

Amtrak Police Department

2018

Annual Report



AMTRAK RAILROAD POLICE

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Our Mission

Protecting America's Railroad.

Our Vision

Professionally safeguard Amtrak employees, customers, patrons and infrastructure through partnerships and best practices while displaying respect and pride.

Message from the Chief

I am proud to present the Amtrak Police Department (APD) 2018 Annual Report.

This report highlights the department's activities throughout the year, which included many important events and achievements, and the ongoing public safety and security services provided by our staff to all employees and customers of "America's Railroad".

I am proud of what the members of the department have accomplished and look forward to what the future brings.

Chief Neil Trugman
Amtrak Police Department







Like rail transportation systems worldwide and mass transit systems in the United States, Amtrak operates in a very “open” and therefore porous environment. Because of advantages such as easy access, convenient locations and intermodal connections, rail and mass transit systems are completely different from the structure and organization of the airline transportation and airport industry. As a result, the security framework that works in the airport setting is not easily transferable to the rail station system.

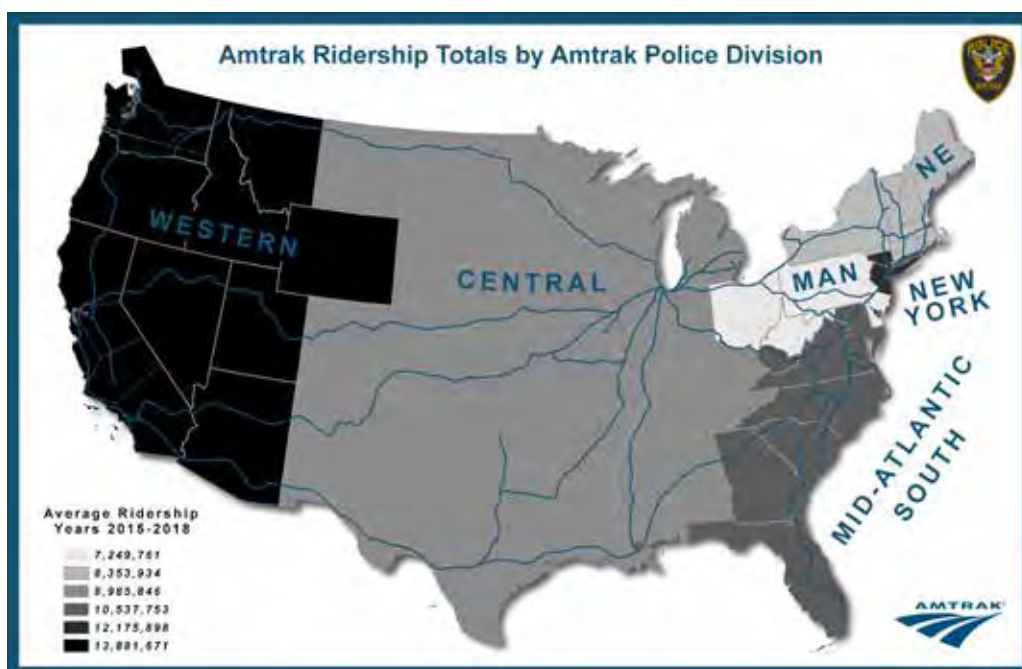
Additionally, the vastness of the Amtrak passenger rail system, spanning the entire country, adds another layer of openness not seen in other passenger systems. To mitigate the vulnerabilities associated with this open environment, Amtrak consistently evaluates its security measures, as well as industry standards and best practices, to employ security solutions that are effective in mitigating vulnerabilities.

The Amtrak Police Department (APD) is a national police force committed to protecting the customers, employees, and stakeholders of Amtrak. Our more than 500 sworn and civilian personnel located at more than 30 locations in 46 states conduct a range of behind-the-scenes and front line security measures to ensure Amtrak employee, customer, and infrastructure safety and security.

APD is responsible for ensuring the safety and security of over 30 million customers traveling to more than 500 destinations in 46 states, the District of Columbia and three Canadian provinces, on more than 21,400 miles of routes. APD partners with federal, state, local, rail and transit law enforcement agencies to provide a police presence at a majority of Amtrak stations and along the rights-of-way.

Patrol Officers fulfill traditional policing functions. Their job is to act as a deterrent to crime in the stations, on trains, in and around Amtrak facilities, and out on the railroad right-of-way by enforcing laws, conducting follow-up investigations and providing support at stations, on board trains, and during special events such as the Republican and Democratic National Conventions, NATO / G-8 Summits, presidential inaugural events, and large scale sporting events. The APD has also provided humanitarian aid in the aftermath of major weather events such as hurricanes, tornadoes and snowstorms.

The Special Operations Unit supports patrol operations by providing rapid response and enhanced capabilities to assist in keeping Amtrak customers and employees safe. The unit is prepared at any time to deploy



personnel and equipment for tactical response, to support warrant service, conduct low visibility counter-surveillance, investigations, and provide enhanced support for special events. In addition, the unit also conducts training on railroad-specific tactical response and procedures for fellow APD members and our external law enforcement partner agencies, random passenger baggage screening, and highly visible sweeps of stations and trains.

K-9 explosive detection teams are a psychological and physical deterrent to

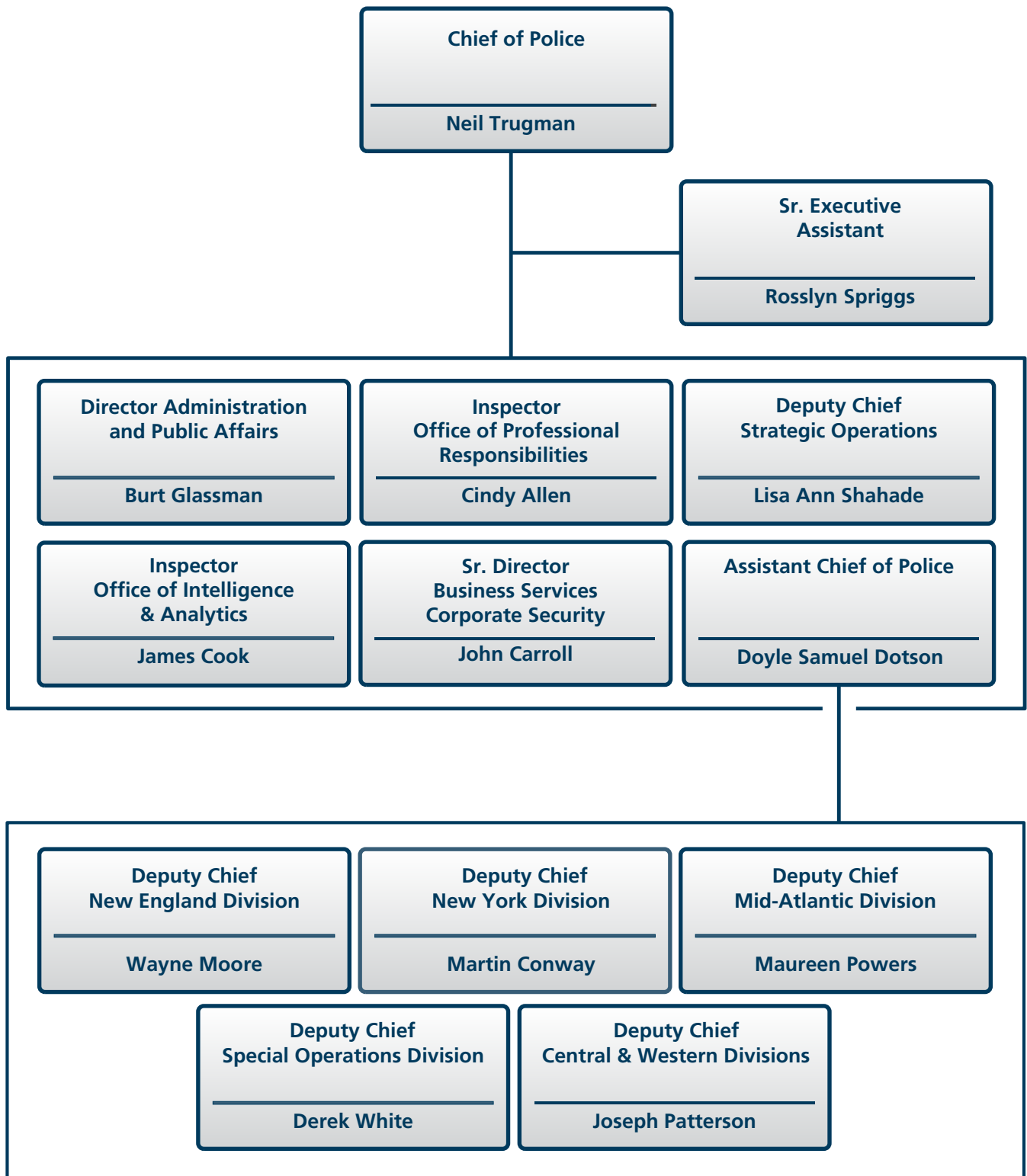
potential threats from those who seek to deploy explosives. These teams are part of a collaborative inter-agency initiative that includes the Transportation Security Administration, federal and state Departments of Homeland Security, and state and local law enforcement agencies. Amtrak explosives detection teams are divided between standard explosives detection and vapor wake detection. Vapor wake detection dogs are trained to alert on a passing individual. Amtrak currently has the most K-9 units in the railroad industry with vapor wake capabilities. Additionally, The APD currently has two working narcotics detection K-9 teams.

