

City of Grosse Pointe



2011 Public Safety Annual Report

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January 23, 2012

Dear Mr. Dame,

On behalf of the members of the Department of Public Safety, I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the year 2011. The report details crime statistics and activities of the Department throughout the year. Department members continue to display dedication and commitment to the City and its residents in tracking and deterring criminals and promoting the safety of the community through aggressive law enforcement and fire prevention procedures.

Overall, the total percentage of crimes increased one percent (1%) in 2011. The total number of crimes reported was 302, which was an increase from the 299 reported in 2010. Index crimes, a subset of the total reported crime, considered more serious, declined 2.5% in 2011. The actual number of index crimes reported to the Department was 118, compared to 121 for the year 2011.

Non index crimes saw a 3.3% increase in 2011. The number of non-index crimes reported to the Department was 184 in 2011, as compared to 178 in 2010. Non- index crimes are the less serious category of offenses.

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Total adult arrests for the year were 143. There were also 54 juveniles detained for various offenses, which was a significant increase from 2010. Our officers responded to 5,322 calls for service in 2011 involving criminal and non criminal related runs, which reflects a 5% increase.

The dispatchers of our Department do an excellent job of soliciting information from callers and quickly relaying it to responding officers. They also are able to calm victims in times of extreme stress so that correct information can be passed on to the patrol cars. Our Dispatchers are highly trained in computer aided dispatch protocols and records management. They also handle any walk-in traffic at the front desk and monitor any prisoners in our holding cell.

The Department Detective Bureau prides themselves on aggressive case investigation and prosecution of the criminal element. The City has a close working relationship with area Departments and the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. The City's Public Safety Department is proud of the exceptionally high clearance rate for Index offenses. This clearance rate is a result of dedicated work by the patrol officers and the Detective Bureau.

2011 firefighting activity total increased slightly above the totals from 2010. We reported to the State of Michigan 386 responses. Those responses include: dwelling, fires, smoke investigations, fire alarms, utility hazards, fuel spills, ambulance runs and car fires. The City Fire Inspector had a busy year in working with the new construction of the Neighborhood Club and continuing renovations at Beaumont Hospital.

In 2009, the City entered into an agreement with Beaumont Transportation to handle all of our Ambulance runs. Our City now has both basic life support medics (EMT) and advanced life support units available for responding to calls. In 2011, there were 188 requests made for an ambulance with an average response time of 4 minutes.

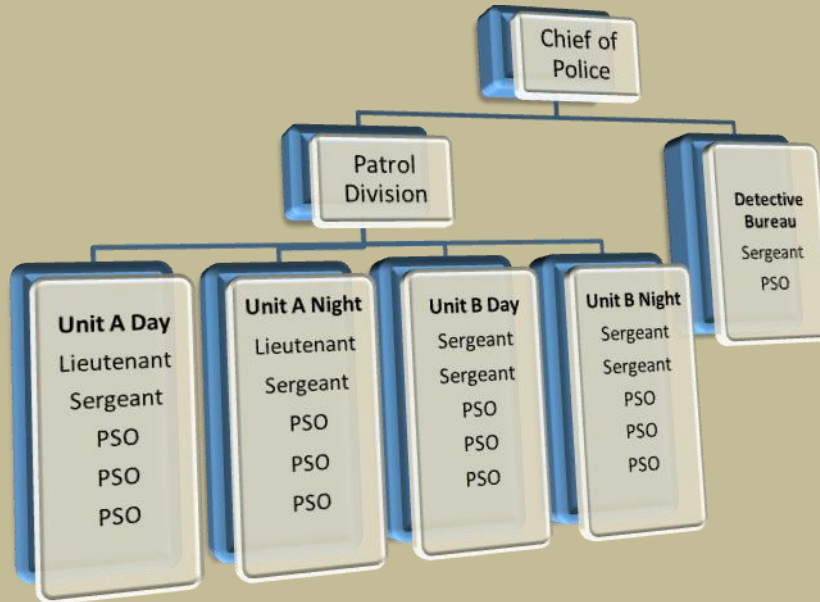
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In 2011, our car seat inspection officers were recertified through the National Child Passenger Safety Program. Since the inception of this program last year Officers Joe Adams and C.J. Lee have inspected over 500 car seats. Residents from all of the Pointes have taken advantage of this free program.

In closing, I am thankful for the support given to the Department in the past year. I would also like to thank all the members of the Department for their commitment to the citizens and visitors of our community. The entire Department is committed to provide as safe and crime free community for our citizens to live in as possible.

Stephen T. Poloni
Stephen T. Poloni
Director of Public Safety

Public Safety Organizational Chart 2011



City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety

Department Personnel Roster

Name	Rank	Date Promoted	Date Appointed
Stephen Poloni	Chief	N/A	11/14/11
*James Fox – (Ret.)	Chief	03/23/07	02/27/83
Edward Tujaka	Lieutenant	03/17/94	06/30/86
*Paul Onderbeke(Ret.)	Lieutenant	02/27/01	02/27/83
*Lyle Reece – (Ret.)	Sergeant	09/25/87	09/15/83
Anthony Railling	Sergeant	07/10/01	06/22/93
Ronald Wieczorek	Sergeant	02/02/04	09/20/87
Michael Seidel	Sergeant	02/09/04	08/11/86
Alan Gwyn	Sergeant	01/25/07	03/12/97
John Alcorn	Sergeant	01/25/07	02/22/01
Ronald Sandzik	Sergeant	04/18/07	06/25/93
Michael Almeranti	Sergeant	09/11/07	07/10/01
Edward Pelyak	PSO		06/15/87
William Craft	PSO		04/06/88
Lisa Monticciolo	PSO		03/08/96
Daniel Eckert	PSO		02/20/00
Eduard Shrader	PSO		07/06/00
Gregory Burks	PSO		07/25/00
Joseph Adams	PSO		09/04/00
Jean Pierre Cormier	PSO		11/04/02
Matthew Wallis	PSO		11/22/02
Justin Strohmeyer	PSO		05/26/05
Christopher Cotzias	PSO		06/08/05
Thomas Martindale	PSO		08/20/07
Christopher Lee	PSO		08/20/07
Thomas Burnette	PSO		10/12/11
Shari Gardner	Dispatcher		05/01/86
Janet Voccia	Dispatcher		08/04/88
Edgard Varney	Dispatcher		09/01/92
Stacey Olszewski	Dispatcher		10/26/04
Katherine Jeffries	Dispatcher		07/06/10

