

THORNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

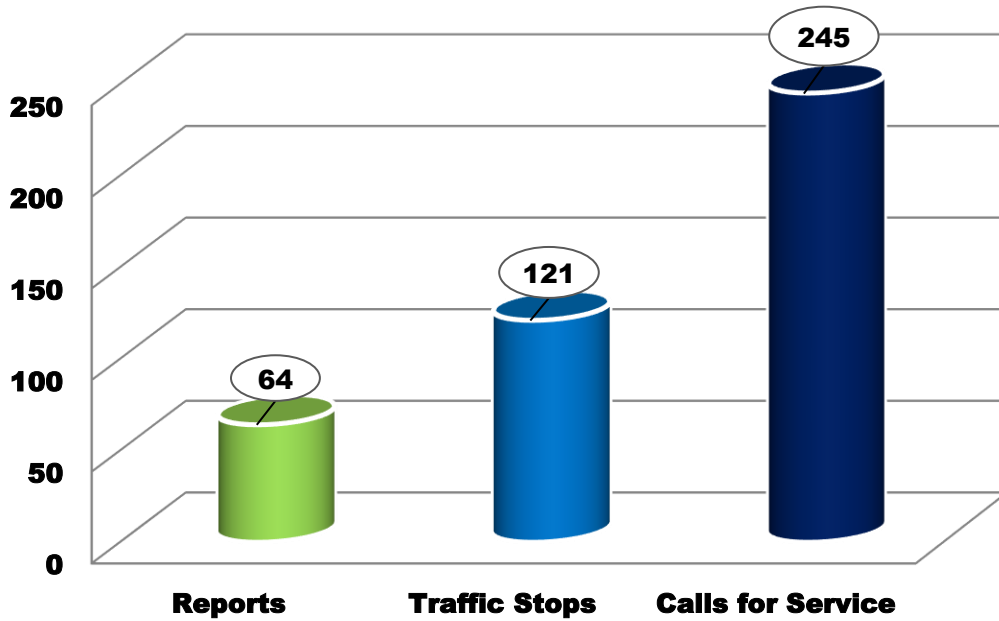
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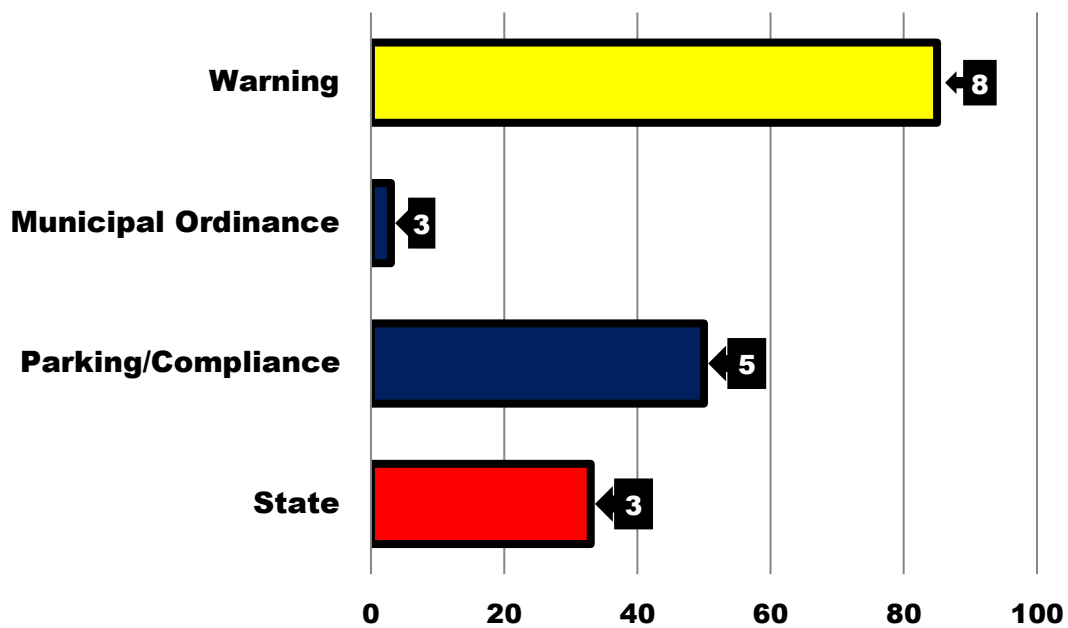
SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- **Call 911 if you see any suspicious activity.**
- **Due to the increased number of burglaries to motor vehicle and stolen vehicle in the South Suburbs, residents are to remove all valuables from the vehicle and lock the vehicle upon exiting.**
- **Beware of text scams from EZ Pass stating that you have an overdue bill. Do not “click” on the link.**

