



2017 Annual Report

Upstate Medical University

Mission Statement

The mission of the University Police Department is to assist in providing a safe and secure environment which enhances and supports the campus learning experience, the research enterprise, and the patient care mission of Upstate Medical University through the compassionate, ethical, and professional delivery of police services.

The mission is pursued within the framework of the State University Rules and Regulations and all local, state, and federal laws. The investigation of crimes committed on campus falls under the jurisdiction of the University Police Department. Further, the University Police Department enjoys a close working relationship with the professionals of the Syracuse Police Department, the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department, the New York State Police, and various other law enforcement agencies. When circumstances dictate, these departments may assist in the investigation of incidents that may occur on or off campus, and may involve the interests and mission of SUNY Upstate Medical University.

The mission will be accomplished by:

- Enforcing applicable laws, rules, and regulations
- Serving with honesty and integrity
- Promoting a climate of mutual trust and respect
- Ensuring open and effective communication
- Conveying a positive attitude and environment
- Demanding accountability from employees of the University Police

Message from the Chief



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the New York State University Police @ Upstate's 2017 Annual Report.

In our annual report you will find a variety of information about Your University Police Department. We emphasize the "YOUR" because we are just that, YOUR police department with the primary goal and mission to protect and serve the campus community.

To that end, we are available 24/7, 365 days per year for many things such as personal safety escorts, safety concerns, accident and criminal reporting, and much more.

The University Police Department is comprised of an extraordinary contingent of men and women who dedicate themselves every day to upholding our mission to ensure the University community's right to be a crime-free environment through exemplary community policing.

The University Police Department believes in forming partnerships and working with the Community we serve thus our "mantra" of "Together We Can" is one we strongly believe in.

Our Annual Report will give you a glimpse into the University Police Department and reveal how committed to excellence and personalized service we are as an organization.

D. Paul Waltz
Chief of Police



About the New York State University Police Department

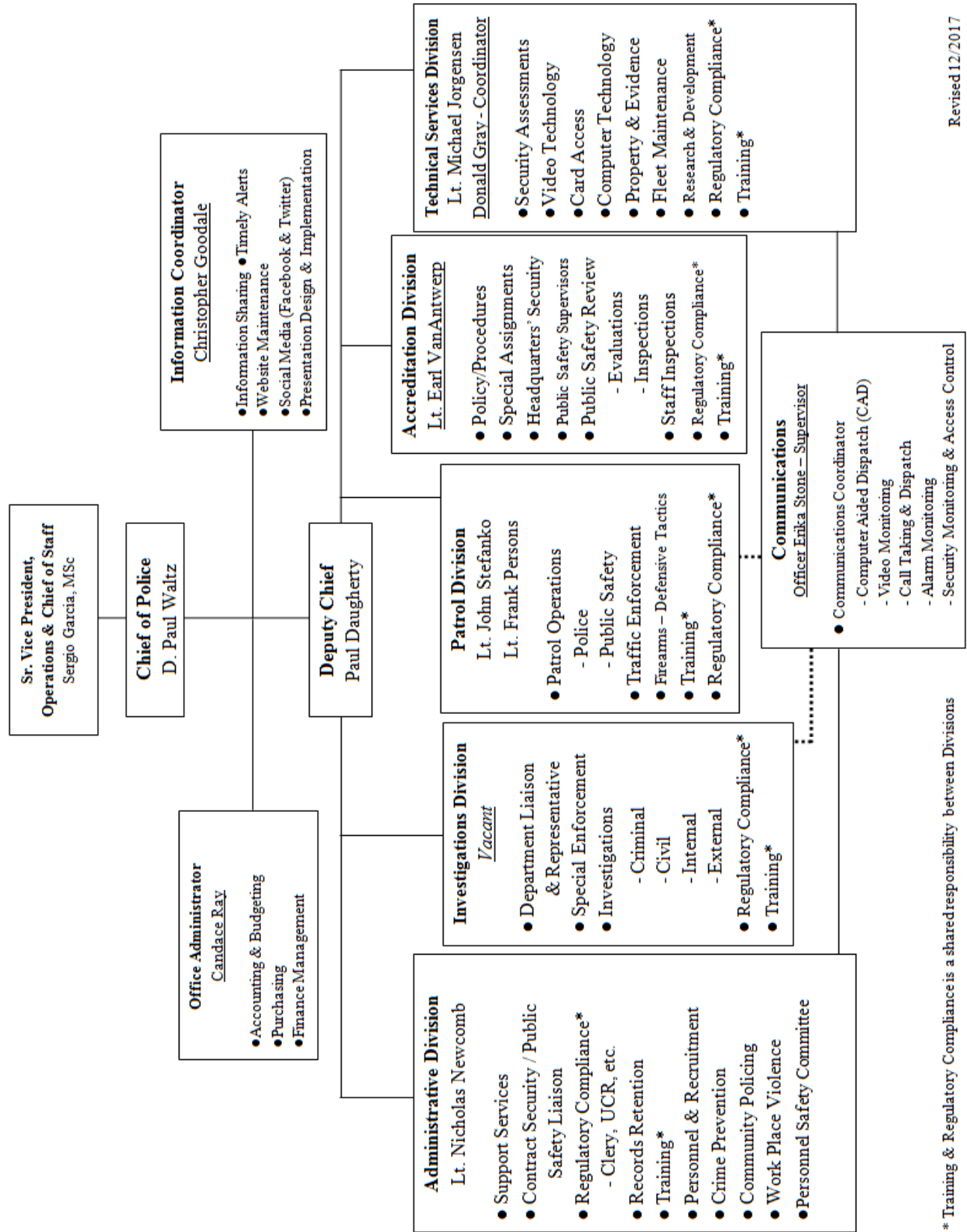
The University Police Headquarters is located in Building 49 with the Communications Center located in room 1326 of University Hospital. University Police provide safety & security services 24/7/365 days a year for our campus community. The Police Division is responsible for the law enforcement duties on campus and campus owned property.