PERSONNEL

The City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety employed a total of 29 employees during 2011, however through retirements the department has reduced that number to 28. Of the 29 employees, there were 24 full sworn officers and 5 civilian dispatchers.

Proactive preventative patrol is the primary function of the department and 87% of the sworn personnel are dedicated to patrol functions. The Detective Bureau has 8% of the sworn staff and the administration is comprised of 2% of the staff. All personnel share in providing basic law enforcement service as needed. The Detective Bureau routinely conducts preventative patrol and responds to calls for service.

The following is an analysis of the personnel assignments in the police department.

ASSIGNMENT	PERCENTAGE OF SWORN	PERCENTAGE OF ALL
PATROL	87%	72%
DETECTIVES	8%	7%
DISPATCH	N/A	17%
ADMINISTRATION	4%	3%

Patrol Division

The patrol division of the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety is comprised of 4 shifts. Each of these shifts has two supervisors and three uniformed patrol officers. The patrol shifts are responsible for the protection of life and property and the enforcement of laws and ordinances. The patrol division is equipped with the latest technology including in car computers, digital video cameras and state of the art emergency equipment. The patrol division responds to calls for service, traffic enforcement, field investigations and duties or special assignments in specific areas of the city. The patrol division has 5 emergency dispatchers that receive the initial incident calls. These emergency dispatchers are responsible for all telephone and radio communications within the department.

INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The Grosse Pointe City Detective Bureau prides itself on aggressive case investigation and prosecution of the criminal element. Throughout the years the City has developed a close working relationship with area Departments, the Michigan State Police and Federal agencies. The Detectives ability to interact with the City, County and Federal Prosecutors when cases are presented in court is essential.

The Detective Bureau is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, interviewing, surveillance, crime scene and evidence processing, and arresting subjects in conjunction with ongoing investigations. The City's Public Safety Department is proud of the exceptional high clearance rate of Index offenses. This reflects directly on the outstanding work of both the Uniform division as well as the Detective Bureau. Detectives worked closely with our residents and merchants in closing numerous frauds, identity theft and embezzlement cases, involving search warrants and surveillance operations.

In 2011, the Detective Bureau was responsible for several felony convictions. In January, detectives began investigating a series of business break-ins along Mack Avenue and Kercheval. With the cooperation of the neighboring jurisdictions, they were able to identify the individual responsible for these acts. He was later charged with five felony counts of Breaking and Entering.

The Detective Bureau also worked several home invasion cases in 2011. In March, Detectives followed up on a home invasion in the 800 block of St. Clair where it was determined that acquaintances of the resident had broken in and taken property from the home. All three suspects involved were charged with 2nd Degree Home Invasion. Later that month, Detectives were able to apprehend and charge another home invasion suspect that was responsible for breaking into a home in the 800 block of University.

In July, Detectives apprehended a home invasion suspect shortly after he had left a residence in the 800 block of Rivard. Detectives we able to recover the stolen property and

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convict the suspect on five felony counts, including Home Invasion, Larceny and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

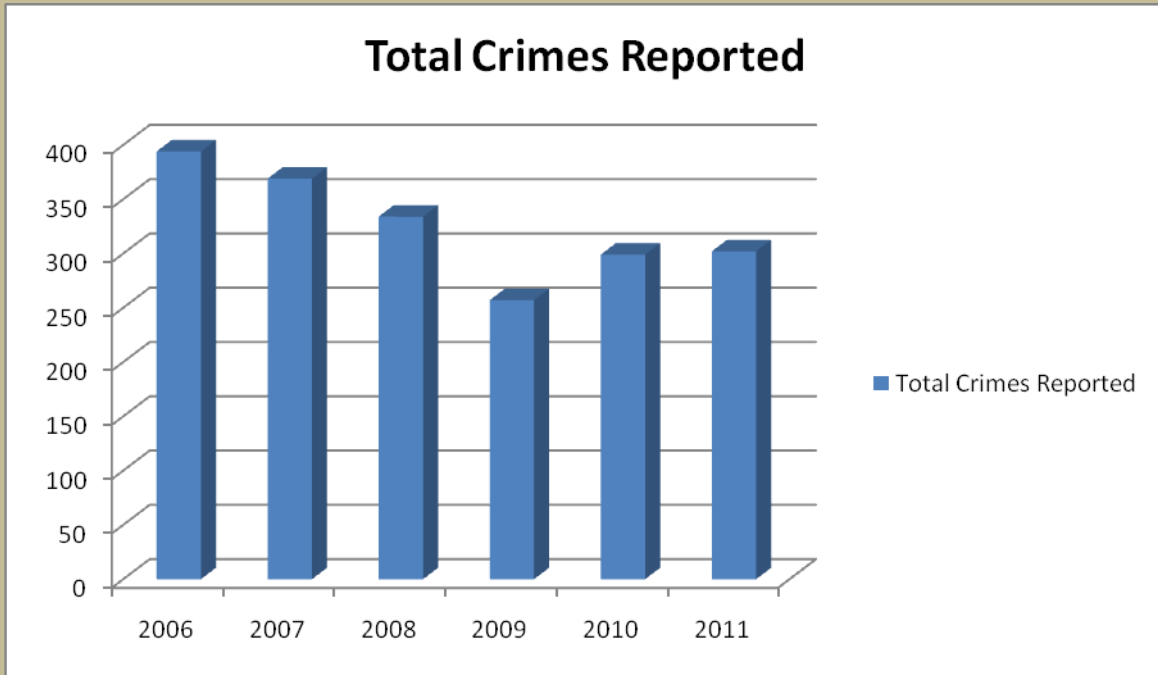
The Detective Bureau also handled several fraud investigations. These types of cases involve numerous man hours and special investigative techniques. In July, Detectives began investigating a check fraud case where a suspect had passed over 40 forged checks under multiple aliases. After a thorough investigation, the responsible party was apprehended and charged.

