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CAPITOL POLICE

Officers with the Capitol Police Division investigate criminal incidents and traffic crashes; manage street closures for events; patrol the streets on Capitol Square and those adjacent to other state buildings; provide courtroom secruity for Georgia's Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; conduct security assessments and surveillance detection; and deliver personal safety training for state employees and others.

MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performs driver and vehicle inspections of commercial motor vehicles at roadsides, inspection stations, and at carriers' terminals. The inspections range from "full" vehicle and driver inspections, which includes mechanical components, to "driver only" inspections. These may also include inspections of vehicles transporting hazardous materials.



WE SET THE **STANDARD**

The Georgia Department of Public Safety was created in 1937 and oversees the day-to-day operation of the Georgia State Patrol (GSP), Capitol Police and the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD). GSP troopers investigate traffic crashes and enforce traffic and criminal laws on the state's roads. Capitol Police officers prevent and detect criminal acts, and enforce traffic regulations throughout Capitol Hill. MCCD officers conduct safety inspections of commercial motor vehicles and inspect highway shipments of hazardous materials.



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VISION & MISSION



VISION

The Georgia Department of Public Safety is committed to providing the highest level of professional service to its employees, the citizens of Georgia, and visitors to our state. In determining how this service is to be provided, it is imperative that each employee understands and adheres to the mission and core beliefs of our organization. Therefore, it shall be the policy of the Georgia Department of Public Safety to conduct its affairs in a manner consistent with the mission statement and core beliefs outlined herein.

MISSION

The mission of the Georgia Department of Public Safety is to work cooperatively with all levels of government to provide a safe environment for residents and visitors to our state. Although focused primarily on the enforcement of traffic laws and investigation of traffic crashes, the Department of Public Safety will support the efforts of all public safety agencies to reduce criminal activity, apprehend those involved, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. In all of our endeavors, DPS personnel will provide the highest level of customer service while remaining committed to following our core beliefs of trust, fortitude, compassion and professionalism.



CORE VALUES

TRUST

We are trustworthy. Truth is our We show fortitude. We are hallmark and foundation. Our word committed to persevere through is our bond. Truthfulness is what sacrifice and adversity to do the right the public expects from us and what thing, even at personal cost. In the we demand of ourselves. We are tradition of those who preceded us, committed to the highest ethical we are confident in our ability to standards and highest level of fairly enforce all laws, to protect life performance that is beyond reproach.

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and property, and to be accountable for our actions.

COMPASSION

We show compassion. We have the We are professional. As an elite courage and wisdom to be fair. We are sensitive to the needs of others and are committed to treat all with dignity committed to providing effective, and respect.

PROFESSIONALISM

and diverse team of highly trained, motivated men and women, we are efficient, and courteous customer service. We pledge to set innovative standards for others to follow.



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FIELD OPERATIONS GEORGIA STATE PATROL

"Wisdom, Justice and Moderation" has been the motto of the Georgia State Patrol since its inception in March 1937. It was the motoring public who first advocated the need for the Department of Public Safety. Traffic fatalities, increased crime, and a need for a larger law enforcement agency with statewide arrest powers, led Georgia lawmakers to create the State Patrol. In the summer of 1937, the first Trooper School was held at Georgia Tech and graduated 80 Troopers. To date, the Georgia State Patrol has graduated 104 Trooper Schools.



Ithough focused primarily on the enforcement of traffic laws and investigation of traffic crashes, the Georgia State Patrol (GSP) supports the efforts of all public safety agencies to reduce criminal activity, apprehend those involved, and respond to natural and manmade disasters. Public safety is a 24-hour responsibility. Stranded motorists and motor vehicle crashes require that Troopers work around the clock. As of December 31, GSP had 814 Troopers.

The Georgia State Patrol is divided into 52 patrol posts within nine geographic troops and seven specialized units, including Nighthawks DUI Task Force, Criminal Interdiction, Implied Consent, Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT), Specialized Weapons and Tactics (SWAT), GSP Dive Team, Motorcyle Unit, and the Regional K-9 Task Force. The Command Officer and his staff are located at the Department of Public Safety Headquarters in Atlanta. Each troop consists of a communications center responsible and its own Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT).

During the year, the Georgia State Patrol participated in multiple events to facilitate safe driving and decrease fatal crashes. These events included enforcement campaigns, safety presentations, special details, Traffic Enforcement Networks, and partnering with other agencies, including Hands Across the Border, a biannual event sponsored by the Governor's Offices of Highway Safety in Georgia; the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Golden Shield Awards; Crimes Against Children Patrols, centered on a Georgia Bureau of Investigation (GBI) training and federal law enforcement campaign, involving child exploitation and human trafficking; and Stop the Threat, a collaboration between Troopers and MCCD Officers in an effort to address traffic violations and crimes involving commercial motor vehicles. GSP also donated over 68,500 toys and over \$114,750 to the Toys for Tots program.

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TROOP A is located in northwest Georgia encompassing 14 counties stretches from Gilmer County and Forsyth County lines on an eastern boundary to the Douglas and Carrol County lines and Alabama State Line on a western boundary. The northern boundaries extend to the Tennessee State Line. Troop A consists of the following posts: Post 3 – Cartersville (Bartow and Polk), Post 5 – Dalton (Whitfield and Catoosa), Post 28 – Jasper (Pickens and Cherokee), Post 29 - Paulding (Haralson and Paulding) Post 38 – Rome (Chatooga and Floyd), Post 41 – Lafayette (Dade and Walker), and Post 43 – Calhoun (Gordon and Murray).

TROOP B patrols 20 Northeast Georgia Counties. Troop B members are stationed in five geographic locations: Post 6 – Gainesville (White, Hall and Banks), Post 7 – Toccoa (Rabun, Habersham, Stephens, Franklin and Hart), Post 27 – Blue Ridge (Gilmer, Fannin, Union and Towns), Post 32 – Athens (Barrow, Jackson, Madison, Clarke and Oconee), and Post 37 – Cumming (Lumpkin, Dawson and Forsyth).

TROOP C covers the ever-growing Metropolitan Atlanta area and oversees the day-to-day operations of four patrol posts, a DUI Task Force, a Motorcycle Unit, and the Communications Center located at DPS Headquarters. It is also headquarters for the Motor Unit and the State of Georgia SWAT/DIVE Team: Post 9 – Marietta (Cobb and Fulton, North of I-285), Post 47 – Forest Park (Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton, all outside I-285), Post 48 – Atlanta (Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb, and Fulton, inside I-285), Post 49 – Motorcycle Unit (I-285 and the interstate system within Metro Atlanta), Post 51 – (Gwinnett County), Nighthawks North – (Cobb, Fulton, DeKalb, Clayton, and Gwinnett), and the Communications Center – (Cobb, Clayton, DeKalb, Fulton, and Gwinnett, GBI Radio Dispatch, Capitol Police Dispatch, Metro MCCD Dispatch).

TROOP D consists of seven patrol posts, the Troop D Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team, the Middle Georgia Nighthawks DUI Taskforce and the Troop D Communications Center. It covers 20 counties in the central and west-central portion of the state: Post 1 – Griffin (Butts, Henry, and Spalding), Post 2 – LaGrange (Harris and Troup), Post 4 – Villa Rica (Carroll and Douglas), Post 24 – Newnan (Coweta, Heard, and Fayette), Post 26 – Thomaston (Crawford, Pike, Taylor, and Upson), Post 34 – Manchester (Meriwether, Muscogee, and Talbot), Post 44 – Forsyth (Bibb, Lamar, and Monroe), and Nighthawks Middle Georgia (Bibb and Muscogee).

TROOP E is located in the eastern central section of the State of Georgia. The northern end begins in Rockdale County at Interstate 20 and continues south-easterly for approximately 150 miles of the interstate to the Georgia/South Carolina line, ending in Richmond County. The posts that comprise this troop are as follows: Post 8 – Madison (Jasper, Putnam, Morgan, and Greene counties), Post 17 – Washington (Elbert, Oglethorpe, Wilkes, Lincoln, and Taliaferro counties), Post 25 – Grovetown (Glascock, Warren, McDuffie, Columbia and Richmond counties), Post 33 – Milledgeville (Jones, Baldwin, Hancock, and Washington counties), and Post 46 – Monroe (Rockdale, Newton, and Walton counties).

TROOP F encompasses 21 counties which include in these counties are the Georgia State Prison and Rogers State Prison in Reidsville and Smith State Prison in Glennville. Nuclear Power Plant Edwin I Hatch is in Appling County and Nuclear Power Plant Vogtle is in Burke County. The troop also patrols a large majority of I-16: Post 16 – Helena (Jeff Davis, Telfair, Dodge, Wheeler, and Montgomery counties), Post 18 – Reidsville (Appling, Tattnall, and Toombs counties), Post 19 – Swainsboro (Emanuel, Treutlen, Jefferson, and Johnson counties), Post 20 – Dublin (Laurens, Bleckley, Twiggs, and Wilkinson counties), Post 21 – Sylvania (Burke, Jenkins, and Screven counties), and Post 45 – Statesboro (Bulloch, Candler, and Evans counties).

TROOP G consists of five patrol posts that are located in Americus, Thomasville, Colquitt, Cuthbert, and Albany. The five posts in Troop G cover 23 southwest Georgia counties: Post 10 – Americus (Sumter, Schley, Terrell, Webster and Marion counties), Post 12 – Thomasville (Thomas, Grady, Mitchell, and Colquitt counties), Post 14 – Colquitt (Decatur, Early, Miller and Seminole counties), Post 39 – Cuthbert (Calhoun, Clay, Chattahoochee, Quitman, Randolph, and Stewart counties), and Post 40 – Albany (Dougherty, Baker, Lee, and Worth counties).

TROOP H consists of five Patrol Posts encompassing 19 south and middle Georgia counties. There are 152 miles of Interstate 75 within Troop H that stretches through four post territories. This is the greatest number of interstate miles patrolled in the state. Troop H is also home to the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, Robins Air Force Base, Moody Air Force Base, Valdosta State University, Fort Valley State University, South Georgia College and Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College: Post 13 – Tifton (Tift, Cook, and Berrien), Post 15 – Perry (Houston, Peach, Macon, and Pulaski), Post 30 – Cordele (Crisp, Dooly, Turner and Wilcox), Post 31 – Valdosta (Lowndes, Brooks, Lanier, and Echols), and Post 36 – Douglas (Coffee, Ben Hill, Irwin, and Atkinson).

TROOP I has five patrol posts that cover 15 Southeast Georgia counties extending from the Georgia/Florida state line to the Georgia/South Carolina state line. It covers all of I-95 through Georgia, as well as portions of I-16 and I-516 in Chatham County. The entire Georgia coastline is located in the Troop I territory. Points of interest and responsibility within the Troop include the Georgia Ports Authority Terminals in Savannah and Brunswick, Savannah International Airport, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), Kings Bay Naval Base, Hunter Army Airfield, Fort Stewart Army Base, the US Coastguard Marine Safety Office, and the Okefenokee Swamp and Wildlife Refuge: Post 11 – Hinesville (Liberty, Long, and McIntosh), Post 22 – Waycross (Ware, Brantley, Bacon, Clinch, Charlton, and Pierce), Post 23 – Brunswick (Glynn, Camden, and Wayne), Post 35 – Jekyll Island, Post 42 – Rincon (Chatham, Bryan, and Effingham), and Nighthawks South (Bulloch and Chatham).

