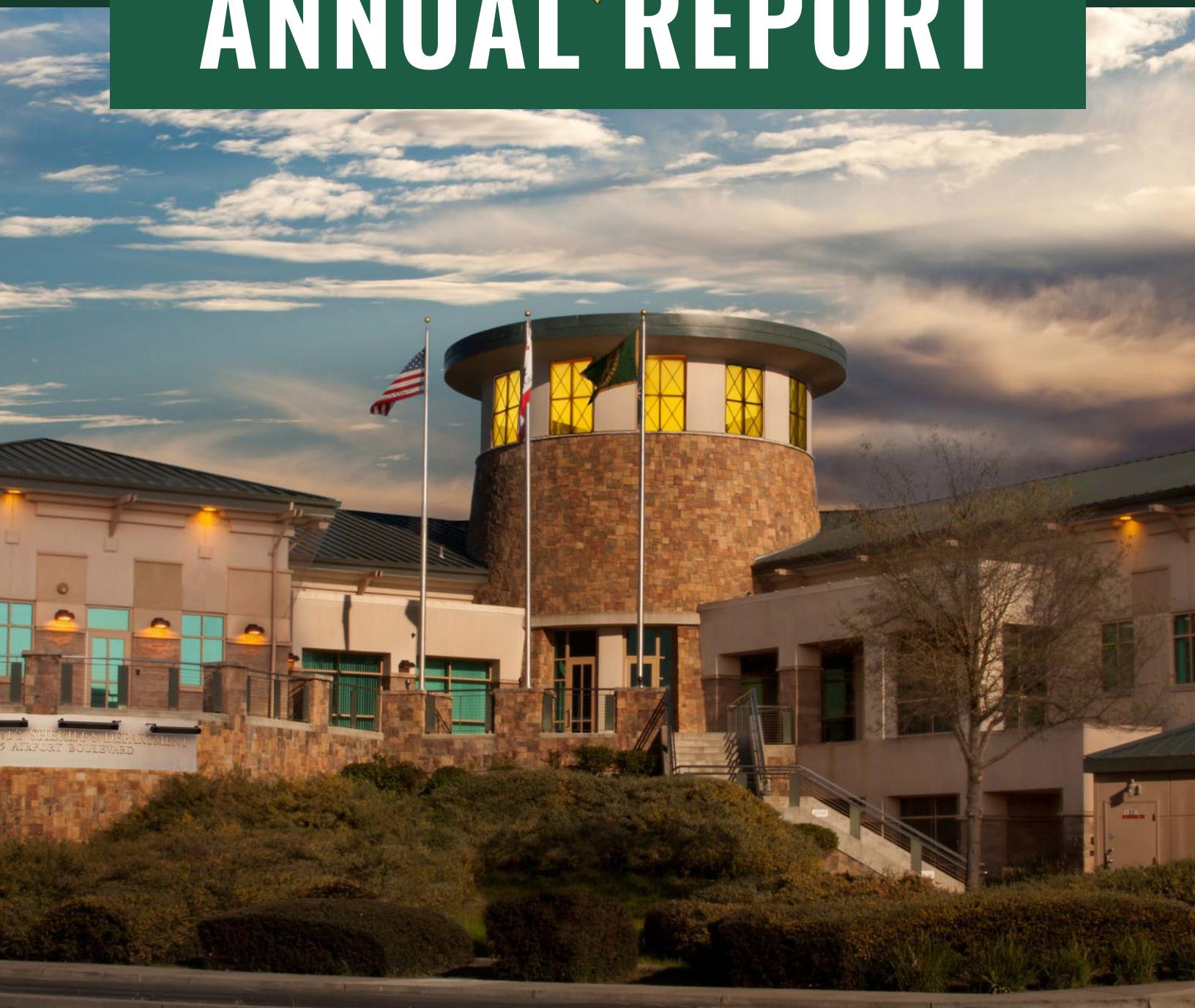




# 2021 ANNUAL REPORT





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## A MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF



*Napa County Sheriff Oscar Ortiz*

It is my pleasure to present the 2021 Napa County Sheriff's Office Annual Report. With the retirement of Sheriff Robertson in June, I am humbled to have been appointed to serve as the new Sheriff of Napa County to complete the balance of his term.

Annual reports are an opportunity for law enforcement agencies like ours to tell our story, describe the services we offer our community, and reflect on the past calendar year. Reviewing the past year gives us an opportunity to plan and adjust various training needs, priorities, and resource needs.

With the help of Undersheriff Cullen Dodd and the command staff team, who worked hard to gather the information contained in this report, I proudly present this report and the story of the hard-working members of the Napa County Sheriff's Office.

In 2021, we were challenged with year two of the Coronavirus pandemic, along with political division brought on from a divisive presidential election, mask and vaccine measures related to the pandemic, and other divisive topics in our country.

Around the nation, we entered the new year with continued calls to defund the police, but finished 2021 with mostly "refund" measures in communities that saw negative consequences from those policy decisions.

Thankfully, Napa County continues to be a community that supports its law enforcement. We benefited from serving in such a community as several experienced officers from other areas chose to change departments and join our organization.

Through all the challenges, the men and women of the Napa County Sheriff's Office remained committed to providing the highest level of service to our community. I am proud to be a part of this organization and this community.

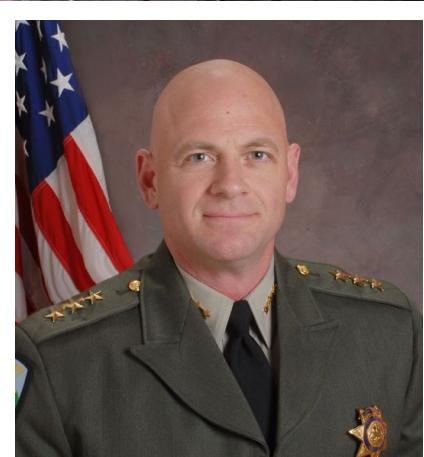
We started out 2021 with some high profile criminal cases, including the arrest of a 45-year-old Napa business owner for unlawful possession of several firearms and pipe bombs. That case later resulted in additional federal charges and is still working its way through the justice system. This particular case stemmed from an alert citizen who truly subscribed to the message of "see something, say something." The offender remains in custody as of the time of this publication.

Also in January, Deputies responded to a road rage incident involving a subject shooting at another motorist. The suspect fled and the case was turned over to our Detectives team. The Detectives, demonstrating their determination and commitment, solved the case and arrested the offender, a 27-year-old Vallejo resident, eight months later.

Like many other portions of California, we saw an uptick in vehicle burglaries as organized thieves moved through our County to break into cars or to steal catalytic converters. Deputies apprehended several of these thieves. Many of those cases are still being prosecuted, despite failures-to-appear and pending arrest warrants from missed court dates.

Our Deputies remain committed to patrolling our community to both prevent these crimes and to apprehend these criminals whenever possible.

In July, we responded to a plane crash near Angwin airport. Tragically, the pilot and both passengers died in the crash. Our well-trained Coroner Investigators along with our Public Information Officer, took measures to protect the scene and the dignity of the decedents from photography by a large response from several media outlets.



*Napa County Undersheriff Cullen Dodd*

As pandemic conditions improved between surges, 2021 provided us the opportunity to connect with the community again, similar to pre-pandemic times. We launched the Zonehaven Evacuation Program and attended several emergency preparedness fairs to conduct outreach. As we headed into fire season, we adjusted our Napa County Ag-Pass program to help prevent backlogs so that agriculture could continue safely, when possible, in the event of a wild land fire.

Mercifully, however, we enjoyed a relatively calm fire season locally, while state fire and law enforcement resources rushed to historically large fires in the north-eastern part of our state. We remained vigilant, staffed, and prepared, during all of our red flag weekends in 2021.

In addition to outreach events with our Problem-Oriented Policing Program (POPP) and the summer return of National Night Out, we re-opened our Napa Sheriff's Activities League (SAL) after school center that features boxing, judo, baseball, and wrestling programs. Despite a few brief interruptions due to the Omicron surge, those programs continue to run and help us connect with our community.

Our Deputies also helped with community fund raising programs including the Pink Patch Project for breast cancer research and No-Shave November for prostate cancer charities.

Last year reminded us that wildfires are not our only potential for mother nature related incidents. We saw a welcomed rainstorm that filled our streams, riverbanks, and reservoirs while causing local flooding and even temporary road closures during the month of December. The severe drought conditions continue, but that 2021 rainstorm served as a good reminder that we must remain trained, vigilant, and prepared.

I hope you take the time to look through the pages of this report and reflect on the unique year that was 2021. Our department members, both sworn and professional staff, continue to show a level of commitment to our community that we can all be proud of. We remain committed to continuing this level of service, and more, in 2022.

*Sheriff Oscar Ortiz*



## OUR *Mission*

The Napa County Sheriff's Office is committed to providing the highest level of professional services to our community, while fostering partnerships based on trust and respect.

## OUR *Core Values*

The members of the Napa County Sheriff's Office are dedicated to preserving and defending our core values, which include obedience to the Constitution of the United States, uncompromising personal and professional integrity, compassion, fairness, and respect for the dignity of those we protect.

# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

## THE *Operations* DIVISION

### **PATROL**

Unincorporated Napa County  
Lake Berryessa  
Town of Yountville  
City of American Canyon

### **INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU**

### **NAPA SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU**

### **PROBLEM-ORIENTED POLICING PROGRAM**

### **ANIMAL SERVICES**

### **SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

Dive Team  
SWAT / Crisis Negotiation / Bomb Squad  
Off-Road Enforcement  
Peer Support Team

### **TEAM AUXILIARIES**

Search and Rescue  
Mounted Posse  
Aero Squadron

## THE *Services* DIVISION

### **CORONER'S BUREAU**

### **COURT SERVICES BUREAU**

### **TRANSPORTATION BUREAU**

### **TECHNICAL SERVICES BUREAU (RECORDS)**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE (TRAINING, HIRING, + RECRUITING)**

### **PROPERTY + EVIDENCE BUREAU**

### **SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

Honor Guard  
Sheriff's Activity League





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*Under the leadership of  
Captain Michael Bartlett*

# OPERATIONS DIVISION

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# OPERATIONS DIVISION

## OVERVIEW

The Patrol Bureau is responsible for providing law enforcement and crime prevention services to residents of the unincorporated areas of Napa County, the Town of Yountville, and the City of American Canyon.

Both the Town of Yountville and the City of American Canyon contract with the Napa County Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement services.

Our Deputies patrol the larger portion of 794 square miles of land and associated waterways that make up the County of Napa.

STATISTICS	2021	2020	2019
Reports	1,756	2,161	2,194
Arrests	619	666	941
Misdemeanor Citations	116	152	155
Infraction Citations	122	185	169
Parking Citations	0	0	0
Accidents	0	1	1
DUI Reports	8	17	15
Vandalism Reports	72	105	94
Calls for Service	28,382	28,480	28,771

COMMON CALLS	2021	2020	2019
911 Hang Up	6,633	6,706	6,459
Traffic Stop	1,653	1,979	2,627
Alarm Call	1,850	2,170	2,173
Animal Service Call	1,389	1,442	1,684
Patrol Check	3,007	2,044	1,251
Follow-Up Activity	910	1,007	963
Vehicle Check	544	806	875
Illegal Parking	55	50	23

PART ONE CRIME STATISTICS		2021		2020		2019	
		Reported	Cleared	Reported	Cleared	Reported	Cleared
Homicide		0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape		22	12	11	4	11	7
Robbery		6	4	4	3	7	2
Assault		124	104	113	103	141	117
Burglary		67	14	147	14	57	12
Larceny / Theft		171	20	175	21	215	22
Stolen Vehicles		3	3	14	8	3	1
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>393</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>161</b>

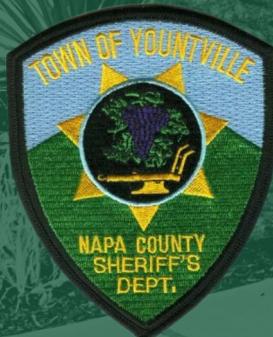
# TOWN OF YOUNTVILLE

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The Town of Yountville has contracted with the Napa County Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement services to the Town since incorporation on February 4, 1965. Under the leadership of Undersheriff Cullen Dodd, these services include three dedicated Deputies and one Sergeant who acts as department head and Patrol Supervisor.