Your University Police Officers are vested with full law enforcement powers and have responsibilities and authority similar to local police in any community, including the authority to arrest. They are trained at a State Regional Academy for Police Training. They also receive specialized training in the area of law enforcement within an academic community, as well as NYS Penal, Criminal Procedure, and Vehicle & Traffic laws, AED/CPR, the use of non-deadly force, communication skills, and crime prevention topics.



Your University Police Officers are responsible for providing services in the enforcement of federal, state and local statutes and Upstate Medical University policies. The Police Division utilizes the Public Safety Division to help supplement and compliment the duties of patrol and to assist as needed in enforcement activities.



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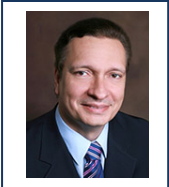
Upstate Leadership



Danielle Laraque-Arena
President



Sergio Garcia
Senior Vice President, Operations & Chief of Staff



Ramesh Sachdeva
Senior Vice President of
Strategic Affairs

Steven Scott
Interim C.E.O.
University Hospital

Eric Smith
Senior Vice President of
Finance & Administration

Julio Licinio
Senior Vice President and
Dean, College of Medicine



Stuart Wright
Chief Financial Officer

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Chief Operating Officer

Nancy Daoust
Chief Administrative Officer

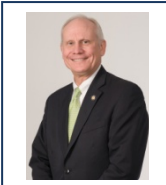


Anthony Weiss
Chief Medical Officer

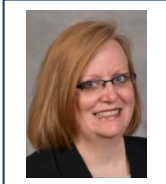
Nancy Page
Chief Nursing Officer

Mark Zeman
Interim Chief Information Officer

University Police Command Staff



D. Paul Waltz
Chief of Police



Sandra Delaney
Assistant VP for Shared
Business Services &
UPD Business Manager



Paul Daugherty
Deputy Chief of Police



Lieutenant
Nicholas Newcomb



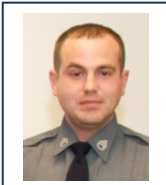
Lieutenant
John Stefanko



Lieutenant
Earl S. VanAntwerp



Lieutenant
Frank Persons



Lieutenant
Michael Jorgensen

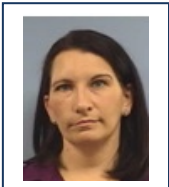
University Police Officers

			
Police Officer Jonathan Christian	Police Officer David Cohen	Police Officer Katherine Davies	Police Officer Michael Giallanza
			
