PM) mwlegal.org/</p> <p>Northeast Legal Aid (Lowell Area) 978-458-1465 (M-F, 9AM-1PM) northeastlegalaid.org/</p> <p>Victim Rights Law Center (Sexual Violence) 617-399-6720 ext. 19, ext. 35 (Spanish) victimrights.org/</p>
<p>If you are in immediate danger, call 9-1-1.</p> <p>For more information contact the Middlesex District Attorney's Office at 781.897.8300 or visit us online at www.middlesexda.com</p>	
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Domestic Abuse/Violence High Risk Danger Assessment:



Domestic Abuse/Violence Response

Primary Aggressor : _____ Report #: _____

Victim: _____ Report Date: _____

Officer: _____

Number of 'Yes' Answers: _____

- **INTIMATE PARTNER RELATIONSHIPS ONLY*** – Complete the questions on the back of the sheet **with the victim** and **if necessary**, complete the **strangulation/suffocation supplemental form**. Please document any/all answers to the questions.

An intimate partner relationship is defined as people who were married, had a child in common (regardless if they were ever married or lived together) or involved in a substantive dating or engagement relationship.

- **Advise the person(s) of the 209A Abuse Law**



Domestic Abuse/Violence High Risk Danger Assessment Continued:



Domestic Abuse/ Violence – High Risk Danger Assessment

Intimate Partner Relationship Only:

- | | | |
|--|-----|----|
| 1. Are you being or have you ever been abused by this person?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 2. Has this person used/threatened to use a weapon /anything as a weapon against you?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 3. Has this person ever threatened to kill or murder you or your children?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| <u>If he/she answered 'yes' to any of the above questions, ask the following questions:</u> | | |
| 4. Is this person extremely jealous or ever tried to control who you see/speak with?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 5. Does this person abuse alcohol or drugs?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 6. Has this person ever abused or attempted to abuse any pets/animals?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 7. Has this person ever prevented you from getting or calling for help?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 8. Has the abuse escalated or become more frequent or violent?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 9. Has this person ever stalked or followed you or held you against your will?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 10. Has this person ever tried to or talked about committing suicide?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 11. Does this person have a gun/firearm, or can he/she get one easily?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 12. Has this person ever tried to strangle or choke you?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 13. Do you think this person might try to kill you?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |
| 14. Has this person ever forced you to have sex?
NOTE: _____ | Yes | No |



Strangulation/Suffocation Supplemental Form:



STRANGULATION/SUFFOCATION SUPPLEMENTAL FORM
 SUBMIT THIS FORM WITH YOUR INCIDENT/POLICE REPORT

M.G.L. cA 265, § 25D.

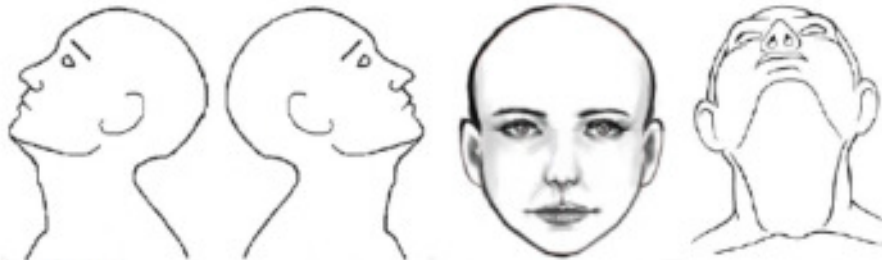
Strangulation: the intentional interference of the normal breathing or circulation of blood by applying substantial pressure on the throat or neck of another.
 Suffocation: the intentional interference of the normal breathing or circulation of blood by blocking the nose or mouth of another.