Members assigned to the Yountville Station are responsible for protection of life and property, the maintenance of order, the prevention and control of crime, and enforcement of vehicle laws and regulations within the Town of Yountville.

The members assigned to the Yountville Station are dedicated to working with Town of Yountville staff to respond to concerns of residents and guests of the Town, alike. The designated Deputies provide a full spectrum of municipal law enforcement services, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



# TOWN OF YOUNTVILLE

## ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

As the town emerged from pandemic related restrictions over the last year, members of the Yountville Station had the opportunity to once again support and assist with Town events that make Yountville unique.

Yountville Deputies assisted with security, patrol checks, and traffic control at numerous events, including Movies and Music in the Park, Sip 'n Stroll, the annual Alzheimer's Awareness Walk, the Crush Challenge bike ride, the 9/11 Memorial event, and the triumphant return of the annual Yountville Days Parade. Yountville Deputies continued their popular bicycle patrol activities, providing Town residents and guests with much more approachability and a personal level of service.

- Personnel management (i.e. recruitment, hiring, training, etc.)
- Equipment and vehicle issue and maintenance
- Dispatch services; records management, crime scene, and lab processing
- Property / evidence management and storage, investigative services (major crime and accident)
- Supplemental patrol services, K-9 services, animal services
- Hazardous device mitigation
- SWAT and hostage negotiation
- Disaster response management and training
- Special event services

## YOUNTVILLE STATISTICS

ACTIVITY TYPE	2021	2020	2019
Arrests	36	16	36
Miscellaneous Citations	25	10	25
Infraction Citations	209	88	209
Parking Citations	220	-	351
Accidents	9	10	22
DUI Reports	2	4	4
Vandalism Reports	2	14	18
Calls for Service	3,776	3,691	5,193

ACTIVITY TYPE	REPORTED	CLEARED
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	0
Robbery	0	0
Assault	8	6
Burglary	3	2
Larceny / Theft	9	2
Stolen Vehicles	1	1

# CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON

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The City of American Canyon incorporated in 1992.

Prior to that, as an unincorporated area of Napa County, the area was policed by the Napa County Sheriff's Deputies and California Highway Patrol (for traffic enforcement).

In 1992, when the area became an incorporated city, the new City elected to contract with the Napa County Sheriff's Office for all municipal police services.



# CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON

## AMERICAN CANYON POLICE DEPARTMENT



*Under the leadership of Captain Rick Greenberg  
American Canyon Chief of Police*

The American Canyon Police Department (a division of the Sheriff's Office) has grown in size as American Canyon's population increased.

In 2019, the City and County entered into a new three-year agreement to continue this service. The 2021/22 contract with Napa County is \$7,192,168. The current three-year agreement expires on June 30, 2022, with two additional option years for an eventual agreement expiration of June 30, 2024.

The City of American Canyon and the Napa County Sheriff's Office plan for cost projections and anticipated future expenses when drafting these agreements. In the event of significant changes during the term of the agreement, an amendment may be done to reduce or expand the agreement.

The American Canyon Police Department is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There are several officers on duty at any time of the day. Staffing levels vary depending on the time of day and peak call volume hours.

If a situation arises that requires more officers than the ones already working in American Canyon, the Napa County Sheriff's Office Deputies are quick to respond and assist.

The Sheriff's Office headquarters is just up the road, near the Napa Airport. Additionally, whenever there is an opening for a position in American Canyon, Napa County Sheriff's Office offers a pool of trained Deputies who are familiar with our community and familiar with working in the American Canyon Police Department.

For fiscal year 2021/2022, the American Canyon Police Department was staffed with 24 sworn officers, two Police Technicians, and an Administrative Clerk who is shared with the American Canyon Fire Protection District.

### BREAKDOWN OF SWORN STAFFING

The American Canyon Police Department prides itself on the use of Community Policing strategies. We engage our community to help prevent crime through programs like Coffee with the Cops, Neighborhood Watch, Facebook, Twitter, and DARE, and participate in numerous community events throughout the year.

Enrollment and followers of our social media and Neighborhood Watch program all expanded during 2021, despite limited opportunities for in-person outreach, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The officer to resident ratio is 1:1000. School Resource Officers (SRO) are stationed at both American Canyon High School and American Canyon Middle School during school hours. During the 2021 Spring school closures, both SROs served as juvenile officers around the City handling calls for service involving juveniles that would otherwise be in school and campus security during school hours.

# CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON

## SIGNIFICANT 2021 CASES AND EVENTS

### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARREST INVOLVING FIREARM**

In July of 2021, American Canyon Police Officers were dispatched to a hotel for a report of domestic violence. The female victim, who had visible injuries, stated her boyfriend and father of their unborn child punched her in the face, pointed a handgun at her head, and took her personal belongings. The victim described the handgun as a two-toned semi-automatic Glock.

The suspect fled the scene prior to officers arriving. Officers placed a "be on the lookout" to surrounding law enforcement agencies.

Within a couple of hours, City of Stockton Police Officers located the suspect at his residence and placed him under arrest for the crimes committed in Napa County. Napa County Sheriff's Office Detectives assisted in serving a search warrant at the residence in Stockton.

They located a two-tone Glock .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun. The suspect was also prohibited from owning firearms due to felony convictions. He was brought back to Napa County and booked into the Napa County Department of Corrections, for several felony domestic violence and firearm related charges.



### **NEWELL OPEN SPACE FIRE**

In October of 2021, American Canyon Officers assisted Cal Fire and the American Canyon Fire District with a fire that burned in the Newell Open Space property.

While ACPD was starting evacuations, firefighters and community members advised us a male was fleeing the area on foot and a car was burning inside the fire perimeter.

The fire was estimated at approximately twenty acres. ACPD detained the 26-year-old male, who had scorch marks on his face and body.

Napa Sheriff's Detectives took over the investigation, along with Cal Fire investigators.

Arson charges have since been filed with the Napa County District Attorney Office.



# CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON

## SIGNIFICANT 2021 CASES AND EVENTS

## **FELON ARRESTED WITH MAC-10**

In October of 2021, American Canyon Police were dispatched to a hotel for a report of suspicious circumstances, a female with suspicious injuries, an unidentified male subject, and recent damage to one of the walls.

Officers arrived and contacted the subject, who initially provided false names, making it difficult for the officers to identify him. Eventually, officers learned his true name. Officers learned that he was on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) out of Solano County.

He had several felony probation violation warrants related to his PRCS status. ACPD officers arrested him and discovered he was in possession of a MAC-10 submachine gun.

## THREATS INVOLVING AN AXE AT WALMART

American Canyon Officers were dispatched to a call of a possible theft from Walmart. While Officers were headed to the call, they were updated that a male subject was threatening to strike an employee with an axe.

Officers arrived on scene and detained a suspect in handcuffs as he tried to escape out of a fire exit.

Officers spoke with the employees and they stated the suspect raised an axe above his head in a threatening manner while attempting to steal several items. The employee stated he felt fearful during the incident.

Officers placed Smith under arrest for petty theft and robbery.

## CATALYTIC CONVERTER THIEVES CAUGHT RED-HANDED

In November at 3:23am, an alert and proactive ACPD Officer was on routine patrol. He noticed a vehicle in the process of being lifted up on a jack and two subjects nearby. He quickly realized the subjects were possibly in the process of stealing the catalytic converter from underneath the vehicle.

The officer made a U-turn to contact the subjects, but they had already gotten in their pickup truck in a futile attempt to flee. The officer was able to catch up to them and conducted a traffic stop. The officer contacted two subjects who were from the City of Martinez. The subjects were questioned as to what they were doing in the area during the early morning hours. Not surprisingly, their stories did not match.

American Canyon Police Officers located numerous burglary tools throughout the vehicle. Both men were arrested for robbery, felony conspiracy, attempted felony theft, and misdemeanor possession of burglary tools.



# CITY OF AMERICAN CANYON

## AMERICAN CANYON STATISTICS

CRIMES REPORTED	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Homicide	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Rape	3	4	6	8	5	7	7
Robbery	10	16	6	13	14	14	21
Assault	136	142	130	107	141	118	91
Burglary	37	60	56	49	88	58	98
Larceny	280	281	346	315	279	298	501
Auto Theft	57	45	23	41	57	56	44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>763</b>
% SOLVED	45.0%	54.2%	52.8%	48.2%	43.8%	43.4%	54.7%

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Value of Property Stolen	614,994	1,090,056	552,034	572,431	1,046,405	1,008,587	801,395	674,075
Percent of Property Recovered	23%	38%	19%	20%	22%	30%	40%	30%

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Calls for Service	15,903	16,972	18,381	18,644	18,041	18,698	17,057	17,604
Reports	1,671	1,747	1,972	1,946	1,917	1,965	2,035	1,971
Arrests	482	522	561	509	532	523	475	665
Citations: Misdemeanor	242	259	328	535	384	427	612	474
Pursuits	42	16	17	23	14	16	7	16



# INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

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# INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

## OVERVIEW

The Investigations Bureau is responsible for all criminal investigations and works closely with the Napa County Sheriff's Crime Lab and Napa County District Attorney's Office. The Bureau consists of a Lieutenant Donald Maiden, Detective Sergeant, seven Detectives, a part-time Computer Forensic Examiner, and a Records Technician.

Detectives specialize in an investigative discipline, however they are flexible and adaptable to conduct follow up on any type of crime.

Investigations are conducted on crimes that may involve such acts as:

- Sexual assaults
- Child abuse
- Elder and dependent abuse
- Domestic violence
- Murder
- Mayhem
- Manslaughter
- Suspicious deaths
- Kidnapping

In addition, our Detectives investigate major property crimes including fraud, identity theft, embezzlement, forgery, internet and computer crimes, burglaries, thefts, and missing persons.

The Bureau is part of the Napa County Major Crimes Task Force consisting of investigators from the following agencies:

- Napa County Sheriff's Office
- Napa Police Department
- St. Helena Police Department
- Napa District Attorney's Office
- California Highway Patrol (CHP)
- Napa Special Investigations Bureau (NSIB)

The task force is utilized on major crimes cases to promote a collaborative and transparent multi-agency effort on complex investigations.

## INVESTIGATIONS HIGHLIGHTS

### FIREARMS, EXPLOSIVES, + THREATS

Initially provided as an anonymous tip from our online tip source, it was reported that a suspect possibly possessed illegal firearms. Over the next several months, Detectives developed probable cause to believe multiple illegal firearms and possibly explosives were possessed at a residence and place of business.

A search was conducted in which over 70 firearms and five constructed pipe bombs were confiscated. Further investigation located evidence which indicated the suspect wanted to vandalize the Governor's Mansion. With assistance from CHP, FBI, and other local agencies, an arrest was made and charged at both the Federal and State levels for multiple crimes.

### DEVLIN ROAD SHOOTING

A road rage incident between two subjects escalated when one driver fired several shots into the other vehicle, striking the driver. The driver sustained minor injuries as the suspect fled the area.

