

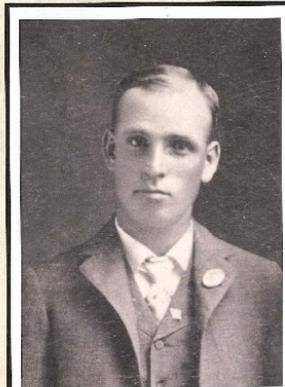
Loveland Police Department 2015 Annual Report

Marshall Frank Peak 100 Year Anniversary

FRANK PEAK
BORN AUGUST 6, 1880
KILLED ON PATROL
JULY 13, 1915
MAY WE ALWAYS REMEMBER

LOVELAND
MARSHALL

LOVELAND MURDER STILL A MYSTERY



OFFICER FRANK PEAK WAS MURDERED
[REDACTED]
THE CRIME STILL REMAINS UNSOLVED.

FOLLOW THE NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS ABOUT LOVELAND'S
UNSOLVED MURDER OF OFFICER FRANK PEAK



Loveland Police Department Values

We Value the Law

We protect Constitutional Rights, apply the law fairly and consistently, and serve as examples to all.

We Value the People We Serve and Each Other

We care about people and treat everyone with dignity and respect. We aid those who are endangered. We maintain a family-oriented work atmosphere emphasizing humor and joy, and attained through fairness, career development, and the development of self-esteem in all of our team members. We respect diverse viewpoints without sacrificing professionalism in our service.

We Value Organizational Excellence

We desire to be the best; therefore, we live our established values and hold ourselves to the highest standards. We are committed to training, established goals, and written standards in order to focus on quality service for the community. We are proactive problem solvers, who are objective, fair and discreet in the delivery of those services. We constantly examine our goals, ourselves and our results in order to continually improve our productivity in both effectiveness and efficiency. We are a positive policing force; analytical, flexible and innovative. We will become recognized leaders in service delivery, administrative ability and human concern. We take pride in our work and strive for professionalism in promoting public safety and order.

We Value Communication

We work hard to educate our community about police procedures and the law. We keep lines of communication open within the Department and community.

We Value Our Public Image

We are community role models in integrity and performance by being visible, as well as caring, effective problem solvers. We hold sacred our community's confidence and trust and are inspired to maintain that honor.

We are proud to be the Loveland Police Department

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Loveland Police and Courts Building established in February 2002

A Letter from the Chief of Police

Good day!

Thank you for spending the time to review the Loveland Police Department 2015 Annual Report. In the pages that follow, you will find a significant amount of information about your police department and the often dangerous work done by this group of committed and selfless public servants.



While these pages will provide you some insight into the activities of the police department in Loveland, they will not be able to fully address all that occurs within this line of employment. Likewise, these pages cannot tell the many, many tales of success and major accomplishments of the agency; there simply is not enough room within this report. We are very proud of the women and men in the Loveland Police Department and we could not be more proud to be a part of serving the Loveland Community.

Amid the significant challenges of 2015 were two fatal events that significantly impacted the Police Department and all of Loveland. As in March, 2014, some elements of our community innocence were lost as police officers found themselves in fatal encounters.

In April, 2015, Detectives and Officers pursuing a child sexual assault offense confronted a suspect in an area business and moved him outside to further the investigation while minimizing the subject's potential embarrassment in his workplace. Sadly, the suspect was able to retrieve a handgun he'd concealed in his clothing and moved to kill himself. Despite the heroic efforts of one uniformed officer and a plain-clothes detective, the suspect managed to shoot himself in the head leading to his virtually immediate death.

In August, 2015, officers responded to a report of some bizarre behavior on Eisenhower Blvd (U.S. Highway 34) where a suspect was reportedly throwing a bicycle into traffic and yelling at the drivers on the roadway. When officers arrived in the area, the suspect fled on foot to the south side of Eisenhower Boulevard, through a vacant lot, and inside the occupied Pizza Ranch restaurant. Once inside the restaurant, the suspect obtained a knife from the kitchen and began to move through the restaurant, even appearing multiple times at the drive-through window where he taunted and yelled at officers. When the suspect returned inside the restaurant and positioned himself alongside an older patron, potentially creating a hostage situation, an officer fired a single shot, fatally wounding the suspect but allowing the innocent citizen to escape safely. Despite immediate efforts by other officers who were inside the restaurant, the suspect later died at an area hospital.

Additional amazing work completed by the police department included some of the following highlights in 2015:

- Successful hosting of Stage 6 of the Pro Challenge bicycle race from Loveland to Fort Collins including the first overlapping men's and women's races,
- Sergeant Jameson Gartner was honored as the City of Loveland's Employee of the Year,
- Another successful Loveland Fishing Club Fishing Derby for local youth at North Lake Park,
- Renewed community engagement through the Loveland Community Night Out event,
- Records Section support of an increasing number of police reports, citations, videos, etc. leading to innumerable records requests for documentation and processing

- Respectful honoring of the 100 year anniversary of Marshal Frank Peak's as yet unsolved murder including a dedication of the site where he was laid to rest in the Loveland Burial Park.
- Renewed participation in Santa Cops of Larimer County including an honoring of Officer Dave Sloat for his amazing energy and participation in the program.
- Re-engagement in the Cops Fighting Cancer visit to Children's Hospital in Denver to visit with and provide gifts to children struggling with a cancer diagnosis.
- A substantial reduction in officer injuries in the course of arresting resistive suspects.
- Receipt of LPD's eighth award of Accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (C.A.L.E.A.).

Finally, we want to recognize several significant departures from the Loveland Police Department in 2015 as several members separated from the Department including:

- Investigative Technician Lillian Ekwall
- Officer Sarah Chartier
- Officer Sharon Hopkins
- Officer Sue Sauter
- 30 year veteran Police Chief Luke Hecker

All of the departures from the Police Department in 2015 were difficult but we certainly wish the best for all who left the department after their committed service to the citizens and City of Loveland. Chief Luke Hecker retired after 30 years of dedication to the City of Loveland Police Department including ten years as the Chief of Police. His integrity and his true compassion for the members of the department will be long remembered as will his many years of selfless and humble service.

The total number of departures from the Department and the environment that developed in 2015 was certainly challenging but the support from City Manager Bill Cahill and the Loveland City Council bolstered our year very successfully. In October, 2015, the City Council authorized us to hire an additional three police officers beyond the final budget request for 2016. This would bring us to an authorized strength of 105 sworn officers, bolstered by an additional two over-hire positions to help us efficiently replace officers who disengage from the department through the year. We deeply appreciate the support from the Manager, the Council, and the residents of the City of Loveland.

As you continue into the following pages, I invite you to recognize the amazing depth and breadth of services offered by the Loveland Police Department. As truly committed community members and partners, we do much more than just "protect and serve" and we are very pleased to present you with this brief sampling of our activity in 2015.

