

# Fort Thomas Police Department



## 2019 Annual Report



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# Message from the Interim Chief

Lieutenant Brent Moening

March 1, 2020

Mayor Eric Haas  
Council Members  
City Administrative Officer Ron Dill  
Citizens of Fort Thomas

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of the police department, it is a great honor to present our 2019 Annual Report. We are incredibly blessed to work in the City of Fort Thomas where we have so much support from our citizens. Our community is like no other and I believe this report will demonstrate our officers dedication and commitment to provide excellent police service. The officers who serve are highly trained, dedicated, and work hard to make Fort Thomas one of the safest cities in the state.

This year brought several staffing changes to the police department. We had four officers retire in 2019. On July 31<sup>st</sup>, Lt. Rich Whitford, Officer Doug Bryant and Officer Tom Carr retired. On December 1<sup>st</sup>, Chief Casey Kilgore retired. I would like to thank them for all their hard work and commitment to the police department and our community. I would also like to welcome our newest officers, Carl Harris, Brandon Vance, Brad Reichenbach and Will Martin.

I hope this report will give you an overview and understanding of the dedication our officers have for this community. We always encourage input and feedback and we value the continued support. If there are any questions regarding this report, feel free to contact me at any time.

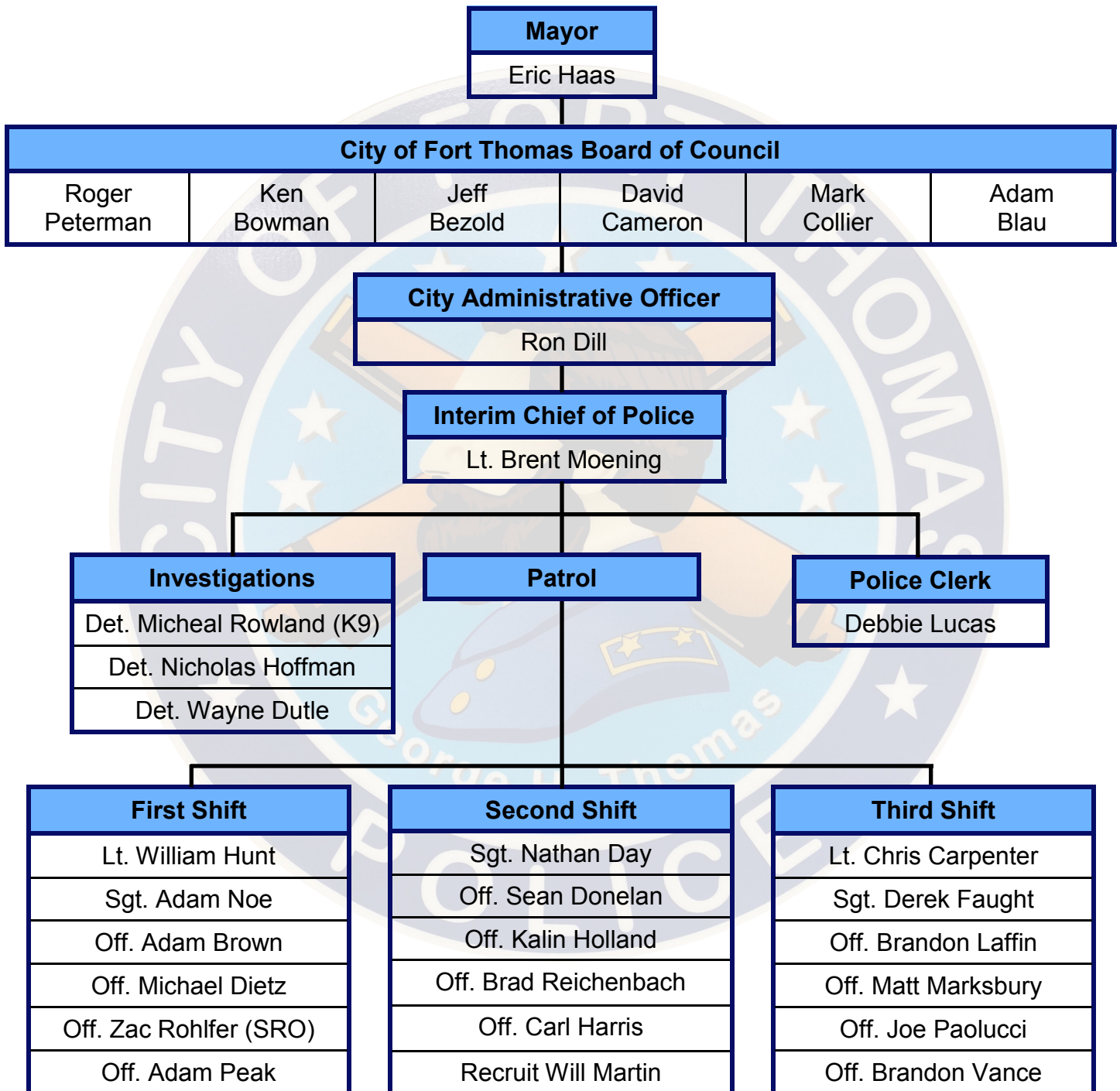
Sincerely,

*Brent Moening*

Brent Moening  
Interim Chief of Police

# Fort Thomas Police Department

## Organizational Chart



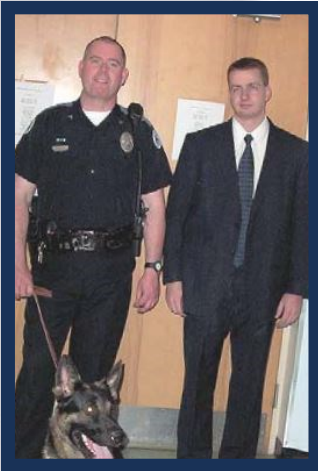
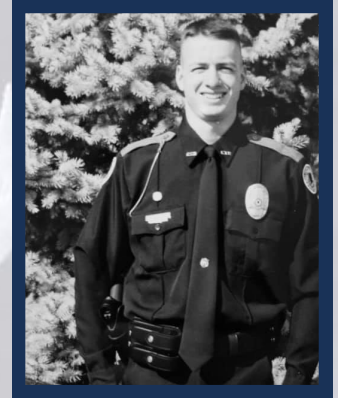
# Retirements

## Chief Casey Kilgore



In 2019, the Fort Thomas Police Department experienced a somewhat unexpected change at the Chief's position. Chief Casey Kilgore decided to retire effective November 30th. His career consisted of nineteen years with the Fort Thomas Police Department. Kilgore served as Police Chief since August 2018.

Chief Kilgore began his career with Fort Thomas in November 2000. He immediately began making an impact as a recruit — serving as class leader of DOCJT Basic Academy Class 300 and winning multiple awards. Kilgore returned from the academy and quickly became a Bike Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, SWAT team commander, and Detective. Chief Kilgore rose through the ranks quickly, promoting to Sergeant in September 2005. He continued his service to the department as a Patrol Sergeant, a Sergeant over Investigations, and a Public Information Officer. Kilgore completed multiple esteemed leadership trainings, including: the Academy of Police Supervision, Criminal Justice Executive Development, the School of Strategic Leadership, and the FBI National Academy.



