

**2024**



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**Johnson County  
Sheriff's Office**



# DUTIES OF THE SHERIFF

## Role of the Sheriff

The Sheriff serves as the primary peace officer for the unincorporated areas of Johnson County, as well as the municipalities of Hills, Lone Tree, Oxford, Shueyville, Solon, Swisher and Tiffin.

Sheriffs are elected to their positions every four years and hold the distinction of being the only elected law enforcement officers in the State of Iowa. Their responsibilities are diverse, primarily outlined by the Iowa Code, and include some of the duties listed below.



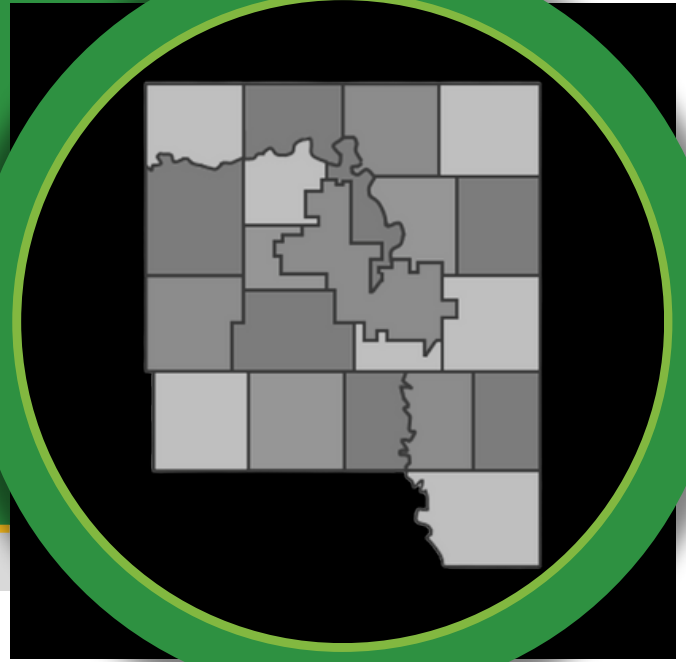
## Duties of the Sheriff

- Enforce the laws of the State of Iowa
- Enforce county ordinances
- Conduct criminal investigations
- Provide law enforcement services to the County Courthouse
- Operate the county jail and oversee the custody of incarcerated offenders
- Maintain the Sex Offender Registry
- Issue gun permits
- Carry out civil process services
- Patrol rural Johnson County
- Respond to any and all disasters within the county
- Assist other law enforcement agencies
- Serve mental health commitments

# JOHNSON COUNTY

Johnson County is the 4th largest county in the state of Iowa with an estimated 2024 population of 158,141.

Areas covered by Johnson County Sheriff's Office include the cities of Hills, Lone Tree, Oxford, Shueyville, Solon, Swisher and Tiffin as well as the unincorporated areas.



*\*population estimates from iowa-demographics.com*

# STAFF

## 2024 Office Staff

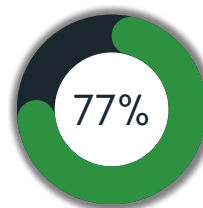
The Johnson County Sheriff's Office employed 106.5 benefited staff members across seven divisions: Administrative, Civil, Investigative, Jail, Records, Patrol and Reserves.

Each division is tasked with specific services and responsibilities, all designed to support the Office's mission of providing the highest standard of law enforcement in a fair and equitable manner.



## 2024 Total Employees

- Deputy Sheriff (82)
- Control Center Matrons (8)
- Professional Staff (12.5)
- Transport Drivers (4)
- Reserve Deputies (20-30)



### Deputies

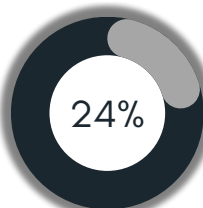


## 2024 New Hires

- Clerk (2)
- Deputy Sheriff (12)
- LE Mental Health Liaison (1)
- Control Center Matron (2)
- Transport Driver (2)
- Reserve Deputy (6)
- Public Information Officer (.5)