Several weeks later, Detectives noticed another road rage incident in American Canyon with several similarities to the Devlin Road shooting. Through investigative techniques, including cell phone data, local business surveillance cameras, license plate reader data, and ballistics matching, a man was arrested and charged for both incidents.

### SERIAL RAPIST

The victim reported to Napa Dispatch that she had been sexually assaulted in the northern area of Napa County. Sheriff patrol units responded to the scene and detained the suspect. Detectives responded to the incident, collected evidence from the scene, and the suspect eventually confessed to Detectives. However, the lead Detective continued to investigate and located an additional seven victims through social media.

The majority of the victims were juveniles. These victims, located across the state, were interviewed. The suspect was identified in multiple sexual assaults.

# INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

## INVESTIGATIONS HIGHLIGHTS (CONT...)

### INTERNET WINE THEFTS

Although reported in 2020, most of the investigation occurred during 2021. Over several months, multiple wineries reported suspects purchasing several cases of wine online. After shipping the cases of wine, the wineries' staff realized that the credit cards used for the purchases were fraudulent. Detectives concluded the thefts were possibly being executed by an organized group across several states. Through exhaustive investigative efforts (two search warrants at residences in Southern California and the assistance of multiple federal, state, and local agencies) a suspect was charged. Over \$100,000 of wine was recovered and returned to the victims.

### FLOSDEN ROAD SHOOTING

During the early hours of the morning, an unknown suspect entered the mobile home park on Flosden Road and fired numerous shots into a residence. Fortunately, no one was injured. However, the residents were not entirely cooperative with the investigation. While the incident was captured on a residential surveillance camera, it did not initially provide many leads. Detectives continued to work diligently and developed several suspect leads. Through phone data research and examination, the suspects were pinpointed in the area at the time of the incident. Local business surveillance cameras then assisted in the identification of three juvenile suspects. The suspects were later arrested and charged.

### ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Investigations also provided extra help to assist with computer and cellular phone forensics which assisted Detectives with technology as it pertains to criminal investigations.

Additionally, they instituted a program to submit all qualified firearms confiscated to the National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN). This has allowed them to link two firearms to homicides from neighboring jurisdictions, as well as link shootings within the County of Napa.

## CSI-CRIME LAB

CSI is responsible for processing crime scenes and analyzing evidence that is submitted to the crime lab. They use a variety of tools to locate blood evidence, fingerprints, DNA, and other physical evidence. The Napa County Sheriff's Office has two Evidence Specialists and one Evidence Technician to handle these tasks.

### 2021 LAB HIGHLIGHTS

The Evidence Laboratory contributed to the Sheriff's Office's community-oriented mindset by providing service in both fingerprint work and crime scene investigation to local agencies, such as Napa Police Department and Calistoga Police Department. Evidence Laboratory personnel additionally enhanced ties to the surrounding community by making guest speaker appearances in local college classrooms, providing training lectures to various forensic study groups, and hosting training for local forensic practitioners. The team also participated in August's National Night Out and provided a college internship.

ACTIVITY TYPE	2021
OIS Scene	1
Crime Scene Call Outs	5
DNA Swabs Submitted	307
Vehicles Processed	5
Latent Print Comparisons	22
Deceased ID - Coroners	6
Latent Print / DNA Collection	115
DNA Cases and Swabs	116

A photograph of a crime scene. In the foreground, a yellow evidence marker stands upright on a gravel surface, displaying the black number "10". A single bullet casing lies on the ground to the left of the marker. In the background, several other yellow evidence markers are scattered across the gravel, though they are out of focus. The scene is set outdoors on a gravelly ground.

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# NAPA SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

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# NAPA SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

## OVERVIEW + STATISTICS

The Napa Special Investigations Bureau is a county-wide task force comprised of employees from the Sheriff's Office, Napa Police Department, Napa County Probation, Napa County District Attorney Office, and the California Highway Patrol. St. Helena and Calistoga Police Departments assist with administrative support. The Bureau is currently managed by Lieutenant Ryan Woolworth.

	2021	2020	2019
Arrests	36	47	84
Seized Weapons	27	11	9
Seized Assets	\$69,595.80	\$250,977.00	\$59,631.77
Seized Methamphetamine	2,390.84 grams	777.97 grams	2,069.60 grams
Marijuana Plants Eradicated	13,459	12,636	243

## NOTABLE CASES AND EVENTS

### → **647(b) PC (Prostitution)**

Operation that ended up shutting down a Spa in Napa.

### → **Patrol Assist**

\$15,000 was seized during roll over search warrants related to a narcotics sales case near Lake Berryessa.

### → **NSIB Surveillance**

Located a stolen truck as well as personal use amounts of narcotics.

### → **Assisted Napa Police Department**

Asset forfeiture and sales / transportation of narcotics.

### → **NSIB assist Napa DA's Office**

Located and arrested violent subjects who were charged with pimping / pandering.

### → **Napa Massage Parlor Operation**

Over \$4,000 seized and arrest for prostitution.

### → **NSIB**

Served a search warrant on a prior convicted felon. A loaded .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun was seized and the subject was arrested.

### → **NSIB Detectives**

Conducted a probation search and located over 100lbs of processed marijuana, a butane hash oil (BHO) lab, thirteen grams of methamphetamine, eleven Xanax pills, a large amount of gun powder, materials consistent with commercial grade fireworks, ammunition, and two Shuriken aka "Ninja Stars."

# ANIMAL SERVICES

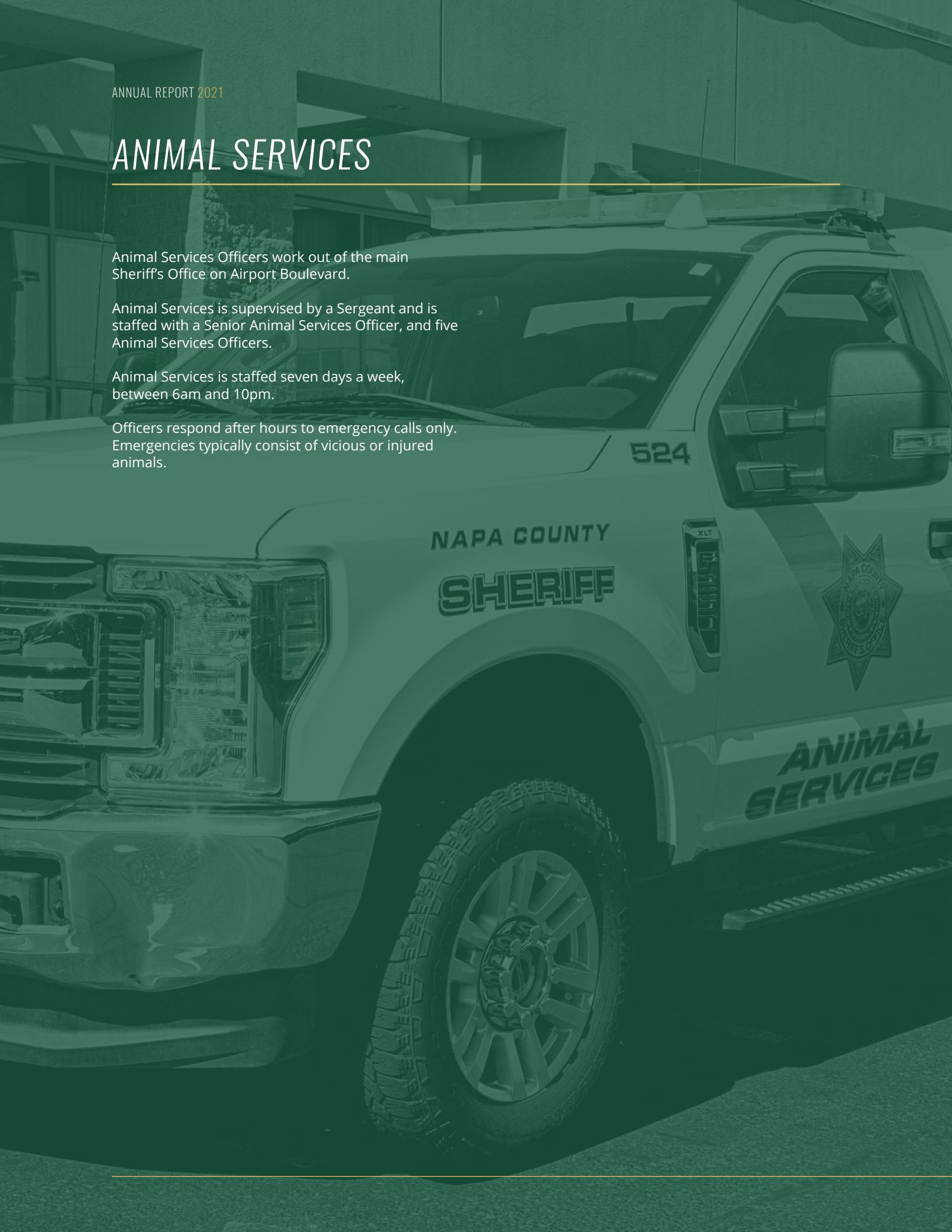
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Animal Services Officers work out of the main Sheriff's Office on Airport Boulevard.

Animal Services is supervised by a Sergeant and is staffed with a Senior Animal Services Officer, and five Animal Services Officers.

Animal Services is staffed seven days a week, between 6am and 10pm.

Officers respond after hours to emergency calls only. Emergencies typically consist of vicious or injured animals.



# ANIMAL SERVICES

## ABOUT ANIMAL SERVICES

Animal Services primary mission is to prevent the spread of rabies. They also investigate dog bites and dangerous animal complaints, capture stray or injured animals, and investigate abuse or neglect of animals in unincorporated Napa County, and the Cities of Napa and American Canyon. They are not under contract with St. Helena, Calistoga, and the Town of Yountville, therefore they only conduct rabies investigations in those jurisdictions.

Animal Services Officers deal with a variety of types and sizes of domestic (mostly) animals. In addition to dogs and cats, they have handled cows, horses, roosters, llamas, emus, goats, bunnies, skunks, snakes, and bats.



ANIMAL SERVICE CALLS	City of Napa	Unincorporated County	American Canyon	Yountville	TOTALS
Loose Dog(s)	563	284	167	18	<b>1,032</b>
Animal / Confined Pick-Up	203	117	86	4	<b>410</b>
Animal Welfare Check	209	98	45	6	<b>358</b>
Vicious Animal	20	12	8	0	<b>40</b>
Injured / Sick Animals	146	91	45	4	<b>287</b>
Dead Animal Pick-Up	99	72	24	0	<b>195</b>
Follow Up / Phone Details	377	435	112	7	<b>931</b>
Agency Assist	34	52	8	0	<b>94</b>
General Service	127	92	41	2	<b>262</b>
Animal Bites	49	26	13	0	<b>88</b>
Wildlife Removal	47	72	7	1	<b>127</b>
Rabid Animal	6	21	1	0	<b>28</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,880</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>3,852</b>

## MARINE UNIT

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Lake Berryessa is approximately 15.5 miles long, three miles wide, and has 165 miles of shoreline.

The Sheriff's Office staffs the lake area with one Sergeant and three Deputies. Additional Deputies are added in the summer months when public use of the lake increases.

During the drought of 2021, Lake Berryessa dropped approximately 30 feet, which resulted in less visitors at day use areas.

However, we saw an increase in boater activity. The increase in boater use of the lake was largely due to other lakes that were no longer usable due to loss of water from the drought.



# MARINE UNIT

## SIGNIFICANT 2021 CASES AND EVENTS

### ENFORCEMENT

Lake Berryessa had two drownings in 2021, a decrease from nine in 2020. Both victims were not good swimmers and were not wearing life jackets.

Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) Rangers and Napa County Sheriff's Deputies have spent a lot of time working together and educating the public regarding drownings. BOR has provided life jackets at all day use areas.

