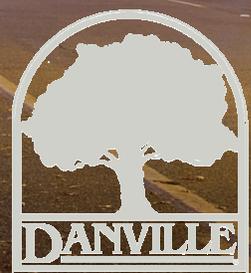


# TOWN OF DANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2012





**On August 9, 2012, Maggie and Jessica Steffens, sisters from Danville and members of the U.S. Olympic Women's Water Polo Team, made U.S. Olympic history by beating Spain to win the gold at the London Summer Olympics. The win gave the United States its first ever gold medals in women's water polo.**

**On August 25, 2012, the Town of Danville hosted an event that paid tribute to the Steffens sisters which included the trooping of the Town's Police Color Guard.**



*"Small Town Atmosphere  
Outstanding Quality of Life"*



**March 2013**

**Mayor and Town Council,**

**On behalf of the Danville Police Department team, it is my honor to present you with the 2012 Annual Report. 2012 represents a year of significant accomplishments for the Police Department, with outreach being a key factor. We continued to build on the success of our Citizen's Academy, which allowed us to recruit several new VIPs. With the retirement of K-9 Donna, we put a new K-9 team on the street. Officer Tom Rossberg and Chef have met with a great level of success and they have been embraced by the community. In addition, our new fleet of police vehicles has been finalized, and each patrol car has been outfitted with video cameras.**

**Most importantly, our Police Department team continued to drive the property crime rate down through proactive policing. On the roadways, our stance on traffic safety within the Town remains strong, which allowed us to lower the incidence of traffic collisions in 2012 to a ten year low.**

**As we move forward into 2013, the Police Department pledges to maintain a proactive posture towards crime and traffic safety. We have set the bar high and will continue to promote Danville's small town atmosphere and outstanding quality of life.**

**Thank you for your support,**

**Steve P. Simpkins  
Chief of Police**

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# Administration



**Chief Steve Simpkins & Lieutenant Jeff Moule**



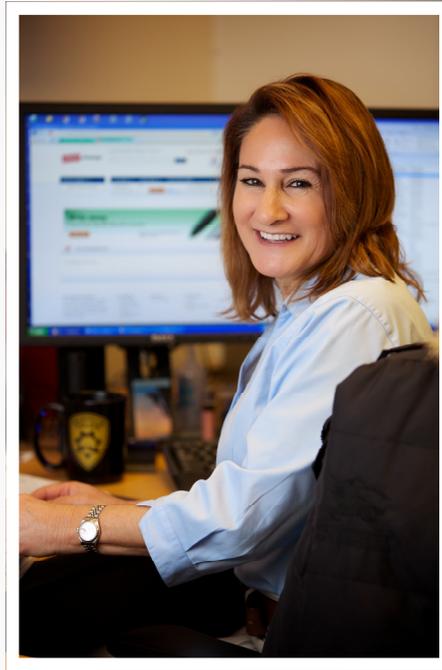
The Danville Police Department is under the leadership of Chief Steve Simpkins and Lieutenant Jeff Moule. The Police Department Administration is responsible for developing and communicating the vision of the department, but also working in concert with all Town departments to collaboratively provide quality service to Danville residents.

In the Police Department there is a staff of 30 Officers, 10 Civilian Support Personnel, 9 Police Reserves, and 21 Volunteers in Policing. This is a group of dedicated personnel who provide the residents of Danville with superior law enforcement service.