INCIDENT INFORMATION	
Case Number:	Date of Incident: Today's Date:
Form Completed by:	
VICTIM INFORMATION	
Name (Last, First, Middle):	DOB: Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Height: Weight:
SUSPECT INFORMATION	
Name (Last, First, Middle):	DOB: Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Height: Weight:
METHOD AND/OR MANNER OF STRANGULATION/SUFFOCATION	
1. How many times was the victim strangled/suffocated during this incident? <input type="checkbox"/> One <input type="checkbox"/> Two <input type="checkbox"/> Three or more	6. Use of ligature? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Describe: _____
2. How was the victim strangled? Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> One hand: <input type="checkbox"/> Right Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Left Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Two hands <input type="checkbox"/> Forearm <input type="checkbox"/> Knee/foot <input type="checkbox"/> Chokehold <input type="checkbox"/> Other/object (explain): _____	Was the ligature brought to the scene? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Taken as evidence? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Photographed at scene? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Is suspect right or left handed? <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Left	7. Estimate the level of pressure that the suspect used during strangulation? [low] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 [high]
4. During strangulation/suffocation, was the victim: Shaken <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Straddled <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	8. Estimate how long you were strangled? _____ seconds _____ minutes Unable to estimate
5. Was the victim's head pounded against the wall, floor, table, countertop, etc.? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe: _____	9. Was the victim/suspect wearing jewelry? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Who/What? _____
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE VICTIM	
1. Did the victim attempt to physically stop the strangulation/suffocation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe how: _____	
2. What did the victim say during the strangulation/suffocation? _____	
3. Did the victim injure the suspect? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe how: _____	
4. What did the suspect say while strangling/suffocating the victim: _____	
5. What was the suspect's demeanor during the strangulation/suffocation? _____	
6. What did the victim think was going to happen? _____	
7. Are there any prior incidents of strangulation? _____	
8. Is the victim pregnant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
MEDICAL ATTENTION	
Did EMS respond to evaluate the victim? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Did the victim seek medical attention? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Strangulation/Suffocation Supplemental Form Continued:

VICTIM'S SYMPTOMS TO BE COMPLETED BY POLICE OFFICER				
SYMPTOMS	DURING	AFTER	VOICE CHANGES	SWALLOWING CHANGES
Unable to breath	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Painful to speak <input type="checkbox"/> Raspy/hoarse voice <input type="checkbox"/> Coughing <input type="checkbox"/> Unable to speak <input type="checkbox"/> Whispering <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Neck Tenderness <input type="checkbox"/> Trouble swallowing <input type="checkbox"/> Painful to swallow <input type="checkbox"/> Neck pain <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Difficult to breath	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Physical pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Rapid Breathing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Shallow breathing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Coaching up blood	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Nausea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vomiting/dry heaving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Dizziness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Headache	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Feel faint	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Explain other: _____ _____	
Disorientated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Loss of consciousness? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Victim not sure Unexplained injury? Describe: _____ Any change or loss of hearing during/after strangulation/suffocation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No if yes, describe: _____ Any change or loss of vision during/after strangulation/suffocation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No if yes, describe: _____ How did your body/head feel during/after strangulation/suffocation? _____ Did the victim: <input type="checkbox"/> Urinate <input type="checkbox"/> Defecate <input type="checkbox"/> Feel the urge to do one or both?				
FACE	EYES AND EYELIDS	NOSE	EARS	MOUTH
<input type="checkbox"/> Red or flushed <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es) or abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Sweating <input type="checkbox"/> Bruising <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae to R eye <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae to L eye <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae to R eyelid <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae to L eyelid <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in eyeball(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es) or abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae on ear(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding from ear(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Bruising/discoloration/ petechiae behind ear(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Bruise(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen tongue <input type="checkbox"/> Swollen lip (s) <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae in palate <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
UNDER CHIN	CHEST	SHOULDERS	NECK	HEAD
<input type="checkbox"/> Redness <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Lacerations <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Fingernail impression (s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Redness <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Laceration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Redness <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Laceration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Redness <input type="checkbox"/> Tenderness/pain <input type="checkbox"/> Finger mark(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Fingernail impression (s) <input type="checkbox"/> Bruise(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Ligature mark (s) pulled <input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Petechiae on scalp or head <input type="checkbox"/> Laceration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch(es)/Abrasion(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Hair pulled <input type="checkbox"/> Bump(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

DIAGRAM ALL INJURIES ON VICTIM



Explain any other injuries or symptoms: _____

OFFICER CHECKLIST	
<input type="checkbox"/> If strangled/suffocated with object(s), photograph objects and collect for evidence. <input type="checkbox"/> Document where the object(s) were found in the incident report. <input type="checkbox"/> Determine if jewelry was worn by other parts. Photograph/look for patterns and photograph. <input type="checkbox"/> If defecation or urination in clothes, collect clothes as evidence.	<input type="checkbox"/> If victim vomited, take a photo of the vomit. <input type="checkbox"/> Advise on future symptoms (headaches, throat/neck pain etc.) Advise victim that they should not be alone for 24 hours. <input type="checkbox"/> Photograph suspect: hands, arms, face, chest and any areas where suspect states any injuries/contact occurred.

Adapted by Inmate Grievance Crisis Center from the Family Justice Center Alliance, National Strangulation Training Institute.