

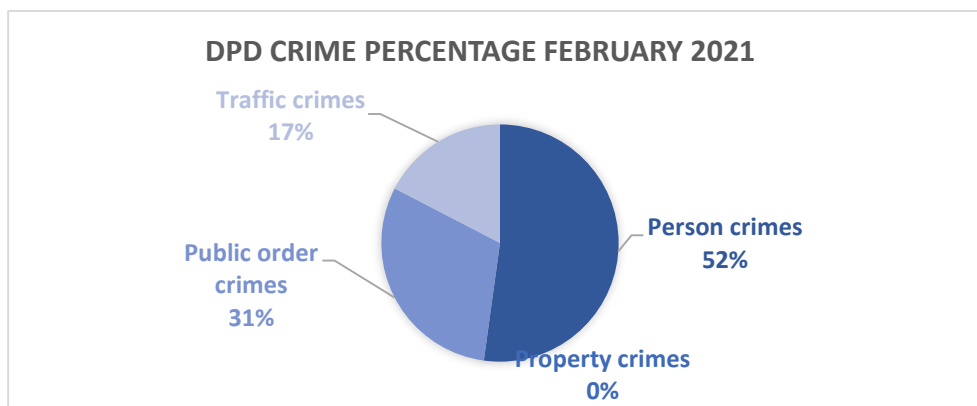


## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** 3-23-2021  
**TO:** Interim-City Manager Gregg Brelsford  
**FROM:** Chief Daniel Pasquariello  
**SUBJECT:** Public Safety Department Report **APRIL 2021**

### STAFF REPORT

*Reporting dates 2/24/21 to 3/23/21*



### PATROL

*You have been seeing the above pie chart for a while now. I will explain what it means. Approximately 1 out of every 10 calls for service (10%) we respond to results in a reportable incident under the federal UCR/NIBRS guidelines. The other 90% of are calls for service are classified as logs only. The above chart breaks down the reportable incidents for the monthly reporting period into types of crimes classifications.*

Person crimes - crimes such as assault, sexual assault, child endangerment

Property crimes – crimes such as theft, vehicle theft, criminal mischief

Public order crimes – crimes such as violation of release conditions, alcohol offenses, drug offenses

Traffic crimes – crimes such as DUI, license violations, reckless driving

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As the above metrics show this was a particularly violent month, with over half of our incidents involving person crimes. Examples of the persons crimes this month are:

- 3 stabbing assaults
- 2 strangulation assaults
- 1 head injury assault
- 1 sexual assault
- Several other “simple” assaults

We have also been keeping the roads safe and arrested 3 persons for DUI. One of those persons was additionally charged with possession of heroin.

Officer Farnsworth continues to work as part of the AST Anchorage Airport Interdiction Team (AAIT) task force. This JAG grant funded assignment causes him to be in Anchorage roughly 10 days a month causing our patrol staff level to be short one officer 30% of the time. However, this assignment is beneficial to the community. The below metrics show **the amount of drugs that were headed for Dillingham** that were seized this month by the AAIT task force:

- Heroin 90 grams
- Meth 90 grams
- Suboxone 106 strips
- Marijuana ½ pound
- Hash ½ pound
- 2 persons charged with drug offenses

Officer Gardiner took web-based SART (sexual assault response team) training this month. This 40 hour training in sexual assault investigation was taught by the State of Alaska CDVSA.

The Chief met with Kakanak hospital COO and the director of the Behavioral Health center. The meeting concerned DPD and BH with coordinating a response to persons suffering mental health crisis. This is a topic that is becoming relevant in the media and at state/national levels throughout the USA. We have just started meeting but our plan is to develop a robust procedure where behavioral health counselors will respond to, or otherwise assist police with persons experiencing mental health crisis. This is so that persons can hopefully be peacefully taken into custody and transported to the emergency room to receive mental health care, without them getting harmed, or harming others.

The Chief has been attending Homeless shelter meetings hosted by Greg Marxmiller. These meetings are attended by numerous organizations and concerned citizens in the community. The meetings started because in the past we had allowed homeless persons to sleep in the DPD lobby, but with the coming of the COVID pandemic we had to shut our lobby to the homeless.

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*Despite the momentum of the homeless meetings it became obvious that no permanent alternative shelter solution was going to come to fruition this winter. This month we had extremely low temperatures in Dillingham. So, pandemic or not, we decided to reopen our lobby to homeless persons so that they would have a warm place to sleep at night.*



*Front doors of police station with "Emergency Homeless Shelter" sign.*

## **DISPATCH**

Three members of the dispatch division attended online basic/advanced training this month on the APSIN (*Alaska Public Safety Information Network*) computer operation. For most of them the training was a useful refresher of knowledge they already possess.

We had a dispatcher resign this month. He worked for as a dispatcher for only 4 months and left his job to look after his newborn baby. The division is now at 80% staffing level.

## **CORRECTIONS**

The corrections division had a training this month where all procedures from prisoner intake to release, administrative tasks, everything was reviewed and explained. As with dispatch, for most this was a useful refresher of knowledge they already possess. This refresher of our established robust procedures will build morale in the division and help us maintain the continuous smooth operation of the jail.

The division attended a webinar put on by the court system to learn about their new “eFiling” system. The court is going paperless and all documents (*complaints/citations/etc.*) must now be submitted electronically.

We are finally getting some long requested and much needed maintenance done at our jail. The Harbormaster and Buildings and Grounds personnel installed an extremely robust security lock on cell 5. This cell is our secure cell where violent, mostly intoxicated or drugged, inmates are held. The door has been beaten so hard for so long that it was in danger of literally falling out of the wall. They did an excellent job fixing the door.



*Cell 5 door with new robust security locking system.*

We still have several long requested and much needed maintenance issues that need fixing like replacing torn off wall panels in cell 6, replacing a constantly backing up toilet in cell 2, and replacing a missing light fixture in cell 3. We hope that they can be repaired soon for the health and safety of our inmates.

## **ANIMAL CONTROL**

This month ACO Boyd hosted a rabies vaccination clinic. He usually holds the clinic during the Beaver Roundup festival. Since there was no BRU this year he was going to hold it on that Saturday anyway, but it would have conflicted with the BBAHC vaccination clinic. Instead he held it at the end of the month before the animals vaccine expired.

## **DMV**

Agent Pullon has switched to using the state DMV's "DocSys" system. This is so that he can scan and transfer documents to the DMV without have to mail them, saving submittal time and money. The state seems to be going paperless.

We are still not giving road tests to avoid having our agent be in a confined space with persons during this pandemic.

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