The Sheriff's Office added numerous social media posts and conducted multiple news interviews regarding the dangers of drowning during the summer of 2021.

Deputies made 4 arrests for boating under the influence this year which matched the total number of arrests in 2020. With the increase in boaters on the lake, Deputies made more boat stops than in the past, they are not seeing as many boat operators drinking. However, Lake Deputies issued 53 citations for California Boater Card violations, which was an increase compared to the previous year.

### BOAT ACCIDENTS

There were seven non-injury boat accidents in 2021 which was a decrease from nine in 2020. There were a total of ten injury boat accidents in 2021, one resulting in death and another resulting in major trauma.

This is a result of more boats on the lake. To address the accidents, Deputies worked with the BOR to make areas with less water No Wake Zones and increased patrols on the water.

Deputy Walt Mazar, who retired this year, did exceptional work during one of the injury boat accident calls. Deputy Mazar responded to and located the boat with the injured wake boarder. The victim had severe lacerations to her body from the boat's propeller.

Deputy Mazar was able to get the victim onto a backboard and tend to her lacerations to prevent

further bleeding. Then, he transported her to the lake office where AMR and Cal Fire were waiting. Deputy Mazar's decision to transport this patient to our office resulted in immediate care and life flight saving her life.

Sheriff Oscar Ortiz presented Deputy Mazar with a lifesaving medal for his actions.

### TRAINING

All new employees assigned to the Marine Unit attended boating trainings put on by the Department of Boating and Waterways. Lake Deputies, after the significant increase in number of drownings in 2020, began training with all partners at the lake in late 2020 and 2021.

For the first time ever, Cal Fire was able to train on our boats in the event of a medical call on the lake. We have successfully trained with American Medical Response (AMR), Cal Fire, Capell Valley Fire, Pope Valley Fire, CHP Air and BOR Rangers.

Since starting these trainings, all of the agencies mentioned have responded to many calls for service. We have noticed that the partnership trainings are resulting in a better response and faster care.

Lake Deputies will continue to host joint trainings in 2022 and AMR will now have assigned personnel at the lake every weekend during the peak season, along with a medical boat on the water for holiday weekends.

### COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

The Sheriff's Office is now contracted by the BOR for policing services on BOR property.

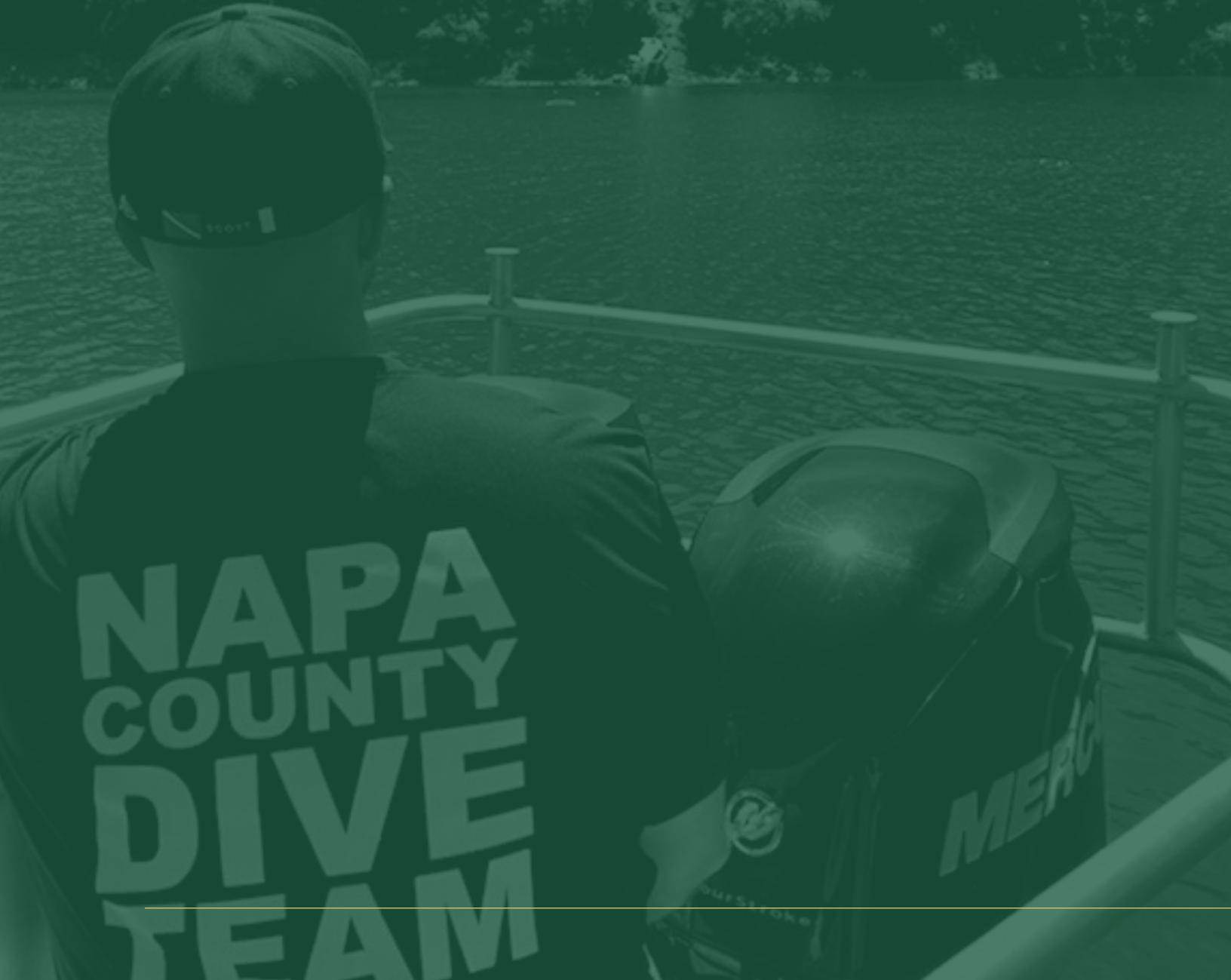
Lake Deputies worked with Napa County ITS to build a tracking program. They have successfully provided BOR with all law enforcement activity on their properties adhering to the new contract.

## DIVE TEAM

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The Napa County Sheriff's Underwater Search and Recovery Team, commonly referred to as the Dive Team, helps with search and recovery of underwater evidence such as weapons, vehicles, and human bodies.

The team currently consists of thirteen members, including six Divers, six Dive Tenders, and one Dive Master Instructor volunteer.



# DIVE TEAM

## SIGNIFICANT 2021 CASES AND EVENTS

### TRAINING

The team trained throughout the year in the water and in the classroom to further develop their skills. Members of the team are currently certified in advanced diving, rescue diving, full face mask diving and trained in providing first aid and emergency oxygen to Divers.

The team frequently performs difficult technical tasks in deep water conditions with very limited visibility, commonly known as black water diving.

Training throughout the year allows them to be successful and safe in assisting the community.

### INCIDENTS

There were two drownings that occurred at Lake Berryessa during the year. The Dive Team was called out to assist in the search and recovery of the victims.

The first operation was conducted at Pleasure Cove Resort where a male subject went down a short distance offshore. Due to poor visibility and thick underwater plant life, witnesses were unable to recover the male. A two-Diver operation was conducted from the shoreline just before sunset, but Divers were unable to recover the male at that time. A subsequent search the next morning yielded the recovery of the victim.

The second operation was conducted near the Coyote Knolls day use area. A male subject attempted to swim across a cove and went down approximately half-way across. Witnesses were unable to assist due to conditions and the lack of a flotation device. A two-Diver operation was conducted from the shoreline. The victim was recovered in approximately twelve feet of water.

Currently, we have two Dive Tenders who have expressed interest in transitioning to Divers. The team will work on getting these individuals certified and prepared for the next dive season. This will greatly help with capability of the team and availability of Divers for call-outs.



## OFF-ROAD ENFORCEMENT TEAM

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The Off-Road Enforcement Team is currently comprised of ten Sheriff's Deputies whose main goal is to ensure public safety and environmental preservation within the rural public lands of Knoxville in Napa County on an overtime basis.

The team accomplishes this by working closely with the Bureau of Land Management and the Community.

These lands, located in the far northeast corner of Napa County and the southeast corner of Lake County, include over 52 miles of roads and trails on a total of 32,400 acres, much of which include a vast amount of environmentally sensitive area.



# OFF-ROAD ENFORCEMENT TEAM

The team was created in response to complaints received from the public regarding the lawless activity, specifically occurring on the public lands inside of the Knoxville Recreation Area within Napa County. The Knoxville public lands are the only legal Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) area in Napa County with many of these roads and trails only being suited for ATV and motorcycle use.

This land is managed by the Bureau of Land Management who is assisted by the Napa County Off-Road Enforcement Program. The majority of the program funding is provided by a grant from the California Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission. Matching funds for the grant are provided by the Napa County Sheriff's Office annual budget.

For the past grant cycle, the team dedicated over 226 hours, 2,339 miles of patrol, and OHV-related training to address concerns expressed by the community. During that time, approximately 213 educational contacts were noted along with 97 vehicle inspections, 23 failed inspections, and four citations.

The Off-Road Enforcement Team primarily focuses its patrol efforts on the public lands of the Knoxville Recreation Area, which are not only frequented by off-

road recreationalists, but also hunters, campers, hikers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, environmentalists, and those participating in illegal activities.

As of recent, some of our OHV resources shifted to assist with evacuations and fire patrols brought on by the devastating LNU Complex Fire that burned throughout the Knoxville area and northern portion of the county. Because of the fire, there have been a number of trail closures limiting access to habitat rehabilitation areas, which require extra OHV patrols to help with trespassing issues.

As a result of the pandemic, more recreational enthusiasts have sought out outdoor activities, resulting in an influx in OHV recreation use throughout the State. In an effort to educate riders and curb or prevent violations that can be detrimental to the environment and the safety of all, we have increased the size of our unit by two Deputies. This has proved to be invaluable and allows for more frequent and directive patrols.

Our OHV Team appreciates the partnership we share with BLM and the State to help promote a safe and fun environment for off-road recreation within the County of Napa.



## SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

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The Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team is utilized in critical incidents to minimize dangers to the public, employees, and suspects.

A critical incident refers to hostage situations, armed barricaded subjects, sniper situations, dignitary protection, and other incidents that present a high degree of danger to life, or any other event requiring the response of specially trained personnel to resolve the situation.

The SWAT Team is made up of volunteer Deputies with patrol experience, who must pass an interview process, a rigorous physical test, and a Basic SWAT Academy. Each SWAT Team member participates in approximately 140 hours of additional tactical training per year.



# SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

## SWAT HIGHLIGHTS

The Sheriff's SWAT Team frequently trains with the Napa Police Department SWAT Team and both teams respond together to most critical incidents. Both teams utilize Crisis Negotiators to assist in bringing peaceful resolution to hazardous situations.

In January, the Napa County Sheriff's Office took delivery of a brand-new Lenco Armored Rescue Vehicle, the Lenco Bearcat.

The successful selection and acquisition of the Bearcat represented over two years of research, negotiation, financial commitment and joint effort between the Sheriff's Administration staff, Napa County government, the Napa County Board of Supervisors, and sworn members of Napa DSA. The new Bearcat is based out of the Sheriff's main office and features many exciting improvements over the last armored rescue vehicle.

## WARRANT SERVICES

Warrant service assistance for Napa County Sheriff's Office Investigations Bureau in Vallejo. Search warrant conducted in conjunction with Detectives for activities associated with drive-by shootings. The residence was secured and evidence collection assisted in prosecution.