Police Officer David Giocondo	Police Officer Sarah Howard	Police Officer Joseph Nappo	
			
Police Officer Erika Stone	Police Officer Chad Thompson	Police Officer Victoria Tolkan	
			
Police Recruit Dylan Lyons	Police Recruit Zachary McCaleb	Police Recruit David Woodward	

University Police Personnel

		
Technical Services Coordinator Don Gray	Staff Assistant - Tech Services Stephanie King	Information Coordinator Chris Goodale

University Police Personnel (cont.)



Staff Assistant - Support Services
Stephanie Burnett



Staff Assistant - Support Services
Tony Shea



Staff Assistant - Support Services
Mark Stafford



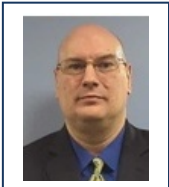
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Sonya Baxter



Staff Assistant
Brian Patterson



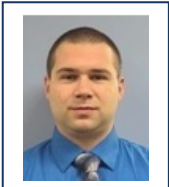
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Sara Perkins



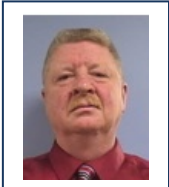
Staff Assistant
Craig Pombrio



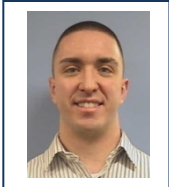
Staff Assistant
Matthew Portnoy



Staff Assistant
Cory Smith



Staff Assistant
Christopher Warguleski



Staff Assistant
