

Hartford Police Department  
Monthly Report  
**DATE**

9-15-24

**DEPARTMENT SUMMARY:**

I have had several individuals reach out about part –time work. We currently have 2 applications turned in. We also have 1 application turned in for a full time employment. I have been in discussion with the city manager on the part time interest. I have finally have a straight answer on the employment requirements required by the MCOLES (State of Michigan regulating unit for police)

As I mentioned in last month’s report a job listing for officers has been posted on the MCOLES website and word of mouth, but I feel we need to find other ways to recruit. Possibly sites like Indeed.

I have also had a reserve officer reach out to me in regards to a possibly sponsoring him for the police academy. I have spoked with the city manager and we are looking into a grants to do this. My personal feelings this reserve would be a great addition to the department. I know we had issues with the last recruit / officer the city sponsored on its own (Kuzma), but I don’t feel this would not happen with this young man. He’s a resident of the city and has 2 young boys that attend the middle school and Redwood Elementary

If you have any questions please feel free to stop in or give a call. Again, thank you for the support

**STATISTICS:**

- *Call for Service (CFS)*
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- *For the month of August, we handled 68 calls for service. It Is a drop off from July (107), but we have 1 less officer and I believe calls for service county wide was down also.*
- *Break Down :*
- *6 Assault Complaints*
- *1 felonious assault / CCW (shooting on S. Haver)*
- *1 MDOP (damage to property)*
  - 1 Breaking and Entering
  - 1 Drug investigation
  - 4 Larceny complaints
  - 3 Public Peace
  - 1 Counterfeit bill
  - 2 Juvenile issue
  - 5 Traffic Crash
  - 4 Civil Issues
  - 2 false Alarm / Open Door
  - 5 Lost / Found Property
  - 5 Suspicious Situations

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**28 Assist to other Agencies**

**Van Buren Sheriff Dept 12**

**Michigan State Police 1**

**Hartford Fire / Rescue 3**

**Tribal Police 1**

**Children Protective Services 1**

**Hartford Public School 1**

**Assist to Citizens 9**

**BUDGET UPDATE:**

N/A

**PERSONNEL:**

Recruit Sobeski has failed her second attempt at the licensing exam. After discussion with City Manager Brown, it was decided to offer her the vacant Ordinance Officer position which is a non-sworn position. Myself and Officer Poole has been helping learn the position. Former Ordinance and current Reserve Sergeant Brandon Crossman has begun to help her transition into the position

**TRAINING:**

Myself and Officer Poole have started working on the required trainings by the state. This included a legal update by the MML in Lansing on September 20, 2024. This class I believe will full fill one of the required classes. I have decided to go with the program called WHEN THEN PROJECT. This program meets the states requirements and reports all training to MCOLES. The program is used by 3 departments in the county.

I am working on getting fire arms qualified for the year. This is a state mandated training not only the certified officers, but as well as the reserve officers

**PUBLIC OUTREACH:**

I have had numerous members of the community ask on the status of the police department. I ensure them the department is not being disbanded and I (the city) is working on getting back to full staff

**FLEET STATUS:**

**Both vehicles are running well. We need to consider replacing the 2019 Ford, due to the high mileage and damage**

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**EQUIPMENT:**

I'm currently / still working on a list of needed and the need to update some of the departments equipment.

I have spoken with both of the crossing guard in regards on equipment they have and are using. Both have said they don't need anything currently. But, after observing in the early morning hours, I feel they could use better lighting for their intersections. Currently they are using a small strobe style of light and it's not very visible. I'm going to start looking at other possibilities. This will not only be beneficial this time of year, but with winter approaching and the chance of heavy snow fall the additional lighting would be an added safety for the kids and the crossing guards.

**GRANTS & INITIATIVES:**


Amount	Grant	Grantor	Purpose	Status
N/A				

**Update Manual/Policies/Procedures/Rules:**

Name of Policy	Date Started Update	Status of Update	Est. Completion Date
N/A			

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