In 2011 the Detective Bureau prepared **36** warrant requests to be sent to the Wayne County Prosecutors Office in regards to felony and misdemeanor cases.

Non-criminal investigations also play a large role in the day-to-day operations of the Detective Bureau. In 2011, the Detectives were tasked with conducting the background investigations for the newly hired officers. The Detective Bureau also conducted background investigations for liquor licenses, code enforcement, handgun registration, and permits to carry handguns.

In closing, the Grosse Pointe City Detective Bureau is extremely fortunate to work with officers, dispatchers and civilian employees who consistently display a professional attitude. We stand together to promote the safety of our community.

*City of Grosse Pointe
UCR Crime Comparison
Total Reported Crimes*



	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Index Crimes	118	121	105	129	157	154
Non Index Crimes	184	178	252	205	212	241
Totals	302	299	257	334	369	394

2011 UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

COMPARISON REPORT

INDEX OFFENSES	2011	2010	2009	2008
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sexual Offenses	0	1	1	0
Armed Robbery	0	2	1	2
Unarmed Robbery	0	2	0	0
Felonious Assault	2	4	1	4
Arson	0	1	0	0
Burglary/Home Invasion	23	7	5	4
Larceny	80	96	86	101
Motor Vehicle Theft	13	8	11	18

*Index crimes are the eight crimes the FBI combines to produce its annual crime index. These offenses include willful homicide, forcible rape, robbery, burglary and aggravated assault, larceny over \$50, motor vehicle theft, and arson. In this chart, the robbery classification is broken down into unarmed and armed robbery for these statistical purposes.

2011 UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

Non Index Crime

COMPARISON REPORT

Non Index Offenses	2011	2010	2009	2008
Other Sexual Offenses	0	0	0	3
Non Aggravated Assault	5	8	6	12
Intimidation/Stalking	17	21	11	18
Motor Vehicle Fraud	0	0	0	0
Forgery/Counterfeiting	2	2	2	2
Fraud	17	29	19	26
Embezzlement/Bribery	0	1	1	0
Stolen Property	4	3	2	4
Malicious Destruction of Property	31	29	19	42
Narcotics/VCSA	11	4	8	17
Family Offenses	3	4	2	5

Part 1 of 2 Non Index crime comparisons.

2011 UNIFORM CRIME REPORTING

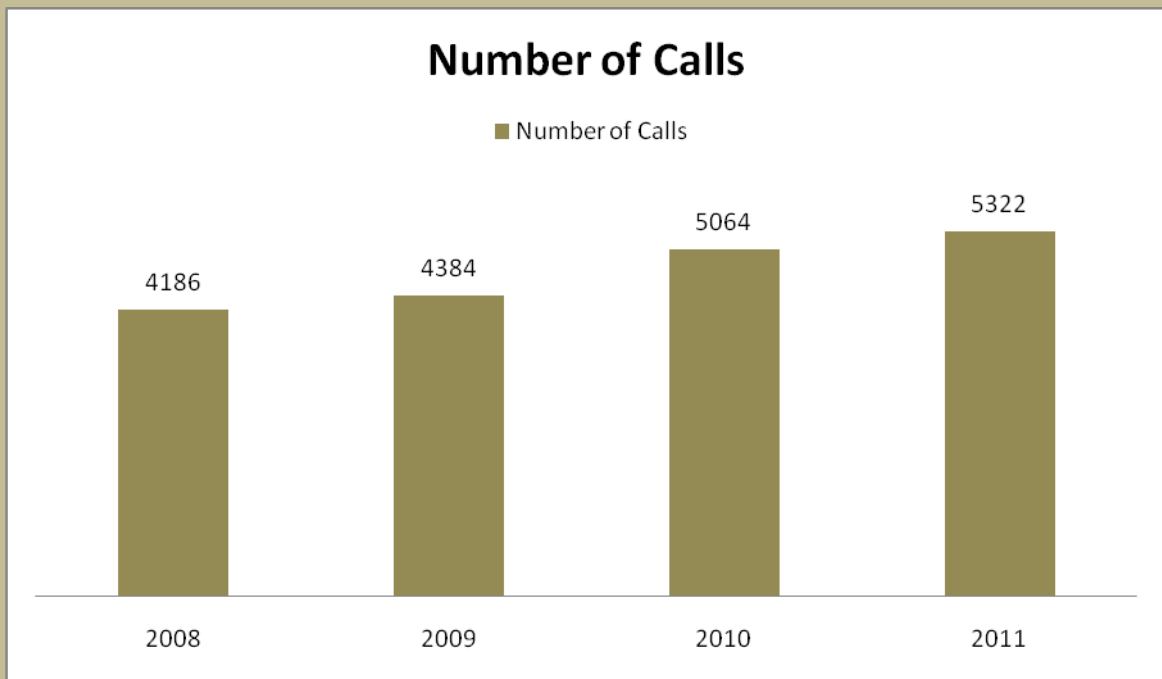
Non Index Crime

COMPARISON REPORT

Non Index Offenses	2011	2010	2009	2008
Liquor Violations	9	5	4	8
Obstructing Police	4	7	6	6
Obstructing Justice	5	3	3	5
Weapons Violations	7	5	3	3
Disorderly Conduct/Vagrancy	34	31	17	10
Operating While Intoxicated	20	18	35	30
Health/Safety	6	2	1	2
Trespassing	6	5	10	4
Antitrust Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Runaway Juveniles	3	1	4	4

