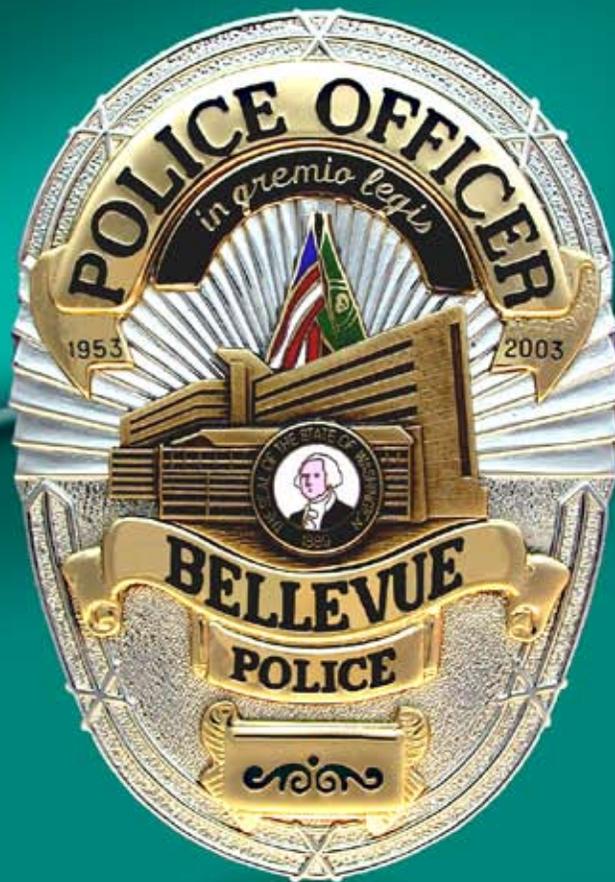


BELLEVUE POLICE DEPARTMENT

2007 Annual Report



*Providing a safe environment
through community involvement and innovation*

CHIEF PILLO



Chief Linda Pillo

Although 2007 marked a year of transition for the Bellevue Police Department, we continued our progress in making Bellevue one of the safest communities in the nation.

Early in 2007, Chief Jim Montgomery announced his retirement after ten years of dedicated service to the City of Bellevue. I was honored when City Manager Steve Sarkozy appointed me Interim Police Chief. I accepted the challenge of managing the fifth largest police department in the State of Washington with a budget of nearly \$36 million. With the support of our team of 277 dedicated professionals, we experienced an overall decline in reported Part One crime (homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson). I am especially pleased with the 6% drop in vehicle thefts in 2007 and a 27% decline since 2004. Bellevue continues to be a safe place to live, work, and visit.

I believe our success is a result of the citizens of Bellevue and Police Department members embracing a commitment to our Department Mission:

“We support the mission of City Government by consistently contributing to our community’s reputation as a safe and vibrant place to live, work, and visit.

We accomplish this by providing the highest quality law enforcement, community education and support services possible.

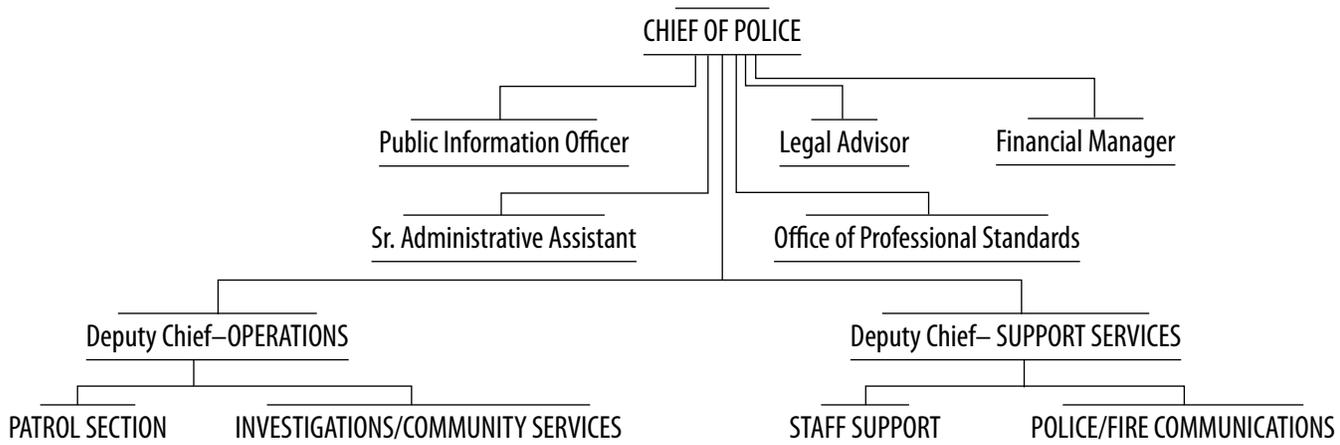
We are responsive to the public interest, transparent and inclusive in our operation, innovative in our ability to adapt to change, and conscientious in expending public funds.”