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Troop A	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 3	2,537	26	5,038	7,540	337	6,869
Post 5	1,937	9	5,768	11,062	174	9,048
Post 28	748	8	2,694	5,082	67	5,105
Post 29	2,961	21	4,132	12,602	158	10,414
Post 38	370	11	2,597	7,511	117	66,813
Post 41	911	13	2,877	8,137	85	6,171
Post 43	1,094	11	6,286	9,704	203	7,231
TOTALS	10,558	99	29,392	61,638	1,141	111,651
Troop B	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 6	3,893	23	15,423	15,241	302	18,621
Post 7	1,020	19	7,693	10,597	273	13,080
Post 27	1,148	21	6,098	9,023	215	10,919
Post 32	2,349	28	12,293	14,170	341	17,365
Post 37	2,010	6	8,287	11,946	313	13,516
Post 52	1,529	21	7.087	11,999	338	14,133
TOTALS	11,949	118	56,881	72,976	1,782	87,634
Troop C	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 9	4,536	0	12,666	8,926	65	10,222
Post 47	1,731	8	6,336	6,154	30	7,822
Post 48	2,933	9	7,599	9,850	100	10,662
Post 49	3.087	4	8,992	5,433	16	7,869
Post 51	3,113	3	9,778	9,008	44	11,236
NH/North	176	5	2,262	3,052	716	3,821
TOTALS	15,576	29	47,633	42,243	971	51,632
Troop D	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 1	1,466	25	8,294	7,678	340	12,398
Post 2	1,672	14	6,928	9,337	214	11,497
Post 4	4,716	26	7.757	12,652	353	10,915
Post 24	629	21	6,325	6,067	112	7,537
Post 26	323	8	3,997	4,194	162	7,680
Post 34	686	16	5,324	10,937	219	10,535
Post 44	555	5	8,338	5,743	256	11,405
NH/MG	62	0	3,102	2,964	607	5,015
TOTALS	10,109	115	50,065	59,572	2,263	76,982
Troop E	Crashes	Fatalities	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 8	474	14	4,299	6,416	193	8,529
Post 17	400	8	4,667	5,758	234	7,987
Post 25	1,549	8	11,941	9,868	1,064	14,605
Post 33	356	22	5,653	6,408	213	9,045
Post 46	1,345	15	7,400	11,782	273	13,321
TOTALS	4,124	67	33,960	40,232	1,977	53,487

Troop F	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 16	535	24	2,207	4,789	180	5,606
Post 18	428	14	2,456	6,145	101	6,610
Post 19	435	18	3,824	6,812	177	7,024
Post 20	602	21	3,813	6.049	128	6,659
Post 21	308	13	3,554	5,328	162	5,782
Post 45	1,410	20	5,293	6,548	478	8,603
TOTALS	3,718	110	21,147	35,671	1,226	40,284
Troop G	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 10	435	8	1,181	10,087	248	9,729
Post 12	596	27	3,353	8,964	327	10,819
Post 14	367	20	3,802	9,966	195	9,628
Post 39	254	6	2,761	9,106	157	8,632
Post 40	471	16	6,420	8,348	294	11,539
TOTALS	2,123	77	17,517	46,471	1,221	50,347
Troop H	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 13	930	9	9,251	10,807	246	14,486
Post 15	1,497	24	9,395	8,545	245	11,876
Post 30	451	7	4,636	4,523	136	8,044
Post 31	1,303	16	7,348	10,734	257	11,037
Post 36	679	16	5,860	10,113	284	8,184
TOTALS	4,860	72	36,490	44,722	1,168	53,627
Troop I	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
Post 11	357	11	5,069	7,970	383	10,298
Post 22	483	20	3,482	7,994	224	8,430
Post 23	559	33	6,219	8,383	307	11,376
Post 35	83	1	967	2,161	8	2,921
Post 42	571	25	15,937	12,601	718	18,610
NH/South	72	0	5,055	3,801	1,123	6,321
TOTALS	2,125	90	36,729	42,910	2,763	57,965
	Crashes	Fatalaties	Arrests	Warnings	DUI Arrests	Vehicle Stops
GRAND TOTAL:	65,142	777	329,814	446,615	14,512	583,600

GSP COMMUNICATIONS CENTERS

The GSP Communications Centers handle dispatching duties for all posts assigned to each Troop. In many cases, they also handle calls for Motor Carrier Compliance, Department of Natural Resouces, as well as Georgia Bureua of Investigations. Troop C Communications located at Headquarters also handles calls for Capitol Police Services, and Post 50, as well as enter Mattie's and Levi's Calls for GBI, dispatching Capitol Police officers to 911 calls and active alarms, or utilizing Atlanta Police, Cobb County Police and Gwinett County Police Departments' CAD system to dispatch Troopers to vehicle crashes. As of December 31, there were 153 dispatchers.

During 2019, Communications Centers logged the following calls:

- Troop A 77,736 calls
- Troop B 101,991 calls
- Troop C 225,716 calls
- Troop D 85,529 calls
- Troop E 56,016 calls

- Troop F 54,361 calls
- Troop G 60,896 calls
- Troop H 57,179 calls
- Troop I 55,016 calls



SPECIALIZED COLLISION RECONSTRUCTION TEAM

The mission of the Georgia State Patrol Specialized Collision Reconstruction Team (SCRT) is to provide a means by which fatal crashes can be investigated thoroughly by specially trained investigators and properly document evidence in collisions to be used for successful court prosecution. SCRT also gathers statistics in order to save lives by avoiding future collisions.

SCRT investigators are stationed strategically throughout the state under each Troop Command to assist field Troopers with fatal crashes. These investigators are equipped with the latest technology and are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. SCRT also assists agencies in the investigation of major incidents when requested. These incidents include: homicide cases, officer involved shootings, fatal crashes, and large crime scenes.

SCRT Teams investigated the following cases in 2019:

- Troop A 68 cases
- Troop B 87 cases
- Troop C 98 cases
- Troop D 155 cases
- Troop E 61 cases

IMPLIED CONSENT UNIT

- Troop F 58 cases
- Troop G 61 cases
- Troop H 52 cases
- Troop I 82 cases

The mission of the Implied Consent Unit (ICU) is to effectively train, maintain, and administer the breath alcohol testing and certification program for all law enforcement agencies in the State subject to the provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and Georgia Bureau of Investigation Rules and Regulations. ICU members remain on-call around the clock for emergency instrument repairs and courtroom availability. In addition to their regular enforcement responsibilities, ICU members provide a broad range of specialized services designed to complement field operational needs.

The Implied Consent Unit serves a vital role as liaison between the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's Department of Forensic Sciences and local jurisdictions in the state of Georgia. This unit is comprised of Troopers who are tasked with the responsibility of inspecting, installing, and overseeing the operation of the Intoxilyzer 9000 at any police or sheriff's department in the state. This instrument is the only approved device in Georgia to be used for evidentiary breath testing and is accepted in all courts. Furthermore, the members of the Implied Consent Unit are responsible for the testing and calibration of all Preliminary Breath Testing devices utilized by any state agency in the members assigned area.

There is an Implied Consent Unit in each GSP Troop. Each sworn GSP member of ICU is responsible for inspecting and maintaining all evidential breath testing devices in the State of Georgia. In addition to performing regular maintenance and quarterly inspections of these breath testing instruments, the members of ICU provide crucial expert testimony in DUI and DUI-related court cases. Major initiatives included safety program presentations and course training at GOHS Traffic Enforcement Network meetings and the DPS Portable Breath Test (PBT) device repair and service program.

SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

The State of Georgia SWAT Team provides a highly trained and skilled tactical team as a resource for all law enforcement agencies in the State of Georgia in resolving critical incidents. The State of Georgia SWAT Team was requested to assist with 58 critical incidents during 2019. Some of the incidents were resolved prior to the team's arrival, by the requesting agency, others lasted hours. The requests were to assist with a barricaded gunman or a hostage situation. Others ranged from woodland searches, VIP security details, warrant services for other government agencies, as well as special requests for security details. Each incident was resolved without any serious harm to a hostage, team member, or suspect.

SWAT Dive Team - The State of Georgia Dive Team was requested 26 times during 2019. The majority of requests were to recover victims of drowning. Other requests were for evidence recovery, mostly weapons used in violent crimes. The mission of the Dive Team is to assist other agencies with critical incidents,

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recoveries or any other special need which requires working in water. SWAT attended 31 different public relations details and recruiting events across the state providing a static display of Tactical vehicles, equipment and dive gear. These events included air shows, law enforcement appreciation events and others.

NIGHTHAWKS DUI TASK FORCE

The Georgia State Patrol Nighthawks DUI Task Force has been in operation since October 2004 and is funded by the Governor's Office of Highway Safety H.E.A.T. grant. The Nighthawks North Task Force patrols the five Metro-Atlanta counties of Cobb, Clayton, Gwinnett, DeKalb, and Fulton. The Task Force concentrates on the apprehension of impaired drivers during the peak hours when statistics have shown DUI-related incidents occur. The Nighthawks North Unit also responds to agency assistance calls within the Troop C territory during the overnight hours. Members investigate crashes, perform traffic control, execute legal blood draws, perform medical relays, help to control crime scenes and assist in the apprehension of dangerous criminals. Unit members also perform impaired driving investigations, at the request of local agencies, when additional training is required. During 2019, the Nighthawks North task force made 716 DUI arrests. The Nighthawks North investigated 176 crashes with five of those being fatal. Nighthawks North issued 2,262 arrests and 3,053 traffic warnings. The unit conducted 3,821 vehicle stops during the year.

In late Fall 2009, the Nighthawks DUI Task Force South was created to perform DUI enforcement in Bulloch and Chatham counties and is based out of Post 42 - Rincon. The unit works peak hours when most DUI offenders are on the roadway in order to combat the problem of impaired driving. Nighthawk Troopers assisted the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department and Tybee Island Police Department with road checks and traffic control during major events. They assisted with a DRE detail at the MCCD Scales. During 2019, Nighthawks Middle made 77,859 traffic stops which resulted in 50,389 citations, 60,486 warnings and 2,264 arrests for Driving Under the Influence (DUI). They also investigated 10,139 crashes and were involved in 122 pursuits.

In Spring 2012, another Nighthawks DUI Task Force was created in Middle Georgia. This task force focuses its enforcement on impaired driving in Macon and Columbus. From January 2018 through March 2018, the Nighthawks patrolled the cities of Albany and Columbus in Troop G. As of April 1, 2018, the unit was relocated as part of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety Grant and patrols areas within Troop D. Nighthawks South made 1,123 DUI arrests, generated 6,321 traffic stops, and investigated 72 crashes.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY SUPPORT

The Office of Public Safety Support (OPSS) was established by Georgia State Legislation HB 703 to provide critical incident support to those who serve as First Responders in the State of Georgia. OPSS is a collaborative effort between the Georgia State Patrol and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. OPSS has provided critical incident peer support to 124 individual public safety officers, held 15 critical incident stress debriefings (peer support in a group setting to a first responder agency), and taught two Basic Peer Support classes with approximately 60 participants from local law enforcement and state agencies. The office facilitated Georgia's three-day Post Critical Incident Seminar on St. Simons Island in March 2019. OPSS provided eight presentations to various public safety groups, including the Georgia Chief's Association, the National Black State Troopers Coalition, and the FBI National Academy Winter Conference. The Director and Captain is a licensed clinician who has provided therapy (Cognitive Behavior Therapy, EMDR, etc) for 37 members of public safety for 2019. He also assisted the State of New York with their Post Critical Incident Seminar, where he serves as New York's PCIS clinical director.





CRIMINAL INTERDICTION UNIT

The Georgia State Patrol's Criminal Interdiction Unit (CIU) is a statewide unit tasked with the pro-active enforcement of traffic and criminal laws. During 2019, the unit consisted of seven teams assigned to work major interstate corridors. The Criminal Interdiction Unit had teams assigned to pro-active patrols concentrating on I-20 west of Atlanta, I-20 east of Atlanta, I-75 north of Atlanta, I-75 south of Macon, I-95, I-85 south of Atlanta and I-85 north of Atlanta.

CIU members attended several nationally recognized training events as both students and instructors in the field of criminal interdiction during 2019. During 2019, the members of the Criminal Interdiction Unit instructed several advanced criminal interdiction technique courses to officers across the nation, as well as with the Department.

CIU also responded to assist in various ways as requested by local Troop Commands including traffic crash investigations, Hurricane details, the St. Patrick's Day parade in Savannah and traffic control as needed.

The numbers reflected below are missing statistics from the months of July and part of August due to data that was lost during a Cyber Attack.

Criminal Interdiction Unit Activity Totals

During 2019, the Criminal Interdiction Unit members worked 104 crash investigations, made 1,559 arrests, issued 5,677 warnings, made 21 DUI arrests, 161 felony drug arrests, 53 non-Drug felony arrests, and made 78 misdemeanor drug arrests. CIU members made 111 criminal apprehensions, assisted 347 stranded motorists, recovered 61 stolen vehicles, inspected 609 commercial motor vehicles, and conducted 7,913 total traffic stops.

CIU members seized 85.527 kilograms of marijuana, 27.152 kilograms of cocaine, 10.307 kilograms of methamphetamine, 829.5 dosage units of other dangerous drugs, and 1.934 kilograms of heroin. They seized 63 weapons and located seven hidden or constructed compartments. They also seized a total of \$1,198,602. In addition to this, 61 recovered stolen vehicles had a value of \$1,027,458.

Additionally, CIU members assisted other agencies in seizing over 455.581 kilograms of marijuana, 115.027 kilograms of cocaine, 1,088.411 kilograms of methamphetamine, 29.64 kilograms of heroin, 16,978.552 dosage units of other dangerous drugs, and \$3,006,409.27 in illegal drug proceeds. In total, the Criminal Interdiction Unit initiated or assisted in making a total monetary impact of more than \$27,176,888 against organized crime elements operating in the State of Georgia.

