

Date: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

To: Public Safety Commissioners  
City of Independence Council Members  
City of Maple Plain Council Members

From: Director Matt DuRose

SUBJECT: MAY 2025 ACTIVITY REPORT



The purpose of this report is to give the reader a quick overview of the activities of the Public Safety Department each month. It also compares monthly and year-to-date information to the reader.

The report is broken down into five categories, as defined by the Criminal Justice Reporting System.

CRIMINAL-- Criminal is broken down into Part I and Part II crimes.

Part I includes crimes against persons versus crimes against property; criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery assault, aggravated assault, burglary -breaking or entering, larceny-theft, larceny analysis, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Part II includes other assaults, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property, buying, receiving, possession; vandalism, weapons, carrying, possessing, etc.; prostitution and commercialized vice, sex offenses; drug abuse violations, gambling, offenses against the family and children, driving under the influence, liquor laws, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, all other offenses, suspicion, curfew and loitering laws - persons under 18; and runaways - persons under 18.

TRAFFIC-- Includes violations of the road and driving laws.

PART III-- Lost and Found: Includes lost and found persons, animals, and property, and stalled and abandoned vehicles.

PART IV-- Casualties: Includes all motor vehicle crashes, boating, and snowmobile; public home occupational accidents, fires, suicides, sudden deaths, burning permits, and burning violations.

PART V-- Miscellaneous Public: Includes open doors, gun permit applications, suspicious activities, animal complaints, motorist assists, alarm calls, parking complaints, house checks, driving complaints, civil matters, family disputes, department assists.

The balance of the report shows the total number of incidents handled, miles driven and how the Public Safety Department received calls. If anyone should desire more detailed statistical data, please contact my office.

# Monthly Activity Report

May 2025

Offense	This Month	Same Month Last Year		This Year To Date		Last Year To Date
<b>City Of Independence</b>						
Criminal	3	2		18		19
Traffic	141	52		509		365
Part III	10	7		28		22
Part IV	29	32		151		156
Part V	140	166		513		532
<b>Total City of Independence</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>259</b>		<b>1,219</b>		<b>1,094</b>
<b>City Of Maple Plain</b>						
Criminal	3	3		13		10
Traffic	43	17		227		110
Part III	7	3		18		15
Part IV	43	22		211		111
Part V	47	52		186		248
<b>Total City Of Maple Plain</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>97</b>		<b>655</b>		<b>494</b>
<b>Grand Total Both Cities</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>356</b>		<b>1,874</b>		<b>1,588</b>
TZD	40	33		120		125
Agency Assists	35	20		121		103
<b>Total ICR Reports</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>409</b>		<b>2,115</b>		<b>1,816</b>
<b>How Received</b>						
Fax	3	8		27		27
In Person	12	16		65		72
Mail	1	1		4		6
Other	1	0		5		2
Phone	12	24		101		116
Radio	201	171		759		723
Visual	252	126		955		657
Email	15	16		80		86
Lobby Walk In	44	47		119		127
<b>Total</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>409</b>		<b>2,115</b>		<b>1,816</b>