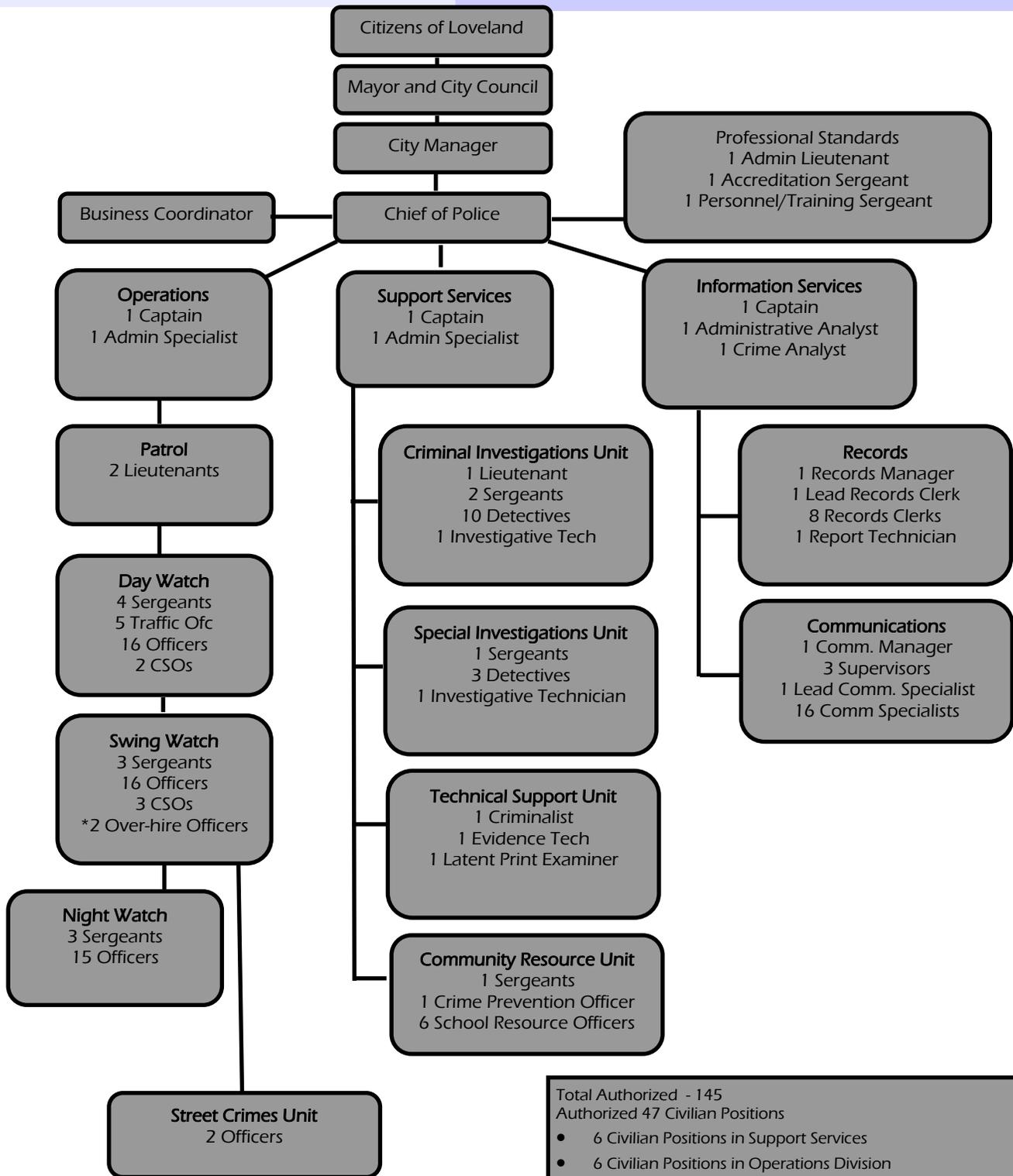
Thank you for the honor of serving you and being a partner in the continued successful and safe growth of the City of Loveland, Colorado!

Respectfully,



Tim M. Brown, Interim Chief of Police

2015 Organizational Chart



Total Authorized - 145
 Authorized 47 Civilian Positions

- 6 Civilian Positions in Support Services
- 6 Civilian Positions in Operations Division
- 34 Civilian Positions in Information Services
- 1 Admin

Authorized 97 Sworn - plus 1 SRO from grant pending (98 total)

- 67 Sworn in Operations Division
- 26 Sworn in Support Services
- 1 Sworn in Information Services
- 3 Sworn in Professional Standards Unit
- 1 Chief

Administrative Support Staff



Elizabeth Markham
Business Coordinator

Sara Wiggett
Administrative Specialist

Conny Hilgenfeld
Administrative Specialist

Budget

In 2015, salary budgets citywide allowed for an average 3.5% merit increase. The Police Department operating budget remained flat. We did receive approval for supplemental requests for an Officer, Detective, and Report Technician. We received funding for a Communication Specialist, and reclassification of the Criminalist to a Supervisor. Also, supplemental funds paid for digital recorders and a new transcription service.

We maintained our equipment replacement funds which allowed us to purchase bulletproof vests, rifles, computer hardware/software, radios, tasers, SWAT equipment, and radar units.

The Loveland Police Department was awarded grant funding from the State of Colorado Department of Transportation for DUI and traffic enforcement. We receive payment for communication services we provide to Thompson Valley Emergency Medical Services, and Berthoud Fire. We also have a contract agreement with the Thompson R2-J school district to be partially compensated for two middle School Resource Officers. The Northern Colorado Drug Task Force is supported in part by a federal JAG grant.

The Police Department paid the Larimer Humane Society nearly \$396,000 for animal control services provided to the community. We also have large contract payments each year to vendors for our communications and records management software support. We make annual payments for many services including juvenile transports, detox center, psychologist, suspect blood testing, mobile wireless, gun range, and warrant entry. The department also spent over one million dollars on the City fleet program.



Lauri Holstad—Admin Analyst



COPS FIGHTING CANCER — CHILDRENS HOSPITAL

Captain Rob McDaniel



Seventy five of the department's one hundred 153 employees are assigned to the Operations Division. Patrol officers and Community Service Officers (CSOs) provide the direct response to citizen calls for services, Traffic Unit officers focus on traffic and the Street Crimes Unit officers focus on felony repeat offenders, warrants and gang-related activities.

The staff in each unit works with local and regional resources to identify problems and response plans in order to provide excellent policing. Traffic and criminal enforcement included self-initiated measures to keep Loveland's streets and neighborhoods safe. Officers also used the strategy of Problem-Oriented Policing (POP) to resolve criminal and quality of life issues. The objective of POP was to take citizen input and seek a conclusion that would deter a repeat of the disruptive activities.

Most of our officers have collateral or extra duty assignments which may include working as a K-9 handler, crime scene investigator, field-training officer, Technical Accident Team, Bomb Technician, Mounted Patrol or Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team. Others may hold instructor roles for areas such as driving, firearms or defensive tactics. These tasks are handled internally in order to maintain our training systems at the most reasonable costs and best efficiency available.

The five Traffic Unit officers produce a good share of the department's total traffic enforcement with emphasis in school zone and regular speed limit enforcement. Traffic officers also focus on DUI and seatbelt initiatives, which are often extended through grant funds. They also use motorcycles for special enforcement initiatives and security at large community events. The CSOs support patrol functions including minor criminal investigations, motor vehicle incidents, parking enforcement, municipal code enforcement and the transport of prisoners to the county jail.

The men and women of the Operations Division are dedicated, well trained and equipped. Officers and CSOs are assigned take-home police vehicles. This enables officers to keep a high level of visibility in the city, reduce overall fleet costs and to be prepared for immediate response when called back to work for emergencies and overtime staffing.