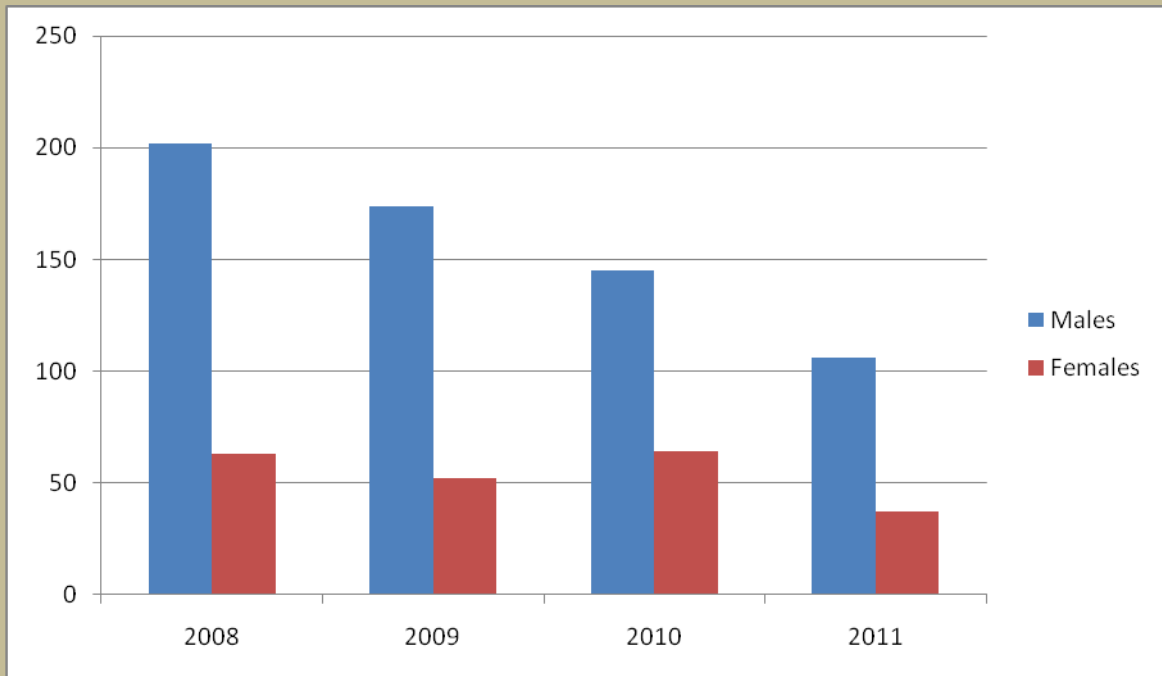
Part 2 of 2 Non Index crime comparisons. The non index crimes increased from 178 offenses in 2010 to 184 offenses in 2011.

Calls for Service



These Calls for Service include a response by the police or an incident that has been discovered by patrol units. The chart indicates an increase in 258 calls in 2011 or a 5% increase.