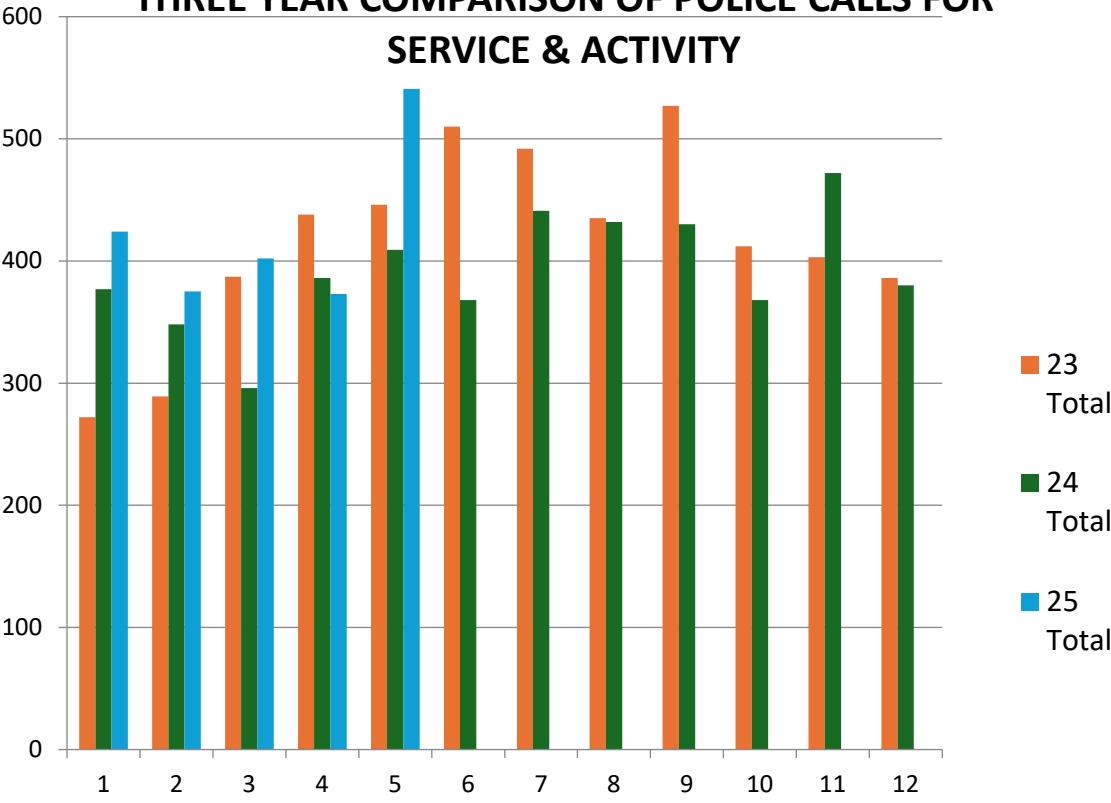
**May 2025 Part I & II****City of Maple Plain #'s 1 & 2**

<b>AGN</b>	<b>ICR</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Reported Date</b>	<b>Grid #</b>	<b>MOC range</b>	<b>UCR Part</b>
WHPS	25002103	3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree DWI	05-31-2025	01	JF201	2
WHPS	25001890	Runaway/Theft	05-19-2025	02	TK009	1
WHPS	25002003	DWI Arrest	05-27-2025	02	JG501	2

**May 2025 Part I & II****City of Independence Grid #'s 3-5**

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WHPS	25001634	2 <sup>nd</sup> Degree DWI	05-04-2025	03	JEW01	2
WHPS	25001769	Package Theft	05-13-2025	03	TK009	1
WHPS	25001893	Assault	05-19-2025	03	A9B03	2

**THREE YEAR COMPARISON OF POLICE CALLS FOR  
SERVICE & ACTIVITY**



# DIRECTOR'S NEWS & NOTES

## WEST HENNEPIN PUBLIC SAFETY May 2025 Activity Report

### Year to Date Activity Report

At the end of May 2025, West Hennepin Public Safety (WHPS) handled year-to-date a total of 2,115 incident complaints, which represents a 16% increase in incident complaints compared to year-to-date 2024. For the month of May; 323 incidents occurred in the City of Independence and 143 in the City of Maple Plain.

The Criminal Part I and Part II cases for both cities have been highlighted for your review on the attached documents.

#### Lockout May 2

1500 block of Howard Ave, Maple Plain. Police were dispatched to a resident who locked himself out of his apartment. An officer assisted him gain access to his apartment and the keys inside.

#### Arrest May 3

Highway 12 & County Rd 90, Independence. A vehicle was stopped for a lane violation. Driver showed signs of impairment, performed poorly on field sobriety tests and blew .174 on a preliminary breath test. Driver was arrested for DWI and placed in the back of the squad. During a vehicle inventory, a beer can was found and rolled up dollar bills with residue on them that later tested positive for cocaine. Vehicle was released to the driver's mother. At the police department, the driver's Intoxilyzer test resulted in .16. Driver was fingerprinted, photographed and transported to HC Jail where he was booked on 2<sup>nd</sup> degree DWI.

#### Grass Fire May 5

2100 block of McDow Ln, Maple Plain. Police were dispatched to a grass fire in the wetland. Upon arrival homeowner was attempting to put fire out with a garden hose. He wasn't sure what started it but admitted having a fire 4-5 days earlier. MPFD, WSFD and DNR helicopter responded to put the fire out.