Through our community-based policing approach, we addressed the new issues facing the City of Bellevue. The transition of the downtown core business area to a vibrant business and residential district brings many challenges to the department. We have had to develop policies and practices to ensure community safety in this vertical and more densely populated neighborhood. I believe next year’s annual report will document our success in this new area.

Early in 2008, I was honored to be appointed as your new Chief of Police. Now, I am pleased to provide you with the 2007 Bellevue Police Department Annual Report. This report summarizes our accomplishments this past year, presents Bellevue crime statistics, and discusses our efforts and programs to help make Bellevue a safe place to live, work and visit.

Linda Pillo

Chief of Police



Office of the Chief of Police

The Police Department Legal Advisor, Fiscal Manager, Public Information Officer and Office of Professional Standards report directly to Chief Pillo. The Legal Advisor provides legal and policy advice and counsel for the Bellevue Police Department. The Public Information Officer keeps the Police Department website current, sends out press releases, responds to all incidents of public interest where the Police are the primary responders, and serves on a variety of committees. The Office of

Professional Standards is responsible for ensuring the Police Department continues to meet the international standards for law enforcement accreditation and tracks and oversees investigations of citizen and employee complaints. One Captain and one Lieutenant are assigned to this office. The Fiscal Manager advises the Chief on financial issues, administers grants and contracts, and prepares and maintains the budget.

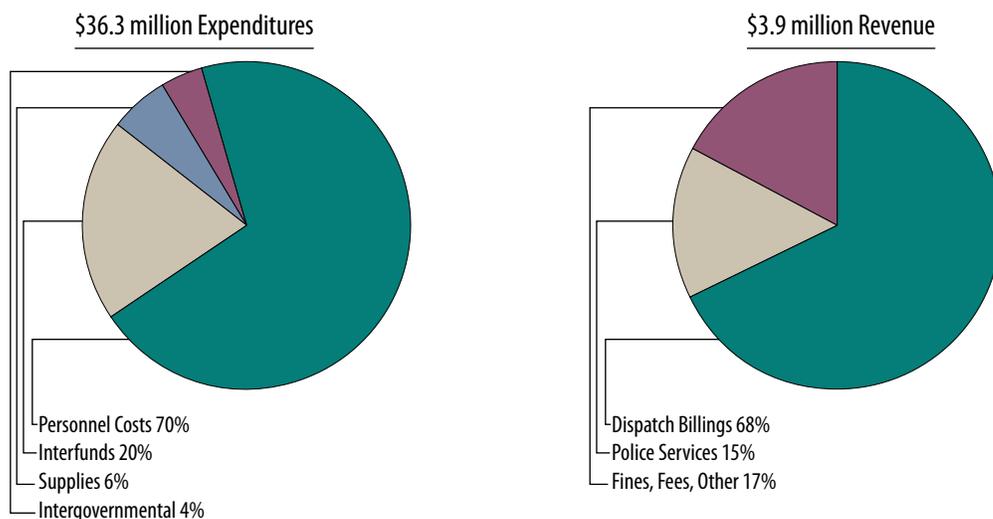
Office of Professional Standards Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Formal Standards Investigations	17	11
Informal Standards Investigations	36	36
Dissatisfaction w/ Service	68	21
Employee preventable collisions	18	24

Bellevue Police Department Financial Summary for 2007

During the calendar year ending December 31, 2007, the Bellevue Police Department expended \$36.3 million to fund police operations, while generating revenues of \$3.9 million. Seventy percent of total expenditures went for staff salaries and benefits, paying for 175 sworn officers and 102

civilians. During the year, the Police Department also received \$1.3 million in grants, including awards for a new SWAT vehicle, a bomb robot remote wireless unit, narcotics staffing, and dispatch technology equipment.



Part One Crimes	2006	2007	% Change
Homicide	3	0	▼ -100%
Rape	42	29	▼ -31%
Robbery	71	61	▼ -14%
Aggr. Assault	68	48	▼ -29%
Total Violent Crime	184	138	▼ -25%
Burglary	591	583	▼ -1%
Larceny	3178	3152	▼ -1%
MV Theft	476	446	▼ -6%
Arson	33	20	▼ -39%
Total Property Crime	4,278	4,201	▼ -1.8%
Total Part I Crime	4,462	4,339	▼ -2.8%

2007 Deputy Chiefs



Operations

Deputy Chief Bill Quinn

The **Operations Division** consists of Patrol, Traffic, K-9, Courts/Custody, Special Enforcement Team, Investigations, Community Services, Eastside Narcotics Task Force, Volunteer program and the Forensic lab.



