

VILLAGE OF GENOA
DIVISION OF POLICE

2008 FOURTH QUARTER REPORT



A Word about Crime Data...

Before analyzing the following crime information, it is important to remember a couple of key points:

1. The following figures are for reported incidents only. It is highly recognized that many crimes go unreported, and they do so for a multitude of reasons. The figures contained in this report are only of those incidents that are brought to the attention of the police department, or otherwise discovered by the police department.
2. The following figures are only those that the Genoa Police Department is reporting on. There are several other law enforcement agencies that also have jurisdiction inside Genoa (e.g. Clay Township Police Department, Ohio State Highway Patrol, Ottawa County Sheriff's Office, Ottawa County Drug Task Force, and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, to name a few). For example, if a fatal traffic crash occurs inside the village, the Ohio State Highway Patrol will most likely handle the report of that crash. Although our officers will in fact assist the Patrol, the report that our officers do will be type-coded as an "Assist Other Department" incident report, and not a "Fatal Accident" report.
3. Some incidents could be classified (type-coded) in different ways. For example, a neighbor dispute could be coded as a "Neighbor Dispute" or it could be coded as "Civil." How the report gets type-coded is assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Current Staffing

The Genoa Police Department currently utilizes a total of six employees. With these employees, the village is provided with round-the-clock police protection and services. During the fourth quarter of 2008, Randy Hill was selected as the new chief of police. The current breakdown of employees is as follows:

Chief Randy Hill (full-time)

Sergeant Todd Mocniak (full-time)

Officer Kevin Miller (full-time)

Officer Mike Woods (full-time)

Officer Kevin Steinman (part-time)

Officer Eric Macek (part-time)

Police Vehicles

The Genoa Police Department currently utilizes a total of three police vehicles for day-to-day operations. The breakdown of those vehicles and usage statistics are as follows:

Vehicle Description:	Odometer Reading, 12/31/2008:	Total Miles Traveled During Fourth Quarter:	Total Fuel Consumption During Fourth Quarter:
2004 Chevy Impala (marked)	64,514 miles	3,721 miles	343.709 gallons
2006 Chevy Impala (marked)	47,531 miles	2,665 miles	202.790 gallons
2007 Chevy Impala (marked)	26,877 miles	6,721 miles	480.346 gallons
		Total: 13,107 miles	Total: 1026.863 gal.

Community-Oriented Policing

In October, 2008 the Genoa Police Department instituted a new initiative that helps promote a positive relationship with the community. Under this program, officers exit their patrol cars and walk into businesses, restaurants, offices, and other places and interact with the business employees and patrons. This gives the police department a visible presence in the community, helps deter crime, and helps build bonds with business owners, employees, patrons, and other citizens.

The program is divided into two categories—Business Checks and Permit Holder Checks. For both categories, the officer takes the same actions and is functionally the same. However, when an officer enters a business or establishment that has a liquor permit issued by the Ohio Department of Commerce, it is recorded as a Permit Holder Check instead of a Business Check.

Business Checks: 507

Permit Holder Checks: 361

The police department also performs door checks of businesses and other public places during the night. This is done to insure that doors or windows are not left open. Officers also check doors and windows to residences while the owners are on vacation or otherwise out of town.

After-Hours Door Checks: 265

Vacation House Checks: 71

Major Crimes – Reported

Crimes Against Persons:	Total:
Murder	0
Rape	0
Robbery	0
Felonious / Aggravated Assault	0
Kidnapping	0
Crimes Against Property:	Total:
Burglary / Breaking and Entering	4
Grand Theft (> \$500)	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0
Arson	0

All Other Incidents

911 Hang-up Call	4
Abandoned Vehicle	3
Alarm Call	7
Animal Complaints	1
Assault (Misdemeanor)	3
Assist Ambulance	52
Assist Business Person	1
Assist Citizen	6
Assist Clay Township	12
Assist Fire Company	6
Assist Lake Twp. PD	1
Assist Other Departments	3
Assist Sheriff's Office	4
Assist Village Administrator	1
Attempt to Locate Persons	1
Bad Checks	1
Barking Dogs	1
Call Handled for Clay Township	1
Check the Safety	4
Child Custody Dispute	2
Child Endangering	1
Citizen Info / Complaint	14
Civil Complaint	8
Criminal Mischief	2
Deaths Non-Suspicious	1
Deer Killed by Motor Vehicle	1
Disorderly Conduct	4
Dogs Running at Large	3
Domestic Disputes	1
Domestic Violence	6
Escape	1
Escort - Bank	27
Escort - Funeral	5
Escorts - Other	2
False Alarms	4
Found / Recovered Property	3
Found Open Door / Window	20
Harassment - Nuisance	6
Harassment - Telephone	8
Hit Skip / Private Property	1
Information Only	3
Juvenile Curfew	1
Juvenile Offense	1

Juvenile Probation Violation	1
Keep the Peace	2
Lockout - Vehicle	20
Lost / Found Dog	3
Lost Property	2
Loud Music Complaint	5
Menacing	1
Menacing by Stalking	1
Mental Subject Cases	2
Miscellaneous Calls / Complaints	12
Missing Person	2
Neighbor Disputes	1
Noise Complaints	2
OVI	1
Parking Citations Filed	1
Parking Complaint	3
Passing Bad Checks	3
Peddlers / Solicitors	1
Possessing / Using Intoxicants	1
Protection Order Violation	1
Prowler	3
Reckless Driving / Wanton & Willful	1
Report Shots Fired	1
Sex Offenses	1
Snowmobile / ATV Prohibited	3
Suspicious Deaths	1
Suspicious Incidents	2
Suspicious Person / Vehicle	19
Theft (< \$500)	9
Traffic Complaint	5
Traffic Control	1
Traffic Crash - Fatal	0
Traffic Crash - Injury	0
Traffic Crash - Non-Injury	7
Traffic Stop – Citation	41
Traffic Stop – Warning	118
Trespassing	3
Unruly Juvenile	2
Vandalism / Criminal Damaging	4
Vehicle in Ditch	1
Warrant Service	3
Total	531

As always, the Genoa Police Department is committed to serving the community. We strive to ensure the safety and protection of life and property throughout the village. An open-door policy is maintained, and any feedback from citizens is always welcomed.

Please remember our mission:

- To safeguard freedom by preserving life and property, protecting the constitutional rights of individuals, maintaining order and encouraging respect for the rule of law by the proper enforcement thereof.
- To earn the respect of all individuals, including minority and disadvantaged persons, by maintaining a knowledgeable, responsive, well-trained and accountable work force that discharges their duties and responsibilities with evidence of fairness, tolerance and equality.
- To reduce the opportunity for the commission of crime by implementing effective crime prevention strategies, fully investigating crimes when they occur and expeditiously apprehending criminal offenders.
- To identify, address and resolve the root causes of community problems and concerns in concert with citizen groups and representatives through the use of community oriented policing strategies.

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