### Support Staff



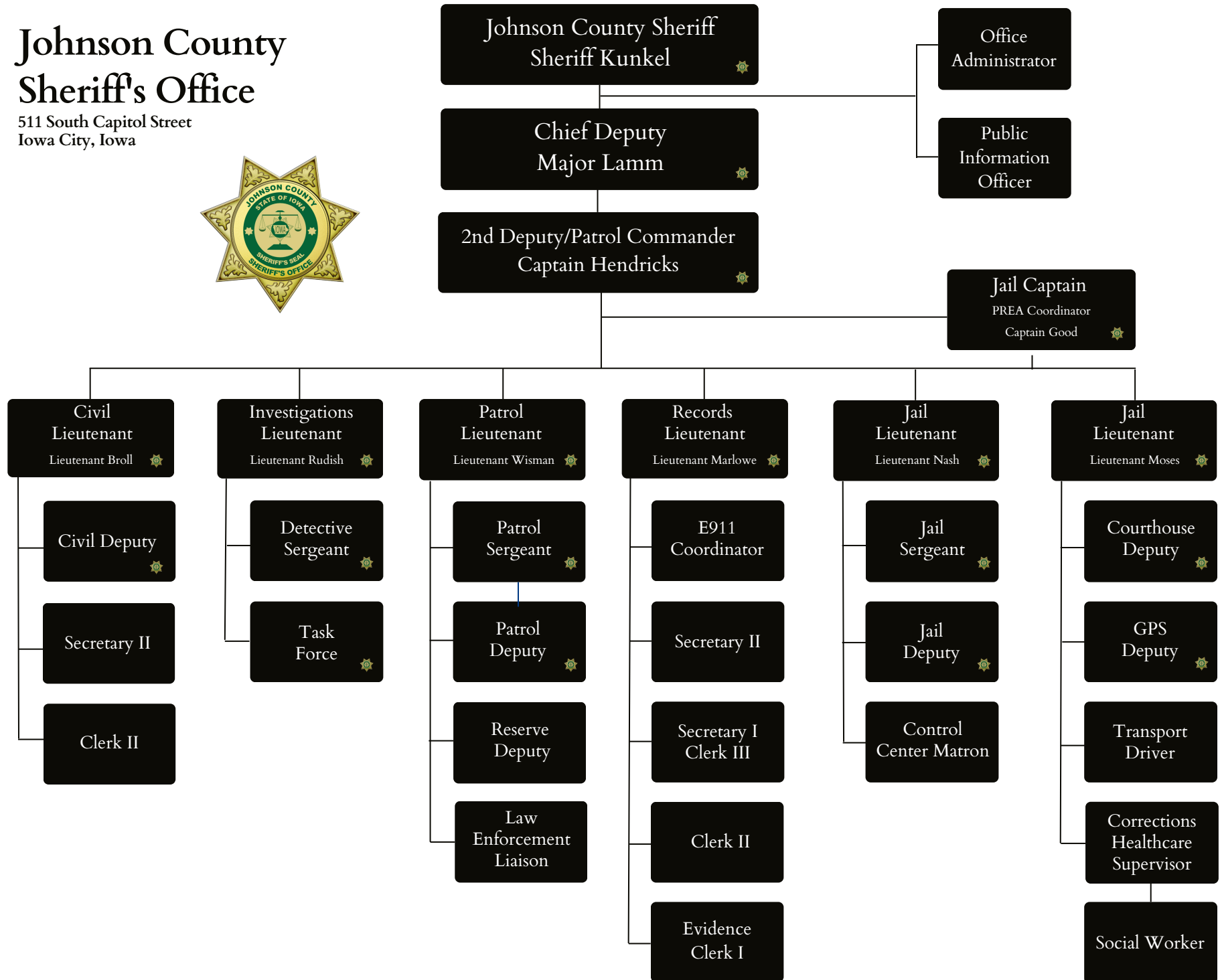
### New Hires





# Johnson County Sheriff's Office

511 South Capitol Street  
Iowa City, Iowa



# CIVIL DIVISION

The primary function of the Civil Division is to process and serve court-initiated documents within Johnson County such as eviction notices, subpoenas, and writs.



## General Executions

Represents the enforcement of court judgements



## Foreclosures

Involves legal processes for property repossession



## Evictions

Pertains to legal removals from properties



## Small Claims & District Court Origin Notices

Covers minor legal disputes



## Orders

General legal directives issued by courts



## Notices

Official notifications related to legal matters



## Domestic Protective Orders

Related to safety protecting victims of domestic violence



## Subpoenas

Legal orders to attend court or produce evidence

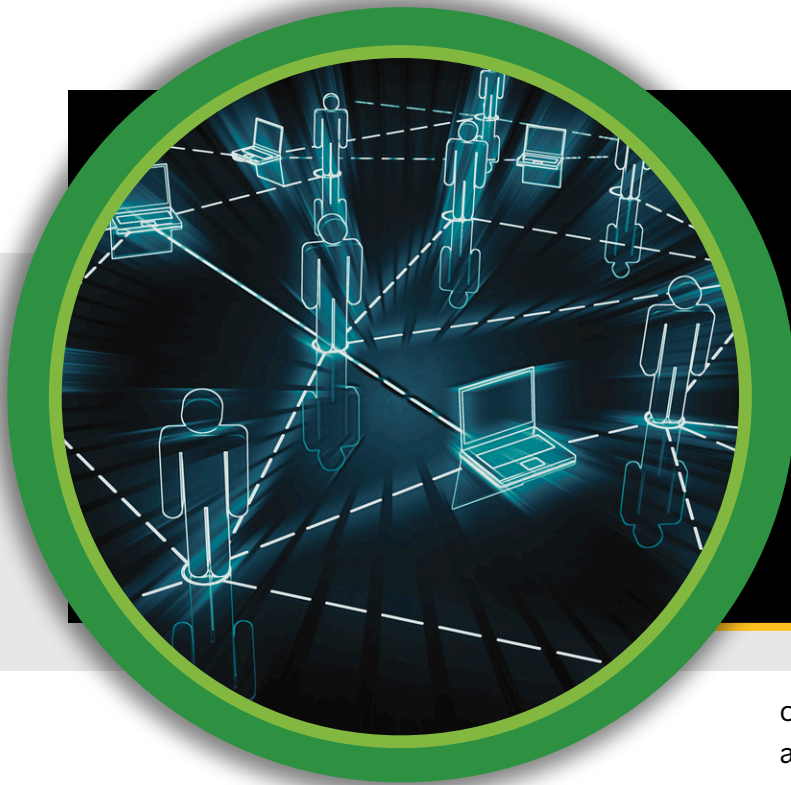
	2022	2023	2024
General Executions	339	336	<b>355</b>
Real Estate Sales/Foreclosures	13	16	<b>13</b>
Condemnations	0	5	<b>3</b>
Evictions	177	186	<b>154</b>
Small Claims & Dist Court Orig Notices	583	540	<b>627</b>
Orders	796	838	<b>629</b>
Notices	566	642	<b>658</b>
Domestic Protective Orders	111	143	<b>122</b>
Subpoenas	521	641	<b>344</b>
Commitments	675	711	<b>744</b>
Other	2308	2743	<b>3688</b>

# INVESTIGATIONS



The Investigation Division is comprised of one Detective Lieutenant, five Detective Sergeants and one Deputy assigned to the Johnson County Drug Task Force. Detectives within the division cover any in-depth investigation that may require specialized training.

Some of these investigations include burglary, critical incidents, robbery, sexual assault, fraud, murder, arson and internal investigations. The Investigation Division also investigates any suspicious or unattended death in coordination with the Johnson County Medical Examiner's Office.



