



Mount Rainier Police Department

Memorandum



January 3, 2012

TO: Mayor & Council
City Manager

FROM: Michael E. Scott *Michael E. Scott*
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Police Chief's Report – January 2012

Crime:

- The annual year end crime statistics for 2011 are attached to this report. The numbers for the month of December show an increase in overall crime of 14.29% over December 2010. The numbers show an overall increase in crime of .27% during calendar year 2011. That .27% represents one additional crime in 2011 than we had in 2010 (376 v. 375).
- All types of theft including thefts of personal property, thefts from vehicles, thefts from commercial businesses and motor vehicle thefts continue to represent the overwhelming majority of crimes committed in the City. During 2011 71.54% of our total crime involved the theft of some type of property. Crimes against persons, including homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault comprised 17.33% of our total crime.
- For the first time since May of 2008 the City experienced two (2) homicides, both during the last quarter off the year. Both homicides were solved by the arrest of the perpetrators.
- During the period of December 1st through December 30th MRPD officers handled 1,151 calls for police service. Of those, 637 were calls that were dispatched by Communications and 514 were self-initiated by officers on patrol. During the same period officers made 138 traffic stops and 31 arrests.

Speed Camera Program:

Speed Camera Program Summary January – December 2011			
Location	Issued	Paid	Unpaid
Rhode Island Avenue, SB @ 37th Street	24,578	17,962	6,616
Arundel Road	544	392	152
Queens Chapel Road	101	59	42
Total	25,223	18,413	6,810

Personnel:

- Effective January 3, 2012 the Department filled its one existing police officer vacancy by hiring Michael V. Ferebee. Officer Ferebee is a certified police officer with the State of Maryland. We anticipate him being assigned to field training sometime during the month of January once his uniforms and equipment have been ordered/received and he completes State required firearms training.

Grants:

- On December 21st we received notification from the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention that the CSAFE program will come to an end in 2012. CSAFE is being replaced by the State's Safe Streets initiative. Safe Streets is an offender-based model that was founded on the principle that people commit crimes, not communities. As a pilot program in Annapolis and Salisbury, Safe Streets has been successful in reducing crime by focusing on violent crime and violent offenders. As of this time I do not know if Mount Rainier will be eligible for Safe Streets funding. Jurisdictions that are eligible to apply for Safe Streets funding will be invited to a technical assistance and strategy session sometime in January 2012.

**December 2011 Selected Offenses
by Team Policing Area**

Date	Offense	Location				TPA
06-Dec-11	Assault - Aggravated	4200	BL	34TH	ST	1A
15-Dec-11	Assault - Aggravated	4000	BL	35TH	ST	1B
10-Dec-11	Robbery - Citizen	3400	BL	NEWTON	ST	1B
07-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	3300	BL	OTIS	ST	1B
12-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4000	BL	36TH	ST	1B
12-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4000	BL	36TH	ST	1B
14-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	3500	BL	NEWTON	PL	1B
29-Dec-11	Theft < 500	3400	BL	RHODE ISLAND	AV	1B
23-Dec-11	Assault - Aggravated	2700	BL	WEBSTER	ST	2A
06-Dec-11	B & E - Residential	2900	BL	ARUNDEL	RD	2A
31-Dec-11	B & E - Residential	4100	BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
16-Dec-11	Murder	4600	BL	25TH	ST	2A
31-Dec-11	Robbery - Citizen	2300	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
18-Dec-11	Robbery - Commercial	2200	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
21-Dec-11	Robbery - Commercial	2300	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
05-Dec-11	Stolen Vehicle	3100	BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	2A
08-Dec-11	Stolen Vehicle	4500	BL	EASTERN	AV	2A
09-Dec-11	Stolen Vehicle	4300	BL	RUSSELL	AV	2A
10-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4500	BL	EASTERN	AV	2A
27-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4500	BL	EASTERN	AV	2A

30-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4300	BL	28TH	PL	2A
30-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	2700	BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
30-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	4200	BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2A
30-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	2700	BL	WEBSTER	ST	2A
02-Dec-11	Theft < 500	2300	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
10-Dec-11	Theft < 500	2300	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
13-Dec-11	Theft < 500	2300	BL	VARNUM	ST	2A
31-Dec-11	Robbery - Citizen	3000	BL	TAYLOR	ST	2B
11-Dec-11	Stolen Vehicle	3800	BL	30TH	ST	2B
07-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	3600	BL	PERRY	ST	2B
30-Dec-11	Theft - From Auto	3500	BL	BUNKER HILL	RD	2B
22-Dec-11	Theft > 500	2700	BL	WEBSTER	ST	2B