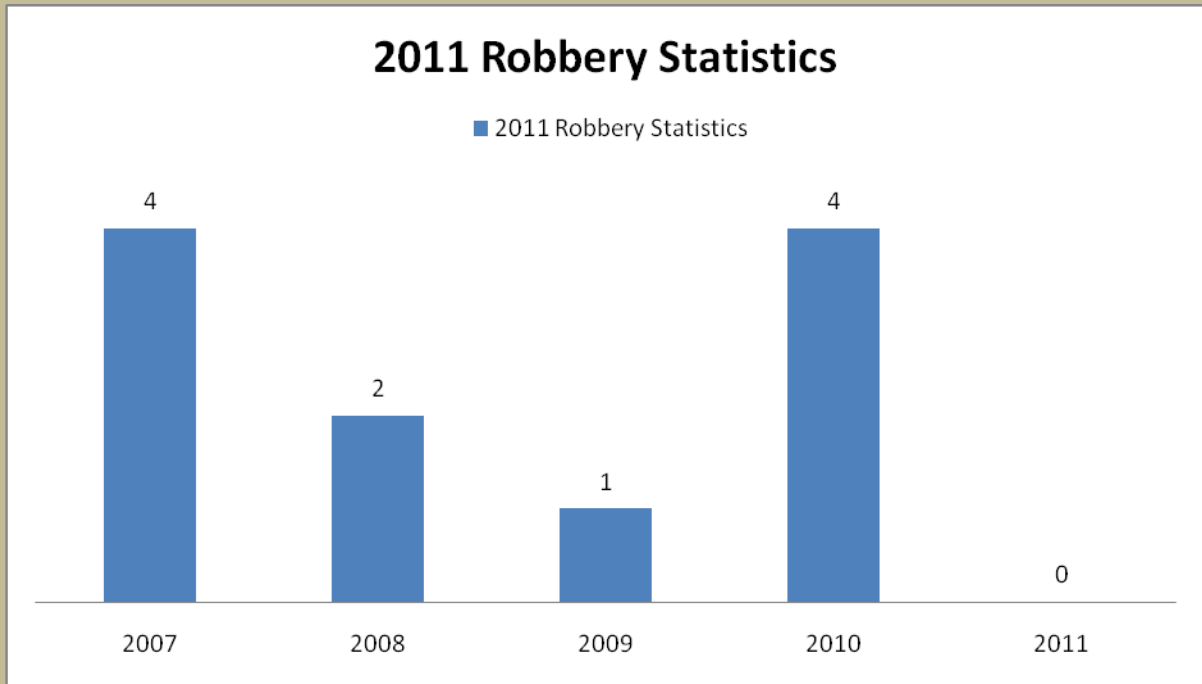
3 Year Arrest Statistics



Total Arrests

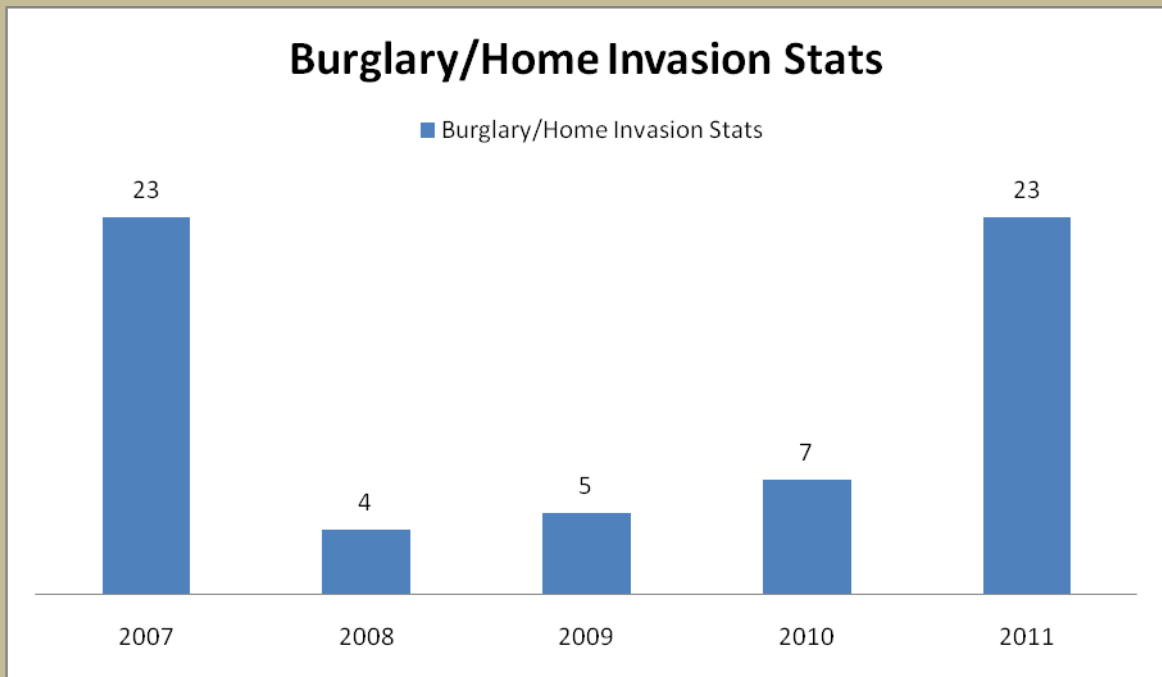
- 2008 (265)
- 2009 (211)
- 2010 (209)
- 2011 (143)

5 Year Robbery Statistics



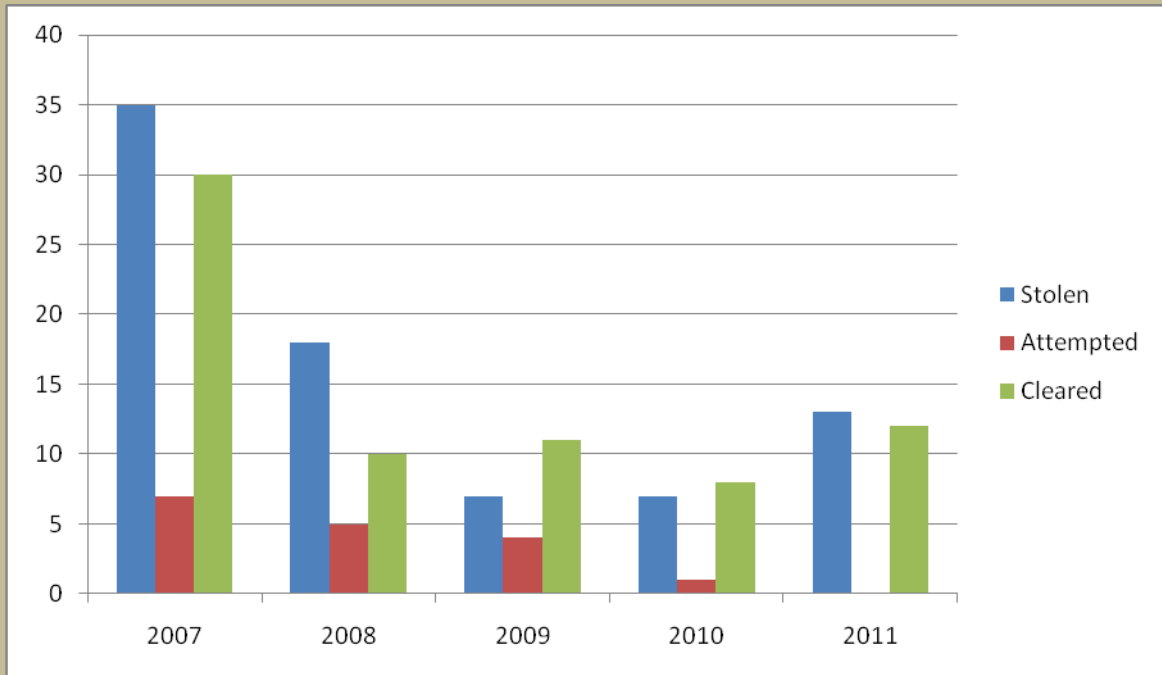
The Robbery Statistics reported include both Armed and Unarmed Robbery. In 2011 the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety responded to no reported incidents of Robbery. This is sharp decrease from previous years.