Counter-Terrorist Task Force: The Criminal Interdiction Unit continues to be a core component of the State's Counter-Terrorist Task Force. This assignment has led to an increase in training requirements and additional responsibilities.

During 2019, CIU members received advanced training on weapons and received training in other counterterrorism related issues. Additionally, there are two Troopers from each Troop area that are assigned to the Counter-Terrorist Task Force and fall under partial Criminal Interdiction Unit control during any designated operations.





FIELD OPERATIONS MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performs driver and vehicle inspections of commercial motor vehicles at roadsides, inspection stations, and at carriers' terminals. The inspections range from "full" vehicle and driver inspections, which includes mechanical components, to "driver only" inspections. These may also include inspections of vehicles transporting hazardous materials. To date, the Motor Carrier Compliance Division has graduated two Motor Carrier Officer Schools.



The Motor Carrier Compliance Division is divided into 22 weigh stations within nine geographic regions and two specialized units. One Specialized Unit, operating within Region 3, is the HOV/HOT Enforcement Unit. This unit is located in the Metro Atlanta Area at 320 Chester Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia. The other specialized unit is the Safety Compliance Unit which consists of the New Entrant Safety Audit, Compliance Review, and School Bus Safety identified as Region 10. Region 10's office is located in Madison, Georgia. The administrative staff for MCCD is located at the Headquarters for the Department of Public Safety in Atlanta. As of December 31, MCCD had 252 Officers and 34 weight inspectors.

The primary focus of Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) is the enhancement of highway safety in regards to commercial motor vehicles. MCCD Officers perform in-depth complex safety inspections of the commercial vehicle, its operator, and the load to ensure that they pose no identifiable risk to the safety of the motoring public.

Size and Weight Enforcement: Enforcement of laws and regulations relating to size and weight of commercial motor vehicles and loads are provided for in Article 2 of Chapter 6 of title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The operation of 19 permanent weigh/inspection stations provides enforcement coverage on the interstates and related by-pass routes. The utilization of MCCD Officers allows for monitoring and enforcement efforts on other roadways within the state.

Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Program: The commercial vehicle safety program is outlined in the Commercial Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP), our annual Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) grant statement to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). The CVSP contains five required program areas: Driver/Vehicle Inspections, Traffic Enforcement, Compliance Reviews, Public Information and Education, and Data Collection.

MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

REGION 1 is responsible for 17 counties located in the northwest corner of the state. Region 1 operation centers around the Catoosa County Inspection Stations located on I-75 mile marker 343. Region 1 conducted 23 educational outreach training sessions with both industry and municipal and county law enforcement personnel. Region 1 also holds the semi-annual Georgia Motor Trucking Association event at the southbound weigh station. Region One responded to Hurricane Irma and the tornado detail in Albany.

REGION 2 responsibilities consist of the safety of the general public especially those who travel on Georgia's roadways. Region 2's territory includes 21 counties located in Northeast Georgia and along the Interstate 85 and I-20 corridor from the South Carolina state line thru the metro area of Gwinnett County. Region 2 Operations Centers are Station 4 located on Interstate 85 North mile marker 171 and Station 3 located on Interstate 85 South mile marker 169.

REGION 3 is responsible for nine counties located in the Metro Atlanta area, and includes HOV and HOT operations, under Station 7-Metro. Region 3 operations center around the Douglas County Inspection Station, located on I-20 eastbound at mile marker 43 and the Carroll County Inspection Station located on I-20 westbound at mile marker 15 as well as the Chester Avenue location of Station 7.

REGION 4 is responsible for 18 counties in east Middle Georgia. Region 4 operations center is at the Columbia County Inspection Stations on I-20 at mile markers 187 and 188. Region 4 also participated in winter events in Atlanta such as salt truck escorts, also participated disaster in Albany and contra flow in Chatham and Bryan Counties. Region 4 Officers participated with Riot control in Atlanta as well.

REGION 5 is responsible for 18 counties in West Georgia with operations centering around the Troup County Inspection Stations located on Interstate 85, mile marker 23. The region currently has 17 Officers and two civilian weight inspectors. Region 5 Officers assisted the citizens of Georgia with power lines down and debris from Hurricane Irma. Also, they assisted in the snow detail in Atlanta in early January 2017 with escorting brine and salt trucks.

REGION 6 is responsible for 22 counties in Central Georgia. Region operations are based in Monroe County, with offices at GSP Post 44 and the inspection stations on I-75, mile marker 190 in Forsyth. Region 6 conducted over 14 concentrated enforcement details; speed enforcement patrols, occupant protection checks, high priority traffic enforcement, Stop the Threat (STT) campaign and impaired driving details to meet the Department's strategic plan goals.

REGION 7 is responsible for 18 counties located in South East Georgia. Operations center around the Bryan County Inspection Station located on I-16 mile marker 144 and the Chatham County Inspection Station located on I-95 mile marker 111. Within Region 7 are three counties listed in the top 15 Georgia counties with fatalities involving commercial motor vehicles. Region 7 conducts "Concentrated" enforcement efforts in these high crash corridor areas. Region 7 held 17 campaigns, including Stop The Threat and Safe Drive 95 concentrating on traffic enforcement on and around commercial motor vehicles.

REGION 8 is responsible for 20 counties in South Central and South West Georgia. The Lowndes County Inspection Stations are located on I-75, mile marker 23 and there is one semi-permanent inspection station located on GA 273 Spur in Early County. Three Officers attended the first MCCD School at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, GA.

REGION 9 consists of 16 southeast Georgia counties with two permanent inspection stations located on I-95 NB and SB mile marker 55 in McIntosh County. The Region also has a Satellite Station on Georgia 38 in Long County. Region 9 Officers participated in 10 safety outreach events, including the Georgia Motor Trucking Association Truck Check, Southeastern Wood Producers meeting and judicial outreach programs to the court



systems in the region. Officers provided seminars and public safety information to trucking companies in reference to regulations and general safety issues. Officers also conducted courtesy vehicle inspections on all Georgia Forestry Commission tractors and trailers.

REGION 10 responsibilities include Compliance Review and Safety Audits. Region 10 conducted 215 Compliance Reviews and 1,636 Safety Audits on carriers throughout the state. Officers and civilians had 54 enforcement cases resulting in \$312,683.00 dollars in civil penalties. These Officers and civilians are also required to conduct commercial vehicle inspections and maintain the required number of inspections for certification. Region 10 is responsible for handling complaints against motor carriers who fail to comply with FMCSA regulations. In 2019, Region 10 investigated approximately 45 complaints. Region 10 is also responsible for overseeing the Data Q program for FMCSA. In 2019, the Data Q team responded to 2,523 Data Q challenges from carriers on roadside inspections and crashes.

MOTOR CARRIER COMPLIANCE

	Overweight Assessments	Total Funds for Assessments	Safety Inspections	Traffic Citations	Drivers Out of Service	Vehicles Out of Service
Region 1	876	\$ 136,725.75	6,245	1,076	98	91
Region 2	2,853	\$ 424,802.96	7,898	2,108	7,624	10,983
Region 3	2,480	\$ 317,867.00	13,902	4,161	873	2,010
Region 4	2,818	\$ 667,565.25	8,531	2,012	189	157
Region 5	1,534	\$ 225,780.00	6,147	2,560	202	337
Region 6	2,868	\$ 454,897.00	9,432	3,238	378	562
Region 7	1,907	\$ 365,178.25	9,888	2,210	166	188
Region 8	2,496	\$ 518,901.85	8,384	1,447	173	260
Region 9	927	\$ 146,364.00	9,312	1,897	608	3,125

NOTE: Region 3's Metro Unit regularly conducts HOT/HOV operations and Inner Perimeter details in addition to standard motor carrier duties. Station 7 shoulders the responsibility of enforcing GDOT HOT (High Occupancy Toll) lanes and HOV (High Occupancy Vehicle) lanes, in addition to MCCD CMV enforcement. Officers issued a total of 2,260 uniform traffic citations.



TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Both nationally and statewide, unsafe commercial driver behavior is linked to most at-fault commercial vehicle crashes. Therefore, all MCCD Officers routinely perform traffic enforcement duties statewide. MCCD Officers use both LIDAR and RADAR to detect speeding violations. MCCD Officers also enforce all criminal and traffic laws to ensure compliance with commercial vehicle safety laws, rules, and regulations.

COMMERCIAL DRIVER-VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

The Department receives several federal grants from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to conduct commercial driver-vehicle inspections and related activities statewide. These inspections must be performed in accordance within the guidelines set forth by FMCSA and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA).

A safety compliance inspection includes the examination of driver's license; Medical Examiner's Certificate and Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) Certificate (if applicable); alcohol and drugs; driver's record of duty status, as required; hours of service; seat belt; vehicle inspection report(s) (if applicable); brake systems; cargo securement; coupling devices; driveline/driveshaft; exhaust systems; frames; fuel systems; lighting devices (headlamps, tail lamps, stop lamps, turn signals and lamps/flags on projecting loads); steering mechanisms; suspensions; tires; van and open-top trailer bodies; wheels, rims and hubs; windshield wipers; buses, motor coaches, passenger vans or other passenger-carrying vehicles – emergency exits, electrical cables and systems in engine and battery compartments, seating, Hazardous Materials/Dangerous Goods (HM/DG) and specification cargo tank requirements, as applicable. HM/DG required inspection items will only be inspected by certified HM/DG and cargo tank inspectors, as applicable.

MCCD Officers are trained and certified by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) and the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) to perform these safety compliance inspections. Further, in regard to this inspection related training, all MCCD Officers are trained to a national uniform criteria which helps guarantee that the safety inspections performed by our officers are substantially the same as those conducted by other state law enforcement officers throughout the nation. MCCD safety compliance inspections are conducted on the roadside through commercial vehicle traffic stops, as well as at fixed site inspection stations throughout Georgia.

SIZE AND WEIGHT ENFORCEMENT

A critical component of MCCD duties and responsibilities is the protection of the state's highway infrastructure (roads and bridges). Accordingly, MCCD enforces Georgia laws, rules, and regulations relating to size and weight of commercial motor vehicles and the loads thereon. Such laws are provided for in Article 2 of Chapter 6 of title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. MCCD operates 20 permanent weigh/inspection stations in Georgia, which includes 19 permanent stations on interstate highways, and one semi-permanent station on GA 273 Spur in Early County, GA. MCCD provides size and weight enforcement coverage on both interstate and non-interstate highways in Georgia.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE SECTION

The Regulatory Compliance Section is responsible for the issuance of certificates and permits for the Passenger Carrier, Household Goods, Transportation Referral Services, and Non-Consensual Towing Programs for intrastate motor carriers in Georgia. In addition to the primary responsibilities of the program managers, educational outreach classes and program specific training sessions are routinely performed. Also, this unit is responsible for registering companies with Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) and Georgia Intrastate Motor Carrier (GIMC) Registration. This gives these companies authority to haul commercially in interstate and/or intrastate commerce.

Non-Consensual Towing: Non-Consensual towing regulates towing companies that tow illegally parked vehicles form private property. Non-Consensual Towing has one full time employee, who is responsible for regulating over 300 active Non-Consensual Towing companies. There were 318 new towing permits issued, and seven consent agreements were sent to noncompliant towing companies totaling \$3,600. There were 32 complaints that were investigated, and 18 cease and desist orders were issued for 2019.



Household Goods: The Household Goods Programs regulates movers who provides for-hire services in Georgia. This unit has one full time employee that handles all applications, audits, complaints and investigations on household good movers. During 2019, there were a total of 17 certificates issued. Out of the 17 certificates, 11 of them were new companies. Twenty-seven audits were conducted, and 20 complaints were reviewed. The unit totaled \$4,275 in revenue through application fees and civil penalties. Four Cease and Desist Orders were issued in 2019.

For Hire Transportation Services: For-Hire Transportation services are companies like Uber, Lyft, and taxi companies that provide transportation to individuals for a fee. This unit has one full time employee that handles all the registrations for For-Hire Transportation services. For the 2019 registration, there were a total of 479 For-Hire Transportation Service Licenses reviewed. There were six complaints reviewed. The regulatory unit is currently handling registrations for 2020. As of December 31, 2019, the Department has issued 477 For-Hire Transportation Service License for 2019's registration. In 2019, \$35,925 in fees were collected.

Passenger Carrier and Limousines Section: The Passenger Carrier and Limousine section has one full time and one-part time employee. They are responsible for handling approximately over 843 passenger and limousine carrier accounts. During 2019, the section issued 74 new permits, 25 interim passenger certificates, 25 Passenger Certificates and 35 interim limousine certificates. There were 27 audits performed and seven Cease and Desist Orders issued, and six complaints investigated. There were also four consent agreements issued, and 12 training sessions conducted for the 2019. During 2019, fees totaled \$9,165.