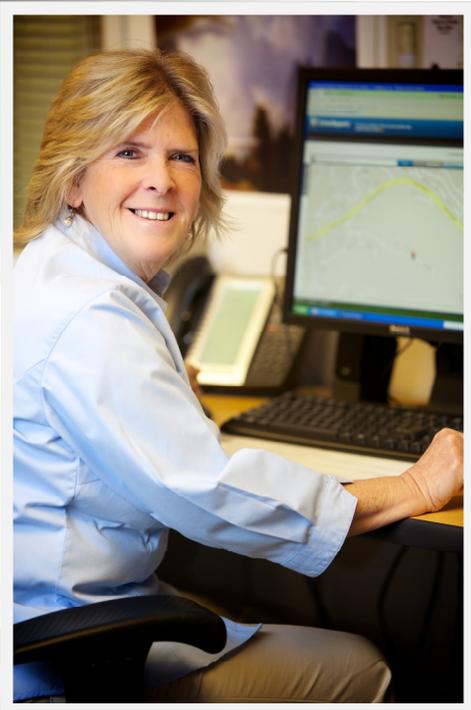
# Support Staff



**Emergency Services Manager**  
**Jeff Hebel**



**Community Services Coordinator and  
Fleet Supervisor—Claudia Ray**



**Crime Prevention Specialist**  
**Carol Burroughs**



**Investigations Specialist**  
**Jim McCauley**

# Support Staff

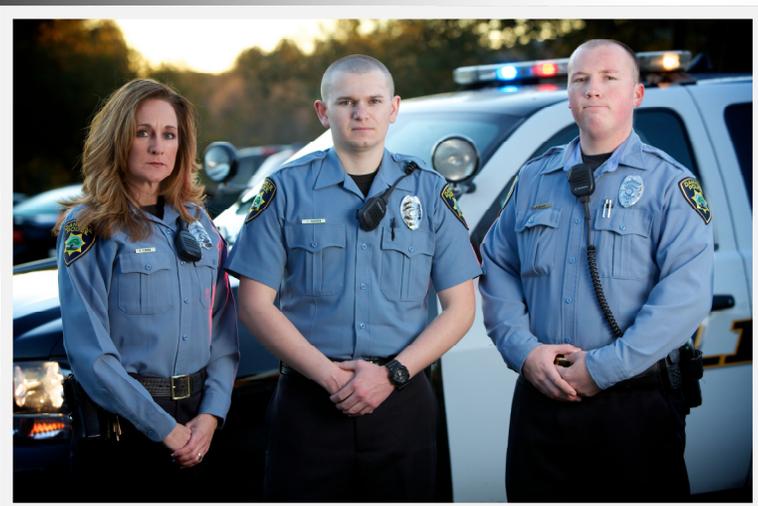


## Police Clerical Assistants:

Elaine Strahlendorf

Leslie Eddy

Fleet Assistants:  
Dave Peixoto  
(retired as of 1-31-13)  
Ron Murphy



## Parking Enforcement Officers:

Katrina O'Brien

Jordan Warren

Kevin White

# Patrol Teams



Officer John Brown Sgt. Scott Dickerson Officer Steve Stapleton

**Dayshift Monday - Thursday**



Officer Casey Shields Sgt. Jason Haynes Officer Andy Burns Officer Bobby Durrer

**Swingshift Monday - Thursday**

# Patrol Teams



Patrol is the largest unit within the Police Department. During 2012, fifteen officers and five sergeants were assigned to patrol the Town's streets. The Town is divided into three beats, each patrolled by an officer. Each patrol team is supervised by a sergeant.

"Beats" are the geographical areas that patrol officers are responsible for. Beats are established primarily on statistical data reflecting workload combined with landmark and/or natural boundary characteristics, such as major roadways.

# Patrol Teams



Danville Police Officers work 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The protection of the Danville residents and business property is their primary responsibility. Their standard of conduct is to be compassionate, unbiased, and consistent with the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics.

Danville Police Officers have maintained an excellent rapport with the community and will continue to do so by working in a collaborative effort with the community to combat crime and keep families, friends, and property safe.

# Patrol Teams



**Officer Jeff Kellogg Sgt. Jason Ingrassia Officer Jamie Williams**

**Graveyard Friday - Sunday**

Patrol Officers and Investigators work closely together, responding to criminal activity and providing thorough investigations to bring cases to a successful conclusion. Through education and enforcement, their goal, is to provide a safe and secure community, one in which the citizens can expect a quick response to all calls for service.

The men and women in Patrol carry out their duties by: responding to all emergency calls in a timely manner; conducting self-initiated patrol, especially in neighborhoods; utilizing various patrol techniques, including foot patrol, bicycles, and motorcycles; focusing on critical areas, especially the parks, trails and downtown areas.

# Calls for Service

## Top 10 Calls for Service

January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012

False Alarms	1,967
Suspicious Circumstances	1,062
911 Hang-ups	791
Civil Calls	362
Juvenile Disturbances	295
Suspicious Vehicle Stops	266
Suspicious Subjects	242
Property Damage Only Traffic Collisions	234
Reckless Driving	199
Miscellaneous Disturbance	191



# Response Time

The Police Department handled 32,726 calls in 2012. A call for service does not necessarily mean the incident is a crime or criminal in nature. Calls for service can result in a report being taken, an area check being made, an arrest made of a criminal, or a simple discussion with a citizen. Calls for service are also not limited to requests from citizens. Calls for service include officer-initiated activities such as traffic stops and foot patrols.

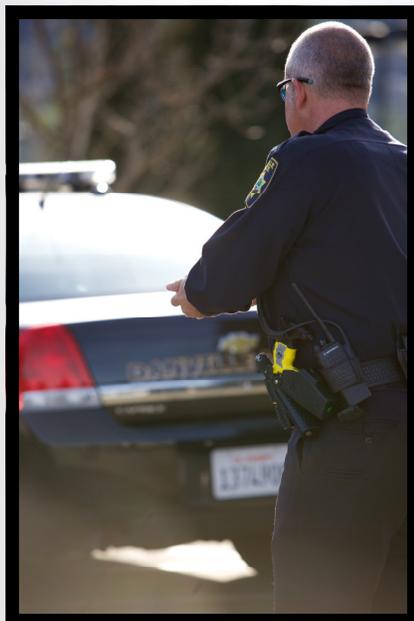
A goal of the Department's overall strategy for service delivery is to maintain an acceptable response time to calls for service. The Police Department works hard to provide the lowest response times possible.