- **Joint**
- **Forensic**
- **Analysis**
- **Cyber**
- **Team**

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office became a founding member of JFACT in 2021. The team includes investigators from local agencies who are professionally credentialed as Certified Forensic Computer Examiners by the International Association of Computer Investigative Specialists. This training program is accredited by an independent body, the Forensic Specialties Accreditation Board. For 2024, JFACT also began partnering with the National Computer Forensics Institute, operated by the United States Secret Service, to receive additional training and equipment.

Digital forensic examiners perform forensically sound data acquisition and examination procedures to report artifacts

of human interaction with digital devices and data. To date, JFACT has provided digital forensic assistance to more than 50 state, local and federal agencies. All digital devices and data submitted to JFACT for analysis must include appropriate authorizing legal process or documentation.

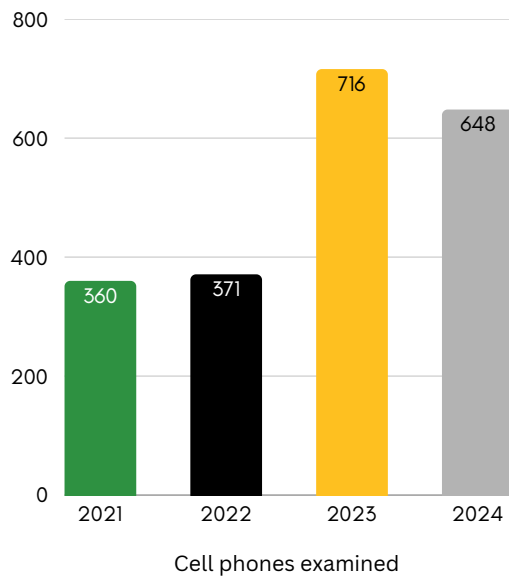
Partnering with law enforcement agencies around the world, JFACT team members investigate Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) incidents. Working with the Johnson County Attorney's Office and United States Attorney's Office, suitable cases are brought to prosecution at the state or federal level.

As members of the broader Iowa ICAC Task Force, prevention and outreach are a priority. Team members provide presentations and programming for children, parents, and other law enforcement officers.

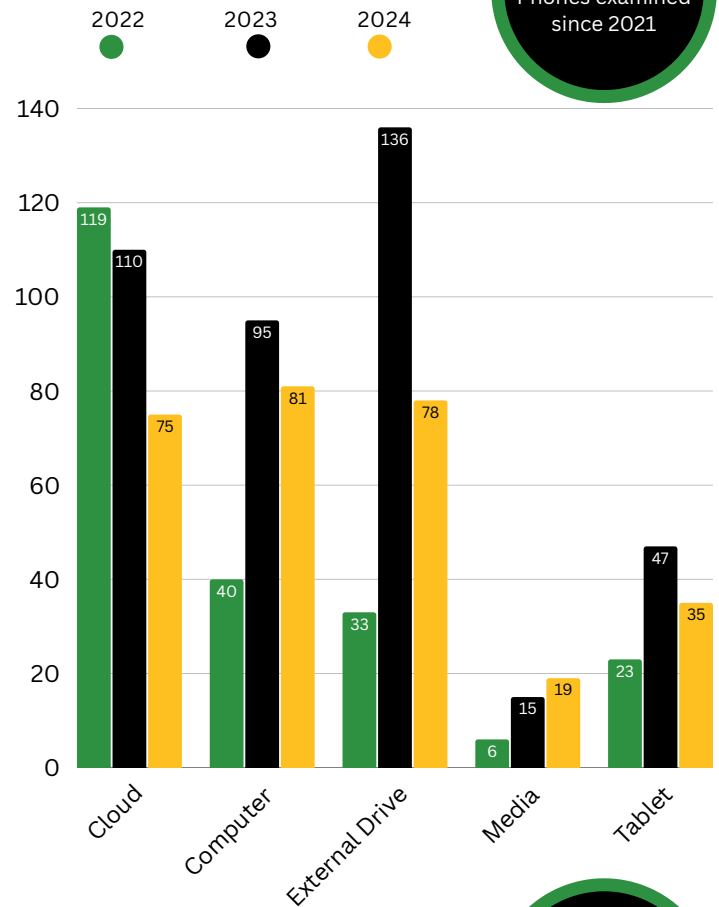


## JFACT examined evidence by type

Cell phones represent the most frequently examined equipment at JFACT.

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Phones examined since 2021

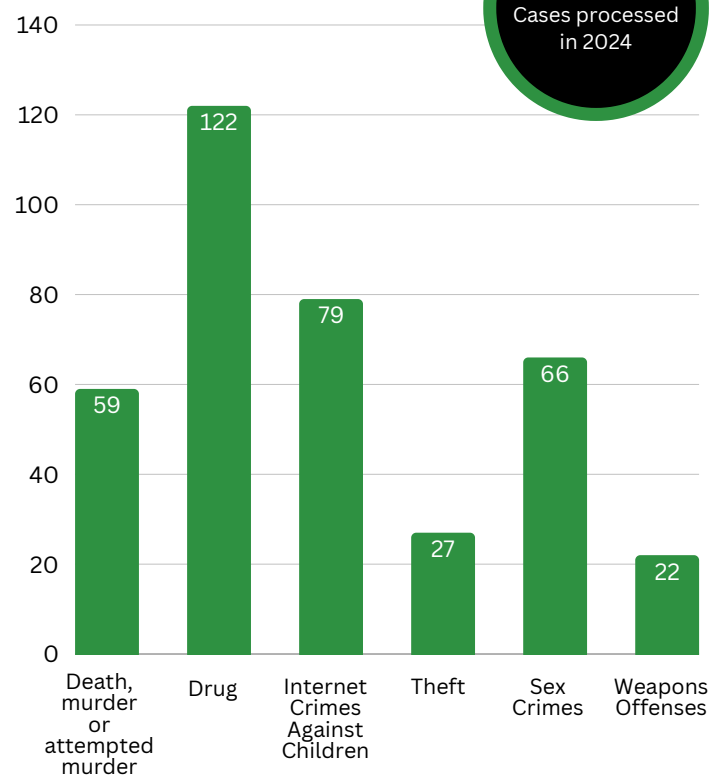


## JFACT common case types

In 2024, JFACT analyzed digital devices and data associated with the following case types: death, murder or attempted murder; drug-related offenses; internet crimes against children; theft; sex crimes; and weapon offenses.