In 2014, Kilgore was promoted to Lieutenant. He served as the Vice President on the Executive Board of the FBI National Academy, Kentucky Chapter and served as a Patrol Lieutenant until becoming Chief in 2018.



Since beginning his career with Fort Thomas, Kilgore moved to the community and is currently raising his family here. FTPD is very thankful for his contributions throughout his career and his leadership and influence will be greatly missed. With Kilgore's departure, effective December 1st, 2019, Lt. Brent Moening began serving as Interim Chief.



**Congratulations, Chief Kilgore!**

# Retirements

## Chief Casey Kilgore

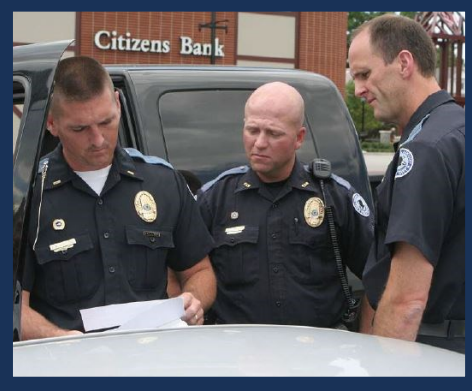


# Retirements

## Lieutenant Rich Whitford

In addition to the loss of Chief Kilgore, the Fort Thomas Police Department lost another long-time officer to retirement. Lt. Rich Whitford retired as of July 31st, 2019. Lt. Whitford had a long career and served the Department in many different capacities.

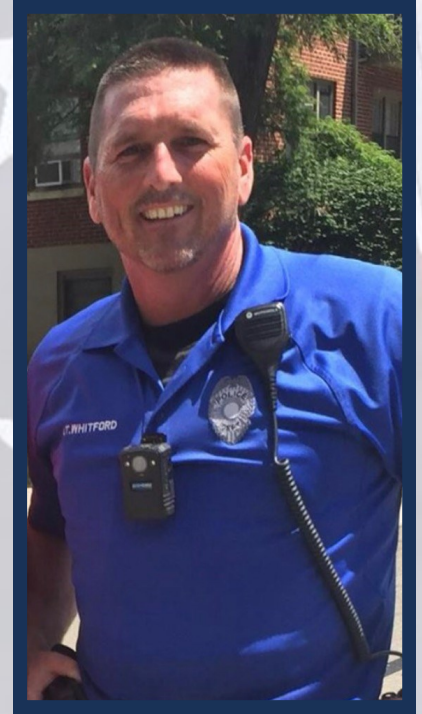
Whitford was raised in Fort Thomas and was a deputy at the Campbell County Jail for a short time before becoming a police officer with Fort Thomas in June 1992. Whitford served as a Bike Officer, Detective, SWAT Team Commander, Field Training Officer, Sergeant, Public Information Officer, Supervisor over Investigations, and Administrative Lieutenant.



Whitford also graduated from a long list of leadership training academies, including: the Academy of Police Supervision, Criminal Justice Executive Development, School of Strategic Leadership, and the FBI National Academy.

Whitford was always a familiar and calming presence to most of the community members and officers he led, and cared deeply for the Fort Thomas Community. His contributions to the Fort Thomas Police Department will not soon be forgotten, and his wisdom and experience will not be easily replaced.

**Best of luck in retirement, LT!**



# Retirements

## Officer Doug Bryant

Another long-time Fort Thomas officer, Doug Bryant, retired on July 31st, 2019 as well. Doug began his career with Fort Thomas in December 2000. Prior to coming to Fort Thomas, he served as an officer with Campbell County Police Department.