Operations Division

Traffic Unit

The Loveland Police Department Traffic Enforcement Unit (TEU) is responsible for ensuring the roadways are safe for the motoring public by enforcing traffic laws, investigating vehicle crashes and arresting impaired drivers. TEU works in cooperation with the Larimer County Traffic Safety Task Force to conduct high visibility enforcement in areas with high frequencies of crashes and aggressive driving.

TEU also works closely with the City of Loveland Traffic Engineering department to address roadway problems through enforcement and engineering. Additionally TEU works with the Thompson R2J school district to ensure safe bus routes, safe crossing areas and the enforcement of school zones. TEU is budgeted for five officers and one supervisor. In 2015, the TEU Sergeant was Jameson Gartner. The officers assigned to TEU were Justin Lorenzen, Jeff Mayers, Annette Bowen and Nick Kooch.

TEU is assigned 6 unmarked vehicles and three motorcycles. The unmarked vehicles include three SUVs and three sedans. The motorcycles are two Kawasaki Concourse 1400 and one Honda ST1300.

2015 Special Enforcement activities included:

- High Visibility DUI Enforcement
- LEAF (Law Enforcement Assistance Fund) DUI Enforcement
- Click-it or Ticket day time enforcement
- Click-it or Ticket nighttime enforcement
- School and construction zone enforcement
- Eisenhower high impact enforcement



Traffic enforcement cars are equipped with in-car video systems, multi-directional RADAR units and LASER speed measurement devices. The LASER units allow for speed enforcement in high volume areas with pin-point accuracy.

In 2015 ticket numbers were up by 1253 over 2014 (10,019 in 2014 compared to 11,272 in 2015). This is a 12.5% increase. The Traffic Unit was responsible for 42% of the tickets written in 2014 and has increased to 55% for 2015. The Traffic Enforcement Unit was up 46.5% over last year. This amounts to 1973 tickets over 2014. The increase is credited to the implementation of E-Ticket devices which greatly decreased the amount of time officers spend on traffic stops. The E-Ticket devices also reduced officer errors on tickets by auto-calculating court dates, fine schedules and driver's information. Crashes increased by 4% over our 2014 numbers (2077 in 2014 vs. 2162 in 2015). In 2015 TEU covered 27% of the crashes.

The Loveland Police Department processed 302 DUI's in 2015 compared to 335 in 2014. The department has two internationally certified Drug Recognition Experts to investigate drug impaired driving cases. The Technical Crash Investigation Team is comprised of 6 officers, two community service officers and one supervisor. The team is responsible for investigating serious bodily injury or fatal crashes. In 2015 the team responded to 19 serious bodily injury or fatal crashes in 2015; this is a 6% increase over 2014, which had 18.

S.W.A.T.

Special Weapons and Tactics

The Loveland Police SWAT Team assists other units of the department to resolve incidents that present a high risk to the personal safety of the citizens of our community and our officers. SWAT tactical officers train each month.

The team completes a total of 230 hours training per year. SWAT's primary mission is to save lives. The members of the SWAT Team are specially equipped and trained to respond to a variety of situations.

Our tactical team is comprised of police officers from throughout the department. The Loveland

Fire and Rescue Authority (LFRA) and the Thompson Valley Emergency Medical Services (TVEMS) also have staff on SWAT. They provide tools and medical support in all operations. There is also a Crisis Negotiations Team that assists the tactical SWAT Team to help resolve situations peacefully. We also work in mutual aid with regional, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

SWAT handles many types of calls for police services. They include: barricaded persons, service of high risk arrest and search warrants, hostage crisis, surveillance, very important person (VIP) security details for local, state and national officials.

In 2015, the SWAT team responded to over 20 calls for service and special events.

The leadership of the SWAT Team includes:
Commander Captain Rob McDaniel, Team Leader
Sergeant Phil Metzler, Assistant Team Leader
Lieutenant Brent Newbanks, Sergeant Justin Chase, Sergeant James Mines, Sniper Element Leader
Officer David Roberts, Training Element Leader
Detective Gary Patzer, Crisis Negotiations Team Leader—Sergeant Jeff Pyle



K-9 Unit

The Loveland Police Department has four K9 teams and had 334 deployments during 2015.

The mission of the Canine Unit is to assist Officers and save lives through the use of the canine's advanced abilities and skills. The unit was designed to assist in the areas of officer safety, suspect apprehension, detection of illegal drugs, and locating items associated to criminal activity.

Training and maintaining a skilled police K9 takes dedication. Monthly, each team spends approximately 50 hours training; 30 hours individually and an additional twenty hours as a unit.

The Loveland Police Department's Canine Unit, is assigned within the Operations Division and spread out to be on-duty during the most active shifts. The unit places drug interdiction and eradication as a priority for enforcement action, along with deployments on high risk situations to better ensure the safety of officers.

The K9 teams have been utilized for the detection of drugs, apprehension of suspects, and locating evidence. They serve the citizens of Loveland but have also been a regional resource for Colorado State Patrol, Larimer County Sheriff's Department, Ft. Collins, Johnstown, Longmont, and Berthoud Police Departments, as well as being involved with the Special Investigation Unit and SWAT.



Mounted Patrol Unit



Loveland Police Department's Mounted Patrol Officers work this assignment as a collateral duty; in addition to their regular assignments. In 2015, the Unit started with six trained riders. Unfortunately, two of them left the unit during 2015; leaving our Unit with four riders. Our horses are trained and available to the unit through private ownership by Unit members as well as the donations of two former polo horses donated by Colorado State University.

In-service and updated training for all riders (and horses) is recurrent, but starts with a forty-hour basic training course that is followed up by Unit training that occurs as regularly as the collective schedules permit.

Loveland Mounted Patrol Officers provided extra patrols and security for the City's Bike/Hike trail system, parks and special events such as the highly popular Fourth of July celebration. Once again in 2015, our Mounted Patrol officers were supplemented by members of the Larimer County Sheriff's Posse to provide security at the July 4th celebration which went very well.

The Mounted Patrol Unit received some amazing support in 2015 from the members of MB Kares, the members of the Hillcrest Resident Council and Seven Lakes Memory Care who conducted independent fund raisers to provide significant donations to the Mounted Unit. We also were graced by three additional private citizens who chose to honor us with private donations to support the unit's operation.



Captain Bob Klfinger

The Services Division of the Police Department provides some of the essential “behind the scenes” work to support the uniformed Operations Division. Services Division includes our Community Resource Unit (CRU), Special Investigations Unit (SIU), Technical Support Unit (TSU), and the Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU).

By reading the short articles in the following pages, you will learn more about the detailed and critical work completed by these units. There will never be enough room within this report to talk about all of the work that these employees perform but you will get a glimpse of some of the highlights of their work.

Our Community Resource Unit (CRU) is home to our five School Resource Officers (SROs), one Crime Prevention Officer, and a Unit Sergeant. Three of the SROs are assigned to work in the high schools within the City while the other two are assigned to share responsibility in the middle schools within the City limits. These specially trained officers work to investigate and address all levels of crime within the school campuses as well as helping to resolve quality of life issues for our student population. Our Crime Prevention Officer conducts neighborhood and business crime prevention programs, school presentations, safety fairs and more while also serving our senior population with programs like our lock-box program that insures emergency responders can reach them in the event of an emergency inside their homes.

The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) members are assigned to the Northern Colorado Drug Task Force and work primarily to address significant level drug trafficking organizations that are operating in and impacting Larimer County. The task force is also staffed by other members of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies who partner with us in the unending battle with illicit drug trafficking. Arrests made by this group help to significantly impact drug trafficking in Larimer County.