Motorist Assist  
May 6

1300 block of Baker Park Rd, Maple Plain. Officer came across a vehicle stalled on the roadside. Driver stated she ran out of gas and had no money. Officer provided her with money to get gas and stayed with her vehicle until she was able to fill her tank.

Attempted Fraud  
May 7

3500 block of Lake Sarah Rd, Independence. A party reported listing a boat for sale on Craig's List. A potential buyer mailed him a cashier's check for more than the asking price. When the party took it to the bank, he was told it was fake. He reached back out to buyer but did not receive a reply. There was no financial loss.

Suspicious Act  
May 8

1700 block of Budd Ave, Maple Plain. While on patrol, an occupied vehicle was located in the park after hours. Contact was made with the male and female. Both stated they were just talking after a date and agreed to move on.

Crash  
May 9

County Rd 6 and County Rd 90, Independence. Police responded to a property damage accident involving two vehicles. Driver 1 was WB CR 6, Driver 2 was SB CR 90 and a delivery vehicle was in the NB turn lane of CR 6. Driver 2 couldn't see Driver 1 due to the delivery vehicle and pulled out in front of her. Driver 1 struck the rear corner panel of Driver 2. No injuries and no citations were issued due to neither vehicle having been able to see each other.

Missing Person/Found  
May 11

5700 block of Main St, Maple Plain. Police responded to a missing child, last seen two hours ago when he left on his bike to go to a friend's house and had left his phone and watch at home. The parents learned the family whose house he was going were out of town. Just as an officer made contact with the friend's parents, the missing child's parents located him at a neighbor's house.

Tree/Pole Fire  
May 13

6200 block of Pagenkopf Rd, Independence. Police and MPFD responded to a power pole that had been struck and caught some trees on fire. A business box truck was parked on the shoulder and people walking around. Driver of the truck stated he'd pulled into a driveway to make a delivery, heard a snap and saw that a low hanging wire had gotten caught on the top of his truck. Wright Hennepin responded, disconnected the power so trees stopped burning, will replace the pole and contact Mediacom about the broken wire.

Dumping Complaint  
May 14

3100 block of County Road 92, Independence. A homeowner reported a dumping complaint of miscellaneous trash on his property and his no trespassing sign was knocked over. The officer responded to the scene and learned the items were personal belongings of a party involved in a crash. The party was contacted and will respond to the police department for the personal property to be released.

Disturbance  
May 15

1600 block of Budd Ave, Maple Plain. Complaint received of a red Honda driving dangerously in the park's parking lot. When the officer arrived on scene, the vehicle was still there, parked, and occupants standing outside of the vehicle. The driver was verbal warned about the unreasonable acceleration violation.

Suspicious Act  
May 16

1800 block of Budd Ave, Maple Plain. Police responded to a report of a suspicious person who was no longer on scene but was witnessed checking garage stalls on previous nights. The officer checked garage stall doors and found none to have been tampered with. The reporting party was contacted and advised to call back if there were further issues or concerns.

Missing Person  
May 17

1400 block of Halgren Rd, Maple Plain. Police were called to a report of a child walking alone down the road. Responding officers located the child and walked down the road with the child hoping he'd lead them to his residence when they were approached by a female who recognized the child and knew the father was looking for him. The father was contacted, responded to the scene and was thankful to be reunited with his child.

Missing Person  
May 17

2600 block of Copeland Rd, Independence. Police were dispatched to the residence of a child who'd been missing for 30 minutes. The father advised the child had been misbehaving earlier and had been verbally disciplined. Police searched the home and located the child in a basement bedroom closet napping so deeply that they did not hear their parents calling for them.

Wire Down  
May 19

1700 block of Howard Ave, Maple Plain. A call was received of a power line down caused by a garbage truck that was no longer on scene. The truck was located, and the driver admitted having been at that location. The officer learned the truck is a front loader and when it lifted a garbage container over the cab, it caught the service wire and ripped it down. The garbage company was contacted and will make arrangements to repair the wire.

Crash  
May 21

Newport St & Budd Ave, Maple Plain. An officer was dispatched to the scene of a property damage crash. In speaking with both drivers, Vehicle 1 was SB Budd Ave, approaching Newport St. Vehicle 2 was on Newport St and pulled out in front of Vehicle 1. Vehicle 1 was unable to stop and crashed into Vehicle 2. Vehicle 1 had the right of way, Vehicle 2 had a stop sign. The driver of Vehicle 2 was unlicensed and ID'd by a passport. He was cited for no MN DL and failure to yield.