There are 16 Regional Liaison Detectives that are staffed in various locations throughout the United States. The detectives provide coverage to areas generally not served by major Amtrak Police field offices and may individually cover as many as seven states. The detectives are responsible for investigating major crimes, assisting with locating missing persons, following up on train accidents, and providing aid to passengers aboard disabled trains. Detectives also serve on inter-agency task forces that are designed to combat specific types of crime that threaten homeland security. The detectives are also responsible for developing mutual aid partnerships with local, state, and federal agencies located in their areas of responsibility.

The Amtrak Police Department Office of Intelligence and Analysis (OIA) serves as a critical support element for the patrol divisions, which serve as the front-line of the APD and seeks to increase the safety and security of our customers and personnel by increasing the department's insight into ongoing threats and potential terrorist acts through the analysis and dissemination of intelligence information.

The Office of Intelligence and Analysis is comprised of sworn detectives and non-sworn analytical personnel that enhance the security and safety of the Amtrak system, customers, and personnel through the real-time exchange of intelligence, investigative, and threat information across the country. The counter-terrorism analytical component support these operations through the review of classified federal briefings, as well as the preparation of analytical reports that provide analysis on threats, special events, and VIP movements.

The Criminal Intelligence component of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis provides timely and accurate tactical, strategic, administrative, and operational intelligence of analysis of crime data in support of the agency's goals and customer oriented policing efforts. The crime analysts are responsible for monitoring criminal activity and communicating that information to the sworn personnel through analytical reports designed to enhance criminal suppression activities while also aiding the investigative process and apprehension of offenders. The analysts develop daily, monthly, quarterly, and ad hoc reports to the command staff specifically designed to aid in the intelligence led deployment efforts of the department.

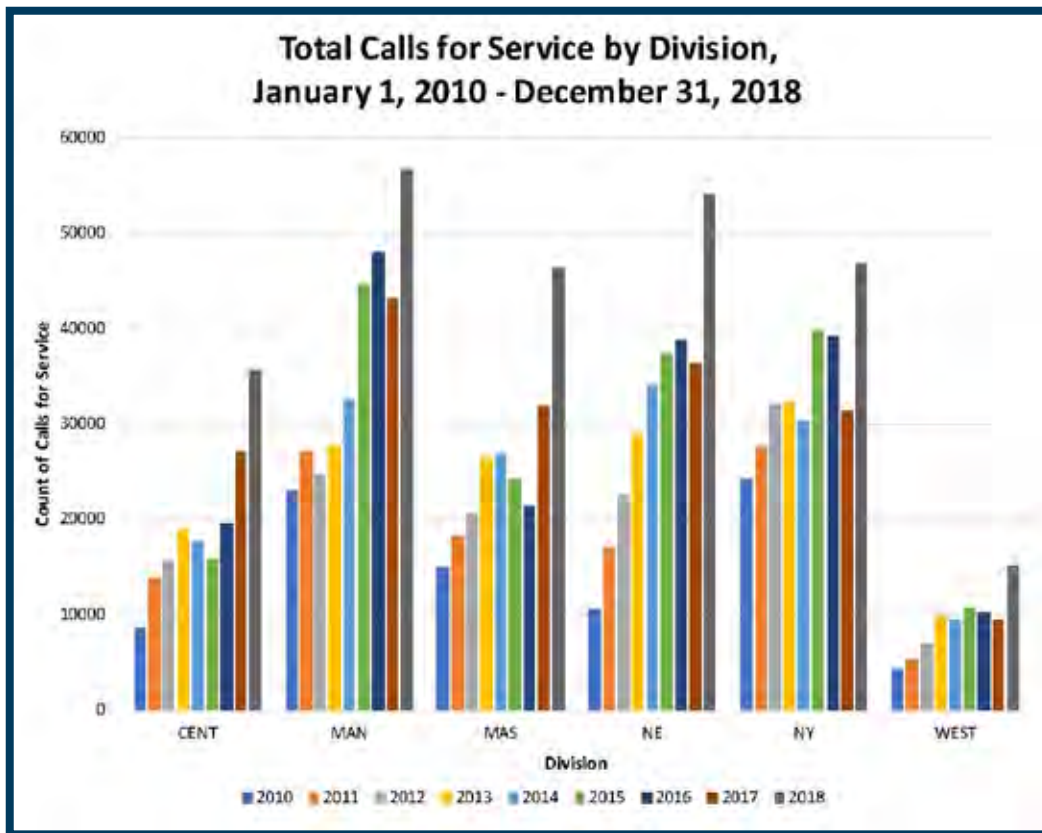


Current Staffing			
	Sworn	Civilian	Total
Chief of Police	1	1	2
Intel	10	2	12
Office of Professional Responsibility	3	0	3
Director Administration & Public Affairs	0	5	5
Corporate Security	0	12	12
Strategic Operations/Ops Support & NCC	16	25	41
Assistant Chief of Police	1	0	1
Patrol	New England	2	59
	New York	9	86
	Mid-Atlantic North	9	75
	Mid-Atlantic South	3	51
	Central/Western	4	77
Special Operations	Intel	2	12
	SOU	1	29
	K-9	0	54
Total	434	73	507

Sworn Demographics as of 9/30/2018				
	Male	Female	Total	
Asian	6	1	7	1%
Black/African American	69	14	83	19%
Hispanic/Latino	48	5	53	12%
Caucasian	274	20	294	67%
Two or more nationalities	2	0	2	Less than 1%
Unknown	1	0	1	Less than 1%
Total	400	40	440	100%

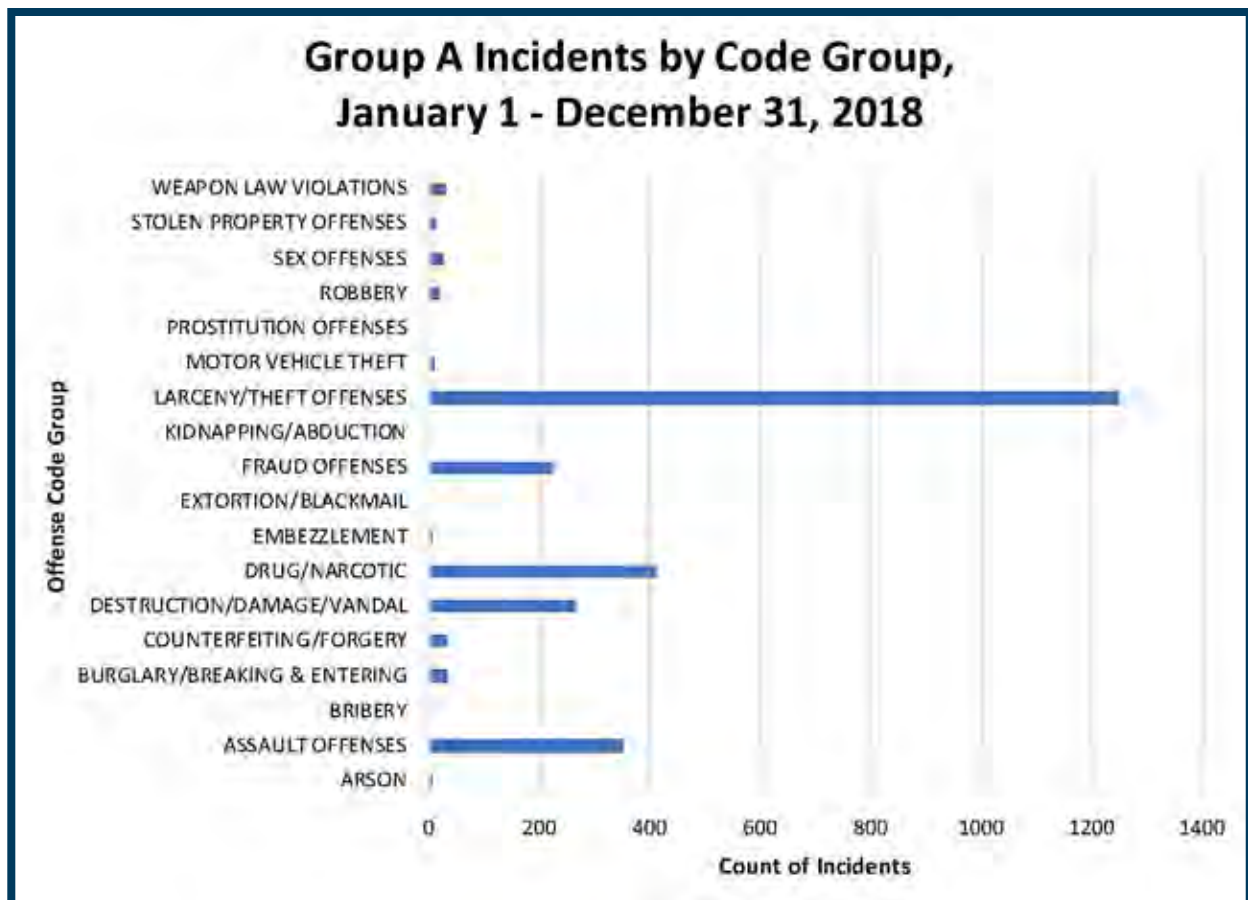
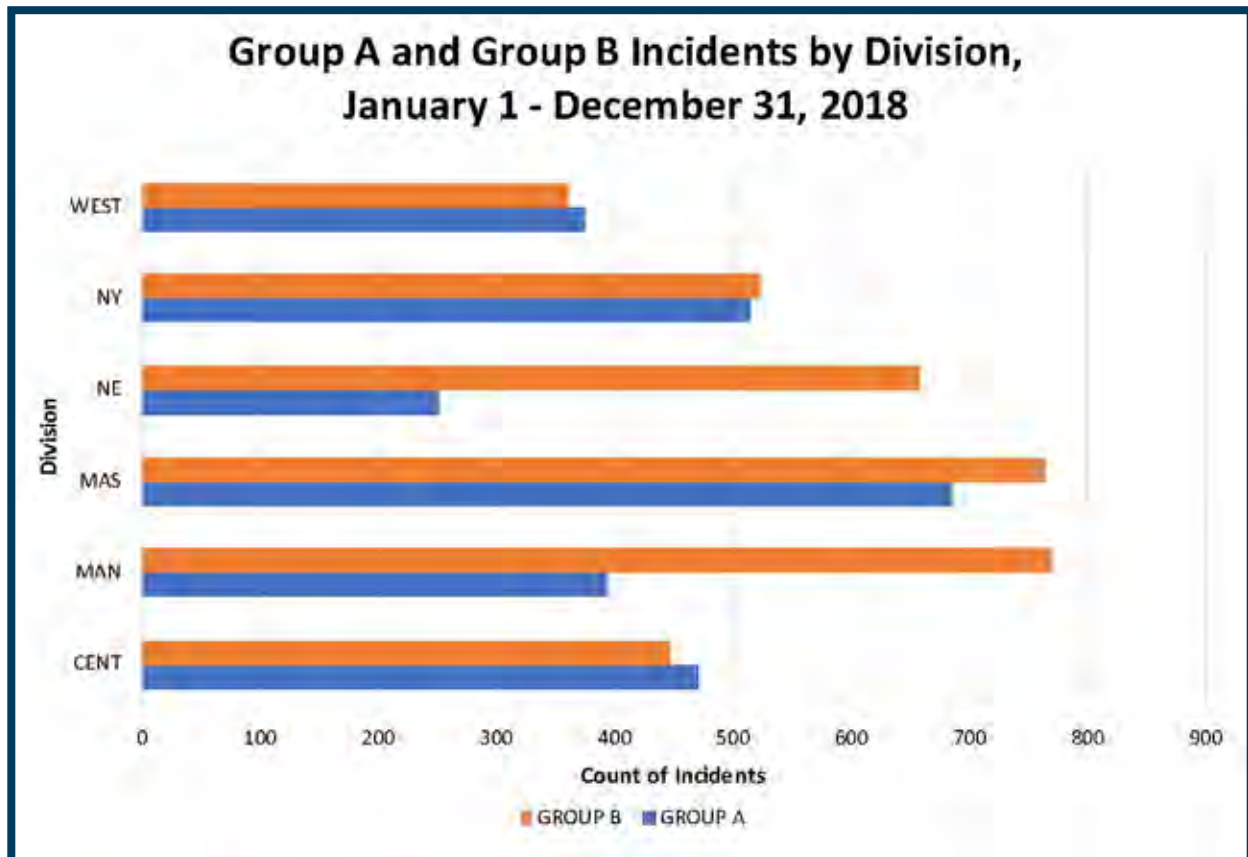
Budget & Expenditures