**523**

Cases processed in 2024





## Calls for Service and types of offenses investigated

**38,315**

Call for Service  
in 2024

In 2024 Johnson County Sheriff's Office received 38,315 Calls for Service. From the Calls for Service 1,240 incident call reports (ICRs) were generated and 1,681 types of offenses investigated.

Iowa Code requires all law enforcement agencies to submit reports of crime and arrests to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations. Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) are categorized into Group A and Group B offenses.

Group A offenses are serious crimes and separated into violent crime offenses which

include criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault and property crime offenses which include burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Group B offenses are considered less serious offenses such as liquor law violations, disorderly conduct, trespass offenses and all other arrests not covered by Group A.

The following charts lists the types and number of cases the Johnson County Sheriff's Office reported in Johnson County over the last four years.

## Group A Offenses

Violent Crimes	2021	2022	2023	2024
Aggravated Assaults	77	49	33	63
Assault Simple	47	62	39	68
Criminal Mischief	46	59	60	62
Drug Violations (35A)	135	134	84	85
Harassment/Threats/Stalking	29	41	30	55
Kidnapping	2	3	2	3
Murder	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	4	2	1
Sexual Offenses	99	50	42	59
Property Crimes	2021	2022	2023	2024
Animal Cruelty	2	1	4	4
Arson	2	9	1	4
Burglary	57	59	48	39
Fraud/Forgery	105	118	113	98
Thefts	201	155	158	125
Weapon Law Violations	17	22	17	21

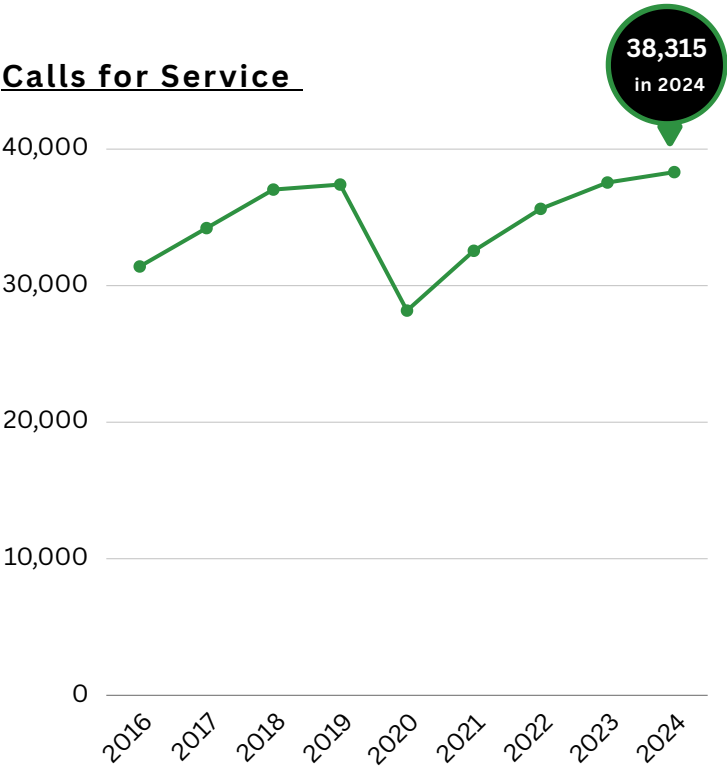
## Group B Offenses

	2021	2022	2023	2024
Disorderly Conduct	2	1	1	4
Family Offenses	20	11	19	18
Liquor Law Violations	26	33	38	37
OWI	243	289	235	256
Public Intoxication	10	18	13	20
Trespass	8	2	7	7
All Other Offenses	399	319	210	228

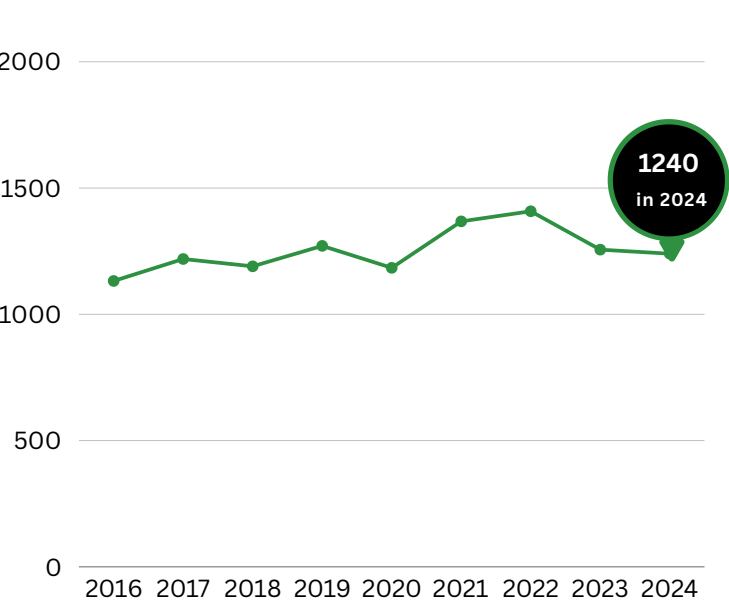
CALLS FOR SERVICE

Calendar Year	Calls for Service	ICRs	Offenses
2016	31,404	1132	1537
2017	34,215	1219	1563
2018	37,036	1190	1591
2019	37,404	1271	1778
2020	28,174	1184	1640
2021	32,553	1368	1929
2022	35,625	1408	1967
2023	37,553	1256	1719
2024	38,315	1240	1681