The Technical Support Unit (TSU) are crime scene investigators. The Unit employs one full time evidence technician, a Latent Fingerprint Examiner assigned to the Northern Colorado Regional Forensics Lab and a Criminalist who also assist, train, and supervise our Crime Scene Technicians (CSTs). This unit is responsible for receiving, logging, and maintaining thousands upon thousands of pieces of evidence as well as found or recovered property that may eventually be returned to its rightful owner. Our Criminalist works and trains extensively with our CSTs who are patrol officers working in a supplemental role to help process and collect evidence from our crime scenes including burglaries, stolen vehicles, and, unfortunately, even murders.

Finally, our Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) is staffed with nine (9) general investigators, one investigative technician, and two sergeants. They are responsible for the follow up investigation of large scale felony investigations including property and persons crimes. The detailed work they complete takes much more time and attention than that portrayed in many of the popular television shows and they invest significant effort into every assigned case investigation. The CIU is also home to our Cyber Crimes Unit which includes two of the previously mentioned detectives, who are specially trained to investigate computer based crimes; including sex crimes against children. Their work in this specialty area is a complement to their “regular” caseload that they carry along the other detectives in the unit.

This Support Services Division is supported by a sole Administrative Assistant who, among her other duties, is also responsible for reviewing, scheduling, and staffing the many parades, celebrations, and events within the City throughout the year. These include the July 4th celebration, Fair and Corn Roast Parades (among others), Art in the Park, and numerous other events.

It is my honor to work with the variety of specially trained and highly dedicated members of the Services division. Please enjoy reading more detailed accounts of their 2015 successes in the paragraphs that follow.

Support Services Division

Criminal Investigations Unit

The Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) is staffed with one Lieutenant; two Sergeants; ten Detectives; and one Investigative Technician. The mission of the Unit is to investigate serious felony level crimes: homicide, sex assault, burglaries, robberies, auto thefts, and larceny.

In 2015, CIU Detectives were assigned 571 cases and investigated 126 Department of Human Services referrals during 2015. Due to the increased occurrence of serious crimes, the Cyber Crimes Unit (two detectives) were asked to assist with the general case load and were asked to focus on digital forensics instead of actively pursuing Internet Crimes Against Children cases. This reallocation resulted in the following statistics (not all-inclusive):

- 3 Homicide investigations
- 2 Attempted homicides
- 78 Sex assaults (including against children)
- 17 Internet exploitation of a child cases
- 17 Robberies
- 42 Burglaries
- 184 Crimes against property cases
- 801 Sex offender registrations



Honor Guard Officers fold and present the ceremonial flag to Chief Luke Hecker at the 100 year Marshal Frank Peak memorial service.

Support Services Division

Special Investigations Unit

The Loveland Police Department Special Investigations Unit (S.I.U.) is the primary unit within the Police Department for the investigation of the illegal manufacture and distribution of illicit drugs. The primary focus for this unit is large scale drug trafficking operations that impact our community, Larimer County and the State of Colorado. S.I.U. consists of one sergeant, three detectives and an administrative assistant, who are all assigned to the Northern Colorado Drug Task Force (NCDTF). This Task Force is a joint effort of agencies in Larimer County and, in addition to Loveland PD officers also has officers from Fort Collins Police Services and Colorado Parole.

In 2015, the NCDTF focused on major drug trafficking organizations involved in the distribution of cocaine, synthetic cannabinoids and methamphetamine. The NCDTF focuses on networks of distribution and major organizations to give a more significant impact to the drug networks and the community. NCDTF is also responsible for responding to, processing and collecting evidence at clandestine methamphetamine labs in Larimer County. Members of the NCDTF continue to give presentations on methamphetamine recognition and awareness throughout the city and local community. The task force continues to support the Drug Endangered Children program. This program is working for the children who are victims of drug abuse environments. We have also worked consistently with DHS to enforce protocols for evaluating children that have been exposed to a drug environment. The Special Investigations Unit Information tip line is (970)416-2560.

Community Resource Unit

The Community Resource Unit (CRU) is comprised of five School Resource Officers (SRO), a Crime Prevention Officer (CPO), and a Sergeant as unit supervisor. An SRO is assigned to each of the three main high schools and the four middle schools share two additional SROs thanks to partnering with the Thompson School District.

The SROs work with the Thompson School District providing law enforcement as a bridge to community resources through teaching and mentoring. The SRO assignments are as follows: Loveland High School SRO, Officer Bruce Boroski; Officer Bobbie Jo Pastecki; Thompson Valley High School SRO, Officer Andres Salazar; Mountain View High School SRO, Officer Benito Avitia; Bill Reed and Conrad Ball Middle School SRO, Officer Alex Quinones; Walt Clark and Lucille Erwin Middle Schools SRO, and Sergeant David Murphy, CRU unit supervisor. The SROs handled 3511 Calls for Service, generated 761 original and supplemental offense reports, 311 arrests, and 598 citations. Officer Dave Sloat is the current CPO and he works directly with the community and is often the public face of the police department. The CPO provides crime prevention efforts through public presentations, safety and security assessments, and participation in community events.

The CPO gave 91 community presentations, installed and maintained 209 lockboxes, and conducted 7 security surveys. There were 28 block parties organized for Loveland Community Night Out. The CPO also organized and held the annual Loveland Police Department Community Fishing Derby which was a huge success this year with over 500 children attending. The CPO coordinated with the DEA for two National Prescription Drug Take-Back Days. During the events, Loveland PD collected 769 pounds of medication. The CPO reached approximately 2,025 children and 1,912 adults with safety and crime prevention information/events/activities. This year the CPO being a part of Santa Cops of Larimer County had over 970 families apply for assistance and about 2500 kids received gifts for Christmas delivered by police officers.

Technical Support Unit

The Technical Support Unit (TSU) is responsible for evidence storage, crime scene processing, officer training, and the Crime Scene Technician (CST) program. Currently the unit is staffed by one Criminalist, one full time Evidence Technician, one latent print examiner based at the Northern Colorado Regional Lab, and nine Crime Scene Technicians who also perform other duties (i.e. patrol and detective bureau).

During the 2015 calendar year, CST's spent **651.00** total hours processing various crime scenes. 302 of those hours were performed while on duty. The remaining 349 were off duty hours.

A total of 7,071 pieces of property were submitted to the property and evidence unit for processing or storage. \$3,701.99 has been generated through the online auction process and deposited into the city's general fund. Auction items are items that are either court ordered not to be returned to specific individuals or items that went unclaimed by the owners. 680 items were sent to auction in 2015. Even with 2,698 items getting destroyed in 2015, the property room is quickly running out of space. We are looking at options for high capacity shelving and working with the City Attorney to possibly use the money generated from the auction to pay for some of the storage options.

Chief Luke Hecker giving the "Oath of Office" to visiting children.





LOVELAND SENIOR POLICE VOLUNTEERS Celebrating 20 Years of Service!!

The Loveland Senior Police Volunteers (LSPV) completed their 20th year of service by contributing over 4,500 hours to the Loveland Police Department, saving the citizens of Loveland and the Loveland Police Department well over \$100,000 in salaries.

Volunteer hours continue to increase and the number of volunteers is also growing. Administrative duties accounted for the largest percentage of volunteer hours, with Records front desk received a close second. Clerical work, meetings and training are also part of the hours counted.