5 Year Burglary/Home Invasion Statistics



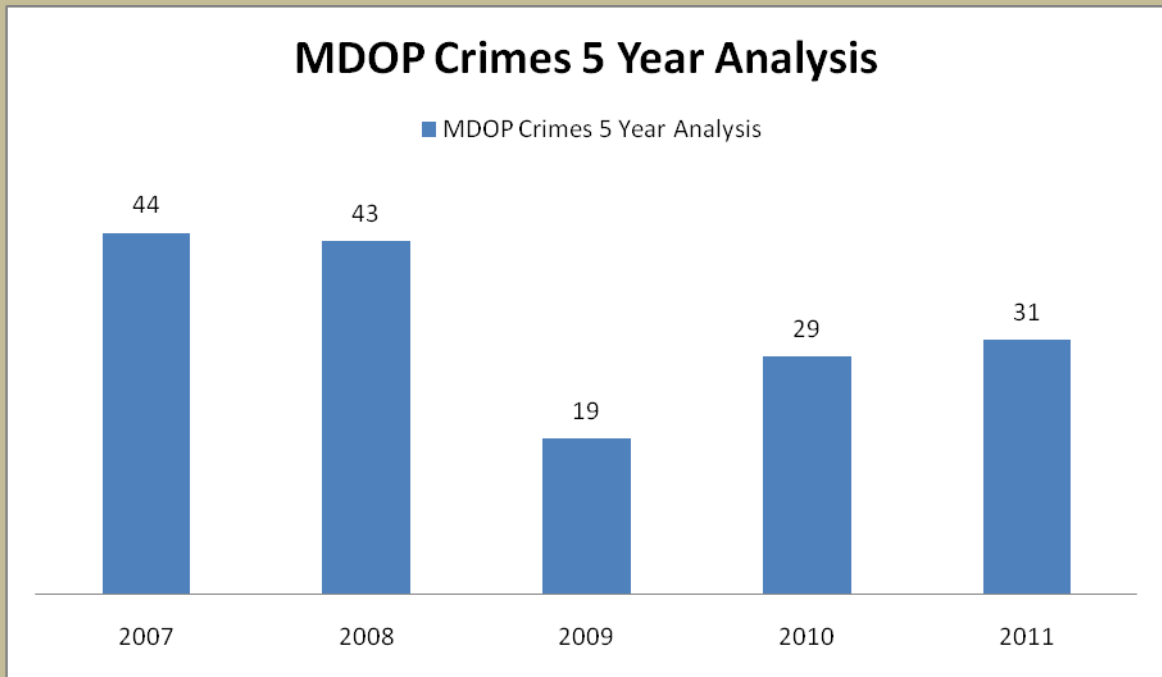
In 2011 the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety has seen an increase in this type of activity. In 2011, twenty three incidents of Burglary/Home Invasion were reported. These incidents involve the breaking and entering of residential structures and commercial buildings. Numerous arrests were made in these crimes.

5 Year Motor Vehicle Thefts



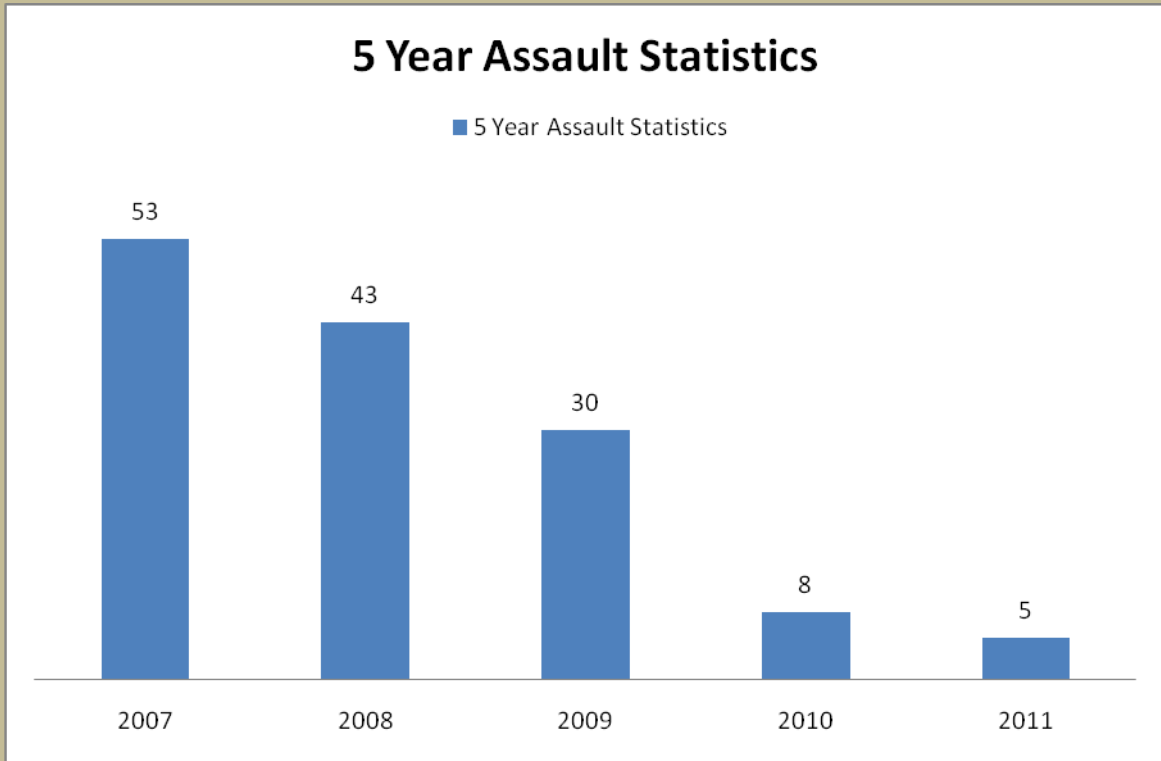
In 2011, thirteen vehicles were classified as motor vehicle theft. Twelve of those vehicles were stolen and recovered in various jurisdictions. No stolen vehicle attempts were reported. The cleared area indicates that almost all vehicles stolen in 2011 were recovered.