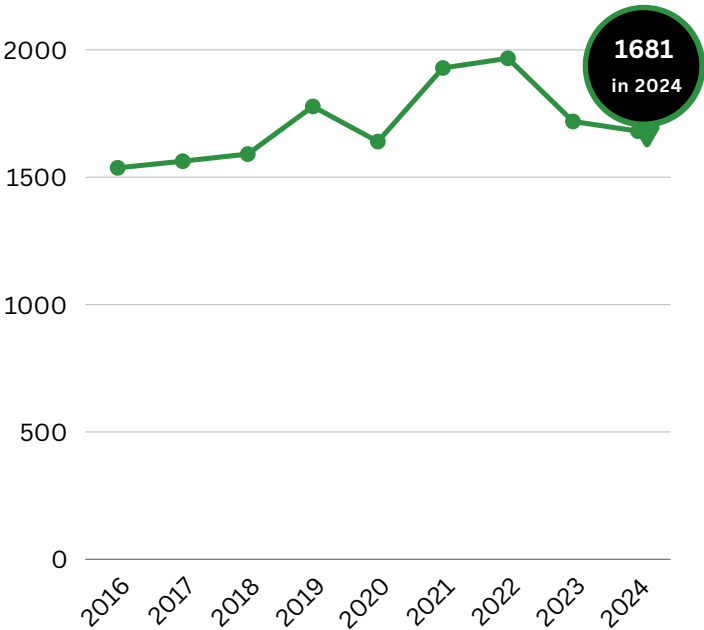
Calls for Service



Incident Call Reports (ICRs)



# of Offenses Investigated





# JAIL DIVISION

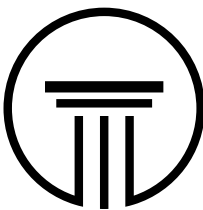
The Johnson County Sheriff's Office operates the only jail in the county. The original jail, constructed in 1899, was located behind the Johnson County Courthouse on South Clinton Street. In 1979 construction began on the existing jail and was completed in 1981.

The new jail housed 46 inmates but was remodeled within a few years. All cells were double bunked increasing capacity to 92 though occupational capacity is 65. Jail overcrowding remains a problem to this day and inmates are transported to other facilities where Johnson County pays a daily housing fee.

Over the last 23 years the Johnson County Sheriff's Office has paid over \$16,200,000 to house inmates out of county.



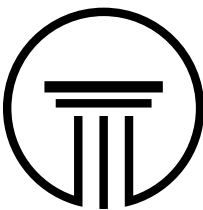
## 2024 Operational Numbers



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Average Daily Population

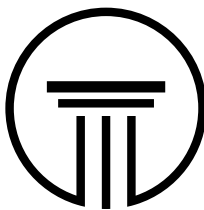
Represents the average number of inmates in custody.



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Jail Bookings

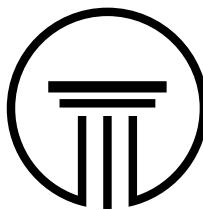
Indicates the total number of bookings.



\$376,270

Out of County Housing Costs

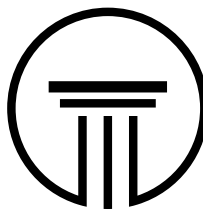
Highlights the financial cost of housing inmates elsewhere



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Total Transports

Reflects the number of inmate transfers to and from the facility.



\$132,336

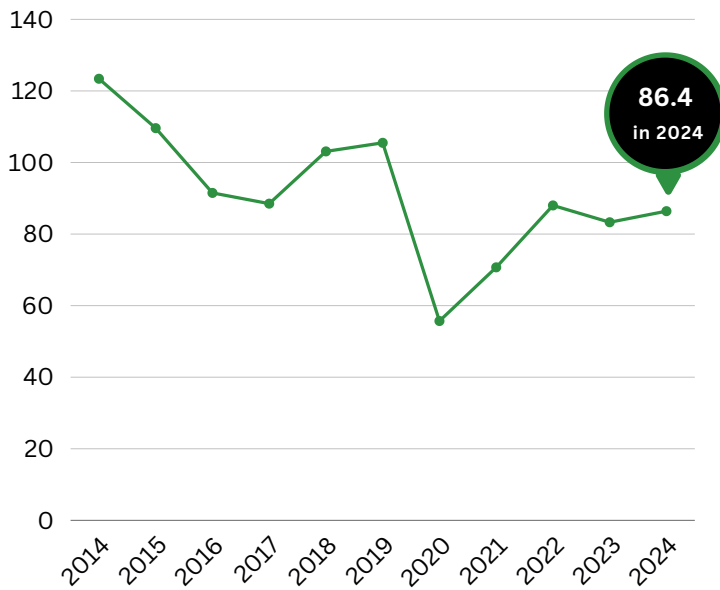
Total Transports Costs

Details the expenses associated with inmate transports.