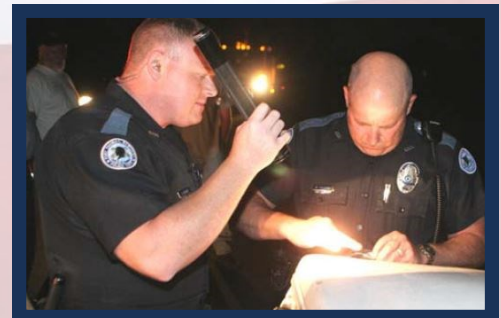
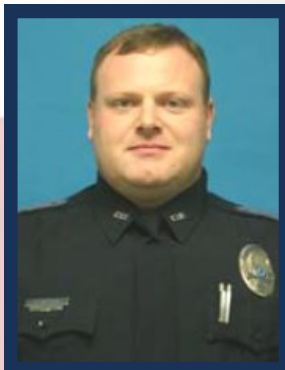
Doug served as a Bike Officer, Armorer, Firearms Instructor, and SWAT Team Commander. Doug possessed a great deal of tactical knowledge and served as a breacher for the SWAT team.

Doug excelled as a Firearms Instructor, helping to raise the bar for the officers of Fort Thomas Police Department. His expertise has helped to establish the standard of excellence that Fort Thomas Officers currently operate

under when it comes to firearms.

Doug was also born and raised in Fort Thomas and he and his family are very involved in the community. His knowledge, tactical training, and experience will definitely be missed!

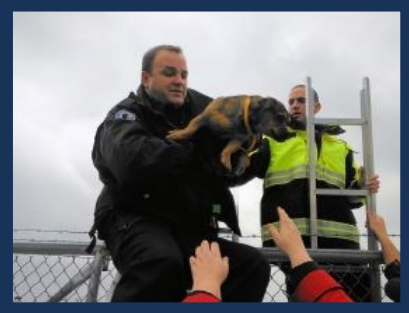
**Enjoy retirement, Doug!**



# Retirements

## Officer Tom Carr

The final retirement of 2019 was Officer Tom Carr who retired September 30, 2019. He began his career at Campbell County Police Department. He served the county residents for several years before coming to Fort Thomas Police Department in April 2003.



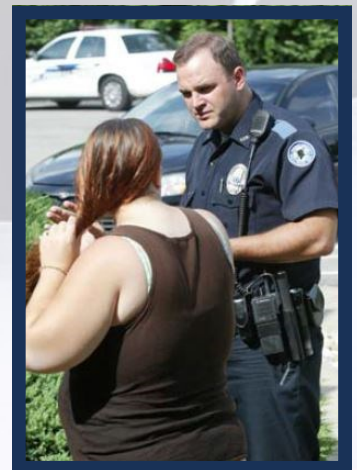
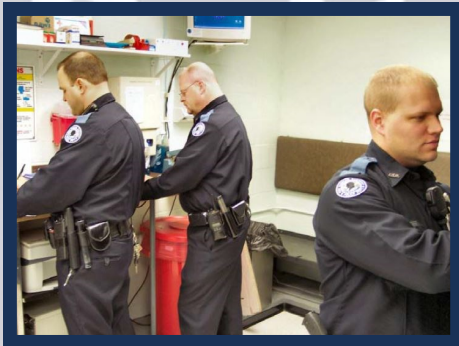
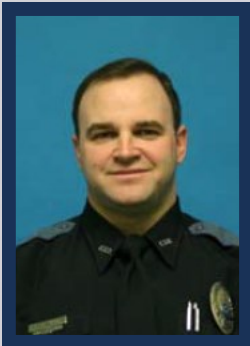
Tom served the Fort Thomas Police Department for a number of years as a Bike Officer and Property and Evidence Officer. Tom was a hard working patrol officer and a model senior patrolman. He has a great work ethic

and works hard at everything he does. Tom is always willing to lend a helping hand and he has been very successful in both his personal and professional career.

We would like to wish Tom good luck in all of his future endeavors and thank him for being an excellent, hard-working officer and a great friend.

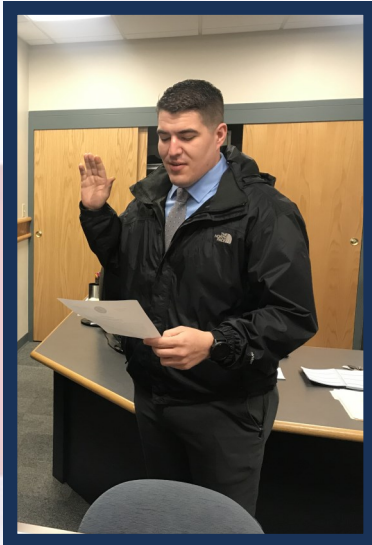


**Thanks for your service, Tom!**



# Meet our New Officers

## Officers Brad Reichenbach & Brandon Vance



### Officer Brad Reichenbach

Officer Brad Reichenbach has joined the Fort Thomas Police Department and began work as a Patrol Officer on March 28th. He comes to the department from Kentucky State Police and has been a police officer for six years. He has been through two police academies, the one in Richmond and one specifically for state patrol officers. Officer Reichenbach is currently assigned to 2nd shift.



Brad is originally from Stanford, KY and his father is a police officer as well. Brad now resides in Florence and recently got married! Please welcome Brad to our community! He has been assigned badge number 4452.