Division / Unit	Account	(\$k) Actual
New England	Salaries	460
	Wages Straight & Overtime	4,215
	Benefits	2,324
	Non-Labor Expense	355
	Total New England	7,354
New York	Salaries	487
	Wages Straight & Overtime	7,331
	Benefits	3,565
	Non-Labor Expense	597
	Total New York	11,979
Mid-Atlantic	Salaries	549
	Wages Straight & Overtime	10,913
	Benefits	5,387
	Non-Labor Expense	1,305
	Total Mid-Atlantic	18,154
Central/Western	Salaries	534
	Wages Straight & Overtime	6,722
	Benefits	3,473
	Non-Labor Expense	1,069
	Total Central/Western	11,798
Special Operations	Salaries	625
	Wages Straight & Overtime	8,035
	Benefits	4,288
	Non-Labor Expense	1,453
	Total Special Operations	14,402
Chief, Intel, Ops Support, NCC & Corporate Security	Salaries	5,291
	Wages Straight & Overtime	3,631
	Benefits	2,484
	Non-Labor Expense	3,999
	Total Chief, Intel, Ops Support, NCC & Corporate Security	15,405
Total Amtrak Police Department	Salaries	7,946
	Wages Straight & Overtime	40,847
	Benefits	21,521
	Non-Labor Expense	8,779
	Total Amtrak Police Department	79,093
	<i>FY'18 Training Expense included in above</i>	3,309



Amtrak Police Department Calls for Service									
Section	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Criminal Investigations Unit	3026	4258	3485	2137	1796	1271	861	1016	1407
Criminal Investigations Unit - Headquarters	0	47	112	123	155	12	13	14	9
Regional Detectives	4846	5249	6871	9469	8998	8999	7334	7178	8967
Internal Affairs	192	37	438	204	131	119	42	30	31
Intelligence	308	670	462	89	38	57	18	17	117
K-9	12280	19381	18932	25000	26001	32735	31344	30082	38709
National Communication Center	1633	3022	4225	3686	4817	4357	2100	427	342
Patrol	60651	69485	80949	96763	103497	119265	129279	134479	190822
Security	134	152	65	80	65	62	36	129	134
Special Operations Unit	3206	4664	3423	4234	3726	3880	3442	2312	7794
Unknown	277	2753	3741	2697	1778	1747	2976	3899	6315
Total	86553	109718	122703	144482	151002	172504	177445	179583	254647
Central Division	8773	13921	15700	18947	17688	15729	19494	27200	35567
Mid-Atlantic Division North	23045	27145	24705	27691	32661	44621	48122	43158	56713
Mid-Atlantic Division South	15020	18335	20653	26483	26811	24284	21490	31902	46288
New England Division	10659	16976	22497	29036	33985	37322	38750	36481	54033
New York Division	24296	27582	32185	32397	30332	39706	39320	31391	46849
Western Division	4254	5413	6932	9874	9458	10798	10237	9426	15177
Unknown	506	346	31	54	67	44	32	25	20
Total	86553	109718	122703	144482	151002	172504	177445	179583	254647

Group A&B Incidents



APD Safeguards Amtrak Border Crossings

Deputy Chief Wayne Moore, Captain Lew Best and Detective Mike Smith, along with Amtrak Deputy General Manager of the Empire Service Kevin Chittenden and other Amtrak officials, met with U.S. and Canadian officials to discuss safeguarding Amtrak trains crossing the border between the two countries. Representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) were present along with representatives from VIA Rail and VIA Rail Police. Meetings were held on both sides of the border at Niagara Falls, where enhanced security measures were discussed, along with passenger screening and efforts to minimize train delays at the U.S./Canadian border.



NED Officers Capture Homicide Suspect

Detective Rob Hanson and Officer Ryan Irons were presented with a letter of commendation from Captain Lew Best for their actions and subsequent arrest of a subject wanted in connection with a homicide by firearm in Chicago. An anonymous tip was received that a subject wanted for homicide might travel from Chicago, IL to Springfield, MA. Detective Hanson checked manifests and located a customer with a name similar to the suspect traveling on board Amtrak train 448. Further investigation revealed that the subject was in fact wanted by the U.S. Marshal's Service. Detective Hanson and Officer

Ryan Irons requested assistance and coordinated with officers from the Springfield Police Department and troopers from the Massachusetts State Police. The subject was taken into custody without incident when he arrived at Springfield Station.

Tunnel Exercise in Boston

Amtrak Emergency Management hosted an Emergency Response Tunnel Exercise at Back Bay Station in Boston. The exercise scenario involved a mock explosion on an Amtrak train as it was passing an MBTA Commuter train in the mainline tunnel, causing a mass-causality event with passengers on both trains. The drill, which began at 1:00 am, tested the emergency notification systems and response capabilities of emergency responders to an incident in the underground tunnel system near Back Bay Station. APD had a strong presence with officers and K-9 teams working alongside MBTA Transit Police, Boston Fire, and Boston EMS. The drill included the evacuation and triage of exercise volunteers.



APD Protects the Boston Marathon



On April 16, the APD played a significant role in protecting the 2018 Boston Marathon. Officers maintained a high visibility presence in stations, on platforms and on board trains throughout the NED. The event attracts over 30,000 participants and over one million spectators. The Boston Marathon also draws world-wide media attention, and despite frigid temperatures and heavy rain throughout the day, the event was deemed a great success. APD once again received high praise from the public and outside agencies for the high-visibility coverage, inter-agency coordination, and safeguarding the traveling public that came to Boston to witness the event.

APD Safeguards Sailfest 2018

On July 13-15, APD maintained a high-visibility presence and safeguarded the 41st annual Sailfest, which was held in New London, CT. Sailfest is Connecticut's premier summertime event, which attracts over 300,000 people to the three-day festival and showcases one of the largest fireworks displays in the northeast. The event included free entertainment, amusement rides and over 200 vendors on the waterfront adjacent to the Amtrak station and the Amtrak owned right-of-way on the mainline. Attendees access the event through three busy railroad crossings. APD successfully moved the large crowds safely to and from the waterfront and received high praise from New London Police Chief Peter Reichard for the efforts and assistance provided throughout the event. The NED was augmented with support from the SOU and utilized the APD Mobile Command Center to coordinate police activities with outside agencies and railroad operations throughout the event.