Unified Carrier Registration and Georgia Intrastate Motor Carrier Registration Section: The UCR/ GIMC section has four full-time employees, one open position, one temporary employee responsible for the registration of over 7,800 carriers for GIMC, and over 21,400 carriers for UCR registration. The UCR/GIMC registration gives intrastate and interstate carriers operating authority to haul goods and services in and through the state of Georgia. This unit collected the following registration fees for 2019.

- 1. GIMC funds deposited for 2019 \$437,276
- 2. UCR funds deposited for 2019 \$2,660,060

OVERWEIGHT CITATION SECTION

The Overweight Citations Section consist of one working supervisor and three full time customer service personnel. This unit receives payments from carriers that that have been issued civil citations for violating Georgia weight law limitations. Additionally, Georgia law provides for the impounding of violating vehicles when assessment fees remain unpaid. The Overweight Citations Unit manages the impound program and provides remedies that may allow carriers to simultaneously operate their business and pay delinquent fines. The Overweight Citations Unit receives and processes carrier request for administrative law hearings to contest overweight assessments.

SAFETYNET PROGRAM SECTION

The SafetyNet Unit collects data from all unit officers in the 10 Regions. MCCD has a total of 241 Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA). CVSA is a non-profit association of local, state, provincial, territorial and federal commercial motor vehicle safety officials and industry representatives. Certified Officers that perform safety inspections on commercial vehicles at roadside or at one of our 19 permanent weigh station locations in the state of Georgia. From January 1, through December 31, 2019, the SafetyNet Unit accounted for and processed 83,813 driver vehicle inspections reports and uploaded these to the Federal Motor Carrier Management Information System (MCMIS) database. As a requirement, the unit also performs certifications on the total number of driver vehicle inspection reports returned from the motor carrier industry. In 2019, MCCD officers placed 13,090 vehicles out-of-service due to violations and placed 5,321 drivers out-of-service for violations. During the year, the SafetyNet Unit certified approximately 85% of the total number of inspections performed. The SafetyNet Unit maintains crash data on commercial vehicles received through an interface with the Georgia Department of Transportation and Lexis-Nexis (contractor for GDOT). Commercial crashes must meet the federal reporting criteria of being a fatality, injury, or tow-away. From January 1 through December 31, 2019, the unit reviewed over 5,057 commercial vehicle crashes and uploaded the data to the MCMIS database.

The SafetyNet Unit is also tasked with the preparation and evaluation of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Plan (CVSP) required annually by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration for MCSAP funding. Other federal grant requests, quarterly and annual reports are also prepared by the unit.

DATA Q'S SECTION

This section has one full time sworn officer and one part-time employee who are responsible for handling all safety and crash Data Q challenges for the state. This officer reviews driver/vehicle examination reports and/or crash reports for accuracy and completeness. If a motor carrier has a problem or an issue with the inspection report or crash report then the officer will review all the data associated with the report and make a determination if the violation/issue discovered is to remain, be corrected, or completely removed from the inspection/crash report. In 2019, there was a total of 2,523 Data Q's challenges from carriers on roadside inspections and crashes.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY UNIT

The School Bus Safety Unit consists of 10 MCSAP certified officers who are responsible for conducting safety inspections on approximately 20,239 public school buses statewide. The unit also conducts inspections

on over 600 Head Start buses annually. In addition to the primary responsibility of bus inspections, other responsibilities include conducting safety meetings and performing commercial motor vehicle inspections. The school bus officers are not assigned to Region 10, but are responsible for collecting the inspections, reporting and maintaining the data. Also, during 2019, the Office of Planning and Research conducted five educational seminars for the RESA Districts and the GAPT Conferences in the state, promoting School Bus Safety and the new School Bus Inspection Database in partnership with Georgia Department of Education.

Compliance Review Program (Investigation and Safety Analysis): This program is one of the five elements of the MCSAP plan. The Compliance Review unit consists of five compliance review officers and two compliance review civilian employees that are cross trained to conduct Safety Audits and conduct both interstate and intrastate safety compliance reviews. These on-site examinations of motor carrier operations include reviewing driver's hours of service, maintenance and inspection of vehicles, driver qualification files, controlled substance and alcohol testing, CDL requirements, financial responsibility, accidents, hazardous materials, and other safety and transportation records. This review is intended to provide information to evaluate the safety performance and regulatory compliance of a company's operation. This unit is also responsible for the preparation of civil penalty cases for prosecution of serious safety violations found during these reviews. All compliance review officers and civilians are trained in Compliance, Safety, and Accountability (CSA).

New Entrant Program: The New Entrant Program is responsible for performing safety audits on new interstate motor carriers based in Georgia within 12 months, (four months for passenger carriers) of receipt of new entrant registration. The Safety Audit Unit is comprised of four officers and seven civilians who are cross trained to conduct Compliance Reviews and CSA Investigations.

Public Information and Education Program: This program involves extensive educational outreach by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division to the general public, drivers, carriers, industry groups, law enforcement agencies and the judiciary. MCCD distributes over 62 separate informational brochures and handouts on commercial vehicle safety topics. This information is distributed by the officers at the weigh stations to the general public. Regional Officers work closely with the Georgia Motor Trucking Association, the general public and are also responsible for arranging and attending functions that focus on the commercial motor vehicle industry and the general public. This unit utilizes various social media outlets, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Media PSAs.

METRO UNIT (STATION 7)

Station 7 is a component of Region 3. This unit is responsible for performing duties relative to the commercial vehicle safety mission, but also includes enforcing lane restriction laws inside the I-285 perimeter, as well as HOV and HOT lane restrictions. HOV lane operations are currently conducted by 12 officers (including unit supervisors) who are responsible for patrolling over 100 HOV and HOT lane miles in the metro Atlanta area. HOT lanes went into effect October 2011. HOT lanes have been assigned four full-time officers patrolling the I-85 and Hwy 316 corridor. The effort put forth by these officers is designed to ensure compliance with HOV and HOT lane restrictions, thus improving air quality and traffic mitigation in Metro Atlanta. These officers also conduct Motor Carrier Safety inspections and enforce truck lane restrictions in the metro Atlanta Area, as well as other agency assistance, traffic control assistance and enforcement regarding violations of all other state laws when encountered during the course of their assigned duties.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS UNIT

For 2019, the Nuclear Radiological Detection Team participated in several details to include Super Bowl 53, Savannah St. Patrick's Day Parade, Atlanta Motor Speedway events, the 2019 Atlanta Air Show, Savannah Rock and Roll Marathon, and concentrated details in and around the Port of Savannah. The team also participated in multiple joint training exercises with the Department of Energy Radiological Assistance Program and the Georgia National Guard 4th Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team. The team ended 2019 with 14 members. This is two positions down from full strength of 16.

STOP THE THREAT ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE

The Stop The Threat initiative is a sustainable traffic enforcement strategy designed to take place in every area of the state. Through education, outreach (media), and aggressive traffic enforcement strategies, is to provide for a safer transportation environment for our citizens and the nation's motorists. MCCD officers target those commercial vehicle drivers and other motorists who endanger lives by engaging in unsafe driver behavior. Throughout the state, MCCD strategically deploys officers in highly visible, marked patrol vehicles in both high crash corridors and high crash rural route areas of the state during periods that crashes involving CMVs most commonly occur (Time of Day, Day of Week, Day of Month).

Officers and troopers focus their enforcement efforts on crash causative factors such as:

- Speeding
- Distracted Driving, to include texting and cell phone violations
- Following Too Close
- Impaired Driving (alcohol and drugs)
- Fatigued Driving
- Improper Lane Changes and Improper Lane Usage
- Seat Belt Infractions
- Mechanical and Structural Defects on CMVs

Cumulatively, MCCD Officers conduct a total of 108 "Stop The Threat" campaigns statewide, which is an average of nine events per month statewide.

TRAFFIC CRASH ANALYTICS

- As part of its commitment to CMV-involved crash reduction, the Department employs an analyst to study CMV-involved crash trends and chart crashes by location and time frame.
- Command staff is periodically provided with interactive crash dashboards that provide detailed CMVinvolved crash trends that can be drilled down to the region or county level.
- Command staff also has access to the Georgia Roadway Incident Dashboard (GRID), a traffic crash analytical program developed for the Department by the University of Alabama's Center for Advanced Public Safety (CAPS). GRID provides the ability to map and analyze crash trends and factors for all crashes occurring on Georgia roadways.
- Crash trend data is a valuable tool used by Regional command staff to schedule daily enforcement and special high-visibility events, such as the Stop the Threat program.







FIELD OPERATIONS CAPITOL POLICE DIVISION

Officers with the Capitol Police Division (CPD) investigate criminal incidents and traffic crashes; manage street closures for events; patrol the streets on Capitol Square and those adjacent to other state buildings; provide courtroom security for Georgia's Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; conduct security assessments and surveillance detection; and deliver personal safety training for state employees and others.



The Department of Public Safety's Capitol Police Division (CPD) is tasked with the responsibility of providing primary law enforcement and security duties for the Georgia State Capitol, the Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Judicial Building, Sloppy Floyd Towers, Two Peachtree, and all other state owned buildings located on Capitol Hill. These buildings house constitutional, legislative, and judicial officers of the state, in addition to the state employees that occupy offices in each of these buildings. As of December 31, there were 24 Capitol Police Officers and 21 Safety Officers.

Capitol Police Services: Capitol Police officers respond to public safety issues, and secure and protect the state's assets, resources, personnel, and visitors on Capitol Hill. In addition to the day to day operations, the Capitol Police Division establishes and manages access and security policies for the Capitol Square area in conjunction with building tenants, government leadership, and the Georgia Building Authority, and is responsible for planning and providing security and law enforcement services for all public events in the Capitol Square area, including, but not limited to: Investigating criminal activity and prosecuting those found to violate the law; Public protests, demonstrations, and counterdemonstrations; news conferences; lying-in-state ceremonies; VIP and dignitary visits; and political rallies. In addition to traffic enforcement, Officers made numerous misdemeanor and felony arrests and conducted tens of thousands of foot patrols around Capitol Hill.

Georgia State Patrol, Post 50-Capitol Hill Post 50: The Troopers of Post 50 control the access into the State Capitol by checking all state employees, visitors, and other personnel for valid identification. This includes screening all incoming packages, deliveries, and mail. They provide security for all elected officials, state employees and visitors at the State Capitol. Post 50 Troopers also provide security for all buildings on Capitol Hill by conducting patrols in and around these buildings. Troopers, including supervisors, are also required to secure the Georgia Court of Appeals, Georgia Supreme Court, the Coverdale Legislative Office Building, and the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget building. Post 50 Troopers encounter more citizens daily than most Troopers anywhere else in the state. The total personnel for Post 50 consists of 18 Troopers and one post secretary. Post 50 personnel conducted tens of thousands of foot patrols around Capitol Hill in 2019.

In 2019, members of the command staff conducted several courses of in-service training for DPS personnel, as well as, CPR and safety seminars for state employees on Capitol Hill. The Capitol Police Division headquarters building includes a 297-person capacity auditorium. The CPD Command office schedules the auditorium for DPS events and permits reservations by other state agencies. Several state agencies, including DPS, held 13 various training sessions, ceremonies, and conferences in the auditorium throughout the year.

CONTRACT SECURITY

The Capitol Police Division also oversees private security personnel through Dynamic Security, Inc. Dynamic Security has a site manager and 41 uniformed unarmed guards, who monitor and control access to other state facilities on Capitol Hill. These buildings include the Two Peachtree Street building, the Sloppy Floyd Building (Twin Towers), One Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive building (GBA), and the Judicial Courtyard.

CAPITOL HILL EOD K9 TEAM

The Capitol Hill EOD K9 Unit consists of five canine teams. They are responsible for responding to suspicious package notifications and bomb threats on Capitol Hill. They also proactively sweep the Capitol, the Governor's Mansion, and other state buildings routinely. The EOD K9 Unit assists other law enforcement agencies throughout the state with bomb threats upon request. The unit conducted 641 sweeps and responded to 58 suspicious package/bomb threat call-outs. Additionally, the unit completed approximately 1,700 training hours and staged 10 K9 demonstrations in 2019. The Capitol Police Division retired one canine and acquired two new canines for the EOD K9 Unit in 2019.

LEGISLATIVE DETAIL

Each year, beginning in January, the Capitol Police Division is delegated the responsibility of monitoring and providing security for the Legislative Session of the Georgia General Assembly. There were six sworn Officers assigned to the 2019 Legislative Session detail under the supervision of the Assistant Post Commander of Post 50.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Capitol Police Division's Communication personnel receive all radio traffic for calls for service, monitor surveillance video, parking decks alarms, and building elevator systems. Furthermore, they manage building access controls, conduct security background checks, and monitor all of the duress alarms in place on Capitol Hill.