PATROL ACTIVITIES



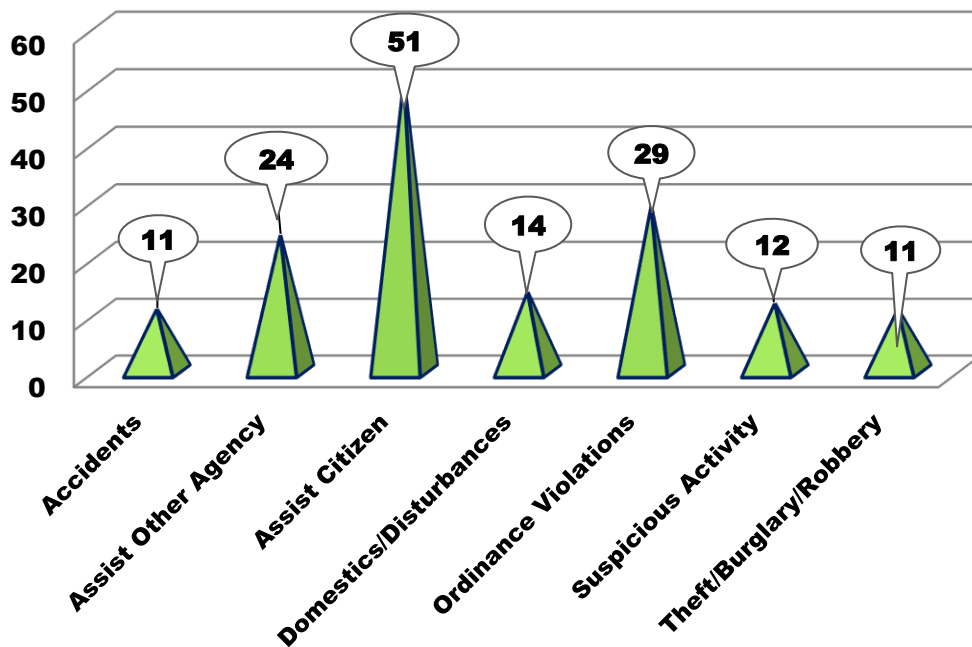
CITATION BREAKDOWN



CALL BREAKDOWN

TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS = 366

TOTAL NUMBER OF TRAFFIC STOPS = 121



Notable Incidents

On February 3rd at approximately 9:32 PM, four individuals entered a local store, and one suspect took two bottles of liquor without paying. The incident was reported later when an employee suspected they had been distracted during the theft. After reviewing security footage and inventory, the store confirmed that one bottle of Don Julio tequila and one bottle of Cazadores Reposado tequila, each valued at \$100, were missing. The suspects then left the scene in a Chevy Impala. Security cameras captured the vehicle's license plate, and the information has been provided to investigators. The case has been turned over to the appropriate authorities for further investigation.

On February 6, 2025, at approximately 1:27 AM, officers responded to a retail theft incident at a local convenience store. According to the store clerk, a male suspect wearing a bright yellow reflective jacket entered the store around 1:16 AM. Surveillance footage captured the suspect taking a bottle of Korbel Brut wine, along with possibly other items from the freezer section, before exiting without payment. The suspect was last seen heading northeast on foot. The incident was recorded on body-worn camera, and video surveillance footage is available for further investigation. The case has been turned over to investigators.

