



COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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July 15, 2026

Mayor Hammer
Members of the Common Council
Columbus Police and Fire Commission

RE: POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT, JUNE 2026

Attached is the monthly report for the Columbus Police Department.

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions.

Chief Dennis Weiner



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PERSONNEL

The department is not fully staffed. Current staffing as of JULY 15 , 2026:

	Authorized by Budget	Actual
<u>Sworn Officers</u>		
Full-time sworn police positions:	10	8
Patrol Officer Full time	6	4
Sergeant	1	1
Lieutenant	2	2
Chief	1	1
<u>Clerical</u>		
Office Manager (full-time)	1	1
Public Safety Clerk (full-time)	1	0

Current Staff:

Name	Date of Hire
Chief Dennis Weiner	02/18/2008
Lieutenant Darrell Ward	09/18/2022
Lieutenant Michael Rosecky	12/30/2022
Sergeant Julia Knoll	01/03/2022
Officer Matt Dammen	01/03/2023
Officer Spencer Trevorrow	07/31/2023
Officer Madeline Kraus	04/28/2025
Officer David Griscom	12/29/2025
Officer vacant	
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Administrative Manager Erika Kellar	02/04/1999
Police Clerk Alexa Johnson	05/28/2026



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PERSONNEL:

We had our vacancies posted for the entire month of June with some inquiries and a few applications. We evaluated a candidate with experience, however he was disqualified during the process. The positions have been posted again.

Officer Griscom is progressing well thru his local training. He has been exposed to several serious and dynamic incidents are good building blocks for his professional development.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

As part of the summer library reading program, Fire Chief Hazeltine and I read to kids that are part of the summer reading program at the Columbus Public Library. At the conclusion the kids were shown our vehicles and some of our equipment.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT/CITATIONS:

During the month of May officers issued 62 traffic citations, 101 traffic warnings and 16 ordinance citations.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Mutual aid was requested for a disturbance at the dog park just outside the city limits in Dodge County. Our officers made initial contact with the suspect while awaiting the arrival of the Dodge County Sheriff's Office. Once Dodge County deputies arrived, they took control of the incident. Our officer and trainee remained on scene to assist as the situation rapidly escalated. The incident ultimately resulted in a Dodge County deputy being shot, prompting a tactical response. The suspect later took his own life. During the incident, our two officers and a Dodge County Deputy conducted a tactical rescue and extraction of the wounded deputy. This was an extremely high-risk operation that required them to enter the immediate vicinity of an armed suspect inside a van after the suspect had already shot a law enforcement officer. Our officers, alongside the deputy involved in the rescue, acted without hesitation, demonstrating exceptional courage, professionalism, and commitment to protecting the life of a fellow officer under extraordinarily dangerous circumstances. Incidents such as this reinforce the importance of the extensive training our officers receive. In critical moments, that training becomes instinct, guiding sound decision-making and decisive action when lives are on the line.

A person from out of the area attempted to cash a large personal check at a local bank. This check was suspected of being tied to an elder financial abuse case from out of the area. The bank declined to cash the check and suspect fled prior to officer arrival. The information was passed on to the investigating jurisdiction.

Someone who runs a side business online from their home was messaged by a person expressing interest in the items she sells. Eventually she was manipulated into sending this person \$999, with the promise of returning it to her. He did not.

A person reported multiple online purchases made on her credit card by a large retailer, she did not make. That matter remains under investigation.



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Total CAD Calls Received, by Nature of Call
June 2026

Nature of Call -----	Total Calls Received -----
911 HANG UP	23
ACCIDENT HIT AND RUN	1
ACCIDENT-NON REPORTABLE	1
ACCIDENT PROPERTY DAMAGE ONLY	3
ACCIDENT WITH PERSONAL INJURY	1
ASSIST ANOTHER AGENCY	6
BURGLAR ALARM	4
MEDICAL ALARM	2
ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	4
ANIMAL BITE	3
BATTERY	1
BOND VIOLATION	2
CAR VS DEER	3
MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENT	1
CHILD CUSTODY	1
CITIZEN ASSIST	24
CIVIL	2
CIVIL PROPERTY DAMAGE	2
CONTROLLED	4
CIVIL PROCESS	1
CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	3
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	1
DEATH INVESTIGATION	1
DISABLED VEHICLE	6
DOMESTIC ABUSE	2
DPW	1
DRIVING COMPLAINT	15
ELDER ABUSE	1
ELUDING	2
EMS CALL	17
ESCORT	1
EXTRA PATROL	3
FIRE GAS LEAK/CARBON MONOXIDE	1
UTILITIES FIRE	1
VEHICLE FIRE	1
FIREARMS TRAINING	1
FIREWORKS	3
FLEET MAINTENANCE	3
FOOT PATROL	1
FRAUD	3
HARASSMENT	1
ROAD HAZARD	3
HOUSE WATCH	1
JUVENILE INCIDENT	2
LOST AND FOUND	5
NOISE COMPLAINT	2
OUT WITH PERSON	5



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OPEN DOOR	1
OWI	5
PARKING ENFORCMENT	5
PARKING VIOLATION	6
RAIL ROAD CROSSING ISSUE	2
SECURITY	118
SPECIAL EVENT	2
SPEED BOARD	1
SUSPICIOUS	9
THEFT	4
TIPS/LEADS	1
TRAFFIC CONTROL	1
TRAFFIC STOP	105
VEH LOCKOUT	6
WARRANT	3
WEAPONS VIOLATION	1
WEATHER	8
WELFARE	15

Total Calls: 468