MAIL SERVICES

The Capitol Police Division Mail Services Unit consists of one supervisor and one employee. The unit is not only responsible for the distribution of mail within the division, but are also tasked with screening all incoming mail for the offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Legislature, and Supreme Court. In May 2019, the Capitol Police Division mail room was equipped with a new Rapiscan Orion 918 CX Xray system for scanning parcels. The Mail Services Unit screened 87,949 parcels throughout the year.

SPECIAL DETAILS AND EVENTS

In January 2019, members of the Georgia State Patrol Field Operations, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, SWAT Team, and Honor Guard assisted the Capitol Police Division with the inaugural ceremonies of the newly elected Governor of the State of Georgia, Brian P. Kemp and Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan. Members

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of the Capitol Police Division also provided a security presence for the subsequent swearing-in ceremonies of those newly appointed by Governor Kemp.

Construction on the \$131 million Nathan Deal Judicial Center was completed in November 2019. The NDJC is the new home to the Georgia Supreme Court, Georgia Court of Appeals and Georgia Business Court. The Capitol Police Division assigned one supervisor, two Troopers, and one Capitol Police Officer to secure the 244,000 square foot building and its grounds.

There were 354 events requiring security and police presence in 2019. Listed below is a portion of the larger events that required Capitol Police, GSP Post 50, and Safety Officer staffing:

- January 29, 2019 Georgia March for Life (1,500 attendees)
- March 14, 2019 Georgia Production Day (500 attendees)
- April 20, 2019 We Stand with God Rally (1,000 attendees)
- May 2, 2019
 National Observance (500 attendees)
- June 5, 2019 March for the Planet (1,000 attendees)
- July 2, 2019 My America: A Veteran Tribute (1,000 attendees)

Opposition to the 2019 Heartbeat Abortion law brought a mass of protestors and counter protestors to the grounds of the state capitol. These protests lasted several days causing volatile situations and the need for added security and crowd control from outside DPS members.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

Numerical data related to enforcement activity is not available due to an agency wide cyberattack in July 2019.



OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

<u>Accounting</u>

The Accounting Section is responsible for maintaining the DPS accounting books and records for the Department of Public Safety/Georgia State Patrol and four attached agencies; Georgia Firefighters Standard and Training (GFFST), Peace Officers Standard and Training Council (P.O.S.T.), Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) and the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS). The section consists of accounts payable, accounts receivable/revenue, payroll, grants, and general ledger activity.

The amount of revenue for the Overweight Citations Unit transferred to the State Treasury was \$4,731,048.31 for Fiscal Year 2019.

Revenue received from the Motorcycle Patrol Unit for Fiscal Year 2019:

Total	\$ 201,333.64
Fulton Magistrate Court:	\$ 11,507.37
DeKalb State Court:	\$ 8,870.37
Atlanta Municipal Court:	\$ 180,955.90

Accounts Payable

The Accounts Payable section processed 6,174 checks and 14,953 electronic funds transfers. The Department remitted surplus from State and Other Funds back to the State Treasury in the amount of \$1,081,858.04.

Payroll

The Payroll Office is responsible for maintaining all payroll related reports and processing payroll twice a month for the Department of Public Safety and four attached agencies. Payroll is also responsible for balancing and issuing W-2s to all current and former employees of DPS and the attached agencies. In 2019, 2,205 W-2s were issued. The Payroll Office receives many phones calls requesting assistance or asking payroll related questions. Payroll employees also work closely with the State Accounting Office (SAO) to resolve all payroll problems related to PeopleSoft.

<u>Grants</u>

Grants include writing grants, preparing the reimbursement claims, maintaining budgets, and adhering to federal guidelines on spending. The section also manages all projections and expenditures throughout the year. The following grants/funds were awarded to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) during State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019:

Administrative License Suspension Program & Nighthawks: In SFY 2008, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) combined the Administrative License Suspension Program with the Nighthawk DUI Task Force into one grant for \$725,100.00. This funding continues providing legal assistance to State Troopers at civil hearings for DUI suspension of driver licenses. The grant provides for one attorney, one paralegal, travel related to court appearances, and administrative support services. This grant also continues to provide funding for the operation of multiple DUI Task Forces. The Nighthawks Unit North is focused on the five-county metropolitan area, the Nighthawks Unit Middle Georgia is focused primarily on the Macon area, and the Nighthawks Unit South is primarily focused on the Chatham and Bulloch County areas. The units conduct concentrated patrols, road checks, and provide educational information to the public as part of their outreach efforts. The grant provides funding for 26 Troopers, a unit secretary, and other operational expenses. The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 grant, for both units combined, was \$3,058,618.48.

K-9 Explosive Ordnance Disposal: Grant funds of \$6,000.00 were awarded from The Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for Georgia State Patrol-Capitol Police Explosives Detection Dogs supplies.

K-9 Regional Task Force: The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) awarded \$352,199.00 to provide continuation funding for the Regional K-9 Task Force. The grant provides funding for the unit commander, seven deputies, a secretary, and veterinary expenses. DPS did not retain any grant funds in FY19 and all funds were passed to the Chatham County Sheriff's Office.

Governor's Task Force: The Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) awarded \$765,000.00 to provide air and ground search and destroy missions for marijuana eradication efforts in Georgia.

SWAT/DIVE TEAM: Grant funds of \$100,000 were awarded from then Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) to provide funding for supplies for sustanability for the SWAT team during their training and missions.

Overtime Reimbursements: In SFY 2019, DPS (Georgia State Patrol) worked with various federal agencies and received reimbursement of overtime expenses and other law enforcement expenses related to joint operations. DPS conducts joint operation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Justice, and Atlanta-Carolinas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program. During SFY 2019, DPS was reimbursed \$128,973.68 for overtime expenses.

Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP): Effective July 1, 2005, the Department of Motor Vehicle Safety was reorganized per House Bill 501, and DPS was designated the lead MCSAP agency for the State of Georgia. During SFY 2019, FMCSA combined our New Entrant and MCSAP funding into one grant and DPS was awarded \$10,232,519.00. The mission of the MCSAP program is to improve commercial motor vehicle safety on Georgia's highways by reducing crashes, fatalities, and injuries. Each year, new goals and objectives were outlined in a Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Plan and monitored throughout the plan year. During 2019, the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) performed 83,803 commercial motor vehicle inspections.

New Entrant Program: MCCD is responsible for conducting the New Entrant Program for the State of Georgia. Pursuant to federal regulations, within 18 months of a receipt of New Entrant registration, a motor carrier based in Georgia must undergo a safety audit performed by MCCD. The audit ensures that the motor carrier has complied with the minimum safety standards necessary to continue operating after initially receiving a USDOT number. During the FFY 2019, MCCD officers performed 1,598 safety audits.

High Priority Grants: The DPS MCCD received a high priority grant during SFY 2019 for \$1,697,144.00. It included the following components:

- Public Information and Education This portion of the award is for the purpose of The "Public Information and Education" campaign shall focus on providing public awareness and education through the social media format.
- Data Quality and Data Review This portion of the award is to add an additional officer to data reviews received from FMCSA Data Q system within 14 days of receipt when possible and to improve the data quality of driver vehicle inspections performed by Officers on a regional basis.
- Crash Data Analytics This portion of the award is to provide for a crash analyst in addition to a GIS analyst to ensure crash data is accurate and the crash data can be disseminated to the Region Commanders.

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• Commercial Enforcement and Awareness Training - This portion of the award is for the purpose of educating county and local law enforcement agencies in correctly identifying commercial motor vehicles and recording on a police accident report.

Procurement

The Procurement Department is responsible for procuring the goods and services needed for the Department of Public Safety (DPS) personnel to carry out its mission. The procurement may be through open market purchases, statewide contracts, established agency contracts or bidding out the service or goods. The Procurement Department must follow all laws and policies established by the Department of Administrative Services (DOAS) State Purchasing Division (SPD) and DPS policies. All procurement staff must take the training and pass the tests established by DOAS SPD to become a GA Certified Procurement Associate (GCPA). The Procurement Director must reach the level of GA Certified Procurement Manager (GCPM).

There are four agencies administratively attached to DPS. Procurement handles the procurement for two of the attached agencies, Georgia Firefighters Standard and Training (GFFST) and Peace Officers Standard and Training Council (POST). Both the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) and the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) handle their own requisitions, purchase orders, and bids.

During the period January 1, to December 31, 2019, the following purchase orders were processed:

- 6,732 Purchase Orders (PO), (decrease of 328) were processed for a total of \$62,523,899.52 (increase of \$109,503,739.70) by DPS proper (all four attached agencies)
- 3,985 Purchase Orders (PO), (decrease of 260) were processed for a total of \$48,708,463.76 (increase of \$10,233,786.94) by DPS (includes GFFST and POST)
- 963 Change Order POs DPS in its entirety
- 301 Change Order POs DPS (includes GFFST and POST)
- 28 bids were processed by DPS and all attached agencies
- 17 bids were processed by DPS
- 1 RFP began in 2018 and awarded in 2019
- 7 Sole Source Posting (1 later cancelled) by DPS

Breakdown of Purchase Order (P.O.) types for DPS and all attached agencies:

ТҮРЕ	COUNT PO NO.
Agency Contracts	314
Sole Brand	4
Sole Source	8
ACPiggyback	9
Construction	0
Exempt	500
Intergovernment	181
Mandatory	97
Multi PO	0
Open Mkt	2,427
EMER	1

SWCC	2,180	
SWCM	1,011	
TOTAL	6,732	

Excess Property

1033 Program: Under Section 1033 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 1997, the Secretary of Defense may transfer to State and Local Agencies property that is determined suitable for law enforcement activities from the Department of Defense (DOD). The Georgia 1033 Program enables Georgia Law Enforcement agencies to participate in this program and acquire DOD equipment to support law enforcement activities under the aforementioned Federal Guidelines 10.U.S.C. 2576a.

There are currently 910 agencies listed in the Excess Property database eligible to participate in 1033 Excess Property. These agencies include police departments, sheriff departments, drug task forces, marshal offices, and state law enforcement agencies.

In 2019, 323 agencies participated in the 1033 Excess Property Program. The total value of property distributed was \$5,280,089.34. Since the beginning of the Excess Property Program, September 1, 1991, to present over \$80 million dollars' worth of equipment has been distributed to law enforcement agencies in Georgia.

Excess Property provides 1033 training the second Tuesday of each month, at the Excess Property Office. During 2019, there were 76 attendees in the training classes. Training was also conducted at several locations throughout Georgia to accommodate the varying geographic locations of participating law enforcement agencies.

1122 Procurement Program: This is a federal program that allows state and local government agencies access to federal sources of supply to purchase equipment to support counter-drug, homeland security, and emergency response activities. The Department of Defense (DOD), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), and the General Services Administration (GSA) provides an authorized list of items available for the purchasing of equipment and services through this program.

The 1122 Program affords state and of local government agencies the opportunity to take advantage of the discounts available to the federal government due to its large volume purchases. By using this program, state and local government agencies are able to stretch their budget dollars. The participating agencies in Georgia have saved millions of dollars by using the 1122 Procurement Program. Agencies may be able to save from 15 to as much as 80 percent when purchasing equipment suitable for counter-drug, homeland security, or emergency response activities.

In 2019, Excess Property provided 1,016 quotes to the states and local government agencies that participate in the program. Out of the 1,016 quotes provided, 891 orders were placed, purchasing \$10,620,341.56 in equipment, services and supplies. Excess Property provides 1122 Program training in conjunction with the 1033 Program training the second Tuesday of each month, at the Excess Property Office. In 2019, there were 76 attendees in the training classes. Training was also conducted at several locations throughout Georgia to accommodate the varying geographic locations of participating agencies. The Georgia State Patrol's Aviation Division serves as the State of Georgia's aeronautical search and rescue unit. The unit's mission is to provide search and rescue capabilities, fire suppression, and any other need that would require aerial support for all 159 counties and their respective municipalities. The unit is made up of 15 pilots, three rotorcraft technicians, one office administration assistant, and five hangars that are strategically located throughout the state so that response times can be minimized as much as possible. Eleven helicopters and one fixed wing airplane are among the flying assets owned by the Department of Public Safety. The unit also provides support to GEMA/Homeland Security during natural disasters and state emergencies.