Support Services

Deputy Chief Bruce Vestal

The **Support Services Division** consists of Communications, Personnel Services, Records, and Property/Evidence.

PATROL SECTION



Major Todd Simonton

PATROL IS THE LARGEST SECTION IN THE BELLEVUE POLICE DEPARTMENT consisting of 114 commissioned officers and 5 limited commissioned staff. The section is headed by a Major and divided into units with Patrol and Traffic being the largest units. Additional units include: Courts and Custody, Canine and the Special Enforcement Team. Specialty assignments in Patrol include: Explosives, Evidence Technician, Field Training Officer, Holiday Foot Patrol, Honor Guard, Hostage Negotiations, Crowd Control and Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT).

The largest unit in Patrol has three Watch Commanders (Captains) who supervise eight Squads that provide 24-hour coverage by uniformed

officers. This unit is designed to maximize public safety by providing timely response to calls for assistance and an active, visible patrol in the city.

The Courts and Custody Unit is supervised by a Lieutenant who manages prisoners who are either being transported to court appearances or serving sentences. The Court Liaison Officer tracks all cases referred for filing and conducts follow-up as needed. The Police Support Officers conduct prisoner processing and transport.

The Canine Unit is supervised by a Lieutenant and has three handlers and dogs. This unit is responsible for visible patrol, response to all in progress calls, tracking of fleeing suspects, building searches and evidence location.

The Special Enforcement Team is supervised by a Lieutenant with four officers and one detective assigned. This unit focuses on specific crime trends and responds in a proactive manner. Their primary responsibility is to target car crimes and work closely with the King County Prosecutors Office to attack this regional issue. SET has helped continue last year's 16% reduction in auto thefts with an additional 6% in 2007.



The Traffic Unit is supervised by one Captain and three Lieutenants and is broken into two areas: Collision Investigation and Enforcement. Educating the public about traffic laws, working closely with traffic engineering, active and appropriate enforcement and conducting high quality collision investigations are integral reasons why this unit is so successful in keeping our streets safe.

Patrol/Traffic Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Part One crimes committed per 1,000 population	38	37
Customer satisfaction indicating Good or Excellent service (survey results)	87%	83%
Percentage of citizens who feel Safe or Moderately Safe (survey results)	92%	95%
Felony arrests by Patrol	559	638
Misdemeanor arrests by Patrol	1,726	2,203
Warrant arrests by Patrol	700	813
Injury collisions as % of total collisions	23%	22%
Citations issued	24,471	19,340
Collisions investigated	2,103	1,884

INVESTIGATIONS/COMMUNITY SERVICES



Major Mike Pentony

WITH A STAFF OF 51, this section is comprised of several units and one program: Persons Crimes, Property Crimes, Fraud, School Services, Neighborhood Services, Eastside Narcotics Task Force, Forensics, Crime Analysis and the Volunteer Program. Investigations is supervised by three lieutenants and is comprised of 17 detectives, one civilian D/V victim advocate, one special assignment detective, one crime analysis detective, one data analyst and two crime prevention detectives. Investigations is responsible for conducting complicated investigations relating to violent, property and fraud crimes. The two crime prevention detectives work closely with the business and residential community to educate on ways to reduce the chance of victimization.

Community Services is supervised by two lieutenants and is comprised of seven school resource officers (SRO), three bicycle officers, and four sub-station officers. There is a SRO in every high school and two assigned to the middle schools. The bicycle officers conduct safety talks and work closely with Patrol proactively combating crime. The sub-station officers manage the Crossroads, Factoria and Downtown Substations. The station officer is assigned to the front counter of the Police Department.

Eastside Narcotic Task Force comprises Detectives from of five local police agencies: Bellevue, Mercer Island, King County, Redmond and Kirkland. It is supported by a member of the National Guard, a King County prosecutor, a financial investigator and a legal secretary. The Bellevue Police provide a



Captain and Lieutenant who manage the Task Force and report to the Chiefs of the member agencies.

Forensics has two staff members who conduct fingerprint and evidence collection and processing.

Crime Analysis has one full-time detective and one part-time staff member. This unit collects, analyzes and disperses relevant crime information along with monitoring registered sex offenders in our city.

The Volunteer Program just completed its 12th year recruiting qualified citizens and carefully matching them to appropriate assignments throughout the police department. In 2007, Police Department volunteers contributed nearly 7300 hours of service to the City of Bellevue.



Investigations/CSS Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Cases with evidence processed by AFIS (Automated Fingerprint Identification System)	285	361
AFIS hits	72	65
Persons crimes cases assigned	539	516
Persons crimes cases cleared	92%	76%
Fraud cases assigned	245	143
Fraud cases cleared	72%	90%
Property cases assigned	413	310
Property cases cleared	36%	34%

POLICE/FIRE COMMUNICATIONS



*Communications
Manager
Alan Komenski*

OUR DISPATCH CENTER IS SUPERVISED by one Communications Manager, one Assistant Manager, six Supervisors and six Leads. With 35 dispatch positions, one geo-file technician and one public safety applications analyst, this Eastside Communications center serves an area of approximately 1400 square miles, two Police agencies, 14 Fire/EMS agencies, and a regional population of over 700,000.