## **Calls are defined into three categories:**

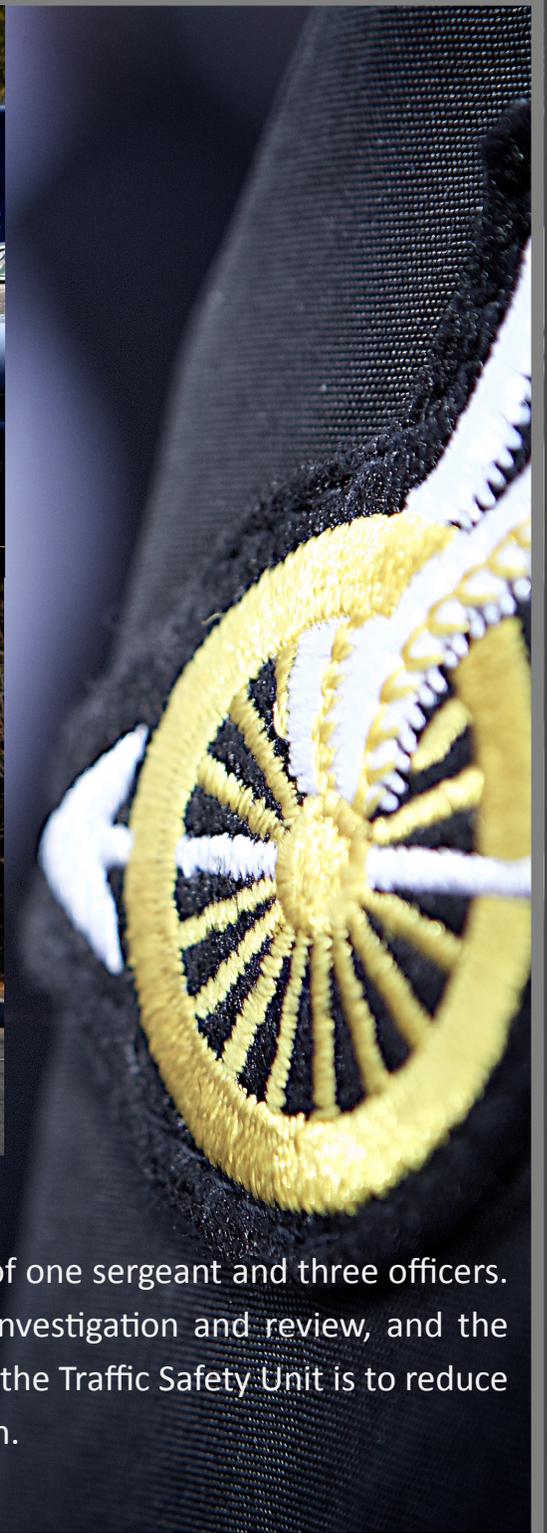
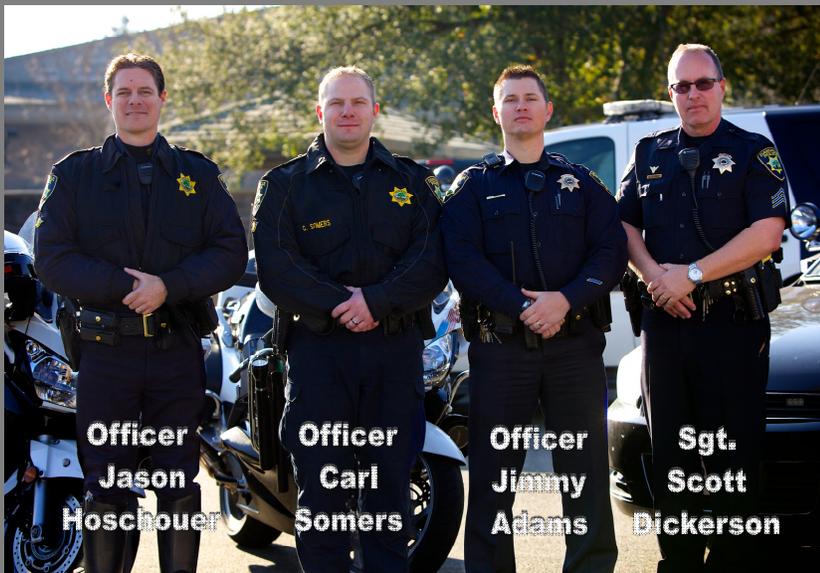
**Priority 1** – Emergency calls such as an armed robbery or burglary in progress. Average response time in 2012 for Priority 1 calls was 5 minutes, 34 seconds

**Priority 2** – Urgent calls, such as a disturbance or a non-injury traffic collision. Average response time for priority 2 calls was 6 minutes, 15 seconds

**Priority 3** – Non-urgent calls involving incidents that have occurred with no suspects, and no urgent need for an officer. An example is a vandalism that occurred the day before (many Priority 3 calls are handled via telephone).

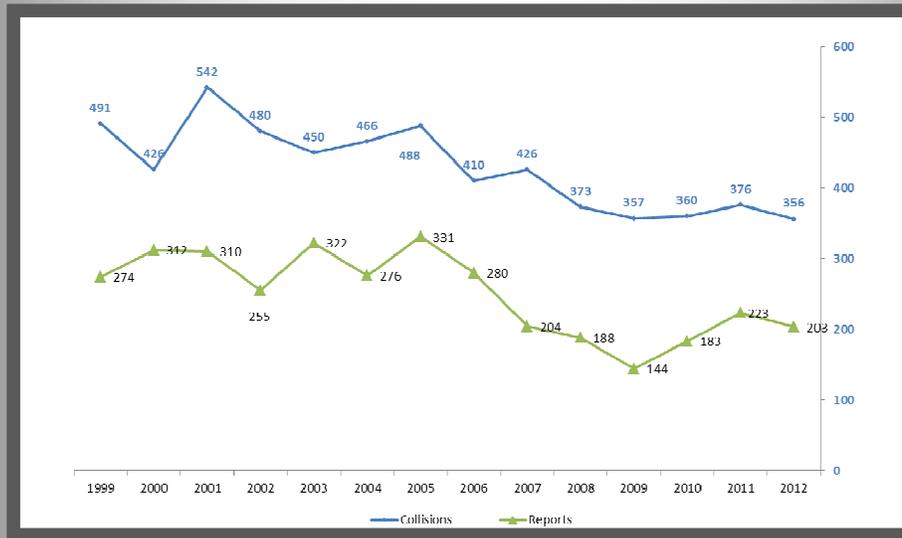


# Traffic Team



The staffing level for the Traffic Safety Unit consists of one sergeant and three officers. The Traffic Safety Unit is responsible for collision investigation and review, and the enforcement of traffic laws. The ultimate mission of the Traffic Safety Unit is to reduce the number of traffic collisions that occur in the Town.

