

Report of the Fremont Police Department



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Fremont Police Department is to protect our residents and all those who pass through our community by establishing high standards of impartial and professional law enforcement. We, as dedicated officers, must learn from the past, meet the present challenge, and plan for the future.

August 2019 Officer Christian Hight resigned from the Fremont Police Department. With only four (4) Full Time officers, the staff at the Fremont Police Department succeeded in a herculean effort to provide services to our residents despite the shortage of staff.



November 2019, the Fremont Police was able to fill the Full Time Officer vacancy with Officer Nikki Bernier. Officer Bernier is a Full Time certified officer who worked for the Danville Police Department for over 4 years before joining the ranks of the Fremont Police. Officer Nikki Bernier's police experience includes: Taser Instructor, Certified Field Training Officer, Certified Background Investigator, Breath test operator, and A.L.I.C.E. Instructor (active shooter trainer).

Over the course of 2019, Fremont Officers responded to six (6) drug overdoses with no fatalities. In 2018, to assist in combating this epidemic, all members of the Fremont Police Department received training in the use of Narcan, a medication that can reverse the effects of an Opioid overdose. Sergeant Jason Larochelle successfully administered two doses of Narcan and administered CPR to save the life of an adult male who had overdosed on heroin. Sergeant Larochelle received The Fremont Police Life Saving award for his actions.



The 2019 NH Race Into Winter (Grass Drags and Water Cross), hosted by the NH Snowmobile Association brought over 46,000 people to Fremont over the three days of the event. This year's event had no major traffic issues in part due to the logistic changes in the parking and traffic flow patterns.

Members of the Fremont Police Department conducted multiple training sessions to include Firearms, Taser, Less than Lethal Shotgun bean bag, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, and Active shooter training using a life Fire Portable Firing Range.

In December, the Police Department completed the 19th Annual Santa Parade. Once again, the event was a success and we were joined by the Fremont Fire Rescue Department. We want to express a special thanks to all the volunteers that make this event a success: Santa, the Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission and all the other participants for contributing or taking time out of their busy schedules to be in our parade.



The Fremont Police was awarded supplemental funding for federal and state funded grant programs to help purchase new equipment and fill patrol shifts. Grant #1: N.H. Fish and Game Department awarded us a grant for over \$6,480 to patrol the Rockingham County Trail system with our ATV patrols. This is more than a \$3,000 increase from the 2018 awarded funds. The Police ATV patrols help reduce the number of ATV accidents, noise complaints and other violations on the trail system. Grant #2: Bullet Proof Vest Partnership: This grant is funded through the U.S. Department of Justice and assists the department in purchasing body armor for our police officers. Body Armor must be replaced after every five (5) years.

Helpful Public Safety Hints:

- #1. Please make your house number is visible from the road or on your mailbox. This will help officers find your home in case of an emergency.
- #2. If you are leaving your home for an extended period of time, come into the police department or visit our web site to obtain a "**Vacant House Check Form**". Fill out the form and bring it to the police station. We will check your property while you are away and notify you if there is an issue.

The Town of Fremont has an Alarm Ordinance that requires any alarm installed within the town to be registered with the Police Department. Without that information, we are unable to contact the owners in the event of alarm activation.

The required forms are available at the Safety Complex or can be downloaded from our website www.fremontnhpd.com.

The Fremont Police Facebook page is kept up to date on current events in town as well as police activity and recent pictures. Please **do not** use the **Fremont Police Facebook** to report a crime. If you see a crime or something suspicious, please call **911** to report it.

With the continuing financial support and dedication of the staff at the Ellis School, we are once again able to offer the **D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)** Program. The **D.A.R.E.** program is taught to 5th grade students by certified **D.A.R.E.** Instructor Officer Greg Huard.

To help combat the current opioid/drug epidemic, the Fremont police participated in the D.E.A. Nation Drug Take Back program again in 2019. The Drug Take Back Day provides the public a place to dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs. Medicines/prescription drugs, play an important role in treating many conditions and diseases and when they are no longer needed it is important to dispose of them properly to help reduce harm from accidental exposure or intentional misuse. The Fremont Police collected over 50 pounds of unused narcotics/drugs during the Spring and Fall 2019 Drug Take Back National Program. Future Drug Take Back dates will be posted on the Fremont Police website and Facebook page.

To the residents of Fremont and the members of the Police Department: Administrative Assistant Mary Wheaton-Pinder, Detective Lieutenant Peter Morelli, Sergeant Jason Larochelle, Officers Kurtis Boissonneault, Gregory Huard, Philip Houten, Nikki Bernier, Joseph Gordon, Joseph Wyner, Animal Control Officer Renee King and Prosecutor Heather Iworski, **Thank You** for your support and dedication.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free call my office at any time at 895 2229 or email me at jtwiss@fremontnhpd.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Twiss
Chief

Fremont Police Department 2019 Calls for Service

Officers of the Fremont Police Department responded to the following Calls for Service in 2019.

Administrative	-	49	Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	76
Bad / Forged Checks	-	3	Motor Vehicle Complaints	-	50
Burglar Alarm Activations	-	85	Motor Vehicle Lock Outs	-	19
Animal Control	-	321	Motor Vehicle Theft	-	0
Assaults	-	11	Motor Vehicle Stops	-	1306
Assist Citizens	-	154	Noise Complaints	-	88
Assist Other Town/Agencies	-	244	Notification	-	15
Assist Fire Department	-	58	Missing Person	-	2
Assist Rescue/Ambulance	-	300	Officer Wanted	-	34
Assist Other Fremont Depts.	-	134	O.H.R.V. Complaints	-	40
Assist Court Personnel	-	1	Open Doors	-	16
Building / Property Checks	-	5661	Paper work Service	-	151
Assist Motorist	-	36	Police Information	-	106
Burglary	-	5	Public Intoxication	-	7
Civil Matters	-	141	Property Lost/Found	-	42
Criminal Threatening	-	15	Restraining Order Service	-	10
Criminal Trespass	-	19	Sex Offenses	-	10
Directed Patrols	-	371	Suicidal Person	-	10
Disorderly Conduct	-	1	Suspicious Activity	-	73
Disturbance / Fight	-	34	Suspicious/Abandoned Vehicles	-	97
Domestic Disturbance	-	51	Speed Check Points	-	207
Drug Offenses	-	8	Theft	-	36
D.W.I.	-	5	Traffic Hazard	-	99
Follow-Up Investigation	-	419	Vandalism	-	18
Fraud	-	16	VIN Verification	-	48
Harassment	-	8	Well Being Checks	-	75
Juvenile Offenses	-	20	911 Hang Up Calls	-	18
Illegal Dumping	-	6	Untimely/Unattended Deaths	-	2
Illegal Parking	-	29	Unknown Complaint / Call	-	304

Based on these calls for Service, Officers took 275 Incident/Crime Reports, generated 10 Field Interview (Informational) Reports, took 87 Alleged Offenders into custody, Investigated 44 Reportable Motor Vehicle Accidents, issued 1188 Motor Vehicle Warnings, 106 Traffic Citations, and 5 Parking Citations.