Scam  
May 22

1900 block of County Rd 90, Independence. Information rec'd of a party who created a fake city email address contacted city permit applicants and telling them they need to wire additional fees. Two applicants contacted city hall and advised it was a scam, to block the fake email address and not wire any funds. Other permit applicants have been contacted and made aware of the email scam to see if there are any other possible victims.



Crash  
May 23

4800 block of Perkinsville Rd, Independence. A homeowner reported a vehicle in her yard as she left for work. Police responded and located the vehicle. They found no one inside, damage to a cable wire box, a steel post, and the vehicle had minor damage to the rear passenger side. Contact was made with the registered owner who lives across the street. She stated the vehicle is a manual transmission and she either didn't put it in gear when she parked it or slipped out of gear. Her driveway had a slight decline towards the street and was straight across from where the vehicle was found. The owner provided proof of insurance. The reporting party was contacted and advised any damage to her yard would need to be handled with her neighbor across the street.

Disturbance  
May 23

5000 block of Fern Dr, Independence. Received complaint of kids riding really loud minibikes and doing wheelies throughout the neighborhood. Officers responded to the house where the kids reside and advised them it is illegal for them to ride the bikes on the road. Their father was also called advised that the officers had spoken with the kids about riding the dirt bikes in the roadway.

Vehicle Fire  
May 24

6200 block of Pagenkopf Rd, Independence. Received call of a vehicle on fire. Upon the officer's arrival, the gas engine still had some active flames on it and the owner was putting dirt on it to put the fire out. MPFD arrived on scene. The mulcher was monitored to ensure it would not reignite and all cleared.

Loud Party  
May 24

6900 block of Dylan Ln, Independence. Caller reported a loud party going on nearby with teenagers drinking. Officers responded to the area and did see any activity but did hear very loud coyotes. Officers cleared with no contact with any teens.

Grass Fire  
May 25

2600 Geggen Tina Rd, Independence. Police, MPFD, West Suburban Fire, Delano Fire, and DNR responded to a grass fire. Homeowners stated they'd had a fire the day prior. Today, they cleaned debris from the fire pit area and dumped it into/near the marsh as they'd thought the debris was cool enough. Thirteen acres were burned before the fire was able to be put out.

Trespassing  
May 26

2300 block of Independence Rd, Independence. A homeowner called and reported people on her property fishing. Upon the officer's arrival, the people were gone. The homeowner was advised to consider putting a no trespassing sign up.

Arrest  
May 27

5800 block of Highway 12, Maple Plain. While on routine patrol, an officer observed a vehicle turn into a closed business parking lot and turn it's lights off. Contact was made with the driver who stated he had parked there to speak to his girlfriend, the passenger. The odor of alcohol was detected. The officer had the driver perform SFSTs, he provided a preliminary breath sample of .112 BAC and was placed under arrest for DWI. Driver had a permit to carry and a loaded gun in the vehicle. Driver was transported to the police department where he was booked and released pending formal complaint.

Trespassing  
May 29

2300 block of Independence Rd, Independence. Police were dispatched to a trespassing complaint. Upon their arrival, they made contact with juveniles fishing on private property. They were shown the posted no trespassing signs, shown where they could and could not fish, and advised not to trespass again.

Arrest  
May 30

Intersection of Highway 12 and County Road 90, Independence. Officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle for illegal window tint. Driver was ultimately arrested for Driving After Cancellation, Inimical to Public Safety and violating Ignition Interlock restriction. He was booked and transported back to his residence pending charges.

Runaway  
May 30

5200 block of Bryantwood Drive, Maple Plain. Police were contacted about a runaway female who might be at her boyfriend's apartment. They responded to the scene and with permission from the boyfriend's relatives, searched the apartment but no one was home. Contact was made with the runaway and her boyfriend who agreed to meet the officers. The female then returned home with her mother.

Arrest  
May 31

Intersection of Highway 12 and Budd Ave, Maple Plain. A traffic stop was initiated on a vehicle with expired tabs. Signs of impairment were observed while speaking with the driver. Field sobriety tests were performed, and the driver provided a preliminary breath sample of 0.208. Driver was placed under arrest, transported to the police department for booking, and his vehicle was towed. The driver provided an evidentiary breath sample of 0.19. Driver arranged for a ride and was released pending charges.