# Traffic Stats

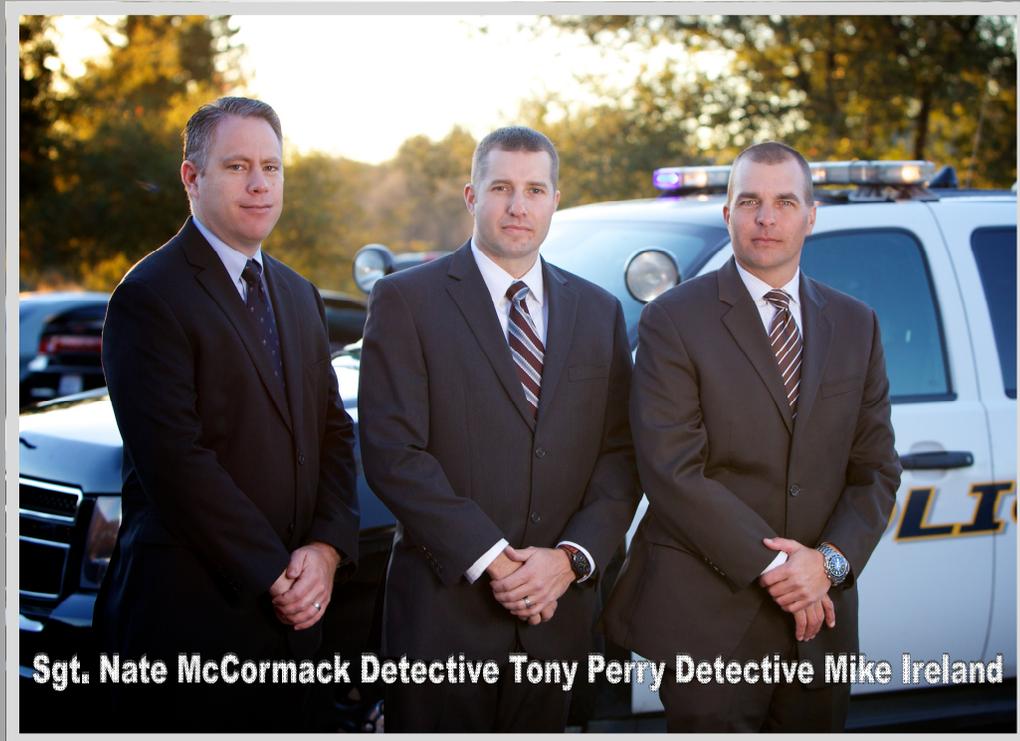


This chart reflects the number of traffic collisions (in blue) and the number of traffic accident reports (in green) taken by officers. The number in blue represents the total number of traffic collisions, to include property damage and injury, reported to the police department. The number in green reflects the number of collisions where a report was taken. Many accidents do not require a report to be written; therefore, the number of accidents reported is the most accurate indicator of the total number of collisions occurring annually. The Police Department strives to lower the total number of accidents that occur by collaborating with the Transportation Department, using the three E's philosophy of Education, Engineering and Enforcement. Our efforts were successful this year as we recorded the lowest number of traffic accidents in over ten years.

Types of Collisions	2012	2011
Total Collision Reports	203	223
Fatal Collisions	0	2
Injury Collisions	54	48
Vehicle vs. Pedestrians	2	4
Vehicle vs. Bicycle	8	15
DUI Related	16	22

DUI Arrests	2012	2011
Adult	156	189
Juvenile	1	15

# Investigations



**Sgt. Nate McCormack Detective Tony Perry Detective Mike Ireland**

The Danville Police Department Investigations Unit is led by **Sgt. Nate McCormack**, who supervises **Detectives Mike Ireland** and **Tony Perry**. The Investigations Unit handled 663 cases during 2012, a slight decrease from the 677 cases in 2011. The Investigations Unit was able to close 327 of the 663 cases, producing a case closure rate of 49.3%.

Danville Police Investigators are responsible for investigating all felony cases that are reported in the Town of Danville. Some of these cases include, but are not limited to: burglary, robbery, assault, narcotics, sexual assault, fraud, identity theft, missing persons, and any other high profile cases. Investigators are tasked with successfully completing these cases and preparing them for filing with the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office. We strive to be proactive in our approach to prevent and deter crime in our Town. Investigators identify crime trends and offer specialized training to patrol officers to proactively combat crime. It is the goal of the investigator to develop leads and information that will ultimately result in case closure and prosecution of the responsible parties.



# Crime Statistics

The Danville Police Department reports crime statistics through the Contra Costa County Office of the Sheriff Records Unit. Those statistics are forwarded to the California Department of Justice and then to the FBI under the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. The nationwide data is available to the public for all jurisdictions nationwide and can be viewed at:

<http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr>

Below are the 2012 statistics for the Town of Danville, along with the previous five years:

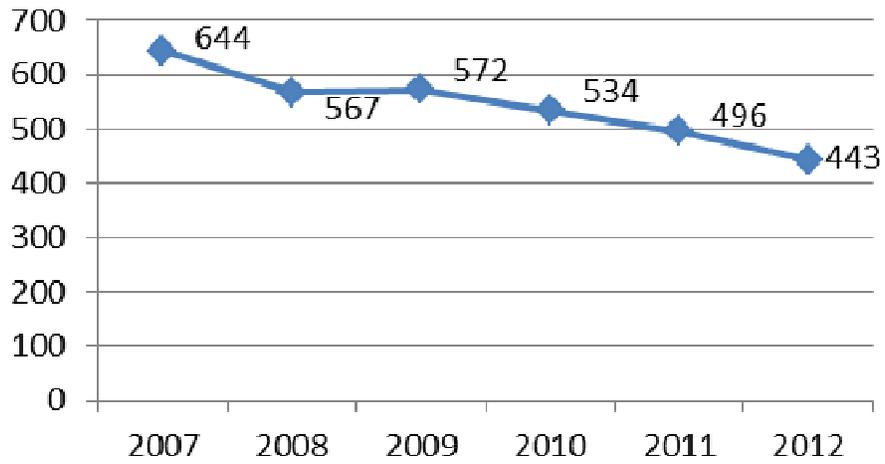
	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Violent Crime Total	Burglary	Larceny (Theft)	Stolen Vehicles	Arson	Property Crime Total
2012	0	0	2	18	20	94	332	17	0	443
2011	0	0	7	19	26	102	361	30	3	496
2010	0	2	10	20	32	91	406	34	3	534
2009	1	3	6	9	19	94	442	36	0	572
2008	0	1	5	20	26	115	426	21	5	567
2007	1	3	7	11	22	80	509	54	1	644

## UCR Definitions:

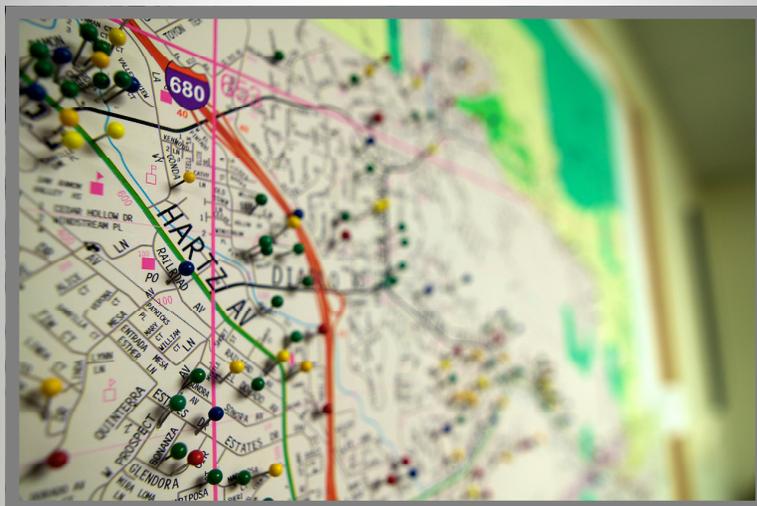
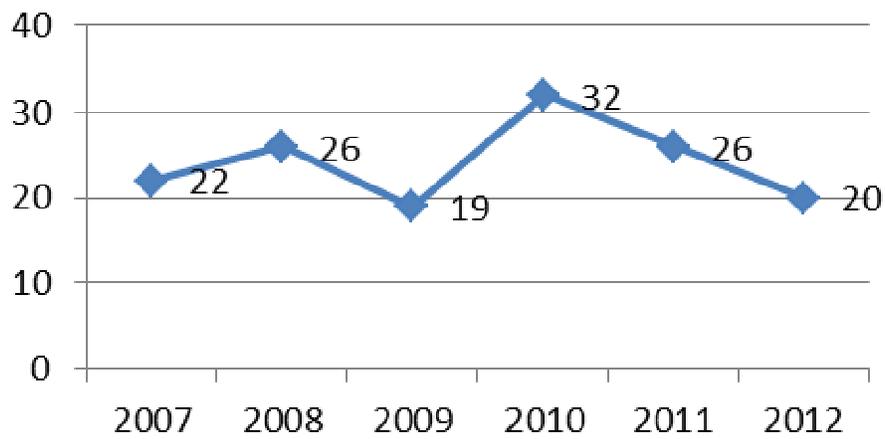
“**Violent Crime**” refers to the total number of Homicide & Non-Negligent Manslaughter, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault.

“**Property Crimes**” refers to the total number of Burglary, Larceny, Stolen Vehicles and Arson.

