

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 challenges and plan for the future.

During 2007 we saw an increase in patrol activity including 5270 calls for service. We did 416 directed patrols, 516 vacant house checks, and 5061 business checks. There were 1106 motor vehicles stopped that resulted in 251 summonses and 800 warnings issued. We arrested 76 individuals, had 348 court cases and our O.H.R.V. patrol resulted in 1971 machines being checked with 70 warnings and 39 summonses being issued. As the Town of Fremont continues to grow, the strain on all emergency services also continues to grow.

The Fremont Police Department, like a lot of small New Hampshire community police departments, has experienced a large turnover in qualified officers. This year 5 officers left to go to other departments or made a career change. It seems we are in a constant hiring and training mode. This puts a huge strain on the budget. Equipping and training a new officer is both costly and time consuming. Once an officer has completed the hiring process, he/she must become certified with the State of New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council. This requires the officer to attend a training academy conducted by Police Standards and Training that is usually held in Concord. The officer is also required to attend and complete an in house Field Training program. This requires the officer to be teamed with a qualified Field Training Officer. All officers are required to complete in service and firearms training annually to maintain their certification. Any officer hired after January 1, 2001 is required to pass a physical agility test every three years using the Cooper Standards as a baseline.

With the continuing financial support of many of our residents and local businesses and the continuing cooperation and dedication of the staff at the Ellis School, Investigator Joseph Fussell from the New Hampshire State Liquor Commission and Mary Wheaton-Pinder of the Fremont Police Department, we were able to complete our fourteenth D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program. D.A.R.E. started in the Ellis School in the fall of 1993. It is a 10- week program that is taught by a full time police officer that has completed a D.A.R.E. instructor's program. Including the 2007 class, over 700 students have received certificates of completion in the program at Ellis School.

The O.H.R.V. program headed by Lieutenant Reese Bassett continues to have a positive impact on our community; the number of O.H.R.V. complaints has dropped since the start of the program. The Rockingham Trail has become a family oriented place for recreation. We are seeing more families using the Rockingham Trail for other types of recreation including hiking, biking and horse back riding. Fremont has one of

the trailheads that is commonly used by residents and non-residents wanting to operate their ATV's and access the Rockingham Trail System. We still work to enhance the quality of the trail system through our consistent education, engineering and enforcement programs.

In December, we held our second "Gift of Time". This is an annual event where parents are able to bring their children, minimum age three, to the Safety Complex for a day of childcare. This allows parents a day to complete their Christmas shopping. The day included crafts, lunch and a movie. I express my special thanks to the Fremont Police Volunteers and their families who staffed this event, the Fremont Pizzeria who provided lunch, and Director's Cut Video of Raymond who provided a popcorn machine and all the fixings.

Our community service program continues to beautify our town. The workers have picked up "tons" of trash that is discarded along our streets. It has resulted in the cleaning of most roads in town.

I have listed by category the type and number of reportable offenses to which the Fremont Police Department responded in 2007:

Administrative	642	Aggravated Assault	1
Alarms	84	Animal Control	406
Arson	1	Assaults	8
Assist Citizens	39	Assist Other Agencies	288
Assist Fire/Ambulance	229	Assist Other Fremont Depts	106
Assist Motorist	55	Burglary	25
Civil Matters	54	Criminal Threatening	13
Criminal Trespass	14	Disorderly Conduct	7
Domestic	44	Drug Offenses	2
D.W.I.	2	Fraud	25
Harassing Telephone Calls	24	Harassment	12
Juvenile	92	Motor Vehicle Accidents	56
Motor Vehicle Complaints	73	Motor Vehicle Lock Outs	31
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	Motor Vehicle Abandoned	7
Noise Complaints	47	O.H.R.V. Accidents	2
O.H.R.V. Complaints	33	Open Doors	9
Paper work Service	137	Police Information	235
Rape	1	Recovered Property	21
Restraining Order Service	11	Robbery	2
Sex Offenses	7	Speed Compliance Check Point	364
Town Ordinance Violations	8	Theft	49
Untimely Deaths	2	Vandalism	43
V.H.C. Requests	42	VIN Verification	36
Weapons Violations	2	Well Being Checks	42
911 Hang Up Calls	49		

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

activation. Most alarm companies do not inform their customers that the alarm has to be registered with the Police Department. This is a simple matter that requires a one-page form to be completed. This information is entered into our database and is available to the duty officer when he responds to the alarm.

Our database also tracks persons with special needs in the event of an emergency, such as the need for power for life support and persons who need special vehicles or are unable to leave their residence without assistance during an evacuation. This information is kept strictly confidential and is only available to the Safety Services responding to the event.

We offer "Vacant House Checks". With this program we try to check your residence daily while you are on vacation or away for the winter.

All three registration forms are available at the Safety Complex, or can be downloaded from our website www.fremontnhpd.com.

As our community grows and the nation's economy tightens our problems increase, the TEAM concept becomes essential. I am once again asking the residents of Fremont for their help. Be aware of your neighborhoods. If you see anything that makes you suspicious, call the Police Department at 679-2225. If you have an emergency, call 911 for help.

If you observe a crime or if it happens to you, be alert to what you observe and make mental notes of what you see and hear. It will help you maintain your presence of mind as well as helping the police later. Report a crime immediately. Time is a factor in apprehending a criminal and even a few minutes delay can mean his/her escape.

To the residents of Fremont, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Office Staff, the members of the Fire Department, Rescue Squad, Highway Department and the members of the Police Department: Administrative Assistant Mary Wheaton-Pinder, Lieutenant Reese Bassett, Sergeant Jason Larochelle, Officers Robert Allore, Joseph Gordon, Jason Grant, Daniel Whitman. Christopher St. Onge, Sirena Lemieux, Adam Raymond, Charles Rand, Wayne Ingersoll, and Renee King, THANK YOU for your continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal R. Janvrin
Chief of Police

"I was born an American; I will live an American; I shall die an American."

Speech July 17, 1850

~ Daniel Webster (1782-1852)