5 Year Malicious Destruction of Property Statistics



In 2011 the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety responded to 31 incidents of Malicious Destruction of Property. As shown, this indicates a slight increase from the 2010 statistics although a decrease from 2007-2008.

5 Year Assault Statistics



In 2011, the City of Grosse Pointe Department of Public Safety responded to 5 incidents of Simple Assault. As shown, this indicates a dramatic decrease compared to past years.

Traffic/Motor Vehicle Violations

One of the primary responsibilities of the uniform division of the Public Safety Department is the enforcement of the Michigan Uniform Traffic Code. The goal of enforcing the Traffic Code is to reduce personal injury accidents, property damage and pedestrian accidents. The department utilizes fully marked and semi marked patrol vehicles which are equipped with traffic radar on a daily basis. The violations issued by officers are broken down into three categories: hazardous, non-hazardous and parking violations. The most prevalent violation written is for speeding. Hazardous violations are issued for speeding, stop sign, signal lights and other moving violations. Non-Hazardous violations are issued for equipment violations, proof of insurance or improper plates. The City of Grosse Pointe deploys a separate parking enforcement unit whose violations are not shown below.

Moving Violations	405
Operating While Intoxicated	20
Non Moving Violations	699
Parking Violations	358
Dog Running At Large Violations	23
Underage Smoking Violations	5

Total Vehicle Violations.....1483

Total Non Vehicle Violations.....28

Total 2011 Violations.....1511

2011 Motor Vehicle Accidents

Motor vehicle accidents are separated into 4 categories: Hit and Run Accidents, Property Damage Accidents, Personal Injury Accidents and Private Property Accidents. Hit and Run accidents include a vehicle accident where one party leaves the scene and does not report the incident to police. The Property Damage accidents include motor vehicle accidents where property is damage and no injury is reported. A Personal Injury Accident includes a motor vehicle accident where some type of injury is reported. The final category is Private Property Accident and includes motor vehicle accidents that occur on property that is off the main roadway such as parking lots or alleys.

	2008	2009	2009	2011
Hit/Run Accidents	8	21	7	2
Property Damage Accidents	94	90	129	82
Person Injury Accidents	2	10	7	8
Private Property Accidents	60	64	64	103

2011 Total Motor Vehicle Accidents.....195

Grosse Pointe City Youth Bureau

2011 Statistics

The youth bureau of the police department handles all criminal matters involving persons 16 years of age or younger. The Wayne County Juvenile Division handles admissions for persons committing felonies while our department handles misdemeanor cases. This department refers all persons charged with misdemeanors to a diversion program within the Grosse Pointes.

This department has witnessed an increase in juvenile contacts within the last year for a total of one hundred ninety-one (191) calls for service that can be confirmed juvenile related. In 2010 one hundred fifty-one cases were able to be confirmed as juvenile related.

This department did not witness any juvenile violent crime in 2011 regarding crimes such as robbery, assault of criminal sexual conduct.

Juvenile Related Offenses

2011 Comparison

Juvenile Offense	2011	2010	Wayne County, Deferred, or Handled within Department
RA/RNA	0	2	Wayne County
Assault including PO	0	3	Wayne County
CSC	0	0	Wayne County
UDAA	0	1	Wayne County
Family Trouble	54	15	Wayne County/Within Dept
Minor in Possession	5	24	Within Dept
Retail Fraud	2	1	Wayne County
Malicious Mischief	77	82	Within Dept
Truancy	3	0	Wayne County
Open House Party	1	1	Within Dept

Car Seat Inspections

On March 30, 2008 Officers Christopher Lee and Joseph Adams became certified car seat technicians through Safe Kids USA. Both officers have continued their education in this field due to the evolving technology being produced in today's society. Since the program inception, these officers have checked over 500 car seats. This program is a free service provided by our department and has serviced residents from the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and other neighboring county residents. A flyer was produced by our department concerning this service and was placed at Beaumont Hospital for the new born packets given out in the maternity ward. The department believes this service has a great impact on the safety of the children in our community.

