

# 2020 ~ TCSO SUCCESSES

## January:

- Staff from Sonitrol Securities brought toys and treats to the FOB for the K9 teams to thank them for the outstanding work they have done apprehending suspects at locations they cover.
- The Field Operations Bureau work room received a facelift with new modern furniture that makes more efficient use of the space. The entire project was completed with State Surplus at a cost of less than \$300. Great job Sergeant Dave Claridge!
- On January 4<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, Corrections celebrated nine graduates of the Life Skills Program and 11 graduates from the Chemical Dependency Program.
- January 15, all Executive Staff and agency supervisors received training on conducting Tactical Debriefs with a Psychological Awareness with Dr. Neil Kirkpatrick, Ph.D.
- January 16, Corrections Mental Health staff began using the newly installed therapeutic enclosures. These enclosures allow them to hold group sessions without the need for extra deputies for security.
- January 20, Corrections Lieutenant Stephanie Klein and her husband, Tim, volunteered their time at the Tahoma National Cemetery to help clean up Christmas wreaths and holiday décor at burial sites.

## February:

- The Accounting staff successfully completed the fiscal year closeout.
- On February 8, members of the SWAT Team participated in the Hero Hoops Classic basketball game against North Thurston School Employees. They won the game and helped raise \$1,800 for “Day of Champions”, a district wide track and field event for students with special needs in the North Thurston School District.
- Agency personnel did an outstanding job handling the response to the Nisqually River flooding by evacuating numerous people and animals. Members of FOB, SSB, Marine Services, and the Dive Rescue Team worked cohesively to protect our citizens during this event.

- A process improvement was implemented in which all deputy and detective incident reports are scanned daily into Laserfiche. This provides for more timely processing, availability for disclosure, and saves staff time and paper.
- February 28, Captain Jim Downing volunteered by reading ‘The Word Collector’ to third graders at Southworth Elementary in Yelm.

### **March:**

- Financial Services closed out Fiscal Year 2019!
- Support Services Detectives investigated a double shooting on Skokomish Way and located and arrested another suspect in a double homicide within 48-hours.
- The SWAT Team successfully completed a planned mission to apprehend suspects involved in a shooting that occurred in Olympia. Great work by all involved!
- The Dive Rescue Team (DRT) had two successful missions in March. The first recovering the body of a male that drowned, and another recovering firearms from a burglary in Lewis County. Great Work!
- Chief Brad Watkins was honored with a plaque by Crime Stoppers of South Sound in appreciation of his 27 years serving with the organization. He resigned earlier in the year to allow other leaders in the agency to gain the experience of working with this outstanding organization. Congratulations!
- March 7, Captain Jim Downing volunteered at the Yelm High School Dollars for Scholars annual silent auction fundraiser.
- March 12, Corrections Sergeant Patrick Robbins assisted the Kitsap County Sheriff’s Office with a two-day Assessment Center for the position of Corrections Sergeant.

### **April:**

- Financial Services submitted the grant application for Coronavirus supplemental funding for \$79,640 and the grant was received.
- Services Division staff completed the project to scan the remaining hard copy Warrants into Laserfiche and successfully removed all the cabinets.
- A new Sex Offender Registration verification process was set up in the back hallway. A Ring Doorbell was installed for offenders to check-in and removes this process from the front desk

- All support staff were set up with Log-Me-In accounts enabling them to Telework from home during the office closure.

### **May:**

- Financial Services submitted 28 budget amendments, and all were approved.
- The Services Division implemented a new on-line application process for Concealed Pistol Licenses (CPL) called Permittium. All new, renewal, and replacement requests are made and paid for through this system. Only new applicants make an appointment to have fingerprints taken. This system saves hours of staff entering information and assisting citizens.

### **June:**

- June 1, 2020, all support staff returned full-time and the front office at headquarters was re-opened to the public. The new video check-in system for Sex Offenders and implementation of the on-line CPL applications has made a significant impact to traffic.
- Legal Assistants in the Firearms Section, with support from other division staff, successfully processed over 1,200 Concealed Pistol Licenses (CPL) and 1,000 gun transfers during June. Great Job!
- Financial Services drafted the following Requests for Proposal (RFP) for Corrections Bureau contracts: Pharmaceutical, Phone/Video Visitation, and Anger Management/DVOP/Turning Point. All will be presented to the Board in July/August.
- Financial Services completed all reconciliations for CARES Act funding, a total of \$262K.
- June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Corrections Lieutenant Andre Muldrew graduated from the Leadership Thurston County (LTC) course.
- The SWAT and CERT teams were deployed for numerous civil unrest/protests occurring in Olympia. Our teams demonstrated professionalism, patience, and courage and were a great representation of our agency. Thank you to all the team members and leadership for doing a fantastic job during a difficult situation.