NJ Chamber of Commerce Train

On March 1, APD teamed up with New Jersey Transit Police to provide security for the annual NJ Chamber of Commerce train. Over 300 of the more than 700 passengers boarded Special train #855 at Newark Penn Station for the “Walk to Washington”. The remainder of passengers boarded at Metropark, New Brunswick, Trenton, Philadelphia and Wilmington for their travel to Washington, D.C. The annual event attracted law makers, business leaders, union leaders and other VIPs from throughout NJ. APD provided a security presence on the train and along the corridor.



Operation NY SECURE

On April 25, Operation NY SECURE was coordinated by Deputy Chief Martin Conway with assistance from Deputy Chief Wayne Moore. The deployment provided increased police presence along the New York Empire line from NYPS to the Albany-Rensselaer station and was supported by partner agencies including MTA Police, New York State Police, Yonkers, Croton-on-Hudson, Peekskill, Poughkeepsie, Hudson and Rensselaer Police Departments, and the New York State Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. APD Patrol, Special Operations and K-9 worked in coordination with the partner agencies to provide an enhanced security presence and visibility during the operation.

APD/Emergency Management Active Shooter Tunnel Exercise

The NYD along with SOU and K-9 participated in an Amtrak Emergency Management & Corporate Security (EMCS) full-scale exercise. The scenario involved an active shooter on a train disabled in the tunnel between NY and NJ. The MTA, NJ Transit, and NY Police Departments, NY Fire Department, and Amtrak rail operations personnel also participated in the exercise. This was an excellent training opportunity, with many lessons learned that can be shared with other first responders. APD greatly appreciates the great work by EMCS and all the Amtrak departments that help make this exercise a great success.



NYD K-9 Team Participated in Joint Training Exercise

On June 27, Officer Rene Mercado and his canine partner Xarro attended a joint K-9 training exercise at Liberty State Park hosted by the FBI New York Office and the New Jersey State Park Police. Participating agencies included teams from the FBI, Customs Border Protection, ATF, USMS, Federal Protective Service, TSA, APD, New Jersey State Police, New Jersey State Park Police and the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office. Participating Marine Units were the New Jersey State Police Marine Unit, New Jersey State Park Police Marine Unit, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit and the FBI-NY Underwater Search and Evidence Recovery Team. FBI Special Agent Ryan J. Christie, who supervised the training, expressed gratitude to the APD for participating in this joint training exercise with many partner agencies and for helping to improve joint counter-terrorism efforts.

Unified Protection in NYPS

On Thanksgiving eve, Deputy Chief Martin Conway convened a meeting of high-ranking members from several partner agencies at NYPS to share intel and to discuss joint security efforts aimed at protecting rail passengers during the holiday season. In attendance was Chief Trugman and other command staff from APD, the New York City Police Department, New York State Police, New York National Guard, MTA Police, New Jersey Transit Police, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Transportation Security Administration, and Amtrak Executive Vice President Stephen Gardner. Attendees received security briefings and a detailed presentation by the NYPD Counterterrorism Unit. Chief Trugman thanked the participating agencies for their unified efforts to protect the public and in preventing potential terrorist attacks.



APD Officers Assist in Protecting Eagles Fans



On February 8, Eagles football fans traveled to Philadelphia to celebrate their team's Super Bowl victory. Hundreds of thousands of spectators lined the streets as the team traveled in a parade that began at 11 a.m. near Lincoln Financial Field and ended in a rally at the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. APD officers, along with members of local and federal law enforcement agencies, employees from Amtrak Customer Service and Emergency Management, and Amtrak ambassadors worked to control the crowds as participants traveled to and from the event.



APD Assists During Villanova Celebrations

On March 31, April 2 and April 5, Patrol, K-9, and SOU Officers from the MADN, along with approximately 40 other agencies from the area, assisted the Villanova University and Radnor Police Departments with the large crowds of people celebrating during the NCAA Final 4 game, championship game, and the victory parade. Amtrak's main line west to Harrisburg, PA, passes directly through the middle of the Villanova campus. MADN officers directed thousands of happy students and alumni to local pedestrian bridges and underground tunnel as they traveled from the parking lot and dormitory areas to the main campus celebration. With assistance from APD, everyone remained safe, with no reported incidents of trespassing on the right-of-way.



APD Response to Flooding at Mount Joy

On August 31, an APD unit was dispatched to investigate a report of Train 42 becoming disabled at MP 79.8 in Mount Joy, PA, due to flooding on the railroad. While en route, it was also reported that Train 43 was experiencing mechanical issues at MP 79.1, due to the same condition. APD officers arrived on scene and observed that a mudslide had occurred, which was obstructing train traffic. A major service disruption occurred as a result of this incident. Train 43 was operated back to Lancaster station on its own, however Amtrak's Train 42 required to be towed to the station. Upon arrival, all passengers exited both trains without incident. Tracks were cleared for traffic and Amtrak's Train 619 carried passengers to Harrisburg station, which was left open only for ticketed passengers traveling in the direction of Pittsburgh. APD officers remained in the station overnight to provide protection for customers.

MADN Officers Conduct Special Detail in North Philadelphia

From August 22-24, a special detail was conducted in the area of North Philadelphia Station in response to reports of trains being struck by thrown objects in the area. Officers Sean Campbell and Daniel Leicht worked in plain clothes, while Officer William Clifton was stationed in the area as uniform support. During that period, six reports were generated that involved the arrest and release of 10 subjects. Seven adults were arrested, with five cited for drug related offense and two for trespass. Three juveniles were cited for trespass and released to a guardian. School information was collected for the juvenile offenders and the MADN CRO will visit those locations to discuss railroad safety and trespassing issues. The detail was continued on August 25, by three plain clothes officers from CID; Floyd Brinkley, Shawn McClister, and Joseph O'Keefe. Four reports were generated involving adults, with two being cited for disorderly conduct, one warned and ejected for trespass, and another arrested on an outstanding warrant.



APD/NSPD TAP in Reading

On November 8, Amtrak Police, along with Berks County Sheriff's Office, assisted Norfolk Southern Police with a Trespasser Abatement Program (TAP) in Reading, PA. The TAP program targets high-trespass areas along their system. The two-day program begins by informing the public about the dangers of trespassing by handing out pamphlets and by using the media. The next day, a three-mile stretch of track was patrolled to intercept trespassers. Throughout the course of the day, 40 individuals were stopped and educated on the dangers of trespassing and given other routes to get to their destinations.

Mid-Atlantic Division South



APD Mobilizes During Protest in D.C.

On March 24, the “March for Our Lives” gun control rally drew hundreds of thousands of protesters from across the country to Washington, D.C. Amtrak ridership swelled in association with this event and the APD mobilized to protect our customers, employees and the public in areas impacted by increased travel and to address crowding in station areas.



APD Participates in Tunnel Exercise

The Baltimore and Potomac Tunnel Exercise was conducted on March 18. APD, Emergency Management, Engineering, On Board Services, Mechanical, Operations, Safety, and Transportation, along with Baltimore Fire, EMS, Police and Office of Emergency Management, MARC, MTA, federal, state and private sector partners participated in the event. The objectives of the tunnel exercises are to examine operational coordination and information sharing between Amtrak departments and local first responders, evaluating the effectiveness of tunnel emergency response protocols, and to update or develop related on-board and tunnel operations protocols.



MADS Officers Apprehend Felon

On May 3, the NCC received a call that an individual on train 92 was suicidal and in possession of a handgun in his carry-on bag. At the time, the train was in South Carolina, and local law enforcement was contacted to meet the train. After interviewing the passenger, it was determined there was no issue at the time and they would permit him to stay on the train. During the interview process, the passenger stated he was not carrying a weapon or in possession of any carry-on bags.

Sergeant Glen Cosner and Investigator Shaunta Bond were assigned to conduct a follow up and check on the well-being of the passenger. CID coordinated with Detective Charles George, Richmond Station staff and the train crew. The conductor was provided a description of the individual and his seat location. After the train arrived in Washington, D.C., the passenger was observed walking on the platform carrying two bags as he proceeded into the station. CID members approached him to conduct a welfare check. During this encounter, the passenger was again asked if he was in possession of any weapons. The passenger responded that he had a knife and some “shells” in his possession, after which he consented to a search of his bags. During the search of the bag, officers recovered a revolver along with multiple rounds of ammunition. The passenger, who admitted he was a convicted felon, was placed in custody and processed accordingly.

Providing Security during Stanley Cup Celebration

Members of the Mid-Atlantic South K-9 team, Patrol Officers and Special Agents provided critical security services during the Washington Capitals hockey team Stanley Cup parade and celebrations in Washington, D.C. on June 12.



Protection During Public Rallies

On August 12th in response to the “Unite the Right” rallies in Baltimore, MD and Washington, D.C. officers from MADS and SOU were deployed to strategic areas establishing a visible presence in the main concourse areas, entrances/exits, stairways and provided additional train/platform protection at Baltimore Penn Station and Washington Union Station. APD was supported by MTAPD, BPD and FAMs in an effort to protect Amtrak customers, employees, facilities and assets during the events. There were no issues attributed to protests on Amtrak property during the events.