Below is a list of accomplishments/activities for the Aviation Division in 2019:

- Superbowl LIII crowd and observation patrols
- 1,389 missions were flown
- 942 Governor's Task Force flight hours
- 506 search and rescue hours
- 22 flight hours in support of Hurricane Dorian Relief both pre and post landfall
- 91 Executive Transport hours
- 33 aerial photography hours
- 251 training hours

LEGAL SERVICES OFFICE

The Legal Services Office provides assistance to the Commissioner and to the employees of the Department concerning any matters associated with the day-to-day operations of the department. Members of the Legal Services staff work closely with Human Resources Division staff on issues related to compliance with labor and employment laws, matters related to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity, and the Department of Labor. Members of the Legal Services staff regularly provide training to the Department's employees during Trooper School, in-service training, and department-wide training on a variety of topics. Members of the Legal Services staff serve as the agency representative before Administrative Law Judges in personnel appeals, hearings related to overweight and oversized commercial vehicles, and other administrative hearings.

The Open Records Unit is responsible for processing open records requests from the public with a focus on prompt and efficient customer service. This unit also provides guidance and assistance to Department employees who respond to open records requests. In the calendar year 2017, the unit responded to 35,339 open records requests. In the calendar year 2018, the unit responded to 38,328 open records requests. In the calendar year 2019, the unit responded to 37,269 open records requests with a percentage of decrease of 2.76% (This number does not include the many requests for multiple reports, video, and photos logged under the same request).

The Administrative License Suspension (ALS) program is part of the Nighthawk DUI Task Force grant, which the Governor's Office of Highway Safety awarded to the Department. The grant provides specific funding for an ALS attorney and a paralegal. The ALS attorney serves as a Department representative and assists troopers at ALS hearings. In addition, the ALS attorney provides assistance at ALS hearings for Troopers assigned to the Nighthawks DUI Task Force, including the majority of hearings in metropolitan Atlanta, Savannah, Statesboro, Albany, and Columbus. The ALS attorney assists troopers statewide with questions regarding DUI and ALS issues and conducts DUI/ALS training for all new troopers attending Trooper School. Each month, the Legal Services Office publishes the DPS Legal Review which is distributed to the Department's employees, as well as other law enforcement agencies and interested parties.

In 2019, some of the activities performed by the Legal Services staff were:

- Reviewed, revised or drafted approximately 155 contracts, agreements, or memoranda of understanding.
- Opened 37,269 Open Records requests.
- Opened approximately 1,448 Administrative License Suspension cases and filed motions and briefs in approximately 585 cases and served as the agency representative at the related ALS hearings.
- Opened 53 overweight/oversize citation cases and served as the agency representative at 37 administrative hearings. The agency settled 16 cases prior to an administrative hearing.
- Opened and processed 179 legal case files.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Office of Professional Standards (OPS) ensures the Department's adherence to ethical standards, performance criteria and commitment to public service by conducting a variety of investigations including internal affairs matters, pre-employment background cases, some criminal activity and violations of speed detection device and light permits. The business components of OPS include Internal Affairs, Background Investigations, Polygraph, Permits, and support staff.

Internal Affairs Unit

The Internal Affairs Unit investigates allegations of wrongdoing against members of the Department of Public Safety, including the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, and Capitol Police. The Internal Affairs Unit also investigates complaints alleging the misuse of red and blue lights, and speed detection devices by any agency bearing the Department's certification, as well as assessing threats made against the Department's interests and some criminal activity.

During 2019, the Department of Public Safety initiated 677 investigations. Of this number, 32 were complaint investigations conducted by field troop officers or Human Resources staff, while 645 were investigations conducted by the Internal Affairs Unit. The table below is a summary of the types and number of cases investigated during 2019:

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6
546
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1

Improper Conduct	4
Improper Search and Seizure	1
Improper Use of Speed Detection Device	13
Lost/Damaged/Misuse of Equipment	4
Misconduct during Traffic Stop	11
Mishandling of Evidence	2
Off-Duty Misconduct	2
Officer Involved Shooting	1
Other	6
PIT/Pursuits	3
POST Arrest	31
Speed Detection Device Complaint Investigations	13
Theft	1
Threat Assessment	11
Title VI	2
Use of Force/Firearm Discharge	2
Violation of Technology Policy	2
Work Performance	2
TOTAL	677

Pre-Employment

OPS is responsible for coordinating the function of preemployment investigations for candidates seeking to join the Department of Public Safety. During 2019, the Background Investigation Unit managed 975 preemployment applications from Human Resources. Of which, 625 did not meet the Department's employment standards and were disqualified from further consideration. There were 118 applicants who withdrew prior to the completion of the pre-employment investigations. The pre-employment investigations performed by GSP field Lieutenants and NCOs, as well as MCCD SFCs (Sergeant First Class), and assisted by OPS, resulted in 232 applicants who were hired by DPS. The 975 perspective applicants were considered



for the following positions: 562 GSP trooper, 213 dispatcher, 113 Motor Carrier (Cadet, Weight Inspector), 28 Capitol Police/Safety Officer, and 59 other (secretary, clerk, computer services technologist, mechanic, and others).

Polygraph Unit

During 2019, 1,093 Polygraph Examinations were conducted by the Office of Professional Standards. All were DPS pre-employment screening tests, none of which were a specific issue (Internal Affairs) test, and none were for outside agencies. The Chief Polygraph Examiner conducted quality control which also included video reviews. All examiners completed ongoing professional training during the year. Three examiners attended

a two-day Georgia Bureau of Investigation/Georgia Polygraph Association training at the Douglasville Police Department in October. Several new items of equipment were upgraded during the year. This has enabled simultaneous testing of up to six examinees at one time.

Speed Detection Device Permits

During 2019, OPS administered the statewide issuance of 154 speed detection device permits to law enforcement agencies. Of those permits, 106 were issued to cities or municipalities, 44 to sheriff's offices, and four to college or universities.

Light Permits

OPS is responsible for reviewing applications and issuing permits for the use of Amber, Blue, and Red Flashing or Revolving Lights. From January through December, OPS administered the issuance of 65,506 Amber Light Permits, 339 Blue Light Permits, and 657 Red Light Permits.



Window Tint Permits

OPS is responsible for reviewing applications and issuing permits for exemption to the Window Tint Law. From January 1, through December 31, 2019, OPS administered the issuance of 391 Window Tint Permits.

Additional Accomplishments

OPS continued to aid the department's Training Office by providing instruction in GSP Basic Trooper schools, POST IT Training, P.O.S.T. Supervision Training, and DPS in-service classes. Two members serve on the Executive Board of the Georgia Internal Affairs Investigators Association (GIAIA).

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH

The Office of Planning and Research is responsible to develop and maintain the agency's strategic plan, the bi-annual review of the agency's policies, Uniform Crime Reporting, major event planning, and other special projects as directed by the Commissioner.

NCAA Final Four - During 2019, the office attended numerous planning meetings in a multi-agency public safety effort to provide security for the NCAA Final Four Basketball Championship Games scheduled to be held in Atlanta in April 2020. The office facilitated agency planning group meetings to prepare to support this event.

Records Management System (RMS) Improvement Project – The office is working in tandem with the Technology Division in the process of reviewing the agency's existing RMS applications. This effort is being undertaken to make the applications more "user friendly" and appropriate for practical use. The office is soliciting input agency-wide from the end-user to make recommendations for improvements to the program in collaboration with the software vendor.

National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) – The office is working with the Technology Division, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, and the agency's RMS software vendor to transition to NIBRS.

US Dept. of Justice National Use of Force Reporting – The office serves as the agency representative to report data monthly regarding officer-involved shootings to the US Dept. of Justice. Policy Manual Review

- This office is responsible for facilitating the ongoing bi-annual review of the agency's policy manual.

Georgia's Statewide Opioid Strategic Plan – As the agency representative, members continue to serve as advisory members on the Statewide Opioid Task Force's Control and Enforcement Workgroup. Members provided input regarding officer training for encountering fentanyl, as well as training in the use of naloxone to prevent fentanyl related deaths.

Operation CARE (Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort) – The office collects and reports enforcement data during designated enforcement periods to submit as part of this national effort sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). The enforcement data collected is used by law enforcement leaders to make data-driven decisions regarding roadway safety initiatives.

DPS TRAINING DIVISION

The DPS Training Division consists of the GSP Training Unit and the MCCD Training Unit. The office is located at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) in Forsyth, Georgia. The Training Division is responsible for facilitating basic and advanced training for all members of The Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance, and Capitol Police. DPS Training maintains training records for all members, as well as reporting training to the Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Council. Upon request, with the approval of the Commissioner, the DPS Training Division also provides basic and advanced training to local agencies.

The 104th Trooper School began June 24, 2018, and graduated 17 Troopers on February 1, 2019. The 105th Trooper School began August 4, 2018, and graduated 18 Troopers on March 15, 2019. The 106th Trooper School began January 6, 2019, and graduated 34 Troopers on August 16, 2019. The 107th Trooper School began May 19, 2019, and graduated 30 Troopers on January 10, 2020. The Training Division conducted the following training for the Department:

- Firearms Use of Force and qualification
- Driving Simulator Training, LWRC Patrol Rifle qualification
- Pursuit Liability with Due Regard
- Child Passenger Safety Technician
- Field Training Officer (FTO) Refresher
- FTO School
- Accident Reconstruction 1 5
- Supervision Level 1 3
- Driving Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor
- POST Instructor

The 3rd Motor Carrier Officer School graduated on February 28, 2019, with nine new MCCD Officers. The 4th MCO School began April 22, 2019, and graduated on October 10, 2019, with nine new MCCD Officers.

The MCCD Training Unit offers the following training for the Department: North American Standards Inspections Parts A, B, and State, Weight Inspector, TruVision Operator and Instructor, General Hazardous Materials Inspector, Cargo Tank Inspector, Other Bulk Package Inspector, Honor Guard, RADAR Operator, LIDAR Operator, Radioactive Materials Inspection, SFST, ARIDE, Advanced EVOC, and Pursuit Intervention Technique (PIT).

Sworn members of DPS received a grand total of 173,125 P.O.S.T. credited hours for 2019.



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GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE

The Governor's Task Force/Drug Suppression (GTF) is assigned to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Safety and supervised by a task force commander from the Georgia State Patrol. GTF is comprised of six state agencies and one federal agency. Each agency provides resources specific to their enforcement mission such as aircraft, intelligence, logistical and administrative support, equipment and personnel trained and experienced in operating in a variety of environments found throughout the state. The task force is funded through the Federal Domestic Cannabis Eradication/ Suppression Program (DCE/SP). These federal funds, derived from asset forfeiture, are administered by the Department of Justice, through the Drug Enforcement Administration to the Georgia Department of Public Safety then allocates the funds within DEA guidelines to combat locally grown cannabis. The primary role of the task force is to eradicate domestic marijuana cultivation within the state of Georgia, both indoor and outdoor, and to gather intelligence relating to its manufacture and cultivation. Agencies comprising the 2019 task force were the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, Department of Corrections, Department of Community Supervision, Georgia Forestry Commission, and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The Governor's Task Force works throughout the state as a support force for local agencies. Operational goals for the GTF include the utilization of intelligence and aggressive enforcement to locate marijuana cultivation operations and prosecute those responsible for the criminal activity. The GTF provides increased enforcement on public lands. Enforcement efforts encompass 159 counties covering approximately 59,425 square miles. GTF initiates and develops intelligence for grow operations throughout the state. The intelligence is shared with local agencies. Subsequent investigations result in numerous arrests and seizures. Georgia State Patrol/GTF Commander is responsible for entering all domestically grow cannabis data gathered in Georgia into the DEA Inter-Connectivity Endeavor/DEA Analysis and Response Tracking System (D.I.C.E./D.A.R.T.S.).

This year the GSP Aviation Division provided aircraft and pilots to support the Governor's Task Force. The Task Force has a solid working relationship with other state, local and federal law enforcement agencies, ground team leader and flight observer positions are staffed by these agencies as necessary. The task force works directly with the local city and county law enforcement agencies by assisting them in the eradication and disposal process, including securing search warrants, seizures, State of Georgia SWAT surveillance, and arrests if necessary. During the outdoor growing season, thousands of plants are spotted, eradicated, and many suspects arrested because of the support provided by the Governor's Task Force.

During the 2019 eradication efforts, support of the marijuana eradication program resulted in eradication of 7,768 plants. In addition to the 97 grow sites located, 128 arrests were made and 151 weapons were seized. Due to the combined efforts of the federal state, county agencies and the hard work and dedication of the task force, approximately \$917,714 of drug related assets were seized.