Patrol duties accounted for much of volunteer time. Volunteers spend nearly 1000 hours checking homes of citizens on vacation and hundreds of hours assisting with removal of abandon vehicles. handicap parking checks, lock box checks, neighborhood radar studies, graffiti abatement, code enforcement, stop light/sign checks and other duties.

Public relations duties included assistance with community based events and activities. These are always fun and enjoyable activities for the volunteers. These functions include: Santa Cops, working the Sculpture Show, parades, working with the Community Policing Officer (Ofc. Dave Sloat), Community Night Out, ride-alongs, giving building tours, walking downtown, and other duties.

The volunteers thank their advisors (Sgt. Dave Murphy, Off. Lisa Rakow, Off. Dave Sloat, and Records Specialist Dee Ann Beaman) for their leadership, guidance, support, and at times patience. We also thank the other officers and police department personnel, especially Chief Hecker and Captain Brown, for their support and encouragement. We look forward to 2016 with enthusiasm and a willingness to serve.



Captain Rob McDaniel

In 2015, the Information Services Division consists of the Loveland Emergency Communications Center, Police Records, Crime Analyst and the Administrative Analyst. The Loveland Police Department is the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for 911 calls in all of southern Larimer County, covering 256 square miles and serving approximately 270,000 residents. Emergency dispatching services are provided for the Loveland Police Department and Loveland Fire Rescue Authority.

Emergency dispatching is also provided through service contract agreements for Berthoud Fire Protection District and Thompson Valley Emergency Medical Services. Including managers the Center had 20 authorized positions.

The Records Section is the official custodian and central repository for all Loveland Police Department reports and related records. It is responsible for the management of document-based information and records release in compliance with Colorado Statutes. Including the manager, Records had 9 authorized positions.

The Crime Analyst provides pertinent information relative to crime patterns and trend correlation along with conducting mandatory staffing studies and citizen surveys. The Administrative Analyst composes and manages the Police Department budget. She also maintains the agency web page, assists with grant projects, contracts and writes a department newsletter. The all civilian staff of the Information Services Division work in support of the public and our police officers to provide friendly, professional service each and every day.

Respectfully,

Captain Rob McDaniel

Loveland Emergency
911
FIRE·POLICE·EMS
Communications



Emergency Communications Center

During 2015, the center received and dispatched a total of 40,329 9-1-1 calls, averaging 110 calls per day. In July, a record was set for the most 9-1-1 calls in a single month at 4,224 calls. The center also processes business calls and non-emergency contacts for the Loveland Police Department and in 2015 those calls totaled 87,528.

LECC dispatchers, through rigorous training standards, consistent adherence to emergency medical dispatch protocols, and attention to a high level of patient care, were responsible for the saving of five lives through the provision of CPR instructions during 9-1-1 calls for emergency medical assistance. The center maintained its certification as an Accredited Center of Excellence through the International Academy of Emergency Dispatch, and is one of 149 accredited centers worldwide. The actions of the communications center staff as a team also earned recognition from 9-1-1 educational industry forums as one of the “Top Ten 9-1-1 Call Centers in the United States for 2015”. Communications Specialist Kim Colwell was recognized by the City of Loveland for serving 10 years as a 9-1-1 dispatcher with the organization and Communications Supervisor Becky Kamoske was honored for 25 years of service. Communications Specialist Renee Clem was recognized by her peers and the public safety first responders she works with as Communications Specialist of the Year for 2015.

Training and educational opportunities continue to be top priority for the center. In 2015, the staff received a combined total of 853 hours of training, allowing for each dispatcher to receive 40 hours of training throughout the year. Technological advancements, emergency medical dispatch continuing education, knowledge of field operations for law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services all necessitate extensive, on-going training. Dispatchers train alongside the police SWAT team, firefighters, and physician advisors to experience the role of the first responder – those who’s safety they are responsible for – to have a complete picture of what is transpiring at the other end of the telephone or radio.

The communications center operates a vast amount of technology to deliver emergency dispatching services. The computer-aided dispatch system is Trittech Software Systems Inform CAD and Mobile, which allows for emergency and routine calls for assistance to be processed in the dispatch center and automatically routed to laptop computers in police vehicles and fire/ems apparatus and to be simultaneously routed to handheld devices carried by responders.

9-1-1 service and equipment throughout Larimer County is provided and maintained by the Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA). LETA is an important partner with LECC. Along with 9-1-1 services, they provide emergency message notification service, text to 9-1-1 capability, and support the emergency medical dispatch program through computer software and continued education training for dispatchers.

As we move forward, the communications center is focused on adding personnel to address increasing demand for 9-1-1 call load, which rose sharply by over 16% from 2014. As the population of our area increases, so too does the number of responders – police, fire, and ems. The first line, “the thin, gold line” of emergency communications dispatchers will be there to answer the call and ensure the safety of the responders.

Information Services

Records Section

The Records Section responds to a broad range of questions and requests for information and assistance from members of the Police Department, City government, citizens, the media and other public officials and agencies. It serves as the central repository for all police reports and related records.

Records personnel maintain strict accountability for all police reports, accident reports, citations and other law enforcement records. They provide access to information and supply copies to the public for documents requested under guidance of Colorado State laws.

The Records Section is responsible for handling incoming telephone requests for Records

information and assisting citizens who come to the lobby of the Police Department with questions and concerns.

The Records Section continually works to improve access to critical information for investigators, officers, administrators and the public; increase security of vital records; eliminate redundancy of information in electronic formats; improve classification of information; make better use of information technology; provide higher quality and faster service to our customers; determine, analyze and improve the flow of work; and increase staff productivity.

Records personnel include 7



Records Specialists; Dee Ann Beaman, Gail Brickner, Julie Bunch, Deb Lawrence, Kathy Beavers and Colleen O'Briant; lead Records Specialist, Vickie Lehmkuhl; Records Supervisor, Kim Pals; and a number of Loveland Police Department Senior Volunteers (LSPV).

Crime Analysis

During June 2015, Mark Rudolph settled in to his new position as the Crime Analyst for the Loveland Police Department. He came to Loveland PD in 2014 after spending 5 ½ years as the Crime Analyst at the Greeley Police Department. As a crime analyst, Mark measures and compares data in order to provide support for the administrative, strategic, tactical and intelligence activities of the Loveland Police Department. He also works to identify crime patterns, series, and trends that help officers and detectives in preventing and suppressing crime as well as in apprehension of criminals. Mark provides crime maps to help officers respond to current public safety needs. Other items included in these activity categories are:

- Crime mapping, Local crime statistical analysis
- Serial offense data analysis, State and national crime statistical services
- Special project design, analysis and reporting, Officer training
- Strategic planning for resource deployment
- Workload analysis
- Program evaluation
- Citizen surveys

The Loveland Police Department is committed to using technology to help combat crime and improve public safety in Loveland. The Crime Analyst actively utilizes GIS technology to map crime locations, determine possible suspects and improve the effectiveness of resource deployment. In addition, statistical software is utilized to compile and analyze data from a variety of sources including police reports, CAD calls, census information and other statistical data.

Professional Standards Unit

The Loveland Police Department has a Professional Standards Unit (PSU) that operates under the supervision of the Administration Lieutenant assigned to the Chief of Police. PSU is authorized to conduct administrative investigations of the Police Department personnel regarding any violation of:

1. *Department Directives or Procedures*
2. *City of Loveland Personnel Rules and Regulations*
3. *Loveland Municipal Code*
4. *Colorado Revised Statutes*
5. *Federal Law*
6. *Any Police-related use of firearms*

Any person who believes that a violation of an applicable procedure or law has occurred may file a formal complaint with the PSU. All formal complaints received will be investigated by the Police Department.