Dustin White

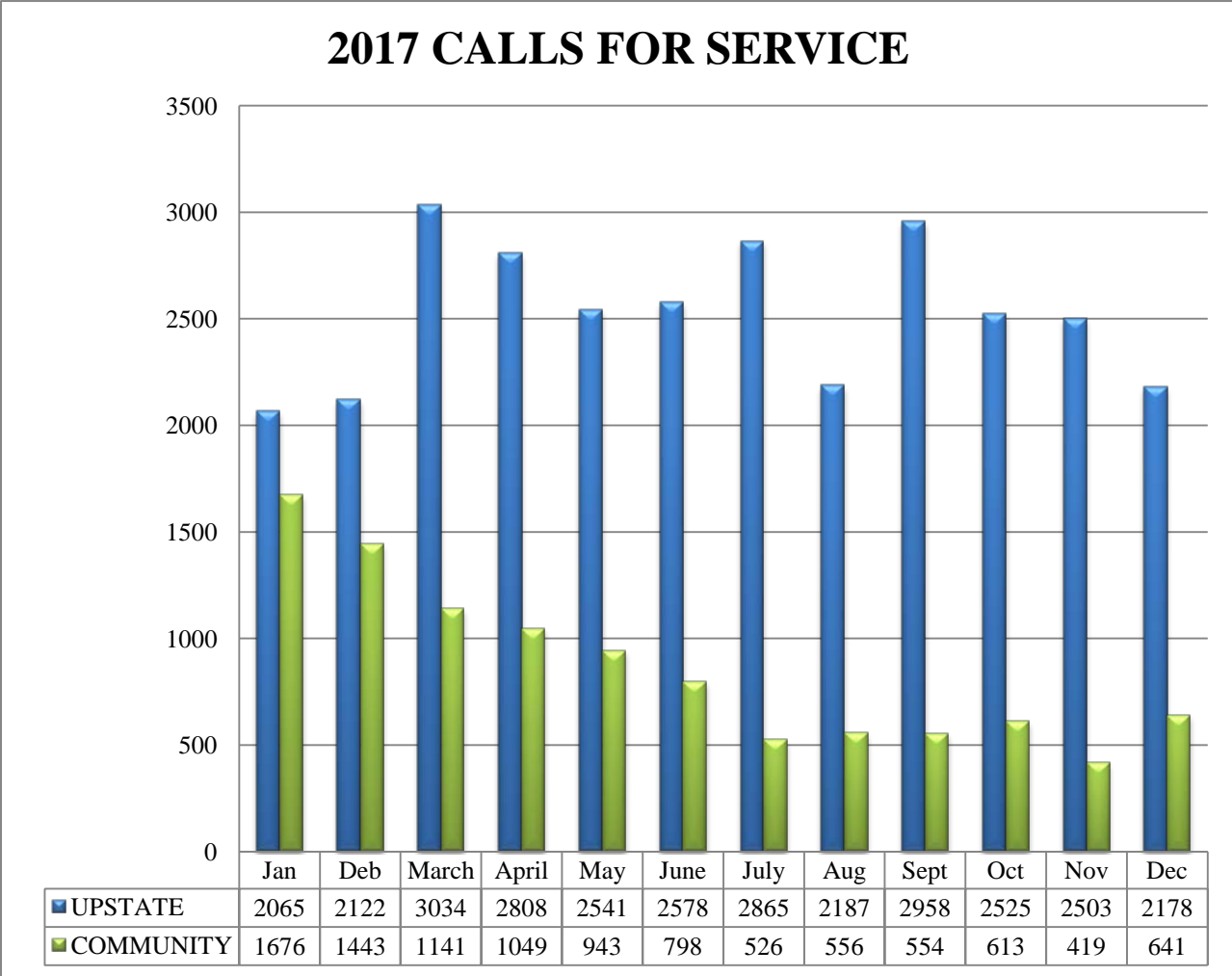


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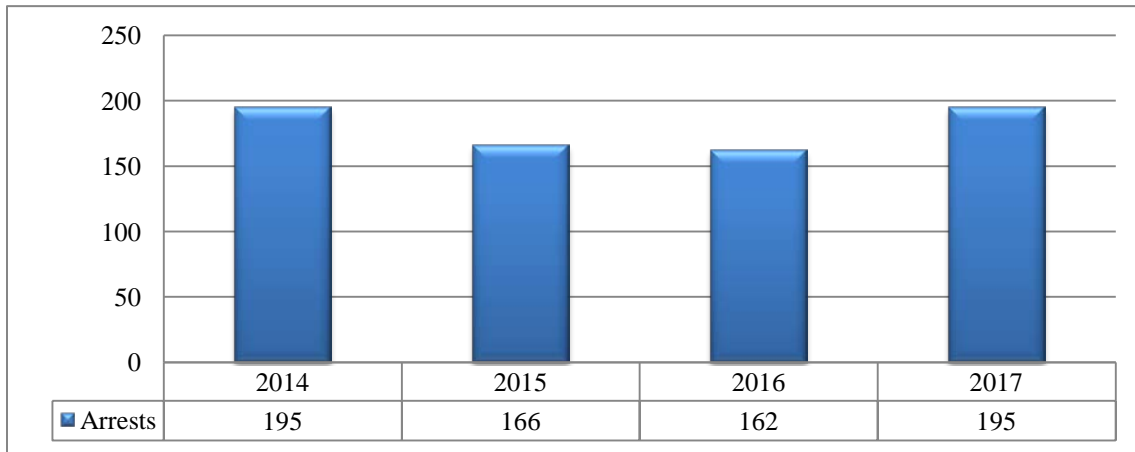
The University Police Staff Assistants are the contract liaisons and shift supervisors for the Securitas Public Safety Officers. They are assigned to Support Services under the Administrative Division. They have replaced the contract security supervisors. As of December 20, 2017, we have 1 opening due the departure of Heather Echols, who was with the University Police Department for 18 years.

2017 Calls for Service

This year the Calls for Services rose due to problematic patients who repeatedly disrupted the normal operations of patient care with aggressive behavior. Your University Police Department continues to work with nursing staff and social work to develop a behavioral agreement for these subjects. For most of these incidents we posted a special detail and/or increased presence and patrols of the problematic areas. We had many special checks and details in 2017, which is the reason why the Calls for Service rose from last year’s numbers.