Warrant service assistance for San Joaquin County Investigations in American Canyon. Search warrant was conducted in conjunction with SJCSO and NSIB for residence associated with drive-by shooting in San Joaquin County.

## EMERGENCY CALL OUT

Veteran's Home critical incident response. A Subject with rifle was reported at the Veteran's Home. NSO SWAT personnel deployed as multi-agency response. SWAT personnel were tasked with leading ad-hoc entry and security teams through Holderman Hospital and providing security for residents sheltering in-place. The objective successfully achieved with no injuries or damage.

## NAPA SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU ASSISTANCE

SWAT personnel assisted with the search for and security of illegal marijuana cultivation operation in conjunction with NSIB and CAMP agencies. Napa Police Department Agency assisted with armed barricaded, NSO SWAT provided perimeter containment, armored vehicle driving, chemical agent deployment, drone deployment and assistance with command and control for the duration of the incident. The objective was successfully achieved with no injuries. The subject was arrested by the Napa Police Department.



## CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM

The Napa Sheriff's Crisis Negotiations Team (CNT) is a specially trained unit of skilled crisis negotiators.

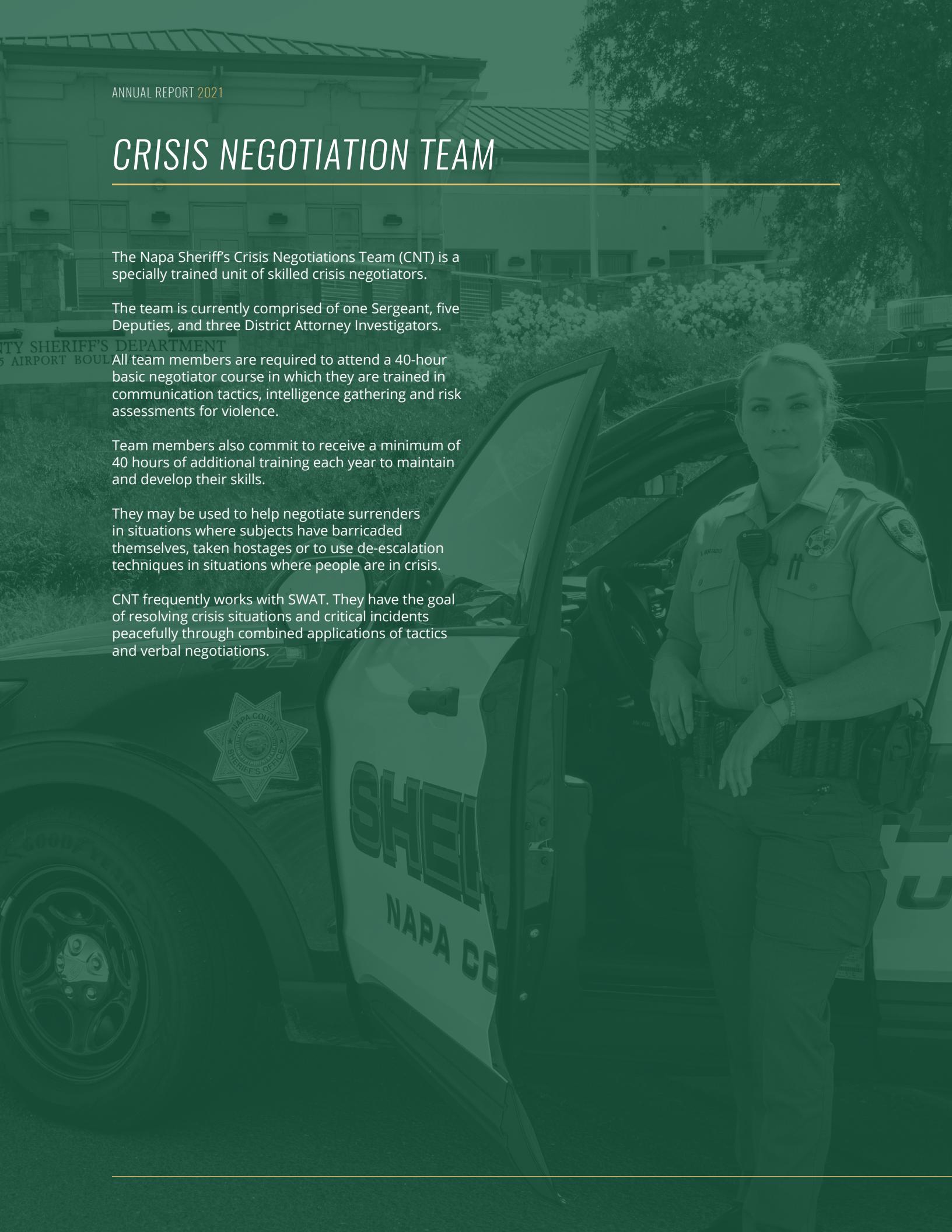
The team is currently comprised of one Sergeant, five Deputies, and three District Attorney Investigators.

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All team members are required to attend a 40-hour basic negotiator course in which they are trained in communication tactics, intelligence gathering and risk assessments for violence.

Team members also commit to receive a minimum of 40 hours of additional training each year to maintain and develop their skills.

They may be used to help negotiate surrenders in situations where subjects have barricaded themselves, taken hostages or to use de-escalation techniques in situations where people are in crisis.

CNT frequently works with SWAT. They have the goal of resolving crisis situations and critical incidents peacefully through combined applications of tactics and verbal negotiations.



# CRISIS NEGOTIATION TEAM

## CNT HIGHLIGHTS

In 2021, the team responded to various incidents in the County and assisted the Napa Police Department with negotiations. These incidents included suicidal subjects with guns, as well as barricaded criminal subjects making threats to harm others.

In August, Deputies were called to a report of a suicidal man armed with a gun. During the incident, the man fired a round from the gun into the ground in front of his family and threatened suicide by cop to Deputies.

A member of the Sheriff's Crisis Negotiation Team was called and able to speak to the man on the phone. Through this conversation, he was able to build rapport and negotiate with him. The man eventually disarmed himself and peacefully surrendered to Deputies without harm to anyone involved. In the end, the man was able to receive the mental health care he needed.

## PEER SUPPORT TEAM

The Napa County Sheriff's Office Peer Support team is comprised of eight members between the Sheriff's Office and the Napa County District Attorney's Office.

The Peer Support Team started five years ago. It was formed to assist our department members and their families to successfully manage the personal and professional stressors often experienced in a law enforcement career. This is done through education, providing resources and outreach to our department members.

In 2021, members of the team made approximately 84 informal contacts with individuals. Contacts included, but were not limited to, inquiries for EAP information and assistance, check-ins for those on injury, and check-ins for those experiencing a major life event.

The team also held two critical incident stress debriefs.



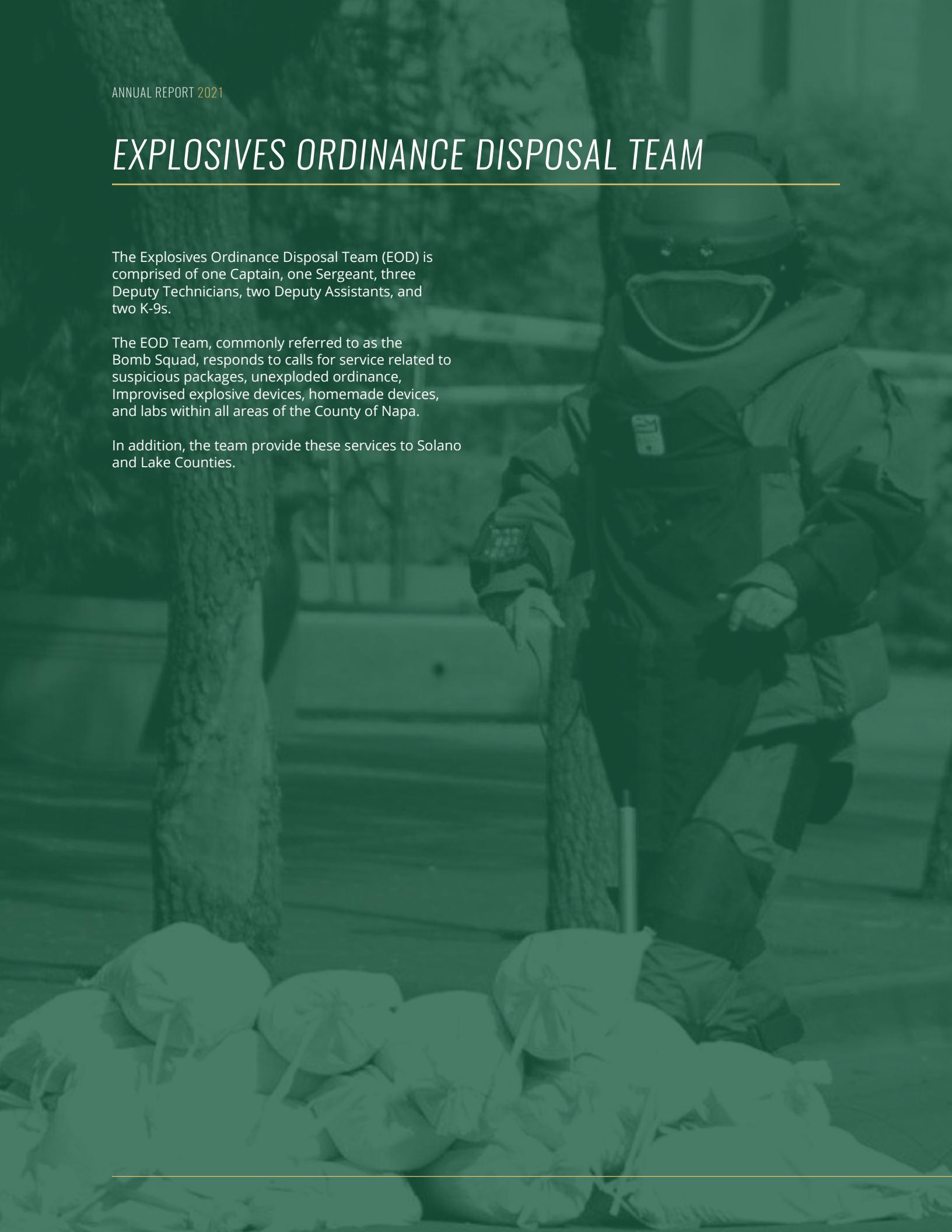
## EXPLOSIVES ORDINANCE DISPOSAL TEAM

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The Explosives Ordnance Disposal Team (EOD) is comprised of one Captain, one Sergeant, three Deputy Technicians, two Deputy Assistants, and two K-9s.

The EOD Team, commonly referred to as the Bomb Squad, responds to calls for service related to suspicious packages, unexploded ordinance, Improvised explosive devices, homemade devices, and labs within all areas of the County of Napa.

In addition, the team provide these services to Solano and Lake Counties.



# EXPLOSIVES ORDINANCE DISPOSAL TEAM

## TEAM OVERVIEW

The EOD Team is assisted by EOD K-9's from Napa and Solano Counties with explosives sweeps for large public events and dignitaries when visiting the Napa Valley.

They also provide demonstrations and education to patrol Deputies both at the agency and academy level.

Team members are responsible for the inspection and compliance overview of blasting permits in Napa County.

Team members attend an intensive 6-week training course and are governed by FBI guidelines for training and readiness.

Each member of the EOD Team is required to maintain a minimum of sixteen hours of related training per month and participate in a 40-hour course each year.

## EOD HIGHLIGHTS

- Eleven call outs for suspicious packages, military ordinances, hoax devices, assistance on search warrants, and explosives recovery and disposals. This included calls in Napa, Solano, and Lake Counties
- Of the calls listed above, six were for out of County agencies.
- Four explosives and suspicious package sweeps were conducted at public events. Explosive detecting K-9's were utilized on three of those sweeps.
- Participated in three public demonstrations and Law Enforcement education and training classes.