### Officer Brandon Vance

Officer Brandon Vance was hired on August 3rd. He comes to us from Wilder Police Department where he served for 4 years. Prior to that, Vance worked at Newport Police Department for over 11 years. Brandon brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Department. During his time at his previous two agencies, Vance has been a detective, a polygraph examiner, a field training officer, arson investigator, and Officer of the Year at Newport PD. Brandon is an active member of the Campbell County Crime Scene Unit and has a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Northern Kentucky University. He is currently assigned to 3rd shift and he has been assigned badge number 4453.

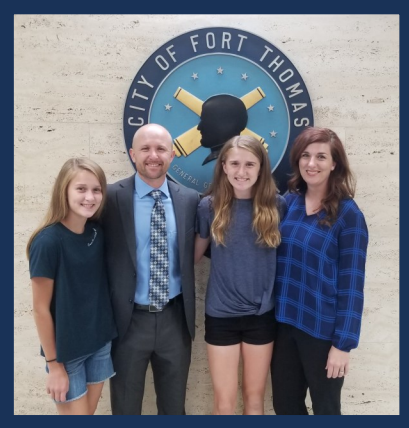


# Meet our New Officers

## Officers Carl Harris & Will Martin

### Officer Carl Harris

Officer Carl Harris was also hired on August 3rd. He comes to us from Campbell County Police Department, where he served as a Patrol Officer for over 4 years. During his time at Campbell County, Carl also served as a Field Training Officer, received numerous awards for impaired driving enforcement, and was awarded the Campbell County Rotary Club's Officer of the Year award in 2017.



Carl is raising his family in Fort Thomas and is very involved in the community. Officer Harris is currently assigned to 2nd shift and is a welcomed addition to the Fort Thomas Police Department. He has been assigned badge number 4454.



### Officer Will Martin

Officer Will Martin began his basic academy class on August 5th, 2019 at the Department of Criminal Justice Training. The academy consists of 20 weeks (800 hours) of a highly-structured curriculum. Officers come from various agencies throughout the state of Kentucky to obtain their certification.

Will served as Class Leader of Class #507 and graduated on January 23rd, 2020. As Class Leader, he was asked to address the class at graduation.



He has since returned to Fort Thomas to begin his Field Training with Officer Dietz and various other Field Training Officers. We would like to wish Will the best of luck in his Field Training and we look forward to seeing him become a solo officer! He has been assigned badge number 4455.

# Promotions

## Lieutenant William Hunt & Sergeant Derek Faught

**At the August 19th council meeting, Sergeant William Hunt was promoted to Lieutenant and Detective Derek Faught was promoted to Sergeant.**

### **Lt. William Hunt**

William has been with us since 2003. He has been a Field Training Officer and runs the Department's Field Training program. He is a Media Officer and recently oversaw and completed the Department's accreditation process. He also plans and participates in the summer Crime Scene "CSI" Camp for area middle school students. William is currently the First Shift Patrol Lieutenant and his badge number is 4213.

Congratulations, Lieutenant Hunt!



### **Sgt. Derek Faught**

Derek's been with us for seven years. In that time, he has served as a Field Training Officer, a Detective, a defensive tactics instructor, and also helps run the Department's evidence room. Derek is currently serving as the Third Shift Patrol Sergeant and his new badge number is 4318.

Way to go, Sergeant Faught!



# Fort Thomas Police Department

## Criminal Investigations

There were some changes for Criminal Investigations in 2019. Detective Derek Faught was promoted to Sergeant in August when Lt. Whitford retired, creating movement within the department for promotions. Detective Nick Hoffman has settled in quite well and has taken on several complex cases throughout the year. Detective Hoffman graduated Phase 2 of the Kentucky Criminalistics Academy (KCA) through The Department of Criminal Justice Training. Detective Hoffman is a member of the Campbell County Crime Scene Team, and this training will aid him in his future investigations. With the promotion of Detective Faught, Ptlm. Wayne Dutle was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

Detective Wayne Dutle is settling into the detective's office and adjusting well to investigations. During the month of August, he attended The Reid Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Advanced Interrogation Techniques and Sexual Assault Investigations classes.

Meanwhile, Detective Micheal Rowland and his partner, K-9 Rexo are doing very well at the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force. Rexo has assisted Detective Rowland in locating the four principal drug types that officers encounter: Marijuana, Cocaine, Methamphetamine, and Heroin. Detective Rowland and K-9 Rexo have also assisted in several seizures throughout the year.

Detectives received 100 cases in 2019, which is a three-year low for Fort Thomas. Nearly half of the 100 cases were theft-related. Although overall crime is decreasing, one crime is still on the rise, theft by phone and internet scams. Due to advances in technology, fraudsters are able to use "spoofed" phone numbers to call potential victims from untraceable numbers. Most of the time, the scammers are not in the immediate area. In fact, oftentimes the thieves are operating from locations in other countries. These factors make it very difficult for local police departments to effectively investigate and charge the individuals responsible. If you believe a phone or internet scam artist is targeting you, stop what you are doing and call the police. Officers can assist you in deciding whether the phone call or email is legitimate and whether you are obligated to pay.

Every year, our officers take dozens of reports of identity theft. We would like to remind our citizens that you can get a free credit check by visiting [annualcreditreport.com](https://annualcreditreport.com). This is the only website that the Federal Trade Commission recommends you use to get all three credit reports for free. You can also report Identity Theft through the FTC's website at [identitytheft.gov](https://identitytheft.gov).