REGIONAL K-9 TASK FORCE

The Chatham County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit is comprised of 10 K-9 teams. There are six narcotic teams and four explosive teams. The K-9 Unit is partially funded by two federal grants – the Homeland Security Grant and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant. That funding comes to the Sheriff's Office through the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the Georgia Department of Public Safety. A Georgia State Patrol Captain oversees the K-9 Unit and administers the grant assigned to the Chathan County Sheriff's Office. Two K-9 teams are assigned to the Criminal Interdiction Unit. In 2019, they seized \$2,683.00 in U. S. currency and made numerous narcotics seizures with an estimated street value of \$130,415.50. Currently one K-9 team is assigned to the Drug Interdiction Unit. The Drug Interdiction Unit seized \$242,465.00 in U.S. currency and seized approximately \$881,477.40 of illegal narcotics. Overall in 2019, the CCSO K-9 Unit performed 1,489 searches: 838 narcotic searches, 551 explosive searches, 100 weapons searches and 124 school searches in 35 schools. The K-9 Unit seized in all \$245,148.00 in U. S. Currency and \$1,011,892.90 of illegal narcotics.

HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION

The Human Resources Division provides services including recruitment, job development, compensation analysis, policy development and consultation, personnel transactions/benefits processing, employee relations and career development for the more than 1,600 employees of the Department of Public Safety. In addition, Georgia Firefighters Standard and Training (GFFST), Peace Officers Standard and Training Council (P.O.S.T.), Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) and the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) with more than 225 positions/employees are administratively attached to DPS for benefits and transactions services.

Career Development: Human Resources is responsible for coordinating the process for career advancement of the DPS sworn personnel. Testing and assessment centers were held in partnership with the Carl Vinson Institute of Government and 18 promotion boards were convened to provide opportunity for eligible sworn personnel to compete for promotion into established supervisory vacancies.

Classification and Compensation: Throughout the year, Human Resources reviewed requests for position re-classifications based on operational or organizational changes and made recommendations regarding the appropriate position classification and compensation.

Employment: The Human Resources Division worked closely with hiring managers, recruiting, and PIO to attract a qualified workforce. The Employment Section of the Human Resources Division supported the Department's critical staffing needs for Trooper, Motor Carrier Compliance Officer, Capitol Police Officer, Dispatcher and other support positions and continued partnership with Recruiting and PIO to implement strategies to ensure the Department employs a diverse workforce. Human Resources provided key staffing metrics to leadership on a weekly and monthly basis to identify trends and determine the effectiveness of recruiting strategies.

The Employment Section received over 2,996 applications for Trooper School during this period, staffed the 108th and the 109th Trooper schools, and initiated the application process for the 110th Trooper School scheduled for 2021. Human Resources continued to staff the pilot internship program with the Georgia State Patrol as part of the Department's continued focus on recruiting Trooper candidates. The Employment Section continued its support of the Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD) as they actively recruited to achieve their statewide staffing goals.

The Employment Section completed the project to process all current GSP Dispatchers, and subsequent new hires, through the P.O.S.T. approval process in order for them to obtain POST Certification as a Communications

Officer as required by House Bill 751, which became law on January 1, 2019.

Employee Benefits and Transaction Services: Throughout the year Human Resources responded to numerous requests for information related to benefits, assisted employees in resolving benefit problems and hosted benefit related events. Human Resources staff processed over 2,800 transactions which included employee transfers, promotions, salary increases, new hires and terminations, as well as maintained accurate personnel files, employment records, leave/time-keeping records and kept sworn employees' employment history for P.O.S.T. updated. Human Resources staff began using the new Document Management System for purposes of digitizing personnel files and records and scanned over 1,000 documents into the system. Human Resources staff worked on two special details which entailed calculating overtime and correcting timesheets for 793 employees to ensure time-keeping records were accurate.

Employee Relations: The Human Resources Division is responsible for helping to increase the effectiveness of the Georgia Department of Public Safety by developing and supporting efforts to ensure fair and consistent treatment of all employees and improve the employee-management relations climate within the Department. The Employee Relations Section provided key workforce data such as turnover trends and exit interview insights to agency leadership. Human Resources implemented mandatory sexual harassment training to all agency managers, employees, contractors, and temporary staff. Human Resources staff regularly consulted with individual employees and managers to address specific workplace issues, and conducted investigations into employee complaints.

RECRUITING/OFF-DUTY

Recruiting coordinator is responsible for arranging and coordinating all recruiting events, developing strategic marketing plans, providing DPS with a sustainable flow of quality diverse candidates to meet business needs, providing Human Resources with applicants for Trooper Schools, and providing informational actives at civic organizations, educational institutions, military bases, intrastate and providing informational actives at Civic Organizations, educational institutions, military bases, intrastate, and interstate job fairs. The Recruiting Unit accomplishments for 2019 are as follows:

- Attended 404 recruiting events although during the latter part of 2019 all out of state travel was suspended and Troops A, D, E, F, G and H underwent changes in recruiters.
- Conducted 134 job fairs at Educational Institutions, 47 at Military Bases, 65 at Civic Organizations, 112 at other Organizations and 46 interviews via radio or television.
- Job fairs, in-state as well as out-of-state, including New York City and Philadelphia
- Events such as air shows, including Robins AFB Air Show, Atlanta Motor Speedway Air Show, and Moody AFB Air Show
- Provided 1,446 applicants for the 108th Trooper School, 1,552 for the 109th, and 1,922 for the 110th
- Conducted 28 physical training (PT) evaluations for the 108 Trooper School, 25 PTs for the 109th, and 21 PTs for the 110th.
- Designed new pullup banners to be distributed out to the field recruiters.
- Purchased a complete extra set of recruiting supplies to include a tablecloth, tent, giveaway items, and displays to be used at the Troop level.
- 14 billboards strategically placed around the state to garner attention from any potential candidates along with six additional billboards rented in areas where the Department had lower recruiting numbers.
- New radio and TV commercials that air on stations/channels across all of Georgia on multiple types of media (news stations, music, etc.)
- Guest TV and radio appearances in most of the major markets in Georgia to include Atlanta, Albany, Columbus, and Savannah

- Increased social media following on the recruiting Instagram page by 9,500 people in one year
- Purchased Mavic 2 drone for recruiting purpose
- Obtained (one recruiter) a commercial drone pilots license (Part 107)
- Updated recruiting brochure and distributed

The Off-Duty Coordinator engages both sworn and civilian employees in outside employment opportunities; provides the employer with the Notice to Off-Duty Employer Form upon approval/disapproval of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee; and maintains an approved employee list in accordance with policy. When a prospective employer contacts the Department to request a DPS Officer for employment, the coordinator provides the list of approved employees. Tasked with the responsibility of maintaining all files and data entry reference off-duty employment for all employees hired by the Department of Public Safety. An estimated 800 requests for outside employment forms were approved and 70 part-time employers were approved and added to the database.

Off-Duty office accomplishments:

- Revised the Off-duty policy
- Revised the Request for Outside Employment Form
- 600-700 Request for outside employment forms were approved
- 47 part-time employers/vendors were approved

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

The Public Information Office (PIO) serves as the liaison for the Department of Public Safety to the news media, other state and local agencies, and the citizens of Georgia. The Public Information Office staff provides research and clearance for media inquiries and interview requests for 52 Georgia State Patrol posts, 10 Motor Carrier Compliance regions, and Capitol Police. This office also serves as support to GEMA/Homeland Security during natural disasters and state emergencies and serves as support for the Joint Operations Center (JOC) alongside the Atlanta Police Department during large events like the Super Bowl and the NCAA Final Four. This office serves as the central filing, storage and retrieval of evidence photos, videotapes and documents; maintains Department website; produces publications and graphics for special projects and social media; serves as the official photographer; responds to media inquiries, prepares media advisories and news releases; highlights accomplishments and promotes enforcement campaigns through social media and press conferences; updates and distributes the Department's policy manual; and serves as the representative/liaison to state and local agencies. Below is a list of accomplishments for the Public Information Office during 2019:

Media Relations

- Wrote over 25 press releases, including media advisories
- Wrote talking points and speeches when requested
- Responded to inquiries from local and national media
- Conducted multiple on-camera, FaceTime/ Skype, and phone interviews with local and national media outlets
- Participated in multi-agency holiday travel
- Assisted Open Records Unit with media requests
- Attended Atlanta Police Department's (APD)

Annual Media Roundtable

 Supported LIII Superbowl PIO Sub-Committee hosted by APD

Departmental Evidence

- Maintained photograph files for state evidence repository
- Fulfilled Open Records requests

Records Management

- Published two new policies
- Revised 32 policies
- Coordinated Annual Statewide Shred for retention of department files



Department Website

- Updated information, photographs, and videos
- Posted Board of Public Safety meetings and Notice of Public Hearings
- Assisted with migration to new Drupal platform and revamped the look of the site to be more appealing and user friendly
- Responded to public inquiries
- Completed the State Content Specialist Certification course

Publications and Graphics

- Completed 2018 Annual Report
- Created program and PowerPoint presentation for DPS Awards Ceremony
- Updated DPS Core Value posters
- Updated GSP, MCCD, CPD Patch booklets
- Created 2019 DPS Christmas cards
- Created/distributed over 100 "Bulletin" and "DPS Update" publications
- Created social media graphics for the holidays, training classes, recruiting, and winter and driving tips

Social Media

- Twitter 12 accounts Total Tweets from all 12 accounts – 2128 (1,484 ga_dps & 644 all other accounts)
- Instagram- 3 accounts doesn't give post stats
- Facebook 1 account 1,940 posts
- Co-created and coordinated the Coast to Coast Don't Drive Distracted Campaign with Oregon State Police.
- Assisted with the annual national Railway
 Safety Week Campaign
- Coordinated with GOHS on holiday and special detail social media campaigns
- Responded to GSP and MCCD inquiries
- Posted photos to Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram/Insta Stories

Recruiting

- Coordinated social media posts and events
- Took photos for billboards and campaigns
- Attended MCCD Job Fairs
- Created MCCD recruiting web site and Instagram

Training

- Taught DPS policies and social media usage and best practices to Trooper School and MCO School cadets
- Assisted training staff with photographs and social media posts

Photography

- Command Staff and Recruiting Portraits
- DPS Awards Ceremony
- Inauguration for Governor Brian P. Kemp
- LIII Super Bowl in Atlanta, GA
- 105th and 106th GSP Trooper School Graduations
- 4th MCO School Graduation
- GSP and MCCD School Portraits
- Recruiting Billboards and campaigns
- Personnel Retirements
- Capitol Police and MCCD Swearing-Ins
- GSP and MCCD Training activities
- Stop the Threat details
- Two three-day port checks in Savannah

Special Projects

- Coordinated Annual DPS Awards Program
- Assisted with the Annual National Black State Troopers Coalition (NBSTC) Conference to include the creation of a challenge coin specific to the conference



TECHNOLOGY SECTION

The DPS Technology Section serves the needs of the department in the areas of personal computers, network, servers, and telecommunications. The Technology Section also provides direct support to the Department of Natural Resources through a Memorandum of Understanding through which DNR Law Enforcement Officers utilize the DPS CAD/RMS system.

During 2019, the Chief Information Officer (CIO) oversaw the recovery of a ransomware attack that occurred on July 26, 2019. The CIO served on the advisory board for the 2019 Georgia Digital Government Summit. The Help Desk Support Team provides direct support to users who are experiencing problems in using issued computers and dcompleted the migration to Windows 10 and deployed Office365 throughout the agency. The Network Services Team replaced all CAD/RMS servers at the Troop Communications Centers and rebuilt the entire network after the ransomware attack. The Development Team deployed the School Bus Safety application, and worked hard to restore the numerous applications used by all members of the Department that were corrupted after the ransomware attack. In addition, the Computer Aided Dispatch/ Records Management System (CAD/RMS) Administrator continued to assist the Communications Director in the technical administration of the Georgia Interoperability Network (GIN), the State of Georgia's interoperable public safety radio network.

During 2019, the Technology Section initiated or completed the following:

- Continued the transformation of the network and circuit speed upgrades
- Completed the transition to Office 365
- Oversaw network security training for all users and issued monthly security bulletins
- Replaced CAD/RMS servers at Troop Communications Centers
- Supported the Training Staff by providing and setting up mobile data terminals (MDTs) for use by cadets assigned to Trooper Schools
- Coordinated the testing and evaluation of body cameras
- Assisted with the establishment of new and relocated facilities
- Completed the upgrade of all DPS computers to the Windows 10 operating system
- Development team worked closely with the Open Records Unit and Public Information Office to process data requests in a timely manner
- Deployed the School Bus Safety application for MCCD
- Continued the development of the *GSP mobile application
- Developed and deployed the MCCD GCOP replacement for OTIS
- Continued the development of an inventory system for the DPS garage, radio shop, and supply

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Administrative Services Division of the Georgia Department of Public Safety oversees several divisions: Fleet Services, Communications, Facilities, Supply, Property and Maintenance, all of which are administered by the Headquarters Adjutant of the Department of Public Safety. The director is responsible for purchasing and managing roughly \$75,000,000.00 in radio equipment/infrastructure to include mobile video equipment. Additionally, the director serves on the DPS Incident Management team as Communications Unit Leader/ Communications Technician for special events/details and disasters as well as develops communications plans for those.