## K-9 UNIT

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The Napa County Sheriff's Office has six K-9 teams. This allows a dog to be assigned to every shift in the Valley and two in American Canyon.

It ensures that there is always a K-9 to assist Deputies while safely policing Napa County.

All six K-9's are dual purpose. Four K-9's are trained to detect narcotics and two are trained to detect explosives.



# K-9 UNIT

## K-9 HIGHLIGHTS

In 2021, two K-9's retired, K-9 Jax and K-9 Chase. Each of their handlers, David Quigley and Erik Olson, were promoted to the role of Sergeant.

With their retirements, the Napa County Sheriff's Office added two new K-9's to our unit, Brick and Brody. Both K-9's are now assigned to the City of American Canyon.

## K-9 BRODY

K-9 Brody is a dual purpose Malinois trained for patrol and explosives. Brody's handler, Deputy Jade McLeo, started on patrol in June after completing a six week K-9 academy. With the addition of K-9 Brody to the team, we now have two explosive detecting K-9's and no longer need to rely on help from outside agencies.

In July of 2021, just one month after graduating the K-9 Academy, Deputy McLeod located a stolen vehicle fleeing from Wal-Mart in American Canyon. Deputy McLeod attempted to stop the vehicle, which turned into a pursuit. The pursuit continued outside of Napa County and was taken over by the California Highway Patrol (CHP). CHP requested Deputy McLeod stay involved for the use of K-9 Brody.

The pursuit continued to Vallejo, through Fairfield, and ended in a rural area in Dixon where the suspect crashed. The suspect attempted to flee on foot and was caught by several officers from the CHP. The suspect began to fight with the officers until Deputy McLeod advised him that K-9 Brody would be deployed. The suspect gave up and was taken into custody avoiding anyone being hurt.



K-9 DEPLOYMENTS		2021
Patrol		147
Narcotics		66
Bombs and Explosives		28
Demonstrations		11

## K-9 BRICK

K-9 Brick is a dual purpose Malinois assigned to patrol with the ability to sniff narcotics. K-9 Brick is trained to detect the odor of heroin, methamphetamine, and cocaine.

He is assigned to Deputy Mike Hudson working in American Canyon and for the Sheriff's Office SWAT Team. Since completing the K-9 Academy in June of 2021, the team has had several successful deployments.

In July of 2021, ACPD responded to an assault where the victim was attacked by a subject using a knife. American Canyon Police Department located the suspect who refused to comply with orders to exit his vehicle while still armed with the knife. Deputy Hudson and K-9 Brick responded to the scene and were able to get the suspect to give up peacefully after K-9 announcements were given. The suspect was arrested for multiple felonies, including assault.



# K-9 UNIT

## K-9 KRIEGER

On April 19, 2021, the CHP requested assistance with a dangerous pursuit which began in Sonoma County. CHP units initially canceled the pursuit for public safety concerns, but re-engaged when the driver continued to drive in opposite lanes with complete disregard for innocent motorists.

Deputy Lichau and K-9 Krieger joined CHP units after the pursuit entered Napa County. After traveling through Solano County, the pursuit entered American Canyon. Spike strips were deployed and successfully contacted the suspect's tires.

After driving off road, across sidewalks, and destroying a bus stop, the driver jumped from the moving vehicle and fled on foot into a densely populated residential neighborhood. The suspect's vehicle struck parked vehicles causing damage.

The felony suspect ignored commands to give up and continued to run. Deputy Lichau utilized a door pop remote, releasing Krieger from the patrol vehicle. As the suspect continued towards occupied residences he was stopped and apprehended by K-9 Krieger. The suspect was taken into custody and charged with a number of felonies.



## K-9 MAVRIC

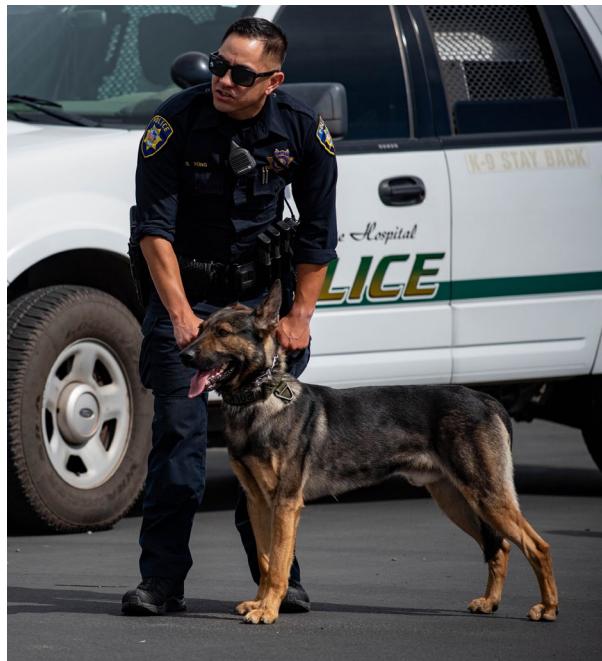
In July 2021, Deputy Stephen Tong was dispatched to a potential residential burglary on Monticello Road in the County of Napa.

While en route to the call, Deputy Tong saw the suspect vehicle pass him on Vichy Road. Deputy Tong conducted an enforcement stop on the vehicle and spoke with the driver identified as Douglas Combs.

K-9 Mavric was used for a narcotics sniff on the vehicle and he alerted on the outside of the driver door. Based on the alert from Mavric, a search of the vehicle was conducted and approximately 42.20 grams of suspected methamphetamine was found in the center console.

Based on the large quantity of methamphetamine recovered, NSIB assisted with a search of Combs' residence in the City of Napa and recovered several explosive devices, a large quantity of marijuana, and prohibited ammunition. K-9 Mavric and K-9 Brick assisted with the search of the residence.

Combs subsequently pled guilty to those charges and was sentenced to 5 years and 8 months in State Prison.



# K-9 UNIT

## K-9 APOLLO

In January of 2021, Deputies attempted to stop a stolen truck that had been stolen from a local winery. The suspect led Deputies on a high speed vehicle pursuit on Redwood Road, Mt. Veeder, Dry Creek Road, Trinity Road, and eventually to Highway 12 (Sonoma County).

Deputy Jason Pisaro and K-9 Apollo joined the pursuit during which Napa County and Sonoma County Deputies deployed spike strips, puncturing all 6 tires on the large truck.

The suspect vehicle continued to flee on Highway 12 until CHP units successfully conducted a PIT maneuver on the stolen Ford F550. The driver of the vehicle fled from the driver side door and ran into a nearby vineyard.

Deputy Pisaro deployed K-9 Apollo and apprehended the suspect by bite as a CHP officer was attempting to take the suspect into custody. The suspect was transported and booked at the Napa County Department of Corrections. The suspect had an outstanding felony warrant for his arrest and has since been sentenced to prison for four years and eight months.



## K-9 LEO

In September of 2021, American Canyon Police Department units were dispatched to the Pick-N-Pull business located at 5759 Broadway in American Canyon on the report of a theft in progress. Napa Dispatch advised that security was observing 3 subjects within the fenced property lines.

Two days prior to this call, Deputy Jerry Bohlander and K-9 Leo assisted ACPD units on a similar call, during which they apprehended one subject fleeing from officers in the interior of the property.

CHP helicopter 32 (H32) assisted, with thermal imaging devices. CHP Air provided updates, which included observing subjects exiting the property into the field located on the west side. Deputy Bohlander and K-9 Leo proceeded to the area being given to them by CHP and held the perimeter as another K-9 team took one of the suspects into custody.

Deputy Bohlander and K-9 Leo were then tasked with clearing another portion of the perimeter area. As they walked through, K-9 Leo picked up sent and began tracking.

Deputy Bohlander followed his partner for more than a 100 yards when they were advised by CHP Air of a large heat signature on the ground in front of them. Deputy Bohlander gave K-9 announcements at which time the suspect gave up peacefully.



## SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM TEAM

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The mission of the Napa County Sheriff's Office Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) Team, is to use this resource to protect the lives and property of citizens of Napa County and first responders in a constitutionally and legally sound manner and in compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations.

The use of a sUAS has been utilized in situations that could save lives or safeguard property where other means and resources are unavailable or less effective.

The ability to detect possible dangers that could not otherwise be seen, represents an inherent safety benefit in support of the Sheriff's Office mission.



# SMALL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM TEAM

## MORE ABOUT THE sUAS TEAM

The sUAS Aerial Observation Platform has supported first responders in many hazardous incidents during the program's first year. These incidents have included, but are not limited to Search and Rescue, disaster response, barricaded suspects, high-risk tactical operations, hazardous materials spills, and natural disasters.

The sUAS Team has provided additional value in support of the Sheriff's Office mission through community outreach, crime scene preservation, and documentation. Aerial photography and vantage point documentation for traffic accident investigations has been useful in determining causes of collisions.

The Napa County Sheriff's Office sUAS Pilots of unmanned aircraft systems have a responsibility not to infringe on the rights or property of the citizens of California. Any data, information, photographs, video, or recordings of individuals, both in public and or private, are minimized and retained in a manner consistent with current privacy standards.

The program operates under the guidelines of the FAA, including two Certificates of Authorization. This allows flights of sUAS in specific airspaces for the purpose of public safety concerns and supporting the Napa County Sheriff's Office mission.

All Pilots undergo strict training prior to flying, including obtaining a FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot License and certification through the Napa County Sheriff's Office sUAS Training Program. Monthly training is required of all Remote Pilots. The team currently consists of a Captain, two Sergeants, and six Deputies.

This year, a new Inspired Flight Hexacopter was purchased and added the fleet. This sUAS, will not only enhance our capabilities outlined above, but will also allow us to better serve our OES partners during natural disasters and other EOC operations.

The Hexacopter was purchased with grant funding through the Napa County Office of Emergency Services.

ACTIVITY	2021
Out of County Deployments	4
Search and Rescue	4
Crime Scene / Collisions	8
Public Demonstration	2
Total Deployments	59
Total Flight Hours	33.7



## PROBLEM-ORIENTED POLICING PROGRAM

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The Sheriff's Problem-Oriented Policing Program (POPP) focuses on using innovative ideas to solve community quality of life issues.

The theme of the POPP program is to work collaboratively with community stakeholders to find long-term solutions to chronic community problems.



# PROBLEM-ORIENTED POLICING PROGRAM

## HOMELESS OUTREACH

POPP has continued its efforts concerning homeless outreach. Patrol staff has assisted with providing valuable information on new or repopulated encampments. POP continues to conduct regular checks and clean-ups, which has shown to be the best method of deterring repopulating encampments while offering permanent and temporary housing for those in need.

The main homeless areas within our jurisdiction continue to be Milliken Creek, Silverado Trail (north and south of Trancas), and 1006 Monticello Road.

Working with patrol and Property Management, the population was relocated and clean-up efforts were initiated in the areas, removing debris, trash, and foliage. The clean-up has been successful for Milliken Creek. Ongoing efforts to clean-up debris in areas within Monticello Road will continue.

These clean-up and homeless relocation efforts were successful with the cooperation and collaboration of several County entities.

## ACTIVE SHOOTER PRESENTATIONS

Due to COVID-19 and state mandates related to the virus, POPP was limited to offering trainings.

However, POPP did conduct seven Active Shooter presentations throughout the County in 2021. These trainings have been well received. Several businesses made arrangements for continued trainings for 2022.