# JAIL STATISTICS

## Average Daily Population

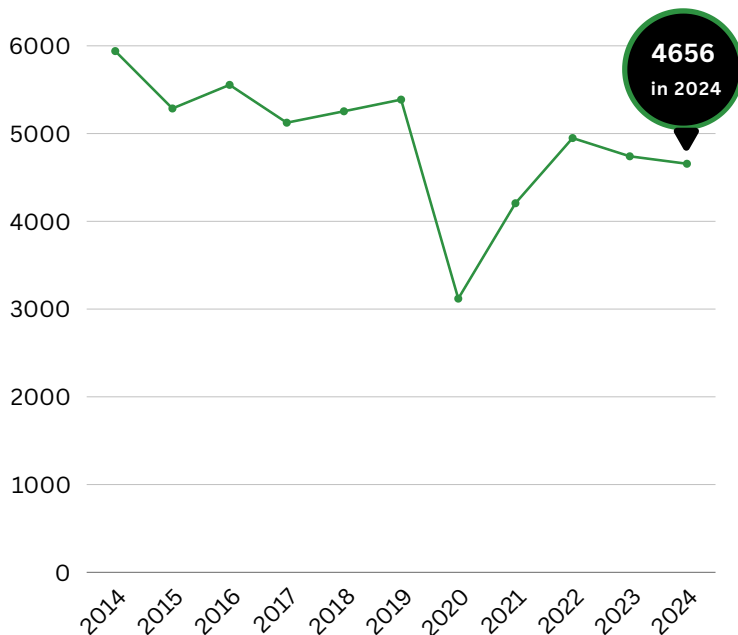
The daily population of individuals in the custody of Johnson County Sheriff. This includes inmates housed in the Johnson County Jail, Johnson County inmates housed out of county, and those out on Electronic Monitoring.

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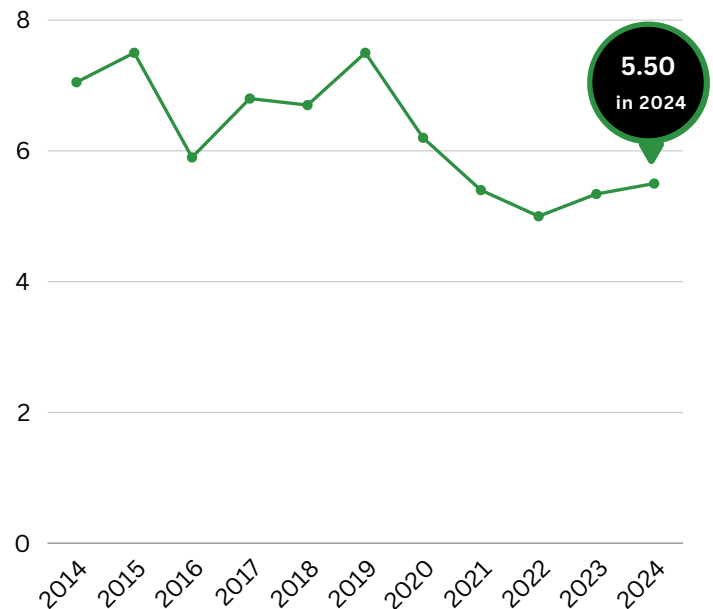
The highest number of inmates in custody in 2024

## Jail Bookings

Total number of individuals booked at the Johnson County Jail.