Investigations that involve alleged criminal conduct on the part of any member of the Department are referred to, or investigated in coordination with, the Larimer County District Attorney's Office.

All complaints are reviewed by the Chief of Police and then assigned for investigation at one of three levels; Concern Reviews, Supervisory Inquiries, or Internal Affairs Investigations.

The following table summarizes the number of reviews conducted in 2015 in comparison to the previous three years:

	2012	2013	2014	2015
Internal Affairs Reviews	3	6	4	8
Supervisory Inquiries	5	5	2	1
Concern Reviews	31	31	22	24
Total Reviews Logged	42	28	32	33

	2012	2013	2014	2015
Citizen Complaints Total	30	19	26	26
Sustained	7	4	4	5
Not Sustained	2	1	1	2
Unfounded	3	2	6	8
Exonerated	17	11	15	10
Withdrawn	2	1	0	1
Internal Complaints Total	12	9	6	7
Sustained	4	6	4	1
Not Sustained	0	0	0	0
Unfounded	0	0	1	0
Exonerated	3	2	0	1
Cancelled	3	1	1	5

Complaints:

During 2015, there were 8 Internal Affairs reviews (serious allegations), 1 Supervisory Inquiry (mid-level allegations) and 24 Concern Reviews (minor allegations) for a total of 33 formal complaints. Overall, reported complaints remained relatively consistent with 32 in 2014 and 33 in 2015.

After thorough investigation into the 2015 complaints, 6 were sustained, indicating that an employee had violated policy. This shows a continuing downward trend over the past few years of sustained complaints with 10 in 2013, 8 in 2014 and 6 in 2015.

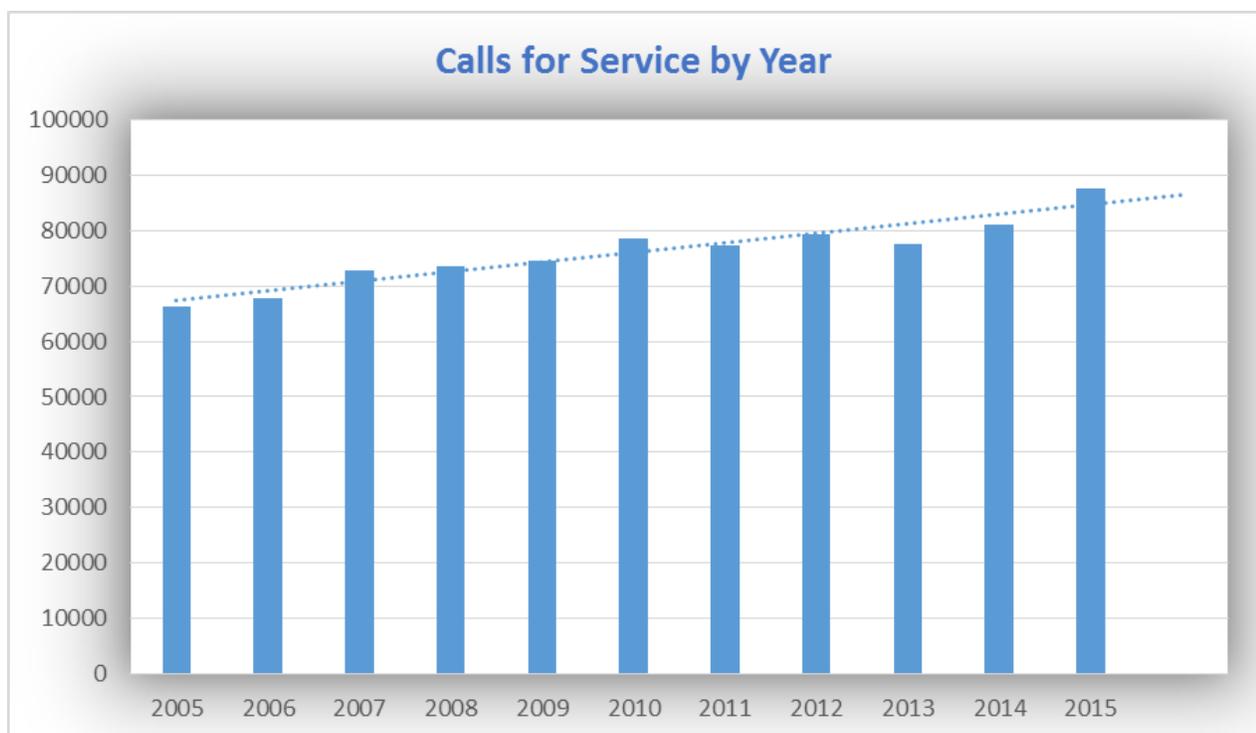
The percentage of the number of complaints having at least one sustained violation (6) to the total number of complaints (33) is approximately 18%. In less than one-out of five complaints, is a police employee has been found to have violated a Department or City policy. There were 6 sustained complaints out of 87,528 calls for service.

The expansion of web-based complaint reporting and introduction of new tracking software has increased the data collection of both use of force incidents and complaint issues. Complaints may be mailed, hand delivered, or obtained electronically via the website.

During 2015, calls for police service increased by 6,404 over the previous year. Based on the 87,528 calls for service for the year, only 1 complaint per 2,652 calls for service was received. Sustained complaints indicate an employee violated a policy. With only 6 complaints sustained for 2015. That equates to only 1 verified complaint per 14,588 calls for service. This is an important number that relates to the number of police contacts contrasted with the number of times the contact results in a verified complaint.

The following is a comparison of the Police Calls for Service over prior years:

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
67,809	72,825	73,571	74,462	78,637	77,368	79,333	77,623	81,124	87,528



Professional Standards Unit

Use of Force Reporting:

Unfortunately, there are times when an officer must use force to protect themselves, protect another citizen or arrest a physically-resisting suspect.

Each incident where an officer uses force on a person is documented and reviewed through the chain of command. Information about the arrest and the nature of the incident is relayed to specific skills instructors. Training is adapted to provide the officers added tools to more safely address each potential situation.

Complaints from use of force are also reviewed and tracked. During 2015, there were 3 complaints related to use of force incidents. After review of the complaints, 0 were sustained. This indicates that in each incident, the officer acted within policy.

There were 87,528 calls for service during 2015. Of those calls for service, there were 3,312 arrests made. Officers were required to use force in 67 incidents. That means approximately 2% of arrest incidents result in situations where officers must use force to overcome resistance.

Below are the types of force used by officers during the past four years:

Use of Force Data				
Type of Force Used	2012	2013	2014	2015
Firearm	5	3	1	1
ECD -Taser	26	30	19	6
Baton	2	2	1	0
OC	0	2	1	1
Weaponless	15	23	51	54
Canine			6	2
Less Lethal Munition	26	14	12	2
Chemical Other			3	1
Total Uses of Force	74	74	94	67
Use of Force Complaints		3	5	3

Throughout 2015, the Loveland Police Department continued a positive trend in mitigating the inherent risk of pursuits. LPD has a “Violent Felonies” only policy, where officers assess the circumstances and alleged crimes surrounding an incident, prior to engaging in a pursuit. Officers only engage in a pursuit when the situation involves violent felonies and may end a pursuit when they deem it too risky to the public.