## DIRECTED PATROL

Throughout the County, POPP participated in directed patrols in areas of concern based on complaints received from the community. Concerns included speeding on American Canyon surface streets, illegal dumping, trespassing, and burglaries. POPP installed game cameras in these areas in an attempt to capture evidence to further the investigation of crimes.

## SECURITY ASSESSMENTS

POPP has conducted several security assessments (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design or CPTEDs) for a number of County owned buildings and privately owned businesses. These assessments have been at the request of the business or County. The assessments note issues that should be addressed by the owner of the business or building with the intention of deterring or eliminating crimes.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

POPP assisted Code Enforcement Officers on a variety of site inspections throughout the County. These inspections include general complaints of ongoing issues related to quality of life within the County and the contract Cities.

## CPS (CWS) / DEC

The working relationship between POPP, Napa Probation, Child Welfare Services (CWS), and the District Attorney's Office continues to prosper as we work towards our common goal of protecting the children in our community.

We do this by attending quarterly meetings, conducting site visits with CWS, and participating in training via Drug Endangered Children (DEC) courses. In addition, POPP continues to provide newly hired patrol personnel with DEC trainings, where we cover an overview of the initial portion of a DEC investigation and provide an idea of what to look for to ensure DEC cases are sought and investigated.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

Due to COVID-19, POPP was limited to how many events could be conducted due to state mandates. POPP participated in 26 community events in 2021. Patrol personnel, Detectives, and Records staff were extremely helpful in their participation at these events.

# PROBLEM-ORIENTED POLICING PROGRAM

## SEARCH AND RESCUE

The Napa County Search and Rescue (SAR) Team was formed in 1992. The Team provides search and rescue services to all areas of Napa County and to areas throughout the Bay Area.

The team's mission is to locate and rescue victims in urban areas or wild lands, aircraft or boating accidents, and in natural or man-made disasters. The team is always mission ready and available 24 hours a day.

Napa County SAR is currently 30 members strong and is augmented by members of the Sheriff's Office Aero Squadron and Mounted Posse. The Team is overseen by liaison Deputies Stephen Tong, Christie Cummins, Jason Pisaro, Kevin Walsh, Jade McLeod, Maureen Patterson, Justin Monroe, Amy Powers, and Sergeant Erik Olson.

Although administered by the Sheriff's Office, the Team is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization supported through grants and local donations. Members devote countless hours of their time in service of their community. The group is highly dedicated, proven by experience, and motivated by their desire to help others.

All members go through extensive training in search and rescue techniques when they join the unit. The Team's current skills include ground tracking, emergency medicine, rope rescue, ATV, helicopter operation, and search management.

Continuous in-service training with mandatory attendance is provided by local experts in their fields of expertise and by opportunities at regional and national SAR trainings. All members are required to complete basic first-aid training and must meet SARTECH II/III requirements.

### ACQUISITIONS (PAID WITH DONATIONS)

- Team purchased two off-road e-bikes
- Team purchased various winching accessories and new fire extinguishers for all the ATV's

### GENERAL STATISTICS

- 30 active existing members in 2021
- 3,043 total combined team training hours logged
- 479 total combined mission hours logged
- 3,522 total combined hours spent by all members
- 15 members completed a 20-hour Wilderness First Aid / CPR Class
- 6 members completed advanced ATV safety training
- 4 members completed two 20-hour POST certified man-tracking courses, beginning and advanced
- 1 member completed the Managing Lost Person Incident search management class

### SEARCHES + MISSIONS

Napa County SAR did not actively deploy for searches inside Napa County in 2021.

- Eight mutual aid call outs in 2021 for four different subjects. Some mutual aid call outs were multiple days searching for the same subject.
- January 14 — Search in Covelo area of Mendocino County with seven SAR Team members deployed. The subject located deceased by Marin County Team.
- July 13, 14, and 31 — Search in Pleasanton for a missing trail runner with thirteen members deployed over those three days. The subject was located deceased by a community volunteer.
- July 27 — Missing despondent male in Peak's Pike area of Sonoma County. Napa responded with seven Team members and provided overhead assistance, UTV transport, and ground searchers. Subject was located alive.
- October 27, 28, and November 2 — Search for a missing hunter in Mendocino County near Covelo along the Eel River. SAR responded with seven members over the three days.

# PROBLEM-ORIENTED POLICING PROGRAM

## MOUNTED POSSE

The Mounted Posse has eleven volunteer members with eight that are still able to ride a horse in assisting the Sheriff's Office. During the last year, Liaison Deputy James Hartley added five new members to the posse. While bringing on new members, the Posse focused on training so they can assist the Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team (SAR) in searching rural areas for lost people.

Due to COVID restrictions, the Posse was not able to participate in events within Napa County until recently when they rode in the Yountville Days Parade. The Mounted Posse was honored to lead the parade. The Posse has plans to hold their Annual Crab Feed which raises funds used to donate medical equipment to people in need. They are also planning a horse race to take place at Skyline Park.

On March 13, 2021, members of the Mounted Posse attended a memorial ride for Sacramento County Sheriff's Office Deputy Adam Gibson and his K-9 Riley who were killed in the line of duty. During this ride, a member of the Merced County Sheriff's Office Mounted Posse fell from his horse causing him to be injured.

Posse members Madeleine Peterson (a paramedic and SAR member), Wendy Hardcastle (a registered nurse), and Alysen Folkens (a SAR member) took immediate action. They provided care to the extremely injured rider prior to paramedics arriving on scene. Their quick action and knowledge prevented further injury to the rider. They were presented with a citation for their quick actions in providing medical assistance.











# THE *Services* DIVISION

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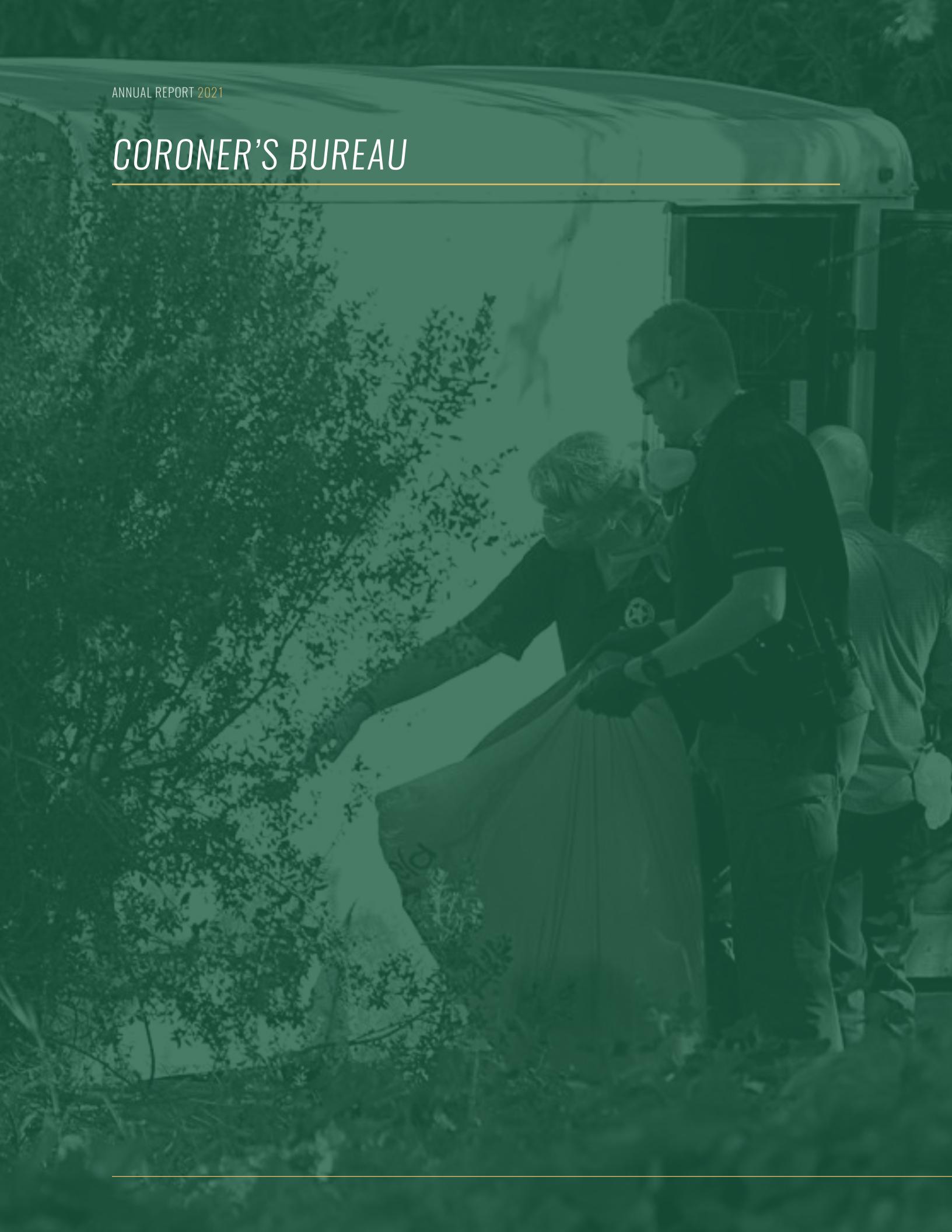
Honor Guard  
Sheriff's Activity League



*Under the leadership of  
Captain Brian Kenner*

# CORONER'S BUREAU

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# CORONER'S BUREAU

## OVERVIEW

Oscar Ortiz is the Sheriff-Coroner for Napa County.

While all deputies are Deputy Coroners and may investigate deaths, there are two investigators assigned full time to the Coroner's Office. They include Investigator John Dunagan and Investigator Steven Paris.

There is one supervisor in the Coroner's Office, Sergeant Paul Kuhn, who oversees investigations and daily operations.

We contract with Dr. Joseph Cohen as our Pathologist. Dr. Cohen is under contract with both Marin and Napa County Coroner's Offices. We have a full-time Coroner Forensic Technician and a Medical Secretary in the Coroner's Office.

The Coroner's Office is assisted by the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy of Napa County. This service is a non-profit, staffed by volunteers and led by Chaplain Lee Shaw.

Law Enforcement Chaplains respond to counsel, assist, and support victims and witnesses of critical incidents, crisis, and other traumatic events.

## STATISTICS

- Most accidental deaths this year were due to falls, with the next most common cause being drug overdoses. In 2021, there were two drowning deaths at Lake Berryessa.
- No single month stood out as having more suicides than any other. Most of the suicides were men. The average age was 50-years-old.
- The chart below does not include deaths where a Physician signed the death certificate as due to natural causes and there was no involvement by our office.
- The COVID-19 causation is identified as a natural death in most cases, and is tracked by the Napa County Public Health Department.

DEATHS BY MODE	2021	2020	2019	2018
Natural	268	199	203	214
Sign Outs (death certificate only)	514	561	549	485
Accidental	78	54	55	50
Vehicle Accident	12	14	14	14
Homicide	5	4	4	9
Suicide	20	25	23	16
Undetermined	3	2	1	2
Autopsies	40	30	47	47
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>790</b>

# COURT SERVICES + TRANSPORTATION BUREAU

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# COURT SERVICES + TRANSPORTATION BUREAU

## COURT SERVICES

In 2021, Napa Sheriff's Office Bailiffs provided court security to 39,855 hearings. These hearings included:

- 3,942 Arraignments in which criminal charges were filed against the defendant.
- 389 Preliminary hearings (also known as evidentiary hearings) to determine if probable cause exists in order to then determine if there is enough evidence to take a defendant to trial.
- 1,682 Violation of probation hearings for defendants who are accused of violating the terms of their Napa County Probation.
- 1,448 Sentencing hearings in which the punishment is decided for a defendant who admitted or was found guilty of criminal charges.
- 729 Drug court hearings, which are opportunities for drug offenders to resolve their cases outside the traditional criminal justice system.
- 647 Court trials, which can range from traffic tickets to civil matters.
- 62 Jury trials which can be anywhere from one day to several weeks long. These hearings typically come with the highest security concerns and involve multiple bailiffs.