New Narcotics Detection Team for MADS

On October 26, Officer Brandt Bartman successfully completed a five-week Narcotics Detection Dog (NDD) training course at VWK9 in Anniston, AL. Officer Bartman trained with his canine partner Koda, a three-year-old Black Labrador Retriever, and the team successfully passed both VWK9 and NAPWDA (National Police Working Dog Association) certifications in Narcotic Detection. The training course was conducted by Trainer Rob Leonard of VWK9. Sergeant Micah received basic NDD Trainer instruction from Leonard, and assisted with Officer Bartman’s day-to-day training.





APD Protects NASCAR

From March 15-18, members of the APD Western Division K-9 Unit responded to a request from the San Bernardino Sheriff's Department by providing explosive detection canine support during the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) 2018 Auto Club 400 event. The event was held at the Auto Club Speedway of California in Fontana, CA, which is located near the Amtrak Ontario, CA station. The 2018 Auto Club 400 is Race 5 of 36 in the 2018 Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series and attracted thousands of fans. During the event, APD K-9 teams searched over 1,800 RVs and trucks.



APD Assists During Tulip Festival

On May 12, Detective Brian Poynton and K-9 Officer Gerry Gustavson along with his canine partner Tim Cook, assisted the Holland Michigan Police Department with their Annual Tulip Time Festival and parade that draws an average 500,000-600,000 attendees. Amtrak ran a special Tulip Time train from Chicago to Holland for the day.

APD Protects the PGA Championship

On May 26, Detective Brian Poynton and Officer John Nies and his canine partner

Luke, assisted with security at the 2018 PGA Senior Championship held at the Harbor Shores Golf Club in Benton Harbor, MI. The event included a special Amtrak PGA train that brought attendees from Chicago to the championship.



Control Tactics Training in Northern CA

Detective Jake Mumford and Sergeant Madhu Kurup delivered a control tactics training course to Northern California detectives and officers. This training instructs officers in controlling the movements of violent or physically aggressive persons without exposing officers or others to excess risk of injury. Such programs lead to a higher level of professionalism and foster greater sense of trust between the police and the community.

Officers Attend National Night Out in Bradley, IL

On August 7, K-9 Handler Bob Crowley and Detective Doug Balk attended a National Night Out event in Bradley, IL.

The officers shared railroad safety and security information, and information about the APD with members of the public attending the event.



APD Provides Protection during Oktoberfest

APD Central Division personnel Officer Carlos Juarez, Detective Nick Binner, Investigator Mike MacDonald, Officers John Skiba and Mike Gruzka, and Detective Doug Balk conducted tactical train rides on October 20-21 to provide protection during the Oktoberfest in Hermann, MI.



Special Operations Division - SOU

Baggage Screening with TSA	Operations	Trains	Passengers Screened
New York	121	717	5,568
Washington, D.C.	108	443	5,708
Total	229	1,160	11,639

Activity	2018 Total	
	# Rides	Hours
Train Rides	2,683	3,507
Long Distance	667	999
State Supported	695	874
NEC Regional	805	927.5
Acela	1211	1580.5
Train Boarding	2018 Total	
	14,272	
Train Walk-through	2018 Total	
	2,521	
Right-of-Way Check	2018 Total	
	6,267	

MMTD Screening Totals		
Location	TRAINS	PASSENGERS
PHL	1,370	9,288
SOU	1,110	11,099
NED	1,028	5,684
TOTAL	3,508	26,071

TSA & APD Partner to Test PBIED Detection Device

During the week of February 26 - March 2, TSA partnered with APD to test a new security device that can help detect whether an individual is concealing an improvised explosive device, such as a suicide vest. The testing took place in the Amtrak concourse section of NYPS.

The passive system, known as a stand-off explosive detection unit, triggers an alarm if an individual carrying/wearing a person-borne improvised explosive device (PBIED) passes by the mechanism. It is a type of screening technology that can be used by Amtrak to detect potential threats, metallic or non-metallic, by identifying objects that block the naturally-occurring emissions emitted by a person's body. No radiation of any kind is emitted by the unit, and no anatomical details of a person are displayed. The operator of the equipment sees a green image of a person, known as a "green ghost," alongside of the actual image of the individual.

The use of such a device enables a rail or transit agency to help safeguard against terrorist threats in the mass transit environment. It is operated by employees of the agency, not by TSA. TSA is, however, supplying two models of the equipment for the purposes of the demonstration. One model is mounted on a tripod and another is contained in a trunk.

The equipment is mobile, which allows agencies to easily relocate it to different stations. Users operate it via a laptop computer in the station. The image that appears on the laptop will reveal concealed objects that block naturally occurring body emissions and indicate the location and size of those objects on a green image of an individual. Deputy Chief Derek White was the liaison and lead point of contact for the PBIED standoff detection technology project.



K-9 Teams Joint Training Exercise

APD K-9 teams participated in a joint training exercise at South Station in Boston, along with teams from the Massachusetts State Police. Nine APD teams assigned to the NED worked at various times throughout the day along with Massachusetts State Police K-9 teams from Troop F at Logan Airport and the Massachusetts State Fire Marshall's Office. The explosive detection exercise was led by APD Trainers Mel (Hawk) Hawkins, Matt Pierce and K-9 Sergeant Jim Forsyth. NED K-9 teams work on a regular basis with outside agencies for multi-agency incident response training, station familiarity and preparedness capabilities.



Advanced Explosive Detection Training

As part of APD's effort to continually increase the proficiency of its explosive detection canine teams, handlers cycled through a two-week Advanced Explosive Detection Dog (EDD) training course at VWK9's facility in Fort McClellan, AL. The first group, comprised of seven EDD teams, successfully completed the course and will be bringing their skills to Amtrak's operations. Some of the training included complex and challenging environmental searches that focused on real-world threats, conditioning the

dogs to experience gunfire, developing hands-on knowledge about the ease of making peroxide-based improvised explosive devices from over-the-counter materials, and searching for those devices in operational scenarios.

APD Canine Partner Receives Medal of Courage

Summer, a TSA dog assigned to Sergeant Micah Jones, was one of the recipients of the American Humane Lois Pope Life K-9 Medal of Courage. The award was presented in a ceremony on Capitol Hill in the foyer of the Rayburn House Office Building. The award honors retired military dogs who demonstrated exceptional valor in serving our country. Deputy Chief Derek White was in attendance, as well as several members of congress, top military leaders and VIP's including philanthropist Lois K. Pope. Mrs. Pope and American Humane created the American Humane Lois Pope Life K9 Medal of courage, an honor conferred to a select few military dogs for their extraordinary valor and service for our country. These awards were conferred upon the courageous canines by U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Thomas Kearney and United States Marine Corps Colonel Zachary White.



Partnership Advances K-9 Training

APD and the Illinois State Police worked in conjunction with the Chicago FBI field office on a test project involving vapor wake detection. This particular testing is an attempt to develop, advance and innovate future training for vapor wake and explosive detection dog (EDD) teams for the APD. This partnership will bring a new type of training not only to the APD, but to law enforcement agencies across the country and will aid in advancing K-9 teams in the field and providing additional knowledge regarding explosives and counter-terrorism.



Advanced Explosive Detection Canine Course



Amtrak explosive detection canine teams have been attending two-week sessions of the Advanced EDCT training course at the VWK9 training facility in Anniston, AL. VWK9 customized a training course around the unique needs of Amtrak's operational environment. Topics include terrorist techniques and tactics, preplanning sweeps for VIPs, large venue searches, and the development and dangers of improvised explosive devices. Teams also conduct open-area searches through rough, uneven terrain, and through waterways to simulate a search along an Amtrak mainline.

Joint Explosive Detection Training at NYPS

On November 7, APD K-9 hosted joint explosive detection canine training at NYPS. Sergeant Karen Schrof supervised the training, which was provided to officers from APD, CSX Railroad Police and MTAPD. Scenarios included a building search and a search of an Amtrak passenger train.