Radio Programming/ID Management: Communications services works with federal, state and local agencies to ensure their radio communication systems are accessible to DPS personnel when possible. Communications Services daily manages roughly 10,000 radio ids. Communications services also must ensure

that all changes to radio programming are updated in all mobile, portable and tower radios expeditiously to continue successful communication. During most years, every mobile and portable radio, as well as vehicle repeaters will be updated two to three times per year statewide.

FCC Licensing/Tower Lighting and Marking: Communications services works daily to ensure all radio licenses and towers meet federal standards and guidelines. Communications services manages 102 FCC radio licenses, as well as 93 radio tower sites.

Georgia Interoperability Network (GIN): The GIN is a radio interoperability network owned and operated by Georgia State Patrol Communications with the purpose of ensuring local agencies have interoperable radio communication with state and other agencies. This system has equipment located in every 911 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) in Georgia, as well as Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport and other state and local agencies. The system is networked via Southern Linc.

Communications Training: Communications Services personnel are responsible for providing radio communications training for DPS sworn personnel as well as DPS dispatchers and others. Communications services personnel also provides training to users connected to the GIN. Below is a list of accomplishments for the Communications Services Division in 2019:

- Provided communications plans, solutions and support during Winter-Ex details, IRON Man bike races, Peachtree Road race, Presidential visits, Hurricane Dorian, protest in Lumpkin County, Superbowl, MCCD PORT/Stop the Threat, St. Patrick's Day parade and Hands Across the Border
- Assisted with providing communications for Governor Kemp's inauguration
- Provided radio equipment and installations for Georgia Emergency Managment Agency and Homeland Security (GEMA/HS), GA State Fire Marshal's Office, and Georgia Forestry Commission law enforcement personnel
- Converted to the new Southern Linc LTE devices and conducted 18 training classes for DPS users
- Attended Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) Conferences
- Attended nine local radio system communications meetings
- Attended and provided support for Super Bowl planning committee meetings
- Inventoried and decaled 457 new mobile radios, 117 new portable radios, nine vehicle repeaters, 53 base radios, and 286 mobile cameras
- Programmed and tuned mobile radios an estimated 3,600 times
- Programmed and tuned portable radios an estimated 1,300 times
- Programmed FutureCom repeaters an estimated 1,800 times
- Performed field repairs to roughly 260 vehicle mobile radios, cameras, lightbar, sirens, and printers
- Performed radio system quality control checkouts on 208 new or reissued vehicles
- Managed and coordinated repairs of roughly 162 statewide network outages
- Instructed three Trooper/MCCD Cadet School radio training sessions
- Performed 49 Tower site inspections
- Relocated one communication tower and constructed two new communication towers
- Performed and managed repairs/optimizations to 13 radio tower sites
- Assisted DNR with management, programming, and repair coordination of their radio towers and control stations
- Investigated 17 cases of harmful radio interference with DPS communications systems
- Provided requested radio communications support, advice, and assistance to several state and local agencies
- Assisted with conversion to the new WatchGuard Cloud solution

Facilities

For 2019, the Facilities Division oversaw a multitude of special projects for the Department of Public Safety. Some of these projects included:

- HQ Building and property renovations-
- Completed renovation of New OPS area
- New K-9 Training Building for CIU
- Renovation of Recruiting Office
- 150k Emergency Generator for Building 5
- Emergency Generator installed at all Aviation Hangers
- Replacement Generators installed Posts 2, 14, 17, 19, 26, 29, 30, and 36
- Construction of New Post 51 Gwinnett Spring 2020
- Construction of New Post 16 Hazlehurst Spring 2020
- MCCD Weigh Station Renovation and Misc. Work
- New Training Building for Regions 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9
- New LED Information Signs for each Station

Lastly, the Facilities Division oversaw all insurance claims relating to any DPS building damages. These claims were submitted and processed by the Department of Administrative Services (DOAS).

Fleet Services: The Fleet Services Division is responsible for the purchase of vehicles allotted to the Department by the Legislature; it is also responsible for equipping, issuance, surplus and maintenance of these vehicles. Fleet Services, also known as the Garage, maintains a staff of mechanics and electronic specialists to accomplish these tasks. Fleet Services also manages other vendors such as contracted vehicle up fitters and repair service providers, Wright Express for fuel and ARI for vehicle repairs and tracking.

- 213 Dodge Chargers were purchased.
- 32 Chevrolet Tahoe's were purchased
- 424 Requisitions were completed
- 728 Claims processed
- 57 Totals
- 97 Vehicles were sold through Public Auction for a total of \$324,675.00
- 5 Vehicles were transferred to GPSTC
- 1,111 Emergency Equipment Repair work orders completed
- 1,000 Mechanical Routine service work orders completed
- 633 Vehicles were transported by Fleet Service Wreckers
- 155 Vehicles were re-purposed

Headquarters Security: Headquarters Security provides security for Headquarters personnel by maintaining 24-hour security of the grounds and buildings. This unit is staffed by a sworn GSP Supervisor and nine cadets who maintain 24-hour security of the grounds and building.

Supply: During 2019, the Supply Division distributed and maintained inventory of uniforms and equipment for the Departments three agencies, the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, and the Capitol Police Division. Supply was able to complete the uniform complements of the 106th and 107th Trooper Schools.

Property Management: The Property Management Unit is responsible for maintaining an inventory for the DPS headquarters, 52 State Patrol Posts, 10 Motor Carrier Compliance Division Regions and Capitol Police,



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as well as specialty units and various administrative attached agencies. All assets purchased, donated and/ or transferred with an acquisition cost of \$1,000.00 or more and all weapons, computers and communication equipment regardless of cost are recorded and managed using the statewide system, PeopleSoft. During 2019, Property Management processed 2,910 additions with acquisition costs totaling \$27,793,130.14; processed 3,542 deletions valued at \$8,326,453.78; and processed 6,948 in-house equipment transfers.

EXECUTIVE SECURITY

The primary purpose of the Executive Security Division of the Georgia State Patrol is to provide effective, efficient dignitary and facilities security services for individuals and facilities authorized in the state statute. The Special Services Section provides dignitary protection services through its Dignitary Protection Unit for those protectees designated by the director and security services for the Governor's Mansion facility and its grounds.

Dignitary Protection Unit - The primary function of the Dignitary Protection Unit is to provide plain clothes security and transportation to all VIPs assigned to the unit. The Dignitary Protection Unit also provides temporary security and assistance to any VIPs who travel from other states or countries which fall within similar details handled on a full-time basis. The Dignitary Protection Unit also provides temporary assistance to anyone the Governor deems necessary.

During 2019, the Dignitary Protection Unit was separated as a stand-alone unit under External Operations. This allowed us to focus primarily on expert and efficient protection as the dignitaries move throughout the state, country, and abroad. The primary focus is the safe logistics and personal protection when the dignitary is away from his/her residence. Dignitary Protection strives to provide the same level of service to all visiting dignitaries.

Special Services Section - The primary purpose of the Special Services Division of the Georgia State Patrol is to provide effective, efficient dignitary and facilities security services for individuals and facilities authorized in the state statute. The Special Services Section provides dignitary protection services for those protectees designated by the director and security services for the Governor's Mansion facility and its grounds.

The Special Services Section screened 7,067 visitors attending public tours at the Governor's Mansion during 2019. There were an additional 4,578 guests attending 30 special events. The Special Services Division had a total of 4,020 security hours for the Governor's Mansion Facility in 2019. The Special Services Section logged in 270 training hours in 2019.

DPS HONOR GUARD

The Department of Public Safety Honor Guard is made up of members from the Georgia State Patrol, Motor Carrier Compliance Division, and Capitol Police. These officers represent the State of Georgia and the Department of Public Safety at special events to include inaugurations, memorials, parades, presentation of colors and funerals as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Public Safety.

In 2019, the Honor Guard participated and conducted 104 details statewide and out of state. The

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members had 35 funerals in total with eight of them being out of state for other State Troopers, line of duty deaths. These details were in Illinois, Maine, California, Tennessee, Florida, Colorado, Nebraska, and North Carolina. The remaining 69 details were a combination of parades, memorials, presentation of colors, and other agency requests for assistance with annual memorials. Honor Guard members also attended the National Police Week Memorial in Washington D.C. and assisted by standing watch at the National Memorial, walking family members during the entrance to the candlelight vigil, and standing in formation during the service. The members also participated in the annual Georgia Law Enforcement Memorial at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, GA.

The Honor Guard continued work on forming the pipe and drum band. They received approval to hire two extra bagpipers as contract employees. They also added three drummers from team members. Currently, thre Honor Guard is comprised of three pipers, five drummers, and two trumpeters. These members started working together to practice marching and playing for future events.

GEMA/HS LIAISON

The GEMA/HS (Georgia Emergency Management Agency/Homeland Security) Liaison keeps the Commissioner and Command Staff advised of emergency responses where it appears that DPS will be needed, and coordinates between DPS, GEMA/HS, and other law enforcement agencies. The GEMA/HS Liaison creates, maintains and updates DPS emergency plans including responses to natural and manmade disasters. The Georgia State Patrol (GSP) is designated as the lead state law enforcement agency for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Project in the State of Georgia and the GEMA/HS Liaison is responsible for the planning, preparing, and responding to incidents requiring SNS materials within the state.

The GEMA/HS Liaison serves as the DPS representative for the Child Abduction Response Team (C.A.R.T.). C.A.R.T. combines the resources of nine different state agencies (sworn and non-sworn) to provide an immediate and efficient response to a child abduction or otherwise missing endangered child.

The GEMA/HS State Operations Center (SOC) activates during emergencies to provide state agency assistance to counties and municipalities within Georgia. The GEMA/HS Liaison is responsible for the operation of Emergency Support Function 13 (ESF 13) and coordinates law enforcement responses to requests from GEMA/HS and other federal, state and local agencies.

Below is a list of duties/responses for 2019:

- Attended quarterly Homeland Security Task Force meetings
- Attended Public Safety Interagency Planning meetings for Super Bowl LIII in Atlanta
- Participated in the Super Bowl LIII response
- Attended GEMA/HS Emergency Services Branch Quarterly meetings
- Participated as a member of the Exercise Planning Team for the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Rapid Response Team (RRT) full scale exercise
- Attended Public Safety Interagency Planning meetings for the 2020 Final Four Tournament in Atlanta
- Participated in the Fulton County Point of Dispensing (POD) exercise
- Participated, by invitation, in the South Carolina State Emergency Response Team (SERT)

Hurricane Workshop to coordinate with adjacent states on the evacuation mission and how it effects GA/SC traffic management interaction

- Attended multiple meetings with Federal Agencies, including the U.S. Marshals Service, the U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Federal Bureau of Investigations, the U.S. Department of State, the Federal Air Marshal Service, the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Forestry Service, and the Department of Defense to discuss emergency response planning, preparation and response issues
- Visited potential sites, with the Georgia Department of Public Health, to be used for emergency responses involving the Strategic National Stockpile Program
- Coordinated DPS personnel and resources to assist the Georgia Secretary of State's Office for the statewide elections during the year
- Participated as a member of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division's (DNR LED) SPLASH committee
- Participated in the HURREX 2019 Annual Exercise
- Participated in the annual Radiological Emergency Preparedness program (REP) multi-agency tabletop exercise at the SOC
- Participated in the Georgia Department of Agriculture's 2019 Rapid Response Team (RRT) exercise
- Attended the After Action Review (AAR) in Macon, GA for the Contra-flow operation during Hurricane Dorian
- Participated in the Emergency Management Accreditation Program for GEMA
- Attended the Annual State Training and Exercise Planning Workshop at the SOC
- Participated in the evaluated exercise at the Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Power Plant in Baxley
- Contributed to and attended the meeting for the AAR for Georgia's response to Hurricane Michael
- Represented ESF 13 at the Infectious Disease Transportation Network (IDTN) Full Scale Exercise Briefing at Henry County Fire Department in McDonough
- Coordinated a GSP Narcan Train-the-Trainer Instructor Class at GPSTC in Forsyth, GA. These instructors trained all GSP Troopers in the field. Narcan was issued to each Trooper upon successful completion of this course
- Participated in a Nuclear Power Plant Emergency Response Exercise which focused on a state response to a simulated emergency event occurring at a nuclear power plant in the Georgia
- Participated in the Statewide Base Camp Contract meeting to prepare for multi-purpose statewide responses to emergency events
- Worked with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to plan for future Winter Weather preparations and responses
- Attended the Child Abduction Response Team's annual exercise in December to maintain the state's CART certification



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