2011 Firefighting Response

Dwelling- Single/Multiple	2
Miscellaneous Buildings	2
Miscellaneous Outside Buildings	8
Mutual Aid Fire Response	8
Smoke Investigations	23
Fire Alarms	53
Wires Down	55
Natural Gas Leak	18
Carbon Monoxide Detection	9
Fuel Spill	1
Ambulance Runs	206
Car Fires	1
Total:	386

2011 Fire Loss Overview



<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>CFS</u>	<u>Loss Amount</u>
03/07/11	339 Rivard	11-0952	\$18,500
03/27/11	797 Lincoln	11-1240	\$ 1,000
05/11/11	468 Cadieux	11-1879	\$ 500
07/07/11	611 University	11-2788	\$ 1,000
11/15/11	16930 Kercheval	11-4706	\$ 5,000

Total Fire Loss \$26,000

2011 K9 STATISTICS

Handler: Michael Almeranti

K9: Raleigh

Total Cases (Uses): 270

Narcotic Related Cases: 202

Vehicles checked Positive Indication: 34

Vehicles checked Negative Indication: 164

Total Currency Checks: 3

Positive Amount: \$1292

Negative Amount: \$0

Search Warrants obtained due to canine indication: 1

Tracks: 30

 Live finds at the end of track: 7

Building Searches: 14

 Live finds in the building: 3

Area Searches: 0

 Live finds: 0

Evidence Searches: 2

Crowd Control (Civil Agitation) Situations: 2

Public Demonstrations: 17

Other areas of deployment (describe): 7 Locker searches, recovered garbage bag full of drugs from pharmacy B&E, and cases of alcohol from parts store B&E during track.

Actual apprehension (bite) by the canine: 1



Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Honor Guard

The Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Honor Guard consists of members from Grosse Pointe Park, City, Farms, and Harper Woods. The Honor Guard performs at various functions throughout the year. In 2011 the Honor Guard performed at over 22 functions. Some

highlights were:

May, 2011

Presented the Colors at the Grosse Pointe Optimist Club Law Enforcement Appreciation Meeting

Attended the National Law Enforcement Memorial Services in Washington DC, including Honor Guard during the address of Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano, Honor Guard duties at the Law Enforcement Memorial, and Honor Guard duties at the Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony by President Barack Obama

July 2011

Color Guard led the Grosse Pointe Shores Centennial Parade

November 2011

Color Guard led the Grosse Pointe Christmas Parade

December 2011

Presented the Colors at the Detroit Red Wings Law Enforcement Appreciation Game



City of Grosse Pointe Beaumont Medical Transportation Service, Inc.

Operational Performance:

Beaumont Medical Transportation Service received 188 emergency requests for service with 159 transports (29 cancelled calls). BMTS' average response time for 2011 was 4 minutes and 12 seconds for all emergency calls. BMTS was on scene within eight (8) minutes for 95% of the 188 emergency requests for service in 2011. Fourteen (14) immediate (non-emergency) calls were also received from the City of Grosse Pointe with an average response time of 6 minutes and 40 seconds. BMTS was on scene within fifteen (15) minutes for 100% of immediate (non-emergency) requests in 2011.

Community Service:

Beaumont Medical Transportation, Inc. was involved with various community services within the City of Grosse Pointe in 2011. BMTS participated in community health fairs in conjunction with Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital. Flu shot clinics were held for City of Grosse Pointe employees (seasonal and H1N1). BMTS completed CPR classes in the City of Grosse Pointe

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as well. An ambulance was dedicated to each day of the Grosse Pointe Block Party. BMTS remains willing to participate in community activities as they become available.

Quality Assurance Program:

Beaumont Medical Transportation Service, Inc. has adopted prospective and retrospective methods to assess the quality of patient care and to identify performance deficiencies. Our Quality Assurance (QA) team monitors performance indicators such as standard-of-care compliance and protocol adherence. Field observation and patient outcome reporting are the key components of our prospective evaluation and have remained so throughout 2011. In addition to the direct observation of personnel in the field, BMTS also retrospectively evaluates patient care reports and other personnel documentation. If patient care or documentation concerns are identified, we respond with a remediation process facilitated by our Training and Education Department and Medical Director Dr. Dean Dalbec. BMTS also continues to be licensed and participates within the Detroit East Medical Control Authority (DEMCA).

Summary:

Beaumont Medical Transportation Service, Inc. (BMTS) continues to be proud to service the citizens of the City of Grosse Pointe. In 2011 BMTS met or exceeded the agreed upon criteria for 911 ambulance coverage. When service issues did arise the management staff was directly involved with city officials to resolve and mitigate these issues. BMTS considers itself a leader in technology by utilizing our integrated AVL (automated vehicle locator), CAD (computer aided dispatch), DriveCam and electronic field data collection system. Our fleet has expanded to 16 ambulances to better service all of our clients and patients. The fleet will expand again in the first quarter of 2012 with the addition of 2 Basic Life Support ambulances. Beaumont Medical Transportation Service is committed to provide the best possible service to the citizens of the City of Grosse Pointe and is always ready to assist in any way possible.

Department Awards

The Awards Board is composed of five members, with at least one member of each level of the department and meets whenever awards applications occur. The Public Safety Departments awards are:

POLICE MEDAL OF HONOR - For extraordinary heroism by an officer who knowingly ignores the imminent threat to his/her personal safety.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL - for exceptionally meritorious conduct involving great risk and danger to the officer's personal safety, but less than required for the MEDAL OF HONOR.

CITATION - For outstanding performance, involving personal risk to the officer that prevents a serious crime or the perpetrator is apprehended; for outstanding actions of a nature which bring unusual credit to the department and its members or contributions to law enforcement through the success of difficult programs, projects or situations.

MERIT - outstanding performance under unusual difficult conditions, but need not involve exposure to physical danger or meritorious actions which would not be eligible for a higher award.

LIFESAVING - For officers who are directly responsible for the saving of a human life.

COMMENDATION - For individual or units who perform outstanding services in a specific task or in the performance of general duties over an extended period of time.

2011 AWARDS

Department Citation

Lt. Edward Tujaka

Department Unit Citation

Sgt. Anthony Railling
Sgt. Michael Almeranti
PSO Matthew Wallis
PSO Jason Strohmeyer
Raleigh (canine)

Sgt. John Alcorn
PSO Thomas Martindale
PSO Christopher Cotzias
PSO Christopher Lee