## Average Length of Stay

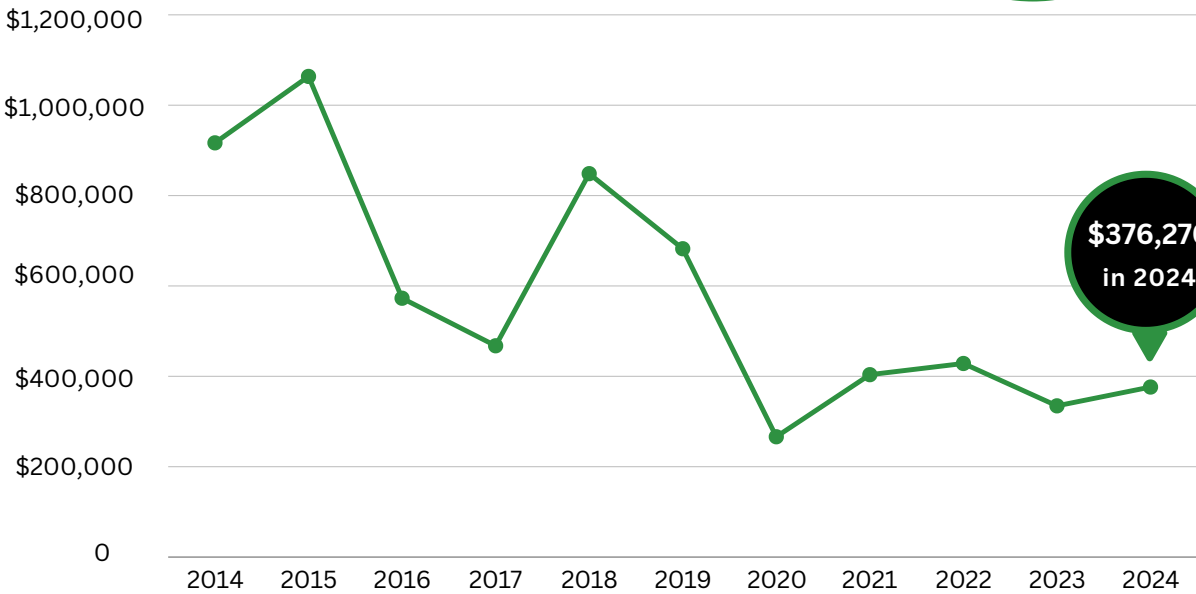


JAIL STATISTICS

Out of County Inmate Housing Costs

\$16 Million

Spent in out of county housing since 2001



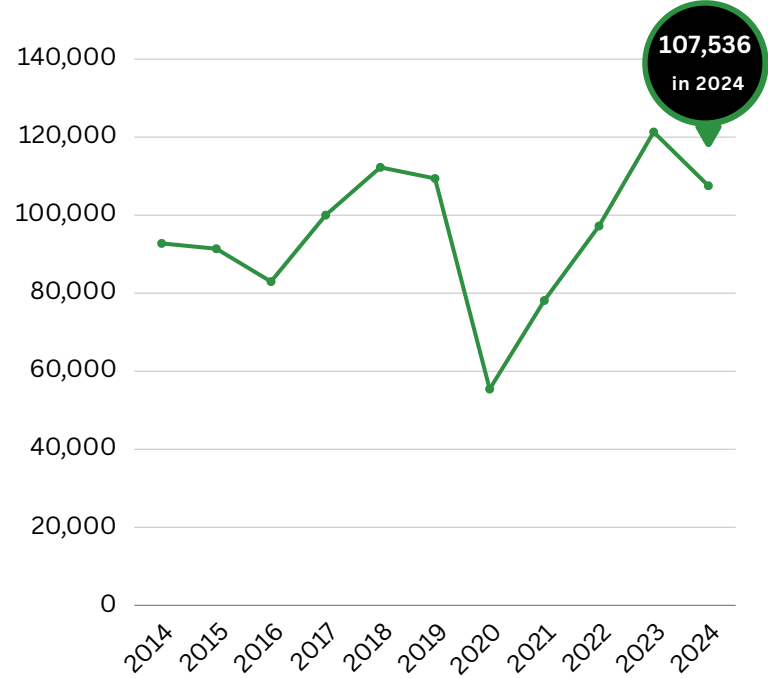
Year	Yearly Expense	Overall Expense	Avg. Daily Pop.
2001	\$150,300.00	\$150,300.00	
2002	\$328,260.00	\$478,560.00	
2003	\$373,320.00	\$851,880.00	
2004	\$522,585.00	\$1,374,465.00	
2005	\$459,835.80	\$1,834,300.80	
2006	\$448,775.00	\$2,283,075.80	
2007	\$683,955.00	\$2,967,030.80	119
2008	\$900,595.00	\$3,867,625.80	128
2009	\$943,281.00	\$4,810,906.80	137
2010	\$1,891,215.00	\$6,702,121.80	161
2011	\$1,181,934.50	\$7,884,056.30	153
2012	\$977,320.00	\$8,861,376.30	138

Year	Yearly Expense	Overall Expense	Avg. Daily Pop.
2013	\$998,837.00	\$9,860,213.30	133
2014	\$916,682.41	\$10,776,895.71	118
2015	\$1,063,675.80	\$11,840,571.51	109
2016	\$572,825.00	\$12,413,396.51	91
2017	\$467,575.00	\$12,880,971.51	88
2018	\$848,525.00	\$13,729,496.51	103
2019	\$682,360.00	\$14,411,856.51	105
2020	\$266,245.00	\$14,678,101.51	56
2021	\$403,635.00	\$15,081,736.51	71
2022	\$428,410.00	\$15,510,146.51	88
2023	\$334,645.00	\$15,844,791.51	83
2024	\$376,270.00	\$16,221,061.51	86