With an apparent increase in the violent nature of crimes committed and the relative desperation of the suspects to escape, continued training in pursuit intervention techniques, including stop stick deployment and tactical vehicle interventions (TVI), is clearly important and is on-going.

During the year 2015, there was only 1 on-line complaint regarding citizen concerns or comments about LPD contacts with the public in regard to bias-based issues. After review, the complaint was determined to be unfounded and did not reveal a bias-based issue.

It appears that the agency is generally successfully addressing the concerns of bias-based policing through appropriate training, practices, policies, and procedures.

Bias Based Profiling Complaints				
Complaints from:	2012	2013	2014	2015
Traffic Contacts	0	0	0	0
Field Contacts	0	0	0	1

Accreditation

The Loveland Police Department completed the 2015 audit by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and was successfully re-accredited!

Accreditation assessment is an audit of the Department’s policies and practices. The Loveland Police Department has been CALEA Accredited since 1992.

The process has the assessors look at the files off-site prior to arriving at the LPD. When the

assessors came on-site, they spent their time interviewing community members and employees, inspecting facilities and providing feedback to department members.

In November 2015, Chief Hecker received our eighth award as a CALEA Accredited agency from the full commission.

LPD uses an electronic data management system to provide the proof documents for the CALEA audit.

Very few United States police agencies are accredited.

LPD is proud to demonstrate a commitment to excellence and maintain this high standard of performance and service.



Police Chaplain Program - 36 years Strong!!

2015 was the 36th year for the Loveland Police Chaplains organization. The Chaplains serve far beyond their individual churches, reaching out into all areas of the community. They provide support, shelter and the strength of faith to every citizen in Loveland.

Chaplains volunteer with LPD on a daily basis and even support operations on-call, 24 hours a day. The Chaplains serve with officers during some of the most intense critical incidents and they provide a network of resources through their extended community connections.

Their work to bring lodging and food to the needy, gas to stranded travelers and many other charitable services, have significantly improved the quality of life and sense of community in Loveland. They also assist with connecting charitable resources to crime victims during times of need.

The Loveland Police Department humbly thank the dedicated men and women of the Loveland Police Chaplains:

Kevin Blankenship
Sathi Bunyan
Robert Garner
Bob Link
Brian Riecke
John Sanders
Michael Stein
Jeremiah Harris
Lauren Miller

Phil Brewster
David Feeder
Laurel Liefert
Joel Pancoast
Harvey Ruegsegger
Ed Smith
Gary Swanson
Kristi Hornick
Charles Millner

Police Citizens' Academy

From September to November 2015, 20 members of the community completed the ten-week, three hours per week sessions. Class subjects included Police/Citizen Encounters, Police Stress and Traumatic Incidents and demonstrations of crime scene processing and use of force scenarios. The comments from the class were very favorable, as they enjoyed the interaction with our team members and sincerely appreciated the opportunity to learn more about the Loveland Police Department.

Santa Cops is a non-profit organization consisting of representatives from Fort Collins Police Services, Loveland Police Department, Larimer County Sheriff's Office, Colorado State Patrol, and Colorado State University Police, also countless private individuals and businesses, each of whom are vital to our success. Our mission is to promote a positive law enforcement image with these children.

Santa Cops collects money and donations throughout the year to ensure that we are able to provide underprivileged children of Larimer County with three gifts to bring a Merry Christmas to their homes.

The Crime Prevention Officer position has now taken over Santa Cops involvement. The CPO helped organize involvement in

application days, toy drives, wrap nights, fundraisers, and delivery day. Officers were assisted greatly by Senior Volunteers, Loveland Explorers, and Community Service Officers. Loveland had four full application days in November.

Delivery day went very well, serving thousands of children in Larimer County. For the city limits of Loveland, the staff of the Loveland Police Department delivered Christmas presents to over 800 children!

Santa Cops



*Santa Cops
President's Award*

Community Policing Officer Dave Sloat was honored with a President's Award for his unique and amazing commitment to the Santa Cops program. Specifically, Dave was recognized and thanked for his willingness to go above and beyond and to be flexible with his time and energy to gather gift donations, coordinate and organize drop offs, and, of course, to structure and staff wrap nights; among the many, many things that his "full-time" job demands. Great job!!



Crisis Intervention Team

As did many police departments, Loveland Police Department found itself continuing to encounter many situations involving individuals in mental health crises leading to police involvement. While this reality is a complex topic and there is no quick or complete fix, LPD continued to support Crisis Intervention Training for its officers as well as officers within the three county region of Larimer, Weld, and Boulder Counties. As mental health budgets continue to struggle, the role of police as gatekeepers to both the mental health and criminal justice systems is becoming increasingly important.

Through cooperative work with Colorado P.O.S.T. and the northeast regional P.O.S.T. board, LPD participated in three more 40 hour basic Crisis Intervention trainings in 2015. This basic training consists of classroom as well as scenario-based training that assists the officers in identifying those persons struggling with a mental illness and the most appropriate communication and behavioral methods with which to intervene. Based on the “Memphis model”, this intense training was frequently referred to as the most challenging yet most useful training in the professional history of many officers who worked through it.

This intensive training course is intended to help stem the flow of persons with serious mental illness into the *front door* of the criminal justice system, and for those who do enter the system, provide more effective intervention in the hope of reducing future criminal justice system entanglement. The crisis intervention team (CIT) model, is designed to improve officers’ ability to safely intervene, link individuals to mental health services, and divert them from the criminal justice system when appropriate. It has been viewed as a promising practice as well as a best practice effort for law enforcement throughout the Country.

Loveland PD is pleased to have 34 of its members trained in this professionally challenging area. Many of these trained officers are in the uniformed patrol section of the department but several others are also in areas of Investigations, Community Service, and School Resource Officer positions.



Police Explorers

The Loveland Police Department Explorer Post is a division of the Boy Scouts of America and is composed of both boys and girls, ages 14-20. The post meets monthly to train and expose youth to various components of law enforcement including traffic control, weapon familiarization, arrest control, traffic stops, police radio usage, K9, building searches, and crisis intervention. We currently have about 20 members. Some are new to the post and some have been with us for 5 years!

Last year, Explorers participated in community activities like providing traffic control at the 4th of July celebration at North Lake Park, Turkey Trot, and various parades. They also raise funds through special events like security at the Debby Boose tennis tournament. An exciting benefit of being an Explorer is being able to ride along with patrol officers and spend time in the dispatch center.

In addition to law enforcement training, the Explorer program also provides youth with valuable life experience, leadership and character development, self-confidence, and problem solving skills, all while allowing them to develop into good citizens while serving their community.

Many explorers continue along the law enforcement path and find successful careers as police officers. Many former Explorers continue down the path to becoming a police officer.

Loveland Police Explorers train for a state-wide competition



Peer Support Team

Dr. Teresa Richards

2015 was a tough year for policing. The law enforcement profession can be particularly stressful, both on the officer and on his/her family. Peer Support Team (PST) members provide support during rough times and critical incidents. The Peer Support Team operates under the supervision of the Department's Staff Psychologist, Dr. Teresa Richards, and is comprised of 14 department employees, both sworn officers and civilian personnel.

The Peer Support Team responded to multiple Officer-Involved Incidents, critical incidents, and daily stressors this year. They saw the retirement of long-time PST member Sue Sauter and other PST members, and added new members from the Communications department and police officers. PST members attended monthly trainings and meetings to continue their education and support on this team.