# Fort Thomas Police Department

## Criminal Investigations

Identity theft cases are challenging for law enforcement due to jurisdictional issues and complexity of the use of computers. Our detectives are regularly attending training to stay current with the trends of computer based crimes.

Unfortunately, one of the most prevalent crimes in our community is thefts from unlocked vehicles. We want to remind our citizens to lock their cars, and to take valuables inside or put them in the trunk and out of view. Most of the time, thieves will bypass cars that are locked and do not have valuables in plain sight.

On October 10th, SafeShip called and stated they had an individual who they believe fell victim to a phone scam. The victim was pressured to sending \$7,900 cash to an address in the state of California. SafeShip turned that package over to Ft. Thomas patrol units and the next day detectives returned the money to the victim in Butler, KY. We want to thank Safeship for being diligent and noticing the suspicious package. We want to remind everyone to always be aware of scammers, they are trying new ways to get you to send them money every day. Always remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is or if it sounds strange then it probably isn't legit. Residents can always call the police if they feel something isn't right.

Towards the end of 2019, the detective's office put many hours in establishing a partnership with Ring. We are pleased to announce that partnership was accomplished and in January 2020 the Neighbors by Ring App will be operational.

The Neighbors by Ring app allows anyone, whether or not they have a Ring device to upload security video footage to assist law enforcement in keeping our neighborhood even safer. Users who download the app can also share community alerts or topics for example "River road is closed due to high water, from Shawnee to Route 8", suspicious activity, community events, safety concerns, unknown visitors and lost pets just to name a few. **With those topics listed, the Fort Thomas PD still encourages users/residents to call 911 or Campbell county dispatch at 859-292-3622 for emergencies and to make an official report. The Neighbors by Ring App will not be monitored 24/7 by the police department.**

In the event that an alert is received for users to share video, a request will be made to a specific area of the city through the Neighbors App. The users can remain anonymous and still share videos. Ring and the Fort Thomas PD will not have access to the resident's devices video unless it is shared, users have the option to share or opt out of notifications if they do not wish to participate. We respect our resident's privacy in this partnership. In the event that an alert is received, it should be from a username such as "Detective Dutle-Fort Thomas PD".



# School Resource Officer

## Officer Zac Rohlfer

Our school resource officer program started for the first time in 2018/2019 school year. It took little time to become very involved in the school systems. The city has continued into the 2019/2020 school year with one SRO who serves all three Ft. Thomas elementary schools, the high school, the middle school, St. Thomas School, and St. Catherine School.

The SRO's main function is school safety and security. In that role, our SRO works very closely with all the school principals as well as the Fort Thomas Independent School District administration. Throughout both school years that the SRO program has been operating our SRO has been able to assist the school district with a varied range of school safety issues.

After safety and security concerns, our SRO does many classroom and school presentations, works closely with the school counselors to address issues students are experiencing outside of the normal school day, is available in person to students and parents to help them with issues they are experiencing, and handles any criminal issues that occur at the schools.

Looking forward at our city's SRO program, the passing of Senate Bill 1 requires at least 1 SRO per school campus. Currently all schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky are mandated to meet this requirement, although enforcement will not take place until August of 2021. Schools who do not meet the requirement will lose state funding. Private schools are exempt from this law therefore St. Thomas and St. Catherine will not be required to meet the law, although, since SRO's must be assigned to a specific campus, an SRO assigned to one of the public schools would no longer be able to continue to serve the private schools.



# Traffic

## Survey and Enforcement

The Fort Thomas Police regularly receive various types of traffic complaints. The complaints range from parking complaints, to speeding complaints, to school bus safety violations, to stop sign violations. The Department takes these complaints very seriously and employs a multi-faceted approach in an attempt to address the concerns.

In 2019, Fort Thomas Police purchased several new pieces of equipment to assist in this process. First, we purchased our second “Shield Radar Speed Sign.” Most people in town have probably seen these signs deployed along the city streets as they collect traffic data and display vehicle travel speeds. The two signs were deployed a total of 34 times in 2019. This was a significant increase from the 9 deployments in 2018. The signs were deployed to both new traffic complaint locations, as well as to areas where the city sees consistent traffic complaints. Below are the locations where the speed signs were deployed:

- Alexandria Pike @ Bonnie Ln.
- Chesapeake Ave. @ Boardwalk St.
- Chesapeake Ave. (5 times)
- Clover Ridge Ave. (2 times)
- Douglas Dr.
- Highland Ave. @ Vernon Ln. (2 times)
- Highland Ave. @ Madonna Ln. (3 times)
- Holly Ln.
- Memorial Pkwy. @ Waterworks Rd.
- Millers Ln. (3 times)
- North Fort Thomas Ave. - 2000 block
- Newman Ave.
- Pentland Ave.
- Rossford Ave. (2 times)
- South Fort Thomas Ave. @ Tower Pl.
- South Fort Thomas Ave. @ W. Villa Pl. (2 times)
- South Fort Thomas Ave.—900 block
- South Grand Ave.
- Tremont Ave. (3 times)

Additionally, Fort Thomas Police purchased a Houston Radar Armadillo device for covert traffic surveys. This device can gather traffic statistics from multiple lanes and travel directions. Its small size allows for trouble free setup and is hardly noticeable while mounted for data collection. The radar can collect traffic data for weeks on a single battery charge and can withstand various types of weather conditions. So far, this device has been used to conduct studies in four different locations.