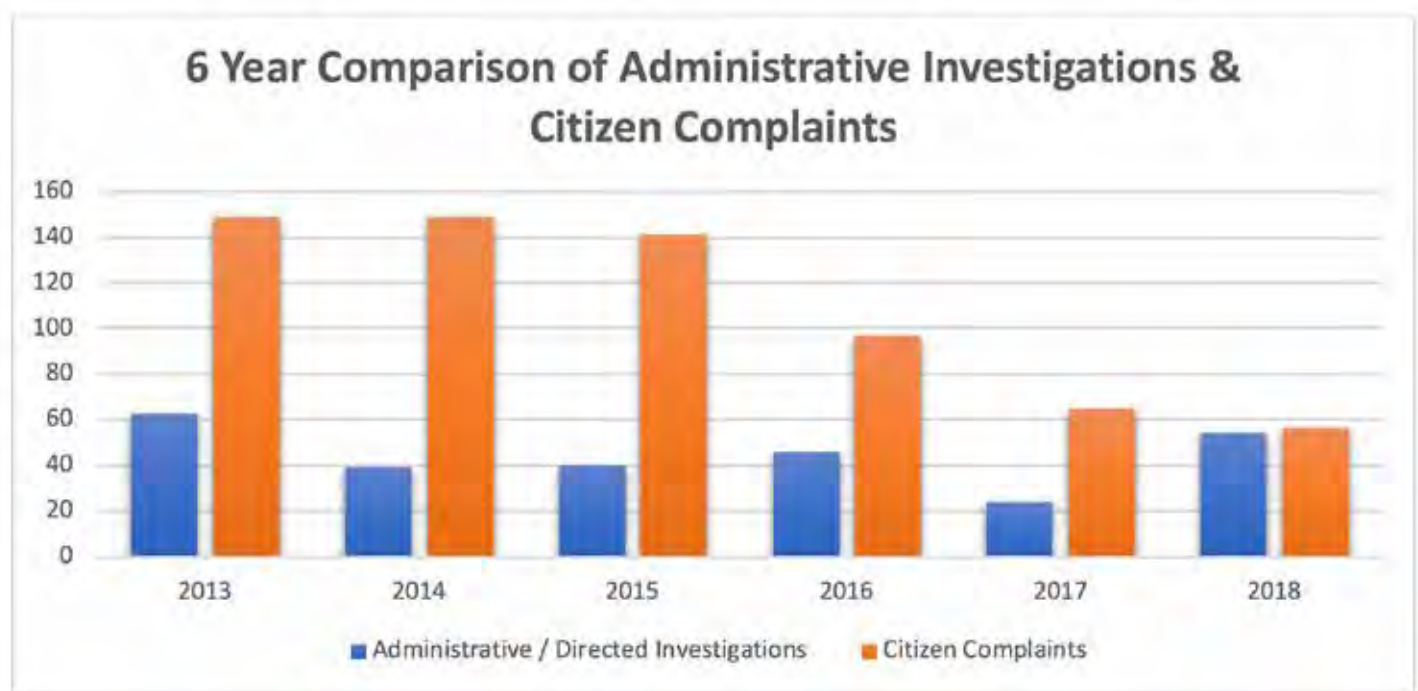
Office of Professional Responsibilities

The integrity and reputation of any police agency is its most valuable asset. Transparency and impartial treatment builds confidence and trust in an agency's ability to fairly and impartially serve and protect those they serve. The APD Office of Professional Responsibilities is a key spoke in the cog, which drives APD in its mission of making a positive difference in the protection and security of America's railroad community. The Office of Professional Responsibilities upholds the agency's standards of integrity and professional responsibility and oversees administrative investigations relating to the conduct of departmental personnel. Professional Responsibilities records and investigates all allegations of misconduct by APD employees generated from within the department or outside sources.

In 2018, the APD investigated 110 complaints against police personnel. Fifty-one percent (51 %) of the complaints were citizen complaints and the remaining were internally generated investigations by management personnel or through the Amtrak Ethics and Compliance hot-line and/or the Amtrak Office of Inspector General.

Investigations by Type

Type	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Administrative / Directed Investigations	63	39	40	46	24	54
Citizen Complaints	149	149	141	97	65	56



The APD experienced an increase in Administrative / Directed investigations and a decrease in Citizen Complaints in 2018.

Office of Professional Responsibilities

Disposition Classifications

The following disposition classifications are utilized by the APD Office of Professional Responsibilities.

1. Pending: The complaint is still under investigation or in the review process.
2. Administrative Closure: The complaint lacks sufficient information to conduct a follow-up investigation or was handled informally at the request of the complainant.
3. Exonerated: The investigation revealed that the actions taken by agency personnel were justified, lawful and proper.
4. Not Sustained: The investigation failed to discover sufficient evidence to clearly prove the allegation(s) made.
5. Policy Review: The allegation made is true, however the action of the officer was consistent with departmental policy, the policy will be reviewed to ensure it is up to date with current law enforcement standards.
6. Sustained: The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove some or all of the allegations made in the complaint.
7. Unfounded: The investigation indicated the alleged act(s) did not occur.

Disposition	Count	% of Total
Pending	40	36%
Administrative Closure	19	17%
Exonerated	11	10%
Not Sustained	10	9%
Policy Review	20	18%
Sustained	9	8%
Unfounded	1	1%

Awards/Commendations

In addition to receiving and investigating complaints against personnel, the Office of Professional Responsibilities maintains record of commendations issued to Amtrak police officers. A total of 215 awards and commendations were issued to officers in Fiscal Year 2017. These include letter of appreciation and praise, Officer of the Month recognition, Customer Service, Life Saving, and Distinguished Unit Awards.

Office of Intelligence & Analysis

Inspector Delivers Presentation at the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department

On February 13, Inspector Jim Cook was invited to speak about the APD Intelligence Unit at the Los Angeles Police Officer's Intelligence Association quarterly meeting held at the LA Sheriff's Department in Monterey Park, CA. During the meeting Inspector Cook provided an overview of the current threats facing passenger rail, as well as an overview of the APD.



Detective Speaks at Anti-terrorism Conference



On February 15, Detective Glenn Rambo from the APD Intelligence Unit spoke at the 2018 Annual Army Worldwide Anti-terrorism Seminar in Orlando, FL. Detective Rambo spoke to a group of approximately 400 military personnel about the current threat to passenger rail and the Amtrak Police Department.

Northeast Corridor Intelligence Working Group

The Northeast Corridor Intelligence Working Group held a meeting at the APD National Communications Center. Members

of the group received presentations from the National Counterterrorism Center on the current global threat picture, the FBI CJIS team on the LEEP and Virtual Command Center program, and the Metropolitan Police Department on the upcoming March for Our Lives scheduled for March 24 in Washington, D.C.

In addition to the formal presentations, a round table was held for all members to discuss current threats, upcoming major events, and other issues effecting agencies in the region. Representatives from the following agencies attended the quarterly meeting:

Amtrak Police Department, Baltimore City Police, Charles County Sheriff's Office, CSX Police, DHS – Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Delaware State Fire Marshal, Delaware State Police, Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center, Maryland Transportation Authority PD, New Jersey Office of Homeland Security, Transit Police and State Police, NYPD, New York State Police, Norfolk Southern Police, Pennsylvania State Police, Philadelphia Police, Prince George's County, MD Police, SEPTA Police, TSA, United States Capitol Police, United States Senate Sergeant at Arms, United States Secret Service, Washington Metropolitan Police Department, Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority Police and the Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center.



APD, DOT & A21 Partner on Human Trafficking Awareness

On January 11, APD joined a new human trafficking awareness campaign in partnership with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and A21 (A non-profit, non-governmental organization working to fight human trafficking). The initial phase of the campaign includes the deployment of a new public service announcement (PSA) that focuses on trafficking in minors. A 30-second version of the video is now playing at 26 Amtrak stations that have the ASAN video system installed. The full-length PSA is posted at amtrakpolice.com/stophumantrafficking, along with documentation that explains the indicators of trafficking in minors. This new campaign will continue with further awareness materials being delivered throughout the year.



APD Participates in Facebook Live Discussion on Human Trafficking Awareness

On January 17, Amtrak Police Lead Communications Specialist James Lewis participated in a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Blue Campaign Facebook Live panel discussion. The event, hosted by Mick McKeown, Executive Director of the DHS Blue Campaign, focused on efforts to raise awareness of human trafficking in the United States. Elisabeth Barna, Executive Vice President of Industry Affairs and Chief Operating Officer of American Trucking Associations, Scott Santoro, Acting Deputy Assistant Director of FLETC

Washington Operation, and Mimi Braniff, Managing Director Government Affairs for Delta Air Lines were also participating members of the panel.



2018 Operation Clear Track

Planned and coordinated by Lead Communications Specialist Barbara Petito, the second annual Operation Clear Track event, hosted by Amtrak and Operation Lifesaver, held on September 26. As part of National Rail Safety Week, Operation Clear Track remains the single largest railroad safety law enforcement initiative held throughout the U.S. This safety event included more than 520 local, state and federal law enforcement departments across 48 states. This year, these law

enforcement officials conducted a safety detail at more than 2,000 railroad grade crossings across the nation, during which they issued citations and warnings to violators of each state's grade crossing and trespassing laws. During the three-hour enforcement period, police officers also distributed pocket cards to educate the public on grade crossing safety.



Human Trafficking Advisory Council



As designated in the Combating Human Trafficking in Commercial Vehicles Act that was signed into public law on January 3, the Department of Transportation created the Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking. The role of the advisory committee is to make recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao on actions the Department can take to combat human trafficking. Chief Trugman was selected to participate in a sub-committee devoted to training and public awareness.

On December 6, APD Lead Communications Specialist James Lewis delivered a presentation to the council and the public, that outlined Amtrak and the APD's efforts to train employees and raise public awareness on human trafficking. On December 7, James participated in the first sub-committee meeting. The advisory committee and the sub-committees will continue to meet through 2019, until the final draft of the report is completed and submitted to Secretary Chao in July 2019.

Special Events

APD Hosts Meeting with RAILPOL

On February 6, APD hosted a meeting with members of the European Network of Railway Police Forces (RAILPOL). RAILPOL is an international network of organizations responsible for policing the railways in EU Member States. Deputy Chief Lisa Shahade discussed Amtrak rail security operations with members of the group and highlighted functions such as Patrol, SOU and Intel.

During the K-9 portion of the presentation, members viewed a vapor wake detection demo and met Officer Cameron Dux's canine partner Kenya. Bert Westland of RAILPOL presented Chief Trugman with a token of gratitude for the department's unwavering support and cooperation with our European rail partners.



2017 Officer of the Year Ceremony



On June 5, a ceremony was held in Wilmington, DE, to recognize Shaunta Bond as the 2017 Officer of the Year for her significant contributions in keeping our customers, employees and the public safe. During the ceremony, Bond was also promoted to the rank of sergeant.

"Sgt. Bond's commitment and sense of duty are worthy of great respect. It is obvious she takes a great deal of pride in being an Amtrak Police Officer," Amtrak Police Chief Neil Trugman said. "It is an honor to recognize her dedication with our most prestigious award."