# TRANSPORT STATISTICS

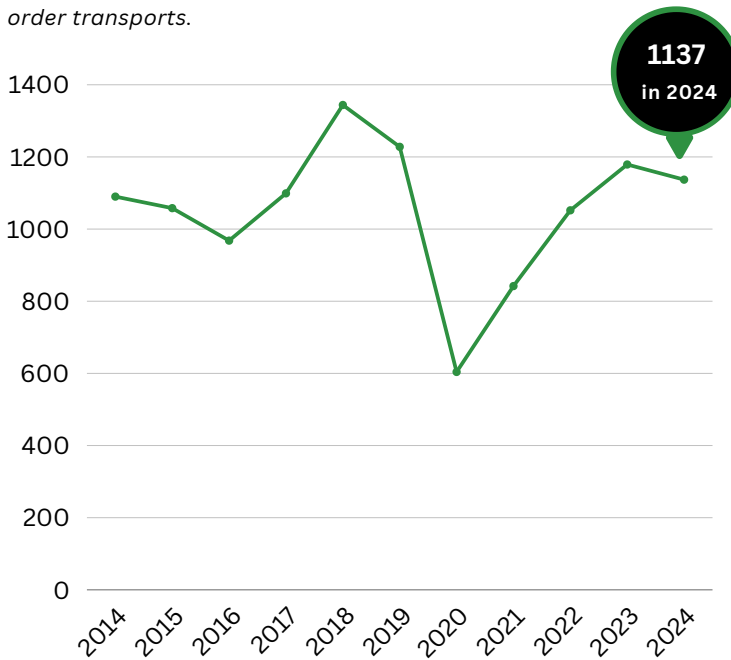


## Transport Mileage

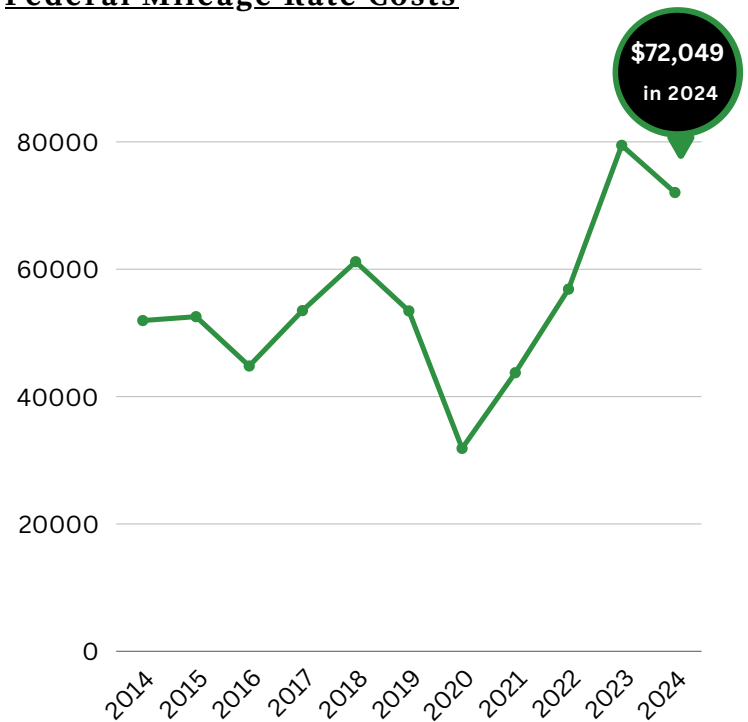


## Total Transports

*This is the total transports for inmate transfers and court order transports.*



## Federal Mileage Rate Costs







Transports	2021	2022	2023	2024
Transports/Warrants	179	225	230	252
Transports/Juvenile	20	28	76	73
Transports/Mental	133	150	190	187
Transports/Overcrowding	325	426	383	313
Transports/Court Order	149	163	254	254
Other	36	60	46	57
Total Transports	842	1,052	1,179	1,137
Total Mileage	78,123	97,218	121,313	107,536
Federal Mileage Rate Costs	\$43,749 (78,123 *.56)	\$56,872 (97,218*.585)	\$79,460 (121,313*.655)	\$72,049 (107,536*.67)

## Jail Transfers


(Out of county housing)



	Transports	Hours	Miles
2022	426	887.65	50,418
2023	383	984.4	47,019
2024	313	561.4	26,631




## Mental Transports



	Transports	Hours	Miles
2022	150	268.55	7,767.5
2023	190	266.72	5,756
2024	187	222.95	2,659



## Court Order Transports



	Transports	Hours	Miles
2022	163	300.75	11,023
2023	254	658.05	32,434.5
2024	254	647.38	31,747.5

# JAIL - GPS MONITORING



## 11,627

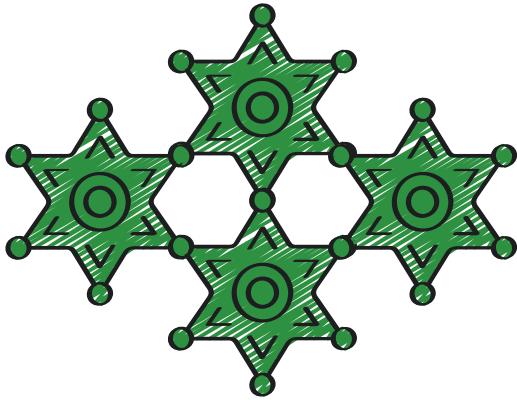
Jail beds saved  
since 2022

In June 2022, the Johnson County Sheriff's Office launched a GPS Monitoring Program, inspired by a well-established pre-trial GPS initiative in Pitt County, North Carolina. This pilot program aimed to provide an alternative to incarceration, while decreasing the number of no-contact violations and enhancing victim safety. The program also enables defendants to sustain their employment, education, and treatment.

Through the use of ARPA funding, two Deputy Sheriff positions were added to oversee the program. In addition to GPS monitoring, these deputies also oversee our Work Release Program, Sex Offender Registry Compliance checks, and Mental Health Commitments. By shifting these responsibilities to dedicated personnel, jail staff are able to focus on jail custody related duties.

	2022	2023	2024
WR/ELM applications	172	360	<b>295</b>
People scheduled for sentences	182	346	<b>301</b>
People on ELM	150	291	<b>231</b>
Avg on pretrial ELM per week	--	5	<b>6.6</b>
Pretrials ELM referrals	26	42	<b>13</b>
Compliance checks	76	92	<b>49</b>
Mental health commitments served	--	62	<b>98</b>
Sex offender registry checks	--	18	<b>37</b>
Jail beds saved	1628	4426	<b>5573</b>
Program revenue	\$18,764	\$35,693	<b>\$31,239</b>

# JAIL HEALTH CARE



The Johnson County Jail prioritizes medical and mental health. As part of the admission process each individual completes a medical history intake form that includes a screening for potential self-injury or suicide risk.

Medical services are available around the clock through the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics, as well as assistance from an Emergency Room physician assistant. A registered nurse is on-site Monday through Friday to manage medication and address acute issues or emergencies as they arise.

Additionally, incarcerated individuals have access to an in-house social worker and can be referred to a contracted psychiatric specialist from Abbe Center. Collaborations with UIHC and Abbe Center ensure that all medical, mental health and dental needs of incarcerated individuals are met.

The Corrections Social Worker's role is to provide behavioral skill development and crisis intervention for inmates at the Johnson County Jail. The Social Worker engages with inmates, offering resources tailored to their specific needs and providing a supportive listening presence for other challenges they may face. In addition, the Corrections Social Worker collaborates with various organizations, including the Johnson County Attorney's Office, the University of Iowa, Abbe Center, Guidelink, Shelter House, Probation, Hope House, Inside Out, NAMI, and others, to facilitate opportunities and connections for inmates upon their release.

Since the program began in 2022, the Social Worker has averaged two inmate meetings per day, totaling approximately 500 meetings per year.



# PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is led by a Patrol Commander and consists of a Lieutenant, five Sergeants, 35 Deputies, 2 Canines and a Law Enforcement Mental Health Liaison. This division offers essential law enforcement services for the unincorporated areas of Johnson County. Additionally, it provides contract law enforcement services to the municipalities of Hills, Lone Tree, Oxford, Shueyville, Solon, Swisher, and Tiffin.

Deputies are responsible for patrolling 36 miles of interstate highways, 54 miles of state highways, and 909 miles of county roads.



## Law Enforcement Mental Health Liaison

Communities across the country face challenges in effectively responding to mental health crises. Law enforcement officers are often the first responders to such incidents, yet they may lack the specialized training or resources necessary to successfully manage these situations.

In October of 2024, the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, City of Coralville and North Liberty Police Department formed a partnership with MH/DS of the East Central Region integrating a shared Law Enforcement Mental Health Liaison position. The liaison is an employee of the Sheriff's Office and serves as the primary point of contact for law enforcement officers providing effective crisis

de-escalation and connection to appropriate behavioral health services with the goal of reducing recidivism and unnecessary hospital admissions.