# Kenton County Regional S.W.A.T.

## Special Weapons and Tactics

2019 saw one of the busiest years for the Kenton County Regional SWAT Team in terms of callouts. In a 5-month period, the team was activated for nine full missions. The team was asked to assist with the apprehension of a murder suspect from Erlanger and a domestic terrorist in Independence. The team also assisted in serving a high-risk search warrant in Fort Thomas.



KCRS continues to be one of the most respected, well-trained, and equipped teams in the state of Kentucky. Unfortunately, Officer Bryant chose to move on from the team as his career with the Fort Thomas Police Department came to an end. Team Leader Bryant's experience, knowledge, and leadership skill are irreplaceable.

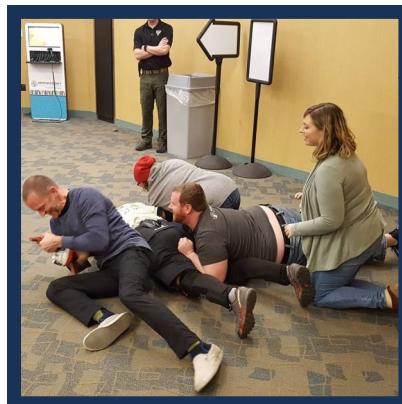
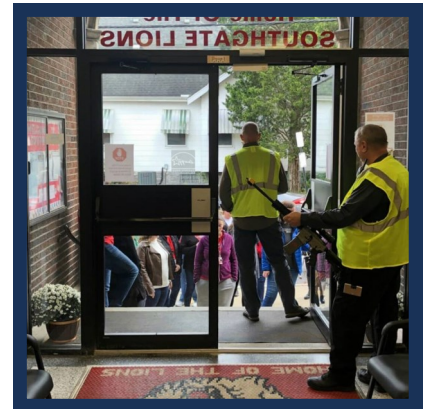


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# Kenton County Regional S.W.A.T.

## Active Shooter Training

Fort Thomas Police Department, in a partnership with Kenton County Regional S.W.A.T. and Livingstone Security Solutions continues to offer valuable active shooter and defensive tactics training to various businesses, churches, and schools in the area. Each year, we hear of more and more attacks on innocent and vulnerable targets and populations. 2019 was no different. The need for preparation and training becomes increasingly evident with each active shooter attack. Lt. Chris Carpenter has worked hard to spearhead this initiative and is passionate about the work that he does to help prepare local citizens for the unthinkable. Together with our partner agencies, we are able to provide highly professional, realistic, invaluable training to a large number of people and organizations. There is no doubt that this training will help to save lives in the future!



# NKY Drug Strike Force

## 2019 Seizures and Confiscations



### Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force

P.O. Box 175981 Covington, Kentucky 41017  
(859) 525-6272 Fax (859) 525-7632

Detective Micheal Rowland continued his work with the Northern Kentucky Drug Strike Force (NKDSF). NKDSF is a task force responsible for investigating drug related offenses, to include drug trafficking organizations, operating in or impacting Boone, Campbell and Kenton Counties. In 2019, Det. Rowland and the other officers assigned to this unit worked hard to get a significant amount of dangerous drugs and offenders off of the streets of Northern Kentucky.

In 2019, the Strike Force made the following seizures:

<u>Seizures:</u>	<u>Amounts</u>	<u>Confiscations:</u>	
Cocaine	248.40 Grams	U.S. Currency	\$247,255.80
Marijuana	53,712.90 Grams	Weapons	66
Methamphetamine	2,551.40 Grams		
MDMA	745 Doses		
Schedule II Pills	243.50 Doses		
Heroin	527.90 Grams		
LSD	317 Doses		
Marijuana Plants	336 Plants		
Other Narcotics	1551.90 Doses		



Although these seizures and arrests occurred throughout the Northern Kentucky and elsewhere in the region, said seizures and arrest surely impact Campbell County and the City of Fort Thomas.

# 2019 Safest City in Kentucky

Fort Thomas, KY



Fort Thomas has been named the "Safest Cities in Kentucky" by Safehome, a website that reviews and compares security systems.

Fort Thomas had a safety rating of 89.83, with a population of 16,358. The median income for a family here is \$63,006, which is on the upper end in Kentucky.

Many of these composite rankings lists include cities with populations of 5,000 or more, but Safehome's rankings start with cities of populations at 16,000 or greater.

Safehome's metrics looked at several different factors when assigning a Safety Score to a city. First and foremost is the FBI's latest report of how many and what types of crimes occurred in each city over a single year. The city's crime trends are also considered; in other words, cities where crime is on the decline are given a higher Safety Score and vice-versa. They also look at the number of law enforcement officers compared to the population.

Finally, demographic metrics that are correlated to crime have a small impact on Safety Score. These include metrics such as population density, population trends, unemployment rate, median income, education level, etc.

In plain English, the crime score is based on the combination of occurrences (per 100,000) of the seven crimes, the officer-to-population ratio, violent crime trend, property crime trend, and six demographic factors.

Fort Thomas ranked in the top 10th percentile across the United States.

There is a large concentration of cities with high safety ratings in northern Kentucky. Erlanger and Independence are also represented, all with safety ratings above 80. On the national level, there are four cities in Kentucky that made it onto the top 750 safest cities in the nation.