A member of the Criminal Investigations Division (CID), Bond was integral in the multi-agency cooperative effort to address challenges with the public who dealt with substance abuse issues and

homelessness in and around Union Station in Washington, D.C. Bond's intuitive skills and persistence have generated positive results and earned her Officer of the Month honors three times in 2017.

She investigated several burglaries, and after extensive efforts, identified suspects and issued eight separate felony warrants for three of them. All suspects were arrested due to Bond's investigation proficiency.

In another incident, Bond, along with other members of CID, handled an issue involving a customer who was reported to be in distress while traveling on Amtrak. Onboard employees notified APD and reported the customer's issues and how he had a handgun in a carry-on bag. When the train made a scheduled stop in South Carolina, local police interviewed the customer who said he didn't have carry-on bags. As a result, the customer was permitted to remain on board.

When the train arrived in Washington, D.C., Bond followed up and checked on the customer's well-being. Bond approached and questioned the customer, who admitted he had a weapon. The customer consented to a search of his carry-on bags, and a revolver and ammunition were discovered. It was determined the customer was a convicted felon and he was arrested.



Bond also investigated the case of a woman who was a victim of an assault. Bond reviewed video footage and located a suspect fleeing the area where the incident was reported. Through her exhaustive efforts, Bond solidified a case against a suspect and convinced the Office of the Attorney General to move forward.

Sergeant Bond began her law enforcement career with the APD on January 17, 2012, as a police officer and on November 2, 2015, was assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division as an investigator. Bond has received numerous commendations and awards throughout her career with APD to include multiple Officer of the Month Awards, Customer Service Award, Distinguished Unit Citation, and several letters of commendation.



APD Welcomes TSA Administrator

On June 22, Chief Trugman welcomed TSA Administrator David Pekoske and TSA Director of the Surface Division Sonya T. Proctor and provided them with a close-up view of the APD's counterterrorism efforts. The group traveled from Washington, D.C. to Philadelphia's 30th Street Station on board Amtrak 182 and observed K-9 and SOU conduct a proactive tactical patrol during their trip. Deputy Chiefs Maureen Powers and Derek White were also on-hand when 182 arrived at Philadelphia.

The group observed a K-9 Vapor Wake demo conducted by Officer Hugh McFarland and his canine partner Yaco, SOU Special Agents demonstrating a subject interdiction, and joint passenger screening conducted by TSA FAMS and supported by members of Patrol and SOU.



APD 2018 PSSA Recipients

Two members of the APD were chosen as recipients of a 2018 President's Service and Safety Award (PSSA). New York Division Investigator Adam Peterkin, was selected as a PSSA "Top Performer" award recipient. Investigator Peterkin has been a member of APD since April 2009, and has always performed in an exceptional manner. Investigator Peterkin's investigations led to numerous high-quality arrests including major credit card fraud cases. In addition to outstanding investigative work, Adam is the "go-to guy" for other members of the department looking for assistance in conducting computer related investigations. Investigator Peterkin is well respected within Amtrak, and also with numerous law enforcement agencies at the local, state and federal levels. Mid-



Atlantic South Division Sergeant Shaunta Bond, was also selected as a PSSA "Top Performer" award recipient. Sergeant Bond was also recognized as the 2017 APD Officer of the Year.



APD Participates in Postal Museum Program

On July 28-29, MADS K-9 Sergeant Micah Jones and his canine partner Summer participated in the National Smithsonian Postal Museum "Dog Days of Summer" event, showcasing the history and partnership between the Postal Service and the Railroad. The U.S. Postal Service partnered with Amtrak for many years and benefited from the diligent work of law enforcement and K-9 Units as they protected customers on board the trains, as well as cargo and mail. Over 5,000 people attended the event this year. Sergeant Jones and Summer conducted K-9 demonstrations, explained the duties and responsibilities of the APD and railroad safety and security measures to be aware of when traveling, and answered questions from the audience.

NYD Explorers Graduate Academy



APD NYD Explorers attended the 2018 NYC Law Enforcement Explorer Academy. The Academy is a three-week program designed to educate young people ages 14-20 about various careers available in law enforcement. The Academy operated at Fordham University in the Bronx from July 27-August 10. The third week of the Academy was a six-day camping trip to the

Ten Mile River Scout Camp (Keowa) in Narrowsburg, NY. On August 22, APD Explorers Nancy Melendez and Ivan Boncy, both members of Explorer Post 3000, graduated the NYPD Explorer Academy. The graduation ceremony was performed at the NYPD One Police Plaza auditorium and was hosted by NYPD's First Deputy Commissioner Benjamin B. Tucker.



Special Events

Dog Days of Summer



APD and Amtrak Corporate Communications partnered in a campaign to promote the department with a media pitch titled, “The Dog Days of Summer.” Leveraging the popularity of dogs with the general public, members of the media were being drawn to locations across the country to interview K-9 officers about their work.



The goal of the piece was to bring public attention to the APD and highlight the work of the department in protecting customers across the country. Interviews were conducted in Philadelphia, New York, New Haven, Baltimore, Los Angeles and San Diego.



APD Softball Team Plays in Tournament for Veterans

On September 29, the NED Softball Team played in the First Annual Mission 22 Charity Softball Tournament in Warwick, RI. The Rhode Island Brotherhood of Correctional Officers Association sponsored the tournament, which raises funds and awareness in an effort to end veteran suicides. Sadly, each day over 20 veterans take their own lives. Two members of the NYD also played for the NED team.

APD Is Chosen for First Place in Safety Video Contest

With video collected from every area of the country, the APD created and submitted an entry to the 2018 Amtrak Safety Video Challenge. Videos were judged on creativity, originality, safety messaging, production quality and overall presentation and the APD was chosen as the first place winner over all other entries. During the Amtrak Leadership Summit, Chief Trugman was presented with the 1st Place Amtrak Safety Video Challenge award for the APD Safety Video.



NED Officer Delivers OLI Presentations at University

Officer Ryan Irons delivered Operation Lifesaver presentations to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity members at the University of New Haven, CT, as part of the Education Expansion Experience Day for the Criminal Justice Program. Presentations were delivered to the students on varying topics including finance tips, networking strategies, resume reviews, interview techniques, criminal justice topics, and more. Officer Irons presented four presentations, each consisting of groups of 15 students.



Promoting Safety During National Reading Week

Officer Peter Whitaker visited with students at the Marienville Elementary School in North Providence, RI. As part of National Reading Week, Officer Whitaker read to students in several classrooms and spoke to the children about railroad safety.



Detective Participates in Safe Kids Day

Over 1,000 Kings County first-graders participated in Safe Kids Day, an event aimed to teach students about different aspects of safety. Detective Jim Martino talked to the children about railroad safety during the day's events.

Promoting Safety in New Hampshire

On April 23, Detectives Rob Hanson and Mike Lee assisted Amtrak Community Relations with the roll-out of the Station Host program in Claremont, NH. The Detectives presented on APD safety, Operation Lifesaver and other railroad safety components to assist the new station hosts in working safely in their volunteer positions. Station Host participants volunteer their time to assist the need of the community and the riding public at unstaffed stations.



APD Participates in Railroad Safety Operation

Officer Miguel Pintos and Detective Jim Martino partnered with the Union Pacific and Stockton Police Departments to conduct a UP CARES Operation in the city of Stockton, CA. A special pair of UP locomotives were operated in the city as officers monitored crossings and the right-of-way. During the two-hour period of the operation, 10 citations and five warnings were issued. Stockton officers rode the head-end of the locomotives and reported crossing violations to the officers stationed along the railroad. A local news reporter and camera crew also rode in the locomotive and provided a live coverage segment about railroad safety.

Detective Participates in Preparedness Day Event

Detective Mike Lee represented APD at the Northeastern University Annual Safety & Preparedness Day, held on the college campus in Boston. Detective Lee spoke with students about the mission of APD, and shared information about the text-a-tip program and career opportunities. Other law enforcement agencies that attended the event included Boston and MBTA Transit Police Departments and the Massachusetts State Police.



APD Promotes Safety on Crossing Awareness Day

On June 7, Detective Robert Hanson and Officer Matthew Carignan conducted several grade crossing safety campaigns at crossings along the Hartford Amtrak Line. This was in conjunction with International Level Crossing Awareness Day and the launch of new Amtrak commuter service at increased speeds beginning in the coming weeks. Several hundred railroad safety cards were distributed at various crossings on the line.

APD Participates in Safety Fair in Elk Grove, CA

Officer Mitchel Marquez and Detective Jim Martino teamed up with California Operation Lifesaver Volunteers Gary Valentinsen and Brian Meyers to promote railroad safety at the Elk Grove Police Department and Consumnes Fire District Safety fair held at Elk Grove Regional Park in Elk Grove, CA. First responders from the region attended the event as well as

Safety Initiatives



Air Units from the Sacramento Sheriff's and Sacramento Metro Fire Department, California Highway Patrol, Area SWAT Teams, K-9 units and other safety professionals.

Spreading the Rail Safety Message

Officer Mitchel Marquez and Detective Jim Martino teamed up with California Operation Lifesaver Volunteers Gary Valentinsen and

Brian Meyers to promote railroad safety at the Elk Grove Police Department and Consumnes Fire District Safety fair held at Elk Grove Regional Park in Elk Grove, CA. First responders from the region attended the event as well as Air Units from the Sacramento Sheriff's and Sacramento Metro Fire Department, California Highway Patrol, Area SWAT Teams, K-9 units and other safety professionals.