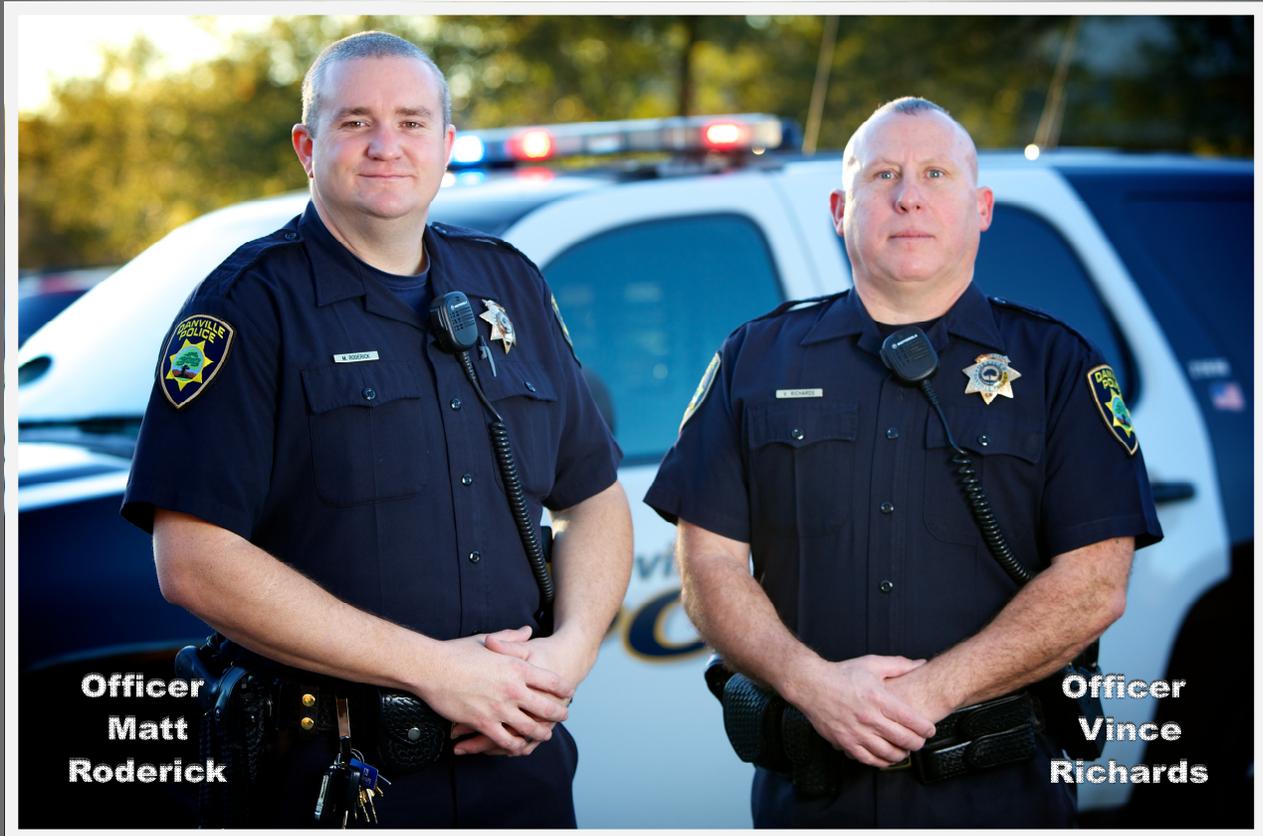
## Property Crime Total



## Violent Crime Total



# School Resource Program



The Town of Danville is committed to helping keep our schools safe. The Police Department is staffed with two School Resource Officers (SRO) for the high schools and a School Programs Coordinator for the middle and elementary schools.

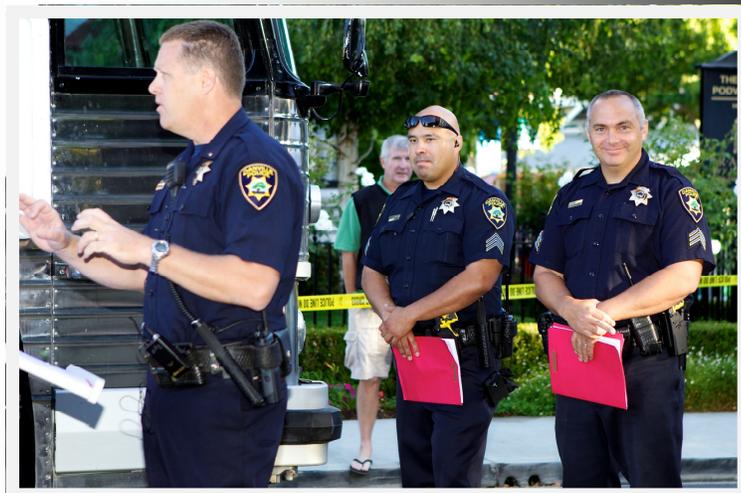
**Officer Vince Richards** at San Ramon Valley High School and **Officer Matt Roderick** at Monte Vista High School are dedicated to the students and parents; working with the San Ramon Valley Unified School District to provide resources to educate students and staff.

# Special Events



VIP's Craig Shotwell, Paul Cowell along with Claudia Ray and Jim McCauley set up to serve Hot Chocolate during the Annual Tree Lighting.

Right: Lt. Moule along with Sgts. Rivera and Shields during the July 4th Briefing.



Left: Dave Peixoto assisting in the July 4th Command Post.