On February 14, 2025, at approximately 9:00 PM, officers responded to a domestic dispute at an apartment complex. Upon arrival, officers spoke with both involved individuals, who stated that a verbal argument escalated into a physical altercation in the parking lot. One party reported having a chain broken, while the other alleged being choked. However, there were conflicting accounts of the incident, and no clear primary aggressor was identified. Both individuals declined to press charges. A domestic violence information sheet was provided to one party before officers cleared the scene. The incident was recorded on body-worn camera, and no further action was taken at this time.

On February 18, 2025, officers responded to a reported overdose at a local residence. Upon arrival, officers located the individual in distress and administered one dose of Narcan. Shortly after, emergency medical personnel arrived and provided an additional dose. The individual was then transported to Ingalls Memorial Hospital for further treatment. According to a witness, the individual was using heroin before losing consciousness. The incident was recorded on body-worn camera, and no further details are available at this time.

On February 21, 2025, at approximately 8:58 PM, officers responded to a report of an unwanted subject at a local residence. Upon arrival, officers spoke with a neighbor who reported seeing an individual inside the home while the homeowner was away. Officers observed a female suspect inside the residence and later found her holding the homeowner's property. Further investigation revealed that the suspect had entered the home by cutting a window screen and climbing through. The homeowner confirmed the suspect did not have permission to be on the property. The suspect was taken into custody and transported to the police department. After review, the Cook County Felony Review Unit approved one count of residential burglary. The suspect will be transported to the Markham Courthouse for a detention hearing.

Authorities are investigating threats reportedly made by a student at Wolcott School. On February 21, 2025, a school staff member reported receiving multiple threatening phone calls from a student after sharing a disciplinary video with school administration. The staff member later learned from other students that the same individual allegedly made additional threats. The incident was reported to the school, which advised the staff member to file a police report. Officers will follow up with school officials to address the matter. The investigation is ongoing.

On February 26, 2025, at approximately 11:48 PM, officers responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at a freight company parking lot. The vehicle owner stated that he parked his 2020 silver Toyota Highlander in the lot earlier in the day before leaving for work. Upon returning later that night, he discovered the vehicle was missing. The owner also reported that the key fob had been left inside the vehicle. Officers reviewed traffic camera footage, which showed the vehicle in the area earlier that day. The vehicle has been entered into law enforcement databases as stolen, and the investigation is ongoing.

On February 26, 2025, officers responded to a welfare check at a local address after a concerned family member reported losing contact with an individual who was supposed to pick up a child. Upon arrival, officers located the individual inside a parked vehicle and observed signs of disorientation. Emergency medical personnel were called to the scene, and the individual was transported to Ingalls Hospital for further evaluation. The family arranged alternative transportation for the child and the vehicle. Authorities are reviewing the individual's ability to safely operate a vehicle and possess a firearm license. No further details are available at this time.

Thornton Police are investigating an early morning burglary at a business on Chicago Road. On February 28, 2025, at approximately 4:27 AM, officers responded to a report of a burglary in progress at Koch's Food. Upon arrival, officers observed a white Dodge Durango leaving the scene and attempted to follow the vehicle but lost sight of it. A subsequent investigation at the store revealed signs of forced entry at the north side entrance. A search of the premises confirmed the suspects had fled. Witnesses reported seeing three individuals dressed in dark clothing exit the Dodge Durango and break into the store. Security footage confirmed their presence and showed them using crowbars to gain entry. The suspects stole multiple cases of alcohol before fleeing the scene. The estimated damage and stolen merchandise total approximately \$5,000. Thornton Detectives are actively investigating the incident.

The Thornton Police Department assisted the following agencies from patrol, SSERT, SSMCTF and SMART: Homewood PD, Glenwood PD, South Holland PD, Lynwood PD, Park Forest PD and the Illinois State Police.