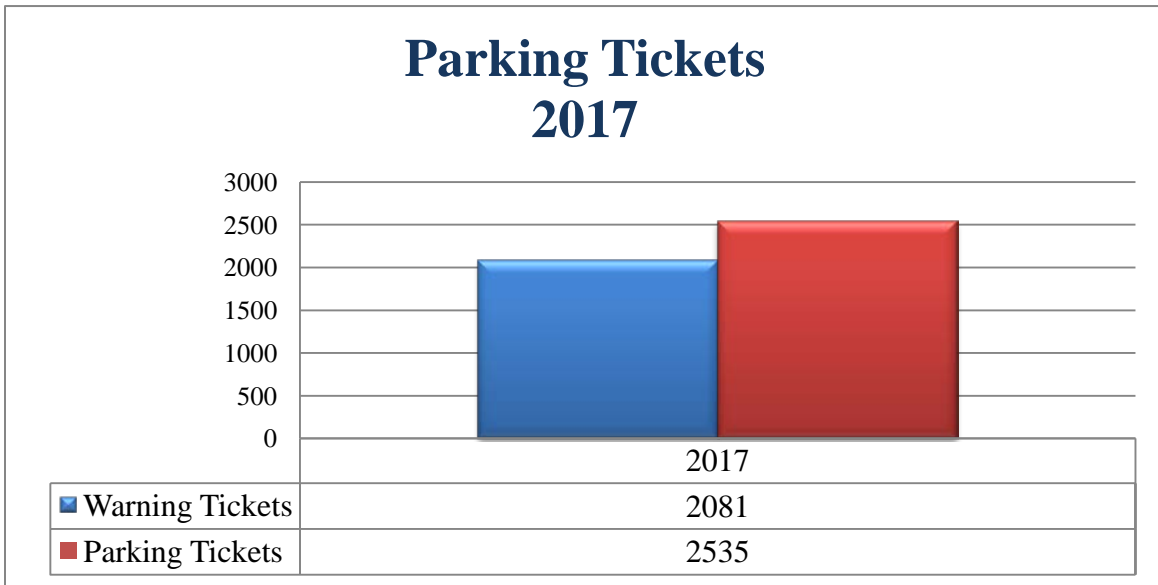
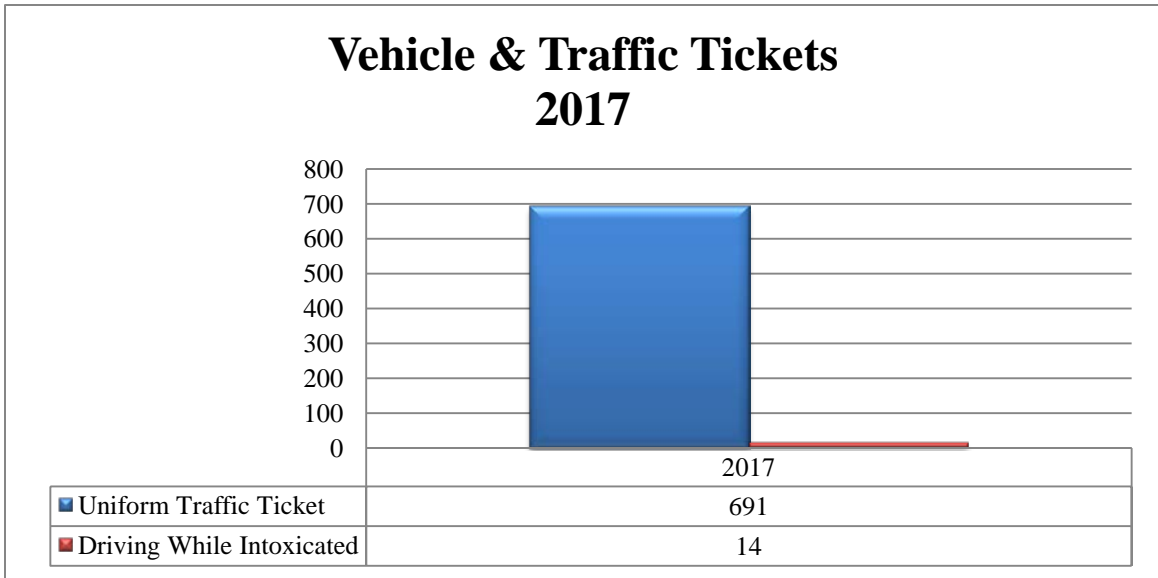