# Special Events

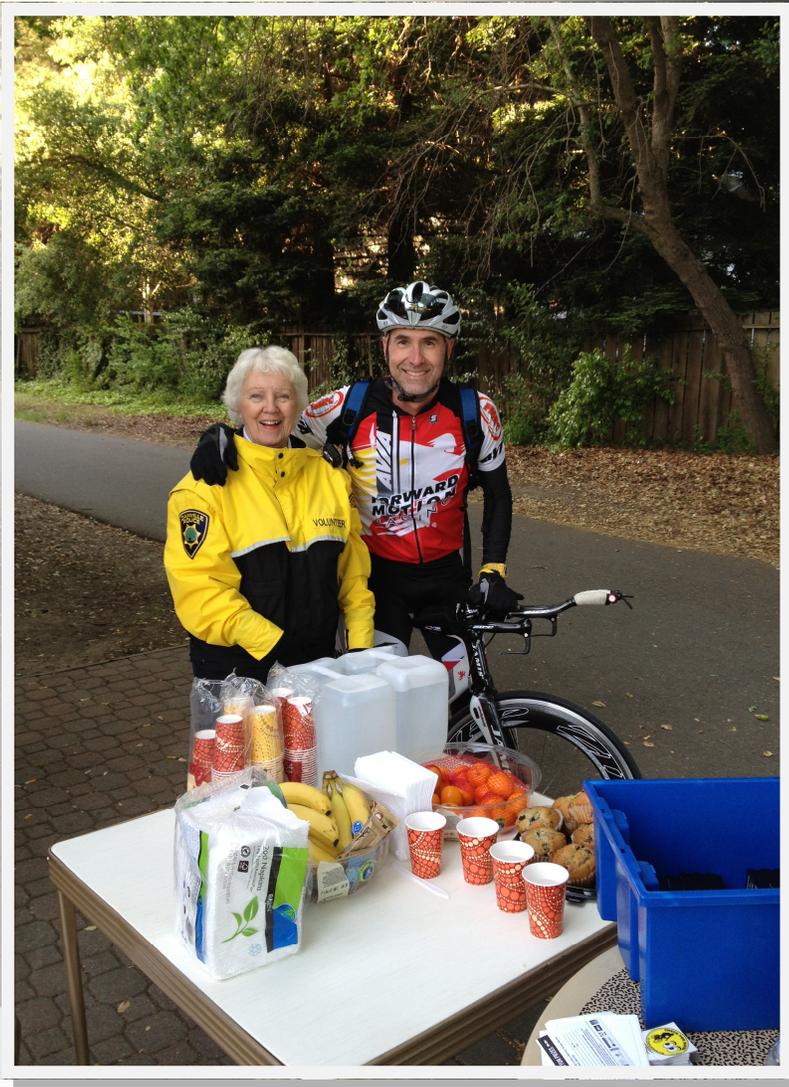
**Right: Sergeant Allan Shields and Chaplain Nick Vleisides at a Hot Summer Nights car show.**



**Below: Chief Simpkins speaking at Vista Grande during "Red Ribbon Week."**



**Below: VIP Barbara Hubinger helping with "Bike to Work Day"**



# Special Events

**Left:** Bike Patrol during the July 4th Parade. **Right to left:** **Officer Vince Richards, Officer Mike Ireland, Officer Robert Durrer and Officer Matt Roderick**



**Sergeant Jose Rivera** conducting a press briefing regarding vandalism.

**Sergeant Nate McCormack** and **Officer Tony Maldonado** patrolling at the Hot Summer Nights car show.



# National Night Out

## America's Night Out Against Crime

**National Night Out** has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police–community partnerships in our fight for a safe nation. This community event encourages neighborhoods to hold block parties, cookouts, and flashlight walks, in an effort to have citizens get to know each other.



This year the Town of Danville Police Department visited nine neighborhoods helping to send a message to criminals, letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Volunteers in Policing were out fingerprinting children and talking about the Stranger Danger Program.



# Special Olympics



## SUPPORT FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics is dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports training and competition.



**Above:** Strizzi's Tip-A-Cop

**Far Left:** CSC Claudia Ray

representing DPD at the Special Olympics Conference

**Below:** DPD Divers at the Polar Plunge



# Community Involvement

The Police Department prides itself on the various programs it offers to the community.



**Above: VIP Barbara Hubinger** talking to a group of boy scouts.

The Department performed the following:

- ◆ 238 Live Scans
- ◆ 153 Car Seat Inspections
- ◆ 24 Scout Tours
- ◆ 4 Bike Rodeos
- ◆ Numerous Neighborhood Watches
- ◆ A Citizen's Police Academy
- ◆ Stranger Danger Presentations
- ◆ Prescription Take Back Program

**Below: Child Seat Safety Technician Jim McCauley** keeping kids safe.



**Left: VIP's Barbara Hubinger, Mike Wilhelm and Bev Walsh** with Reserve Officers **Tim Davis** and **Darrell Thornton** during the "Prescription Take Back Day" which took in 125 pounds of prescription drugs.

# Reserve Program



**Sergeant Mike Jimenez with Reserve Officers: Max Ramsey, Marc Silviera, Walt Welti, Chris Young, Chief Steve Simpkins, Darrell Thornton, Jeff Rhoton, Ted Fick, Dale Myers and Tom Gill**

The Danville Police Department Reserve Unit augments regular police staffing, working at numerous events including the Fourth of July parade, Primo's Run for Education, Lighting of the Old Oak Tree, College Night and Danville Hot Summer Nights. This unit assists the department by handling the transportation of arrestees to the Martinez Detention Facility, assisting officers on calls, handling low priority details and providing extra patrol. The Reserve Unit volunteered 2,822 hours in 2012.

The Danville Police Department has a very experienced group of Reserve Officers who have worked in the Town for years and have come to know the Town and the needs of the community. The Town is fortunate to have such a seasoned and professional group of individuals who choose to volunteer their time to serve and protect the citizens of Danville.

# VIP Program



**VIPs: Mike Wilhelm, Harry Hubinger, Bob Gross, Susan Cowell, Barbara Hubinger, Edie Farrell, Sabrina Titelbaum, Bev Walsh, Kay Bauer, Marguerite Aeschbach, Dan Hart, Prince Victor, Paul Cowell, and Ron Murphy. Not present: Steve Barnett, Bette Bennett, Ken Lucash, Jerry Osborn, Jim Ratliff & Craig Shotwell**

As ambassadors of the Police Department, the VIPs (Volunteers in Policing) provided the Town of Danville with 5,629 hours of service in 2012.

The regular services provided by the VIPs include citizen patrol, vacation house checks, school patrol and traffic control. The VIPs also assist with all Town of Danville special events such as the Fourth of July Parade, Lighting of the Old Oak Tree, Farmer's Market, Hot Summer Nights and School Safety events.