- 1 - Fort Thomas
- 2 - Independence
- 3 - Madisonville
- 4 - Danville
- 5 - Erlanger
- 6 - Jeffersonton
- 7 - Murray
- 8 - Radcliff
- 9 - Henderson
- 10 - Georgetown



# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Non-Traffic Charges

### Non Traffic Charges

Charge	2018	2019
Alcohol Related	54	41
Drug Related	262	179
Possession of Alcohol by a Minor	2	3
Burglary	1	9
Theft Related	28	18
Receiving Stolen Property	9	12
Warrants Served	220	135
Criminal Mischief	10	15
Criminal Trespassing	0	1
Wanton Endangerment	2	2
Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument	7	3
Unlawful Transaction with a Minor	5	3
Disorderly Conduct	14	13
Assault	7	17
Manslaughter	0	0
Carrying Concealed Deadly Weapon	4	2
Murder	0	0
Criminal Littering	0	1
Terroristic Threatening	1	2
Miscellaneous	47	30
<b>Total Non Traffic Charges (Citations)</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>486</b>

# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Traffic Charges

### Traffic Charges

Charge	2018	2019
DUI	53	65
Speeding	235	241
Other Hazardous Traffic Violations	148	139
Operator License Violations	327	206
Vehicle License Violations	385	263
Vehicle Equipment Violations	42	17
Insurance Violations	490	316
No Seatbelt	255	134
No Child Restraint	15	7
Miscellaneous	12	4
<b>Traffic Charges</b>	<b>1962</b>	<b>1392</b>
<b>Written Warnings</b>	<b>1624</b>	<b>1032</b>
<b>City Citations</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>86</b>



# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Juvenile Charges

### Juvenile Charges

Charge	2018	2019
Alcohol Related	4	4
Drug Related	26	18
Criminal Mischief	0	3
Criminal Trespassing	0	2
Theft Related	6	3
Receiving Stolen Property	0	2
Disorderly Conduct	0	0
Terroristic Threatening	3	6
Assault	2	4
Juvenile Pick Up Order	1	4
Possession Of A Forged Instrument	0	0
Burglary	0	2
Miscellaneous	13	13
<b>Total Juvenile Charges</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>61</b>

# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Offense Reports

Offense	2018	2019
Theft Related	79	88
Burglary	6	18
Criminal Mischief	19	42
Assault	24	32
Wanton Endangerment	3	6
Terroristic Threatening	7	10
Forgery	4	4
Harassment	12	6
Rape	3	0
Other Sexual Offenses	10	10
Robbery	1	3
Arson	0	0
Murder	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0
Criminal Abuse	0	1
Criminal Trespassing	2	4
Menacing	2	6
Possession of Alcohol by a Minor	4	4
Alcohol Related	33	44
DUI	53	63
Drug Related	188	124
Carrying Concealed Deadly Weapon	6	3
Unlawful Transaction with a Minor	1	1
Receiving Stolen Property	9	10
Miscellaneous	43	43
<b>Total Offenses Reported</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>552</b>



# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Incident Reports

### 2019 Incidents Reported

Incident	2018	2019
Abuse and Neglect	25	41
Missing Persons	5	4
Vehicle Damage	6	0
Lost/Missing Articles	15	8
Property Damage	18	25
Deceased Persons	11	14
Animal Related	9	5
Neighbor Dispute	17	17
Miscellaneous	77	74
<b>Total Incidents Reported</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>186</b>
<b>Accidents Reported</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>295</b>

### Total Juvenile, Traffic, and Non Traffic Felony Charges 2012-2019

2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
62	66	89	138	186	141	124	102

### Total CAD Activity by Year

2017	2018	2019
14,585	14,181	12,632

# 2019 FTPD Stats

## Yearly Comparisons

### Traffic Enforcement Comparison 2012-2019

Charges	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
DUI	92	91	76	83	49	61	53	65
Speeding	401	479	333	291	239	216	235	241
Other Hazardous	109	170	150	170	206	139	148	139
OL Violations	180	237	212	253	276	270	327	206
Vehicle License	192	179	194	199	333	346	385	263
Vehicle Equipment	8	12	5	39	15	25	42	17
Insurance Violations	257	301	228	269	354	351	490	316
No Seat Belt	109	201	179	452	304	201	255	134
No Child Restraint	0	13	3	10	11	10	15	7
Miscellaneous	3	0	0	6	7	5	12	4
<b>Total Charges</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1683</b>	<b>1380</b>	<b>1772</b>	<b>1794</b>	<b>1624</b>	<b>1962</b>	<b>1392</b>
Written Warnings	1755	1705	1465	1561	1367	1191	1624	1032
<i>Total Enforcement</i>	<i>3106</i>	<i>3388</i>	<i>2845</i>	<i>3333</i>	<i>3161</i>	<i>2815</i>	<i>3586</i>	<i>2,424</i>
Written Warnings Enforcement %	56.5%	50.3%	51.4%	46.8%	43.2%	42.3%	45.2%	42.5%
City Citations	119	72	64	52	68	81	62	86

### Traffic Accident Comparison 2012-2019

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Accidents	281	321	310	346	341	350	316	295
Avg. Per Month	23.41	26.75	25.83	28.83	28.41	29.16	26.33	24.58
Avg. Per Day	.769	.879	.849	.947	.934	.958	.865	.808

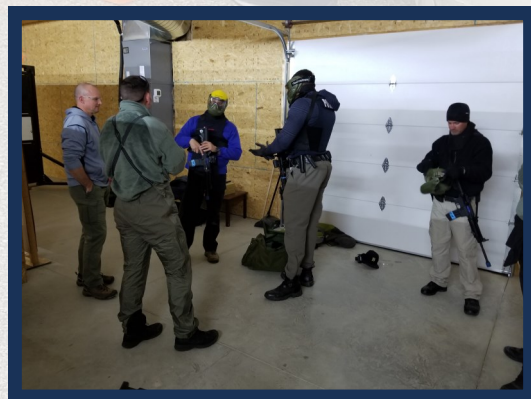


# 2019 Training

## Firearms

2019 continued the intense scrutiny of uses of force by police officers nationwide. Though the responsibilities of the officers that patrol our city are varied, the most important is the protection of our citizens. Our firearms instructors take this responsibility very seriously. The use of force and, equally as important, restraint in using force need to be constantly trained.

