



Joshua Police Department



September 2023

Lt. Shawn Fullagar was recognized at the Johnson County Pioneer and Old Settlers Reunion for his efforts over the course of the preceding year in seeking training for sworn members of the police department. Lt. Fullagar’s diligence has ensured members of the police department are trained and prepared to respond to a multitude of incidents

The police department responded to two serious crashes in September. The first involved a pedestrian being struck by a vehicle, resulting in a fatality. The pedestrian was crossing SH 174 at night and was not within a marked crosswalk. The second crash involved a motorcyclist losing control of his motorcycle and crossing into oncoming traffic on Clubhouse Drive. The motorcyclist was struck by an oncoming pickup. The motorcycle and motorcyclist were run over by the pickup, causing severe injury.

The Re-Accreditation process continues for the police department. An off-site review identified minor corrections needing to be made before our on-site review on November 8th and 9th. Sgt. Wright will be making corrections to our documentation and files to ensure compliance with the best practice standards.

The police department received notification of an award of a second grant by the Office of the Governor. The grant, in the amount of \$25,000, will be used to purchase level IV ballistic vests for uniformed officers and will complement our acquisition of ballistic shields for use during active shooter events.

Operations

Category	September 2023	September 2022	2023 year to date
Dispatched Calls	272	276	2,139
Arrests	13	15	96
Crash Reports	6	5	40
Traffic Stops	494	426	4,932
Citations	247	157	2,580
Outside LE Agency Assist Reports	15	15	94
	56	57	433

K9

Officer Tyler Smith spent the last week of September in San Antonio at Jeriah K9 training with the police department’s newest K9, Basco. Officer Smith and Basco will be certified in narcotics detection and will then begin training in scent tracking in both humans and articles. Basco is a German Short Hair Pointer and will begin service in October.



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Investigations

Category	September 2023	September 2022	2023 year to date
Crimes Against Persons	9	2	38
Property Crime (Thefts, Damage)	7	15	94
Other (Drug or Alch/Missing/Deceased)	14	21	151

Code Enforcement

Violations	
Sign Violations	9
Junk/Inoperable	1
High Grass & Weeds	20
No Building Permit	1
No Solicitors Permit	1
Outside Storage	1
Junk & Debris	5
Unapproved Parking Surface	1

Training

Sgt. Chris Lee and Sgt. Kristie Session both attended Critical Incident Response for Patrol Supervisors. The course provided instruction and scenario-based training to better equip both supervisors to actively manage a critical incident. Det. Leigh Sosebee and Off. Justin Cox attended Sexual Assault/Family Violence Investigator Course. The course allows both to attain a TCOLE license and better enhances the police department’s ability to investigate these specific offenses. Chief Gelsthorpe began a three-month course in municipal finance sponsored by the North Texas Council of Governments.

Community Events & Outreach

Event	Date
Pioneer & Settlers Reunion	September 2 nd
Homecoming Parade	September 6 th