2017 Arrests



2017 Arrests Breakdown	
DWI	14
Vehicle & Traffic	100
Larceny/Grand Larceny	14
Criminal Mischief	6
Warrants (University Police)	13
Warrants (Other Agency)	13
Trespass	14
Harassment/Aggravated Harassment	16
Disorderly Conduct	6
Drug related crimes	21
Assault	3
Unauthorized of Motor Vehicle	2
Criminal Possession of Stolen Property	9
Criminal Contempt	5
Resisting Arrest	14
False Impersonation	3
Fraud related crimes	4
Endangering Welfare of a child	2
Obstruction of governmental official	1
Stalking	2
Menacing	5
Burglary	2
Criminal Possession of a weapon	4
Obstruction of Breath/Blood	2

2017 Tickets Issued



Warning tickets do not have a fine attached to them. They are simply courtesy tickets produced to inform individual that they are violating the parking rules and/or regulations of SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Parking tickets do have a fine attached to them from starting at \$15 for the first offense and then \$25 for any future offenses. If an offense is severe or ongoing, the vehicle may be towed at the owner's expense.

Personal Safety Escorts

2017 TOTAL PERSONAL SAFETY ESCORTS: **3889** (Includes Students, Employees, Visitors, and Patients)

Your University Police Department provides personal safety escorts to all students, faculty, and staff upon request to reasonable locations on or near campus. We also conduct these personal safety escorts for patients and visitors as well.

These escorts are for individuals that do not feel safe going to and/or from their vehicles or campus resident hall.

If the request for escort is to an off campus residency, we need a physical address to take you to. For safety reasons, we cannot escort someone to the intersection of a street nor a non-residential location.

Escorts are provided either by foot or vehicle depending on the situation and call volume we are experiencing at the time of the request.

Training

In 2017, Your University Police Officers spent a total of **2019** hours in training classes to help prepare themselves and have a better understanding of situation they may encounter on the job.

These trainings/classes/seminars include but are not limited to:

- Active Shooter Training
- Fair & Impartial Policing (FIP)
- Civil Rights Investigation
- Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC)
- Emergency Vehicle Operator Instructor Course
- AED & CPR
- Use of Force
- Firearms Skills
- Defensive Tactics
- De-Escalation Training & Inter Personal Communications Skills
- Management of Aggressive Behavior
- Field Training Officer (FTO) School
- Police Supervisory In-Service Training
- Clery Act - Annual Security Report (ASR) Compliance Training

New Police Officers

In 2017, Your University Police added three new Police Officers to the department. Dylan Lyons, Zachary McCaleb and David Woodward joined the University Police family.



In September, Your University Police held a swearing in ceremony for the three new officers. This ceremony was attended by the members of the University Police Department and the new recruit's family and friends.



All new hires went right into the Police Academy and are expected to graduate in early 2018.

Awards

On May 1st, at the Central New York Association for Chiefs of Police Awards Banquet, the Association honored three Upstate University Police Officers, Jonathan Christian, Joseph Nappo and Victoria Tolkan as well as a State Corrections Officer Gregory Edgar with a Law Enforcement Commendation Award.

This was for an incident that occurred on November 14th 2016 when an emotionally disturbed subject entered the lobby of University Hospital yelling and brandishing a knife. The subject was distraught and threatening to harm/kill himself as well as others.

Within a minute UPD officers arrived and with the assistance of a state corrections officers, who was reporting to work commenced using non-confrontational de-escalation techniques and with such were able to calm the subject to the point of him dropping the knife and kicking to the officers. The UPD officers then assisted the subject to the Emergency Department where he received treatment.