To this end, we incorporated newer technology such as red dot sights for pistols, scenario-based training utilizing a shoot-house and UTM “paint bullets”, and welcomed a new firearms instructor with SWAT experience. Our relevant training methods continue to better prepare our officers. Several officers competed in various team and individual shooting competitions with other departments and states, and did very well.

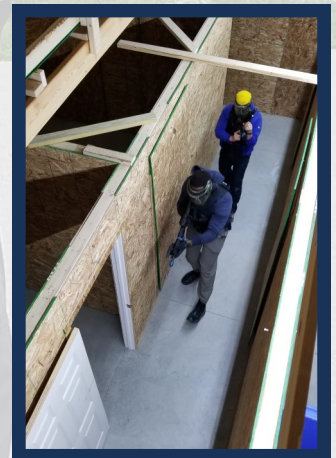


# 2019 Training

## Firearms

Our instructors are constantly seeking to increase their knowledge and skills so they can be more effective teachers. We are fortunate that two of our firearms instructors are active S.W.A.T. members and through that program have access to extensive training opportunities. This year our instructors received training at the Ohio Tactical Officers Conference, the largest tactical conference in the nation. Team tactics, communication under stress, room clearing, rapid deployment, and shooting with optics were a few of the skills learned.

The skills gained from this training were then passed on to our officers at departmental range trainings. Continuing education for our instructors consistently pays dividends in the increased skill of our street level officers. In the future, we will continue to bring the most current and effective training to our officers and thereby make both our citizens and officers safer.



# Professional Excellence

## Campbell Co. Rotary Club - Officer of the Year



Officer Brandon Laffin was awarded the Campbell County Rotary Club Officer of the Year award for his actions on October 25, 2018. Brandon arrived on scene for a mentally disturbed, suicidal individual who was attempting to run out into traffic on I-275 during rush hour. As the subject ran toward oncoming traffic, Brandon heroically put himself in harm's way to physically stop and restrain the subject. Brandon was able to get the subject to the ground and hold him there, in the lane of traffic, until other units arrived to secure the individual.

Brandon's courage and decisive actions quickly resolved a very dangerous situation, with only minor injuries to himself. His selfless actions epitomize the mission and values of the Fort Thomas Police Department. Laffin was nominated for the award by other officers in Campbell County and selected by the Rotary Club to receive this award. Laffin was also awarded the Life Saving Award by the City of Fort Thomas for his response to this incident. We are very proud of Officer Laffin and his courageous actions!



# Professional Excellence

## Governor's Occupant Protection Award



Officer Joe Paolucci (pictured in the back row, far left) was recognized by the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety (KOHS) for his efforts to increase seat belt and child restraint usage in motor vehicles. On August 2, 2019, Paolucci was honored, at an awards ceremony, along with officers from 113 other agencies across the Commonwealth. The ceremony was held at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington.

Officer Paolucci represented the Fort Thomas Police Department as the officer with the most occupant protection citations at the department. Paolucci received a commemorative Governor's Occupant Protection Enforcement Award plaque for his efforts. Thanks for your commitment and hard work, Joe!



# Professional Excellence

## Northern KY Police Pistol Match & KY v. OH Competition



It was another very successful outing for the Fort Thomas Police Department at the Northern Kentucky Police Pistol Match held at CVG Airport. Six Fort Thomas officers competed in two rounds of shooting comprised of a “short course” and a “long course”. 8 teams and 31 officers competed, and Fort Thomas PD took both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place as a team! Officer Adam Peak was the highest individual placer from FTPD coming in at #3. This is the second year in a row in which FTPD has taken the 1<sup>st</sup> place team finish. The following officers competed in the shoot: Ofc. Adam Peak, Sgt. Derek Faught, Ofc. Michael Dietz, Ofc. Brandon Laffin, Ofc. Brad Reichenbach, and Ofc. Zac Rohlfer. Great job guys!

Of those that competed in the NKY pistol match, the top ten scoring officers were invited to represent the Commonwealth in the Kentucky v. Ohio competition. Officers Adam Peak, Michael Dietz, Brad Reichenbach, and Brandon Laffin were among those chosen. Our department did an outstanding job, contributing to Kentucky holding the honor of victory over Ohio!



# Community Events

## 2019 Cops and Kids

Detective Nick Hoffman and Officer Sean Donelan both represented Fort Thomas Police Department on Saturday December 7th at the Campbell County Fraternal Order of Police "Cops & Kids" event. The officers each escorted a child in need on a shopping spree at Meijer, for essential clothing items, shoes, jacket and then a trip to the toy aisles. Over 50 kids county-wide were assisted by this program. Fort Thomas Police has had officers participate in this event for 20 years.



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*We thank each officer for their dedication and hard work which  
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# 2019 Annual Report