In 2012, members of the VIPs team also aided in assisting in investigations and numerous community outreach programs. The Police Department is always on the lookout for residents who want to become VIPs. The VIP's team is supervised by Sgt. Jason Haynes.

# VIPS's in Action



# Reserves in Action



# K-9 Donna Retires

Donna's first day in January 2006 marked the rebirth of the Town of Danville K-9 program. Donna's ability to reach out to the community earned her the Town of Danville's "Customer Service of the Year" award in 2006. Officer Mike Ireland and Donna were a team who bolstered community relations and supported law enforcement until Donna officially retired in August 2012.

Donna's resume of numerous arrests, assisting in controlling potentially volatile situations, and sniffing out illegal drugs remain impressive. Donna was always able to subdue subjects without any injury to officers or innocent bystanders.

In addition to her "paws on" law enforcement duties, the biggest praise Donna received was during the hundreds of demonstrations that she performed throughout the community. Now retired, she lives with Officer Ireland leading the good life.



# K-9 Chef Begins

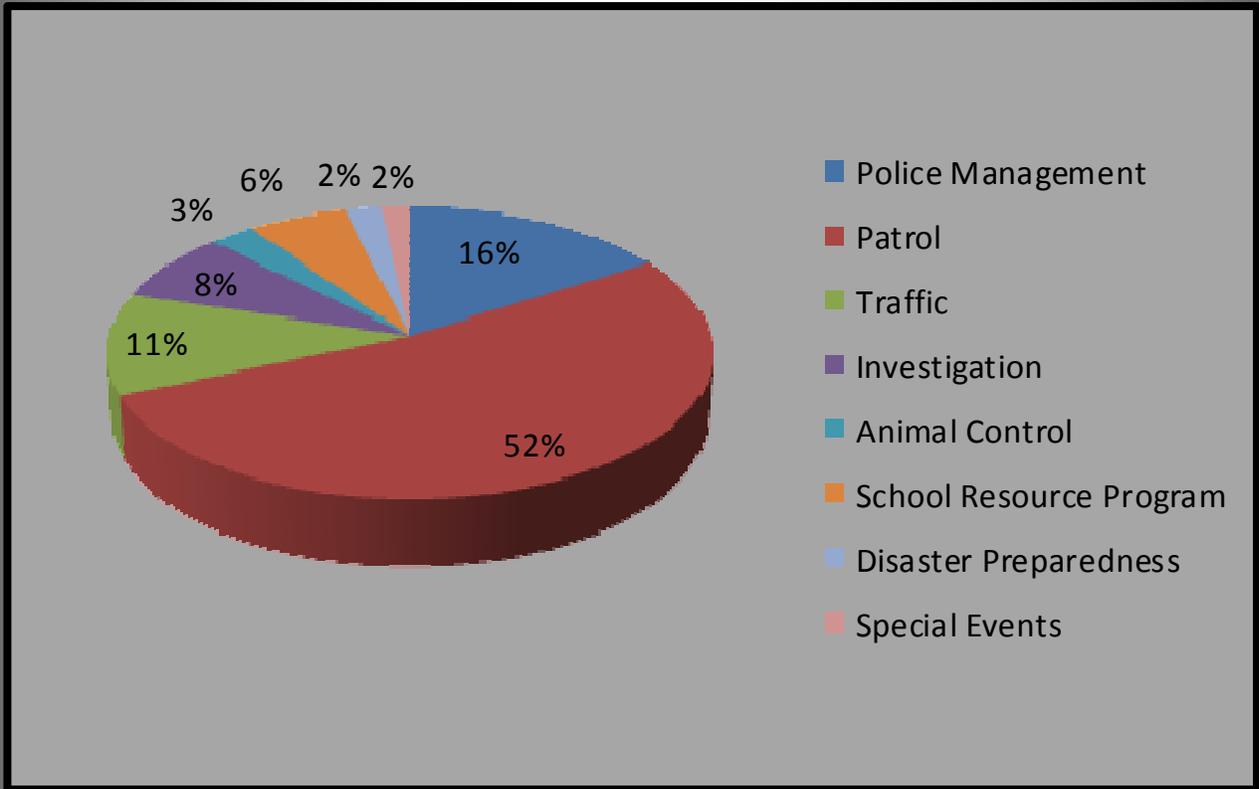


Chef, like Donna, is a Belgian Malinois, who was born in Holland in 2003. There Chef was trained for approximately 2 ½ years before coming to the United States to become a police K-9. Most of Chef's commands are in Dutch, but he also responds to a few commands in English. Chef is trained for police patrol (to include general obedience, trailing, master protection, article searching, area searches, and building searches) and for narcotics detection. Chef worked in the City of Orinda for approximately 6 years before coming to Danville.

Chef has already located missing children and adults, hidden drugs, and tracked and caught criminals. Chef is a very friendly dog, loves attention, and loves to go to work. Chef lives with Officer Rossberg and his family. Officer Rossberg and Chef have been partners since February 2012.



# 2012 Budget



Police Management	\$1,308,318
Patrol	\$4,328,669
Traffic	\$ 925,296
Investigation	\$ 635,012
Animal Control	\$ 224,162
School Resource Program	\$ 488,668
Disaster Preparedness	\$ 172,012
Town Wide Special Events	\$ 140,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,222,137</b>



DANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2012

## Danville Police Department Team Photo

Also pictured: (L) Town Manager Joseph A. Calabrigo & (R) Sheriff David O. Livingston





## TOWN OF DANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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Mike Jimenez  
Jose Rivera

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