In 2007, Dispatch handled an average of 487 emergency calls per day and an average of 14,813 emergency calls per month. Reverse 911 (the Police and Fire emergency notification system) was expanded to cover all participating Fire agencies, and preparations continue for the change over to the NORCOM Regional Communications Center, anticipated in 2009.



Communications Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Police Events	65,418	61,750
Fire Events	60,079	55,738
All Incoming calls	248,879	255,709
Cellular calls	90,382	79,163
% of 9-1-1 Calls Answered within 10 Seconds	97%	97%

STAFF SUPPORT

THE SUPPORT SERVICES SECTION IS COMPRISED of Records, Property/Evidence and Personnel Services. With a staff of 39, this section supports both commissioned and professional staff along with serving the community.

The Records Unit provides assistance to police department personnel 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including prisoner monitoring, bail

collection for in-custody defendants, entering and maintaining critical information in the criminal justice computer system, management of police crime reports and tickets, records retention, file management and dissemination. The Records staff provides non-emergency police service to citizens at the police lobby during business hours and by telephone around the clock.



Major Cherie Baker



Records Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Warrants Processed		
New	2,042	2,154
Recalled by Court	544	767
Not Served/Expired	420	378
Protection Orders Served(Domestic Violence)	1,083	1,061
Computer-Aided Dispatch Entries	5,087	9,992*
Records Checks	6,721	4,699
Firearms License Applications processed	546	520
Pistol Transfer Applications processed	632	684
Data Entered into Records Management System		
Arrests	3,675	4,138
Cases	12,838	13,063
Criminal Citations	2,135	2,463
Field Interview Reports	4,048	2,249
Non-Traffic Infractions	33	17
Parking Tickets	1,564	1,479
Traffic Accidents	2,142	1,985
Traffic Infractions	18,519	23,998
Trespass Notices	687	784

* Computer Aided Dispatch calls increased dramatically this year due to Records taking calls 24 hours a day. Prior to 2007, Records was only available to take calls during business hours. These calls would otherwise have gone to 911.

STAFF SUPPORT continued



The Bellevue Police Department lost long-time friend and colleague Danny Armstrong when he passed away unexpectedly on March 18, 2008. Danny served the City for over 19 years, most of it as a Property/Evidence Technician. A husband and father of four, Danny had an infectious sense of humor that drew people to him from throughout the city government. Pictured here with co-worker Terri Massey, he remains in our hearts and thoughts.

The Property/Evidence Unit tracks all property booked into its unit and maintains the chain of custody. The staff provide training to officers on the proper packaging of evidence to ensure compliance with state and federal regulations for the collection storage and disposal of property and evidence.

The Personnel Services Unit is responsible for recruiting, testing, and hiring new employees, training and equipping staff. During this past year, there were a total of 25,131 hours of training recorded for officers. This averaged 142 hours for each commissioned officer.

Personnel Services Key Performance Measures

	2006	2007
Background Investigations	83	117
Commissioned staff hired	10	14
Professional staff hired	7	17
Hours of Training conducted:		25,131*
Average hours of training per Officer:		142*

* New statistic this year.



RECOGNITION



Employees recognized in 2007

Officer of the Year	Officer David Rivera
Dispatcher of the Year	Dave Stuby
Professional Support Staff of the Year	Forensic Technician Shawn Curtis

Special awards given out in 2007

Commander's award:

Patrol: Corporal Marcia Harnden, Officer Andrew Popochok

Special Enforcement Team: Captain Jerry Litzau, Lieutenant Michael Shovlin, Lieutenant Patrick Arpin, Detective Brenda Johnson, Detective Jeffrey Christiansen, Officer Chris Nygren, Officer Danny Young, Officer Rich Newell, Officer Leo Ramos, Officer Russ Kelly

Investigations: Detective Ellen Inman, Detective Jenny Robertson

Dispatch: Pam Bryson, Barb Paulsen, James Lucci

Records: Cori Deal, Lisa Nomura

Lifesaving award:

Officer Vittorio Mangione

Civilian Law Enforcement Merit Award:

Mr. Douglas Hudak, Ms. Linda Ingram-Marion, Mr. Stephen Dunmore, Mr. Jeffery Jacobsen

Blue Star Medal:

Officer Joe Nault

Service Commendations (25 years on the job)

Captain Denny Bronson	Captain Jim Kowalczyk
Lieutenant Jim Gasperetti	Detective Bob Herst
Detective Bob Thompson	Corporal Mark Lewis
Officer Bob Murphy	





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