

Weekly Report

Auxiliary Services Division:

- The NPD Communications Division is looking for individuals interested in becoming a police dispatcher. Anyone interested in applying is encouraged to visit <https://cityofnewarkdeemployees.munisselfservice.com//EmploymentOpportunities/JobDetail.aspx?req=2023&sreq=15&form=GEN&desc=COMMUNICATIONS%20OFFICER%20I> for additional information.
- NPD completed its transition to upgrading Officers' body worn cameras which also sync to the vehicle in car camera systems.

Administration Division:

- The 2023 police officer hiring process is now open. Anyone interested can visit <https://newarkde.gov/898/Career-Opportunities---Police-Officer> for more information on NPD's hiring process and how to apply.
- NPD's recruiting website <https://joinnewarkpd.com/> is live. Anyone interested in a career in law enforcement with NPD is encouraged to visit the site and view the various videos for information on NPD and the application process.

Criminal Investigations Division:

- On January 31st, 2023, Lieutenant Nelson and Victim Services Coordinator Melissa Pennachi attended a law enforcement work group on plans to bring a Family Justice Center to Delaware. A Family Justice Center provides one place for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse to receive services currently available in their community from both non-profit and governmental agencies.
- On February 4th, 2023, a subject was taken into custody by Wilmington Police pursuant to an active arrest warrant by Newark Police for Burglary 2nd Degree, Forgery 2nd Degree, and Theft Under \$1500. Detectives obtained the warrant in reference to a residential burglary that occurred on December 29th, 2022, at an Easton Court apartment. The defendant appeared before Justice of the Peace Court #2 by video and was released on \$13,000 unsecured bond.
- On February 7th, 2023, Governor Carney signed a proclamation declaring February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month, which is in line with the national recognition each year. This month is an important time to recognize the impact abuse can have in relationships, especially with younger people. One in three people will experience emotional, physical, or sexual abuse from someone they're dating, before they're an adult. Over 40% of women in college report abuse in their dating relationships. This year's theme is "Be About It", with the goal of promoting education around safe, healthy, and positive relationships and amplifying young voices across the county. For more information about Teen Dating Violence, healthy relationships, and how to seek assistance or offer support, please visit: <https://www.loveisrespect.org/>.

Hotline: 1-866-331-9474 or Text: text "Lovels" to 22522

Chat feature: <https://www.loveisrespect.org/get-relationship-help/>

For additional support and resources, please visit the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence teen dating support initiative Safe + Respectful: <https://safeandrespectful.org/>

Patrol Division:

- On Wednesday, January 18th, 2023, officers responded to the Rodeway Inn in reference to a located missing juvenile. Upon arrival, it was determined that the reporting person was the juvenile's mother who stated that her 15-year-old daughter and 15-year-old niece were staying at the hotel. The room was rented by two 21-year-old males who had left the area before the police arrived. A key card was obtained; however, the door was barricaded using a chair while the two juveniles pushed on the door to keep it shut. When the officers gained entry, one juvenile pulled a knife and pointed it at officers. When officers gave verbal commands the juvenile dropped the knife as ordered. Both females were detained and removed from NCIC as missing juveniles. The female who threatened officers with the knife was charged with Aggravated Menacing and was turned over to the Ferris School.
- On Wednesday, February 1st, 2023, at approximately 1423 hours, officers received a call from the Sea Isle (NJ) Police Department in reference to a reported aggravated menacing that occurred at the Candlewood Suites in Newark. After speaking with the Sea Isle Police Department, a patrol officer interviewed the victim who reported that her son, who is staying at the Candlewood Suites, threatened to kill her as he held a kitchen knife to her chest and grabbed her by the throat. It was determined that the victim fled to Sea Isle NJ, where she resides, and initially filed a report with their agency. Officers obtained an arrest warrant for the male suspect; however, the male was not located. The male is currently wanted on an active warrant.
- On Saturday, February 4th, 2023, at approximately 1819 hours, officers responded to Claymont Steaks in reference to a disorderly conduct complaint. When employees told a male suspect that the bathroom was for paying customers only, and he could not use the bathroom, the suspect immediately began violently damaging property, and attempted to hit the employee. The male was arrested for Menacing, Criminal Mischief, Disorderly Conduct, and Criminal Trespass.
- On Sunday, February 5th, 2023, at approximately 2238 hours, officers responded to the unit block of Duke Street in reference to an assault. Upon arrival, it was determined that a suspect struck the tow truck driver in the face while his vehicle was being towed. The suspect then damaged tow truck tires with a pocketknife. The male suspect was located, and he was charged with Offensive Touching and Criminal Mischief.

Special Enforcement Division:

- Over the past three weeks, the Traffic Unit has conducted speed studies on Chrysler Avenue, Willa Road, Hillside Road, Nottingham Road, and Ritter Lane. Officers use this speed data to ascertain if traffic enforcement is warranted. The Traffic Unit continues enforcement of traffic offenses at various locations throughout the city including S. College Avenue, New London Road,

Nottingham Road, South Main Street, Delaware Avenue, Capitol Trail, and Otts Chapel Road. On February 1st, Sergeant Bolden attended the City's Bicycle Friendly Community meeting. In the past three weeks the unit has assisted with three car seat installations.

- On January 27th, Lt. D'Elia met with management of the Hyatt Hotel under construction to provide them with an overview of the Special Use Permit System. On February 6th, Lt. D'Elia and Lt. Rieger (Patrol Division) attended the UD's meet and greet event for their newly rebranded UD Community Standards and Conflict Resolution Office (formerly the Office of Student Conduct). On February 9th, Lt. D'Elia attended the Christine Manor Community Meeting at the request of Councilman Suchanec. On Friday, February 10th Lt. D'Elia will meet with the First Watch restaurant under construction to provide them with an overview of the Special Use Permit System. Also, on Friday the 10th, Lt. D'Elia and Lt. Rieger will meet with the management of Freddy's regarding ongoing issues at that location and their desire to obtain a Special Use Permit to sell alcohol at that location.