STAFFING	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME
Bailiff	8	7
Transport	3	2

In 2021, the NSO Transportation Division conducted approximately 250 prisoner transports to and from local agencies. Semi-monthly trips to WASCO State Prison and North Kern State Prison were conducted to take sentenced CDCR inmates to prison.

These numbers are slightly up from 2020 as CDCR began accepting state prison sentenced inmates on a limited level in 2021.

With fewer transports statewide, our Division has relied less on cooperative relationships with allied agencies who traditionally meet with our deputies on the road to exchange prisoners coming from and going to Napa.

As a result, the NSO Transportation has been on the road far more than is reflected by the number of transports.

In addition to the routine transportation duties, the Division also assists with natural disasters and COVID related needs. In 2021, the Division saw the arrival of a new transport van that replaced an older model.

## TRANSPORTATION

The Napa County Transportation Unit consists of a Sergeant, two full-time Deputies and two part-time Deputies.

The Transportation Division handles all prisoner transport needs, including local and out-of-county warrant pickups, transports to CDCR prisons for sentenced inmates, and California Department of State Hospitals placements.

Additionally, NSO Transportation Deputies assist in scheduling and providing medical transports for daily appointments and pre-planned medical operations.



# CIVIL BUREAU

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# CIVIL BUREAU

## OVERVIEW

The Civil Process Bureau serves civil process as prescribed by law. This civil process includes summons and complaints, small claims documents, restraining orders, civil warrants, and any other notice or order from the courts.

The Sheriff also levies on wages, bank accounts, vehicles, or any asset of the judgment debtor pursuant to writs issued by the courts.

Civil Process works in all areas of the county, including in the Cities of American Canyon, Napa, St. Helena, and Calistoga. We work within every jurisdiction in Napa County.

One full-time deputy, Deputy Christie Cummins, and Sergeant Joseph Jones are assigned to serve all Civil Process. Two Legal Process Clerks assist citizens at the Civil Bureau, processing all incoming requests.

Civil processes that occupy the majority of our time include evictions, restraining orders, and earnings withholding orders.

There was an increase in the number of services we provided in 2021, over 2020. Our new average number of calls for service over the last 3 years is 973.



CIVIL PROCESS	2021	2020	2019
Eviction Posted	95	92	239
Eviction Completed	92	85	232
Domestic Violence Restraining Order	123	87	102
Other Restraining Order	117	90	82
Earnings Withholding Order	114	103	182
Bank Levy	50	63	161
Other Services	370	225	216
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>1,214</b>

## TECHNICAL SERVICES (RECORDS)

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# TECHNICAL SERVICES (RECORDS)

## OVERVIEW



*Under the leadership of Shontelle Detwiler  
Records Supervisor*

The Sheriffs Technical Services Bureau is located on the second floor of the Sheriff's Office on Airport Boulevard in Napa.

The Bureau is overseen by Shontelle Detwiler, the Records Supervisor and Supervising Sheriff Technician.

Additionally, eleven Sheriff Technicians are assigned to the Technical Services Bureau.

This Bureau is responsible for document storage, retrieval, and management repository for all official Sheriff's reports, records, and statistical information.

All booking records are kept in this section, as are all the County's arrest warrants.

Sheriff Technicians keep the Bureau operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Our Technical Services Bureau also contributes to many outreach opportunities and enjoys participating in community events.

RECORDS STATISTICS	2021
Sexual Offenders Registered	63
Livescans	746
New CCW Permits Issued / Renewed	196
Reports Processed	3,160
New Arrest Warrants Processed	4,112



## HIRING + RECRUITING

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# HIRING + RECRUITING

## OVERVIEW

The Hiring and Recruitment Team consists of a Lieutenant and three Background Investigators. The team is responsible for the hiring of all available positions within the Sheriff's Office.

The Office will recruit and hire only those individuals who demonstrate a commitment to service and who possess the traits and characteristics that reflect personal integrity and high ethical standards.

In 2021, the team hired an Academy Graduate, five Lateral Deputies, two Deputy Sheriff Trainees, three Records Technicians and six Extra-Help Deputies (Retired Annuitants).



# POST MANDATED TRAINING

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# POST MANDATED TRAINING

## OVERVIEW

The Sheriff's Office understands the need for training in order to provide the highest level of service to our community.

During 2021, we brought over 110 Napa County Peace Officers into compliance with POST mandates. This included Perishable Skills Program (PSP) in driving, firearms, defensive tactics, and first aid, CPR, and AED.

Approximately 2,300 hours of mandatory training was completed.

We also brought our Deputies into compliance with Continuing Professional Training (CPT). With new use of force laws, cultural diversity and implicit bias training, and domestic violence review.

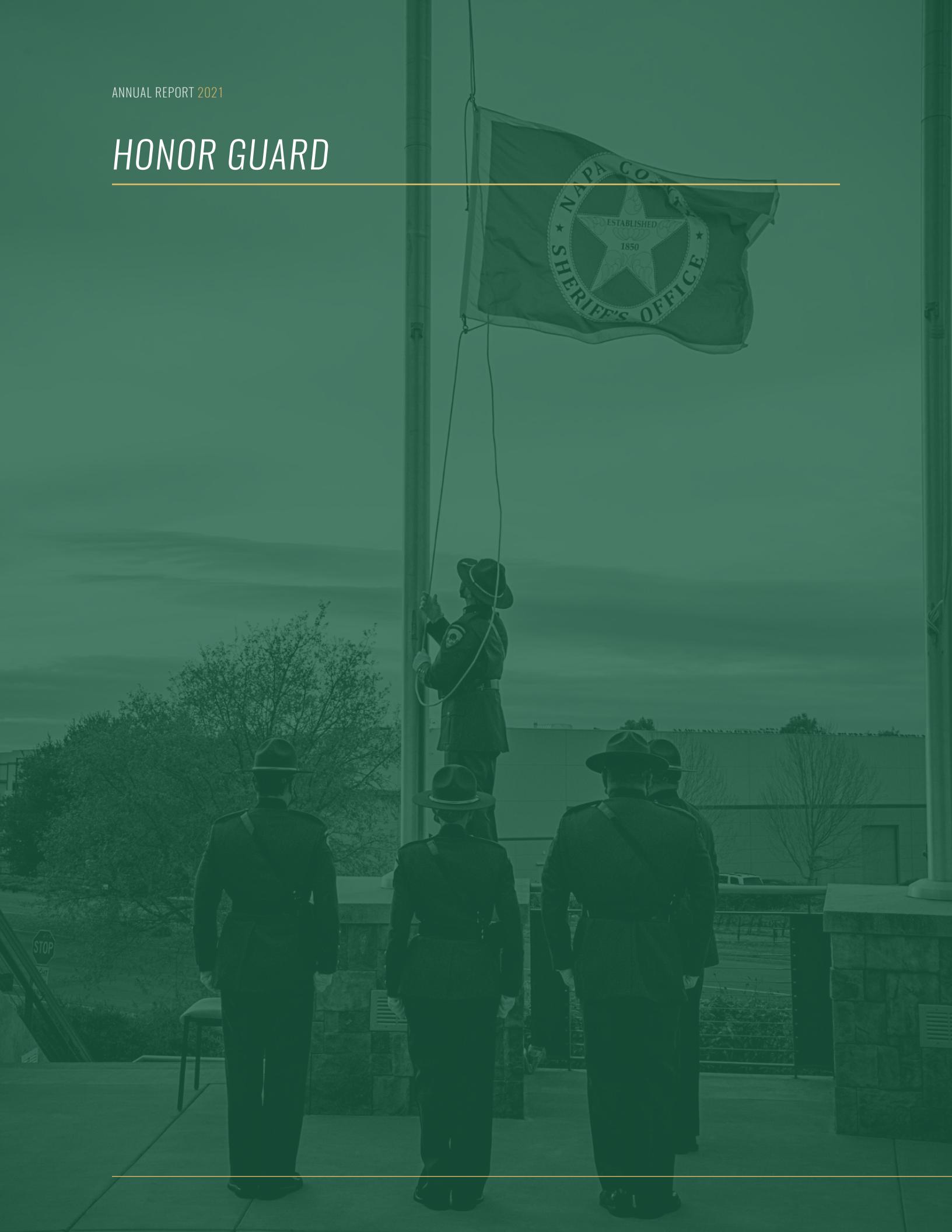
The Sheriff's Office members attended courses outside our department including, but not limited to, de-escalation training, school resource officer updates, homicide investigation, mental health response, and supervision / leadership courses.

Approximately 4,200 hours of additional training was accomplished outside of the mandatory requirements.



# HONOR GUARD

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# HONOR GUARD

## OVERVIEW

The Napa Sheriff's Office Honor Guard was formed to perform official remembrance ceremonies and funeral details for law enforcement professionals who have passed away in the line of duty.

The Honor Guard also performs flag raising duties at civic events that require a dignified display and presentation of our nation's flag.

The Honor Guard is trained in the aspects of drill and ceremony, flag presentations, and funeral details.

The Honor Guard provides both a symbolic and professional display of respect and gratitude for officers who have died either in the line-of-duty, while an active member of the department, or after their retirement from the department.

By participating in memorials, parades and other special events, the Honor Guard provides a positive image as ambassadors of the Napa Sheriff's Office, County of Napa, and the Community.

In 2020, we saw a decline in Honor Guard events across the State and Nation. However, in 2021 the Napa County Sheriff Honor Guard participated in more events than ever in its history.

## EVENTS ATTENDED

- Four September 11th Memorials, including in American Canyon, Yountville, Yountville Veteran's Home, and Travis Air Force Base
- Eight law enforcement funerals, two of which we were honored to participate in the Casket Guard
- Six law enforcement retirement ceremonies
- Five Color Guard (presentation of the flag) events, including for American Canyon Little League Opening Day, Memorial Day ceremonies, Napa Big Game, and Veteran's Day ceremonies



# SHERIFF'S ACTIVITIES LEAGUE

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# SHERIFF'S ACTIVITIES LEAGUE

## OVERVIEW

In 2019, the Napa County Sheriff's Activities League (SAL) hosted five programs with a total of 594 active youth members.

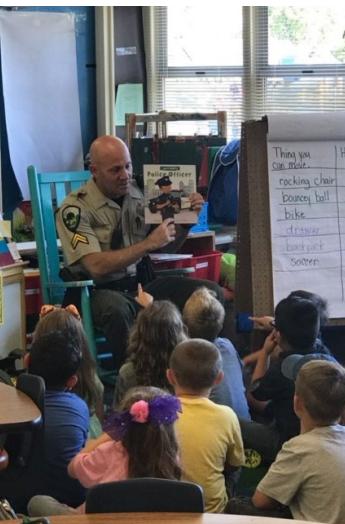
Three of the programs are offered at the SAL fitness center and baseball / softball facility located at Napa State Hospital.

In total, SAL made an impact on the lives of approximately 675 Napa Valley youth for 2019!

## PROGRAMS

- Baseball and softball
- Boxing
- Fitness center
- Judo
- Wrestling







## *OUR* *Creed*

We are committed to our community.  
Employees at the Napa County Sheriff's Office  
practice this commitment personally and  
professionally by volunteering their time and energy  
to charitable causes and community events.

## *OUR* *Goal*

Our goal is to provide an after-school alternative for  
at-risk youth. We will do this by working towards  
strengthening minds and bodies through education  
and activities demonstrating the alternatives to living  
a life of crime, substance abuse, and risky behavior.