Employees that retired during 2015 include:

- Officer Sarah Chartier
- Investigative Technician Lillian Ekwall
- Officer Sharon Hopkins
- Officer Sue Sauter
- 30 year veteran Police Chief Luke Hecker



Officer Sue Sauter

Sworn Employee of the Year
Civilian Employee of the Year
Dispatcher of the Year
Optimist Officer of the Year
Elk's Officer of the Year

Ofc. Kris Jakobsson
Colleen O'Briant
Disp. Renee Clem
Ofc. Greg Harris
Ofc. Patrick Musselman

Meritorious Service Award:

Ofc. Dan Bontz Ofc. Danyel McGraw Sgt. Brandon Johnson

Life Saving Award:

Disp. Clint Swain Ofc. Jaime Mayoral Ofc. Marcus Tilley
Disp. Kim Colwell Disp. Julie Garcia Disp. Kelly Pride
Disp. Erin Berry Ofc. Justin Lorenzen Ofc. Roger Spires
Ofc. Jim Betrus Ofc. Bobbie Jo Pastecki
Citizens: John Reilly, Bruce Ganter and Gary Boyer

Medal of Valor:

Ofc. Jennifer Hines

Unit Awards to:

SWAT Northern Colorado Drug Task Force

Letters of Commendation:

Det. Henry Stucky Det. Chris Kamoske Ofc. Dave Roberts Det. Eric Lintz
Sgt. Jeff Pyle Ofc. Ray Livingston Ofc. Danyel McGraw Det. Patrick Musselman
CST Stephanie Jackson

Chief's Awards:

- **My Brother's Keeper** Alex Quinones
- **Cornerstone Award** Kim Pals
- **Special Teams Award** Loveland Historic Society, Development Services,
Parks and Recreation / Cemetery, Cultural Services/Museum;
Public Works/Facilities & Bus Transportation; Loveland Fire Authority;
LPD Explorer Post; LPD Senior Volunteer; LPD Traffic Unit;
American Legion Bart Bartholomew;
LPD Lt. Brent Newbanks and Elizabeth Markham

100 Year Memorial Service - Marshal Frank Peak

NIGHT MARSHAL PEAK IS SHOT AND KILLED

UNKNOWN THINGS MAKE MURDEROUS
ATTACK IN EARLY MORNING HOURS

BRIDGE OVER ENGLISH DITCH ON SOUTH LINCOLN SCENE OF
TRAGEDY ENACTED AT 2:30 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING—
CITY OFFICER FATALLY SHOT—TWO BULLETS ENTER
BODY AND ANOTHER GRAZES TEMPLE.

REWARD OF \$500 OFFERED BY CITY

Unknown things, supposed to have harbored a grudge which led them to the most extreme end in seeking revenge, shot and killed Night Marshal Frank Peak on or near the bridge over the English ditch on South Lincoln avenue at 2:15 a.m. today. The authorities were in ignorance of the early morning tragedy until daylight when two women boot workers, leaving the city for the fields, found his lifeless body, half reclining, half leaning on the lower railing of the bridge and an alarm was subsequently sounded which aroused the entire neighborhood to the horror of the murder.

Two bullets had entered his body and one grazed his right temple, passing thru his hat. A post mortem conducted this afternoon by Physicians, J. G. McFadden, S.A. Joslyn, R.E. Wright and M.F. Stewart, developed the fact that either shot might have proven fatal. Both entered the left side, one approximately six inches above the other. The most serious wound was inflicted by the upper one which entered a short distance below his arm, passed thru both lungs and came out above the fourth rib. The other penetrated quite as far and was located near the spinal column. Both were of .33 caliber.

Peak's own gun was found laying on the floor of the bridge, the chambers empty, indicating in view of the number of shots fired, that he had made a last stand but had been fighting against odds.

Saml Hull, William Stoddard and others living in the immediate vicinity were the first to view the body and inform the authorities. There was no sign of any struggle having taken place altho there were evidences of Peak having dragged himself from the center of the bridge to the foot bridge at the side before he succumbed to his wounds.

Altho the authorities were quick to respond, no clue has been secured which promises to unravel the mystery surrounding one of the most repulsive crimes ever enacted

in the history of the city and as yet but one person has been taken into custody who may be able to furnish any information.

TRAMP PRINTER HELD

This afternoon, Sheriff Buxter of Boulder county enroute to Loveland, picked up Geo. Bradley, a tramp printer, five miles this side of Longmont and the authorities are now looking for a companion of Bradley's. According to a statement made by Bradley, the two slept in a barn just east of the scene of the tragedy last night and heard the shots which were preceded by talking which was unintelligible to them. It is not known just how much the two learned from the conversation which passed between Peak and those who subsequently shot him but it is believed possible that clues will be forthcoming which may lead to the identification of the thugs.

When accosted by Sheriff Buxter, Bradley was resting beneath a tree and claimed to have walked the entire distance from Loveland this morning. In response to the greeting of the sheriff he said, "I know what you want, Cap'." Sheriff Buxter accepted this as proof that either Bradley or his companion is possessed of specific information and the old man was accordingly taken into custody. He later stated that the young man who slept the night with him in the barn has been picking raspberries in the district and it is thought that it will be easy to locate him.

While no information of a reliable nature is forthcoming in regard to the murder, the crowd which congregated this morning was free in expressing its opinion and advancing theories. The body was left on the bridge until the arrival of Sheriff E. L. Cooke this morning who ordered the removal of the remains to the undertaking establishment of Bell and Finley. It was rumored that bloodhounds would be placed on the trail but this was considered impractical in view of the fact that scores of the idly curious visited the scene of the crime before the public was barred from examining the premises.

The bridge offers an ideal place for the enactment of such a crime in that the dense foliage at the side provides a hiding place which was doubtless taken advantage of by Peak's assailant. Mrs. Frank Whitaker, who heard the shots, is of the opinion that the shooting extended over a larger area than is generally supposed. She states that she first heard shots from the direction of the alley and a few minutes later from the bridge while others, including Walter Hostetter claim that there was a distinction in the noise of the reports, several explosions being sharper than others.



Copy of the original newspaper article following the murder of Marshal Frank Peak

- Loveland Reporter July 13, 1915



100 Year Memorial Service - Marshal Frank Peak

Loveland
Night Marshal
Frank Peak

1880-1915

MURDER SUSPECT PROVES
TO BE ONLY A TRAMP

On Tuesday Undersheriff Inapp received a call from the south part of the city informing him that a tramp was alongside the road and that he acted as though he were hiding. One hand had a fresh cut on it and the informant was of the opinion the man might be the Loveland night marshal's murderer.

The officer found the suspect to be a tramp arrested several years ago and a harmless as well as a worthless individual. The cut on the man's hand proved to be an old scab.

Others arrested here have been released as they gave fair accounts of their whereabouts Monday night and Tuesday.

Article taken from The Courier Presser
Mt. Collins, Colorado
Tuesday, July 20, 1915

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Office Lisa Rakow leads a rider-less horse during the Marshal Frank Peak 100 year memorial service.

100 Year Memorial Service - Marshal Frank Peak

Police Chief - Luke Hecker





Police Chief Luke Hecker presents the memorial flag to Marshal Frank Peak's granddaughter Corwin Schlingman at the 100 year anniversary memorial recognition service.



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