As the event unfolded the officers were notified by the County 911 center that the subject was also wanted in conjunction with a similar menacing incident that occurred at another location in the city of Syracuse fifteen minutes prior to this.

The quick response and action of the officers by using non-confrontational de-escalation techniques potentially avoided serious injuries to the subject as well as innocent by-standers as the lobby was full of visitors at the time.

These officers were also recognized at the SUNY Chiefs of Police Awards Banquet in November.



Active Shooter Knowledge (ASK) Training

Since its implementation in November of 2015 your University Police has been involved in the ongoing process to educate faculty/staff/students at both campuses regarding Active Shooter situations including how to respond and react during a potential event.

To date your University Police Department has presented the training to over 1,200 Upstate Medical University affiliates. We have presented the presentation at an Active Shooter symposium held at Onondaga Community College as well as many professional association conferences.

All sworn Police Officers in your University Police Department have received Active Shooter Training with the Department of Homeland Security. In addition, to complement this, four of those officers received additional training hosted by the FBI. One of our Lieutenants continues to go to trainings hosted by the FBI then returns and share the information with the department.

For more information on Active Shooter Situations, visit our website at upstate.edu/UniversityPolice under Active Shooter Response.



Smoke Free/Tobacco Free Campus

Our very own Lt. VanAntwerp participated in a commercial shot by Upstate Medical University to remind everyone that the Upstate Campus is Smoke Free/Tobacco Free. The video can be viewed on our website at Upstate.edu/universitypolice under our video section.



Community Volunteering

Your New York State University Police Department continues to be an avid participant and supporter of Special Olympics.



Your University Police Department volunteers at many events and assists Special Olympics with fundraising for the athletes in order for them to be able to train and participate in the Special Olympic Summer and/or Winter Games. Some of the Events we participated in during the past year are:

Tip a Cop (Texas Roadhouse)



Tip a Cop (Applebee's)



Cops on Top (Dunkin' Donuts)

On August 4th, Your University Police Department once again participated in the annual 'Cops on Top' event for Special Olympics. We were located at the Bridge Street location in East Syracuse, NY.



Polar Plunge

On December 3rd, Your New York State University Police participated in the annual Polar Plunge at Oneida Shores, our department's sixth time volunteering at this event.

Together we provided safety and security alongside the New York State Police and the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department to the great people who came out to support and donate to the Special Olympics as well as assisted in other activities.



Community Policing Efforts

Throughout the year Your University Police participates in events held at local schools in our Community. Some of the events were Halloween Safety, Reading Day, Welcome Back to School Picnic, Valentines Day dance to name a few.



Law Enforcement Torch Run

On June 7th, members from Your University Police Department participated in the Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run hosted by the Special Olympics New York- Central Region.

We assisted in carrying the Flame of Hope for 11 miles, from Tully's Good Times in Fairmont to Tully's Good Times on Erie Boulevard, to raise awareness for Special Olympics and their athletes.



The Great New York State Fair

In 2017, Your University Police Department once again assisted Upstate Medical University at the Great New York State Fair by assigning police officers to the Fair’s Infirmary to assist the medical professionals with their day to day activities as well as to provide them a safe and secure work environment away from our traditional Campus.



Veterans Day Parade

Chief Waltz and Your University Police at Upstate Medical University saluting and marching in the annual Veterans Day parade at the state fair grounds on November 4th to honor the veterans who served our country.

Lt. John Stefanko and Lt. Frank Persons are both U.S. Military Veterans.



LEON Festival



Social Media

Your New York State University Police Department continues to be involved with Social Media sites with their Facebook & Twitter profiles.

Our department website has become more useful in terms of educational videos. Our website hosts numerous videos on Active Shooter situations, Work Place Violence, Distracted Driving and other educational videos for our students, faculty, staff and the community to view.

We use our social media sites as a platform to inform the community about events that are going on in the area such as accidents that delay traffic, road and sidewalk closures, and alerts that affect the day to day activity of the campus community.



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