



McCandless Police Department

Memorandum

TO: Town Council

FROM: Ryan P. Hawk, Chief of Police

DATE: May 8, 2023

RE: Monthly Police Activity Report – April 2023

The Town of McCandless Police Department responded to 1,015 calls in the month of April.

The officers assigned to the North Hills Special Response Team attended their monthly training.

On April 9, Cub Scout Pack 279 took a tour of the police department. The highlight of the evening was the holding cell, the police car and seeing the handcuffs. They also really enjoyed the public works vehicles and the salt storage structure.

On April 11, officers transported all the unused and expired medications that were collected in the McCandless Police Department collection bin to the Ross Township Municipal Building. The drugs were turned over to the Pennsylvania Counterdrug Joint Task Force. A total of 67lbs of medication was collected. The Task Force also gave the police a limited number of medication lockboxes, which in turn, were donated to the public on a first come, first served basis.

On April 13, Bigs in Blue met at the police station for a tour. The police provided a cookout lunch for the kids. They then visited the McCandless/Franklin Park EMS facility.

Several officers conducted a Roving DUI Patrol on April 14th in Ross, McCandless, West View, and Pine along various state roads. There were 92 vehicles that were stopped for various traffic violations and 3 individuals were administered field sobriety tests. Of those tested, 2 were arrested for DUI. Other arrests: 1 was arrested for an outstanding warrant, 1 pending drug charges and 21 citations were issued for various code violations.

Detective Sergeant Egli presented a Fraud Prevention Program to the residents of Vincentian Assisted Living. The program was designed to educate elderly residents about current schemes targeting the elderly.

All officers have completed their mandatory yearly update training and a third of the department has completed their mandatory yearly firearms qualifications.

Two officers attended a training course on conducting interviews and interrogations. This training taught the officers the best practices of interviewing victims, witnesses, and suspects. Another officer attended a "use of force" instructor training. The state training commission, MPOETC, is now requiring departments to train officers yearly on the "use of force". Having an instructor in house will enable us to tailor the training to our own objectives regarding "use of force".