Officers Deliver Railroad Safety Training

On June 29, Officer Pete Whitaker and Officer Paul Saraiva, accompanied by with his canine partner Talley, conducted two half-hour presentations to preschool students at the Meadowbrook Farms School in East Greenwich Rhode Island. The event was titled "Safety Town" and topics discussed included Operation Lifesaver and the role of the APD K-9 unit. The main message delivered was "Tracks are for trains, not for kids". The children also received railroad safety material and a safety activity book.

Detectives Deliver OLI Classes to New Drivers

Throughout the summer, Detective Robert Hanson conducted Operation Lifesaver presentations for new driver education classes in western MA. Over the course of ten weeks Detective Hanson delivered the class on railroad safety to an excess of 350 students. On September 24, Detective Doug Balk delivered Operation Lifesaver presentations to Drivers Ed students at the Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School in Bradley, IL.



National Rail Safety Week Events



On September 25, Detective Doug Balk was present for the signing of a proclamation at the Kankakee, IL station declaring September 23-29 as National Rail Safety Week. Others in attendance included, Canadian National Police Service Inspector Brandon Myers, Kanakakee County State's Attorney Jim Rowe, who signed the proclamation, Assistant State's Attorney Erika Parsons, Kankakee Police Chief Willie Hunt and other community leaders. On September 27, Detective Doug Balk shared Operation Lifesaver material with customers at the Milwaukee Station, along with Canadian Pacific Police Agent Ben Black.

From September 23-29, the NED participated in National Rail Safety Week, with daily educational and enforcement efforts in conjunction with strong partnerships with MassDOT, ConnDOT, RIDOT, MBTA Transit Police and numerous other law enforcement agencies across New England. Press conferences were held at South Station in Boston and at the Wallingford, CT station, which kicked off the week-long rail safety awareness initiative. In partnership with state DOTs and area law enforcement agencies, APD officers conducted grade crossing violation and trespassing enforcement/awareness initiatives as part of Operation Clear Track on September 25, and a high-visibility presence at stations.



APD Provides Back to School Safety Info in Boston

On September 18 and 20, APD Officers greeted the traveling public at North South stations in Boston, during Back to School Safety expositions in partnership with Mass DOT, the MBTA Safety and Transit Police Departments, and Keolis Commuter Services. Operation Lifesaver brochures and Amtrak safety material were distributed during the afternoon rush hour commutes at both stations.

K-9 & Operation RAILSAFE Training in Sanford

Sergeant Micah Jones and Officer Andre Winston were deployed to assist Detective Kii Sullivan during the Operation RAILSAFE training class recently held in Sanford, FL. The officers provided K-9 training to partner agencies at the Sanford Amtrak station and on board train equipment. Detective Sullivan coordinated with partner agencies and over 27 handlers attended the eight-hour block of narcotics and explosive detection training. During the training, Sergeant Jones presented an overview of the APD K-9 Unit. Jones and Officer Winston provided hands-on training in three Superliner train cars and at the train station. The high-visibility of the Amtrak officers and those from the partner agencies was greatly appreciated by our passengers and Amtrak employees. Operation RAILSAFE training strengthens coordination and integration between Amtrak Police partners (e.g. emergency responders, host railroads, transit agencies, law enforcement officials, municipalities, etc.) and improve the safety and security of passengers, employees, and infrastructure from acts of terrorism. In 2018, Operation RAILSAFE training was conducted throughout the U.S., in seven locations that also included McComb, MS, San Jose, CA, Reno, NV, Springfield, MA, Santa Barbara, CA, and Niagara Falls, NY.



APD Training at Medical Examiner Conference

APD members attended a conference held by the District of Columbia Office of the Chief Medical Examiner titled "Homicide and Death Investigation," held from March 12-13. Sergeant Frank McBride, Investigator Shaunta Bond, and Officers Mark Chite and Justin Heidelberg were in attendance. During the conference, Sergeant Frank McBride delivered a presentation on investigating railroad deaths to a room full of medical examiners, coroners and investigators. This was conducted with the goal of education, improved networking, and to assist in reducing train delay time related to railroad incidents.



Detectives & Investigators Training Conference

Amtrak Police Detectives and Investigators gathered in Orlando, FL, from April 17-19, for their annual training conference. During the conference personnel received refresher training on the LInX and ACCURINT law enforcement databases, as well as briefings by the Amtrak Office of Inspector General, and the Claims department. Officers also received training on the Virtual Command Center, the FBI EGuardian program, a full briefing on the capabilities and mission of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and training on fraud investigations by

Detective Nicholas Ingram, and Investigators Joseph O'Keefe and Adam Peterkin. In addition, briefings were given by Colonel Steve Kinsey of the Broward County Sheriff's Office on the Fort Lauderdale Airport active shooter incident in 2017, and on Domestic Terrorism from FBI Special Agent Tom O'Connor.

Training Exercises at Springfield Union Station

In mid-May, Detective Robert Hanson coordinated a variety of training exercises hosted at Springfield Union Station for law enforcement, fire departments EMS, EOD and K-9 teams. Throughout the 9 days of the event, APD trained 276 first responders in every community that Amtrak operates through in western MA, and northern CT.



Rail Tactics Training in Chicago

During the week of June 18 - 22, APD Special Agents William Conant, Ben Loomer and Kurt Kosterlitsky, headed by Sergeant Robert Underwood, conducted Rail Tactics Training in Chicago. The training consisted of two days for members of the FBI SWAT Team, and one for the Cook County Hostage Barricade Team, Illinois State Police SWAT Team, and APD Patrol. During the week over 75 officers were provided training on APD SOU tactics on board Amtrak trains. Many favorable comments were received from the participating agencies, as well as from the members of the APD.

Specialized Training



APD Provides Rail Tactics Training to FBI-HRT

Sergeant Robert Underwood along with members of the WAS SOU team, and also Special Agents William Conant and Marc Deslandes from the NYD provided Rail Tactics training to new members of the FBI HRT (Hostage Rescue Team), on August 27-28, at Ivy City in Washington, D.C. TS/HRT – Selection & Training Wing SSA Brian Maliszewski sent a note to extend his gratitude and appreciation to the APD team for their dedicated support and effort in the training of the HRT Operators. “I sincerely appreciate your professionalism, commitment to excellence, and exceptionally well developed and effective training package,” he said in his note. “We are grateful for your willingness to share your unrivaled expertise in this very unique and challenging mission profile and look forward to an expanded partnership in the future.”

Railroad Safety Training Provided to U.S. Army CID

On July 18, a Passenger Train Emergency Response (PETR) course was conducted at Fort McCoy for the 159th MP CID Battalion of U.S. Army. Topics covered during the training included railroad safety and first responders response to Amtrak and freight incidents, which included an overview of Amtrak and freight equipment. Army CID instructors set up crime scenes on designated rail equipment for the 159th Battalion to process, which ranged from mass casualty incidents to hostage situations. Most of the 159th Battalion members are police officers from the Midwest states.



Reno K911 Training Event

During the week of August 27, Sergeant Dennis Welch and Officer Mike Eib teamed up with the TSA in Reno, NV, for the annual RENO K911 multi-agency training event. A portion of the training took place at the Amtrak Reno, NV, and Truckee, CA stations as well as on board the California Zephyr (Trains 5 and 6). They began each day with Amtrak safety briefings, provided canine first aid training, and supervised training exercises at our stations and on board Amtrak trains. Participating agencies included TSA, ATF, Los Angeles

County Sheriff's Office, U.S. Park Police, California State Parks Police, San Francisco Police, BART Police, Dallas Airport Police, Minneapolis Airport Police, UC Berkeley Police, and US Air Force Military Working Dog handlers from Travis AFB.

PTER Training in Arkansas and Florida

Passenger Train Emergency Response (PTER) training is a classroom and hands-on emergency preparedness course delivered by Amtrak Regional Emergency Managers to external professionals, who may respond to an emergency on Amtrak property. This training complies with Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) regulation 49 CFR 239. On August 15-17, Regional Emergency Manager (REM) Michael McLean conducted in-classroom PTER training hosted by the North Little Rock, AR Fire Department. 116 firefighters, law enforcement, and office of emergency representatives, participated in the training to enhance the city of North Little Rock's local response to a rail emergency. On August 21-23, REM Mclean trained a total of 167 firefighters in Sanford, FL. The training was hosted by the Sanford, FL Fire Department and included nearby county fire departments from the cities of Oviedo, Lake Mary, Longwood, and Seminole County. Hands-on training was conducted at the Sanford Maintenance Facility, with Superliner equipment to provide fire fighters first-hand familiarity with Amtrak equipment.



FBI Improvised Explosives & Threat Awareness Class

APD supervisors and officers from Patrol and K-9 from the NYD, MADN and MADS attended an FBI Improvised Explosives and Threat Awareness Workshop at the Middlesex County Fire Academy in Sayreville, NJ. The training was designed to increase first responder awareness of the threat posed by improvised explosives. During the workshop, lectures were delivered by the FBI Explosives Unit, FBI Weapons of Mass Destruction Team and the New Jersey State Police Bomb Unit. After the presentations were completed, students witnessed the detonation of a variety of improvised explosives, many of which were made by mixing common household chemicals. The demonstration underscored the potential danger of these chemicals, both in the hands of terrorists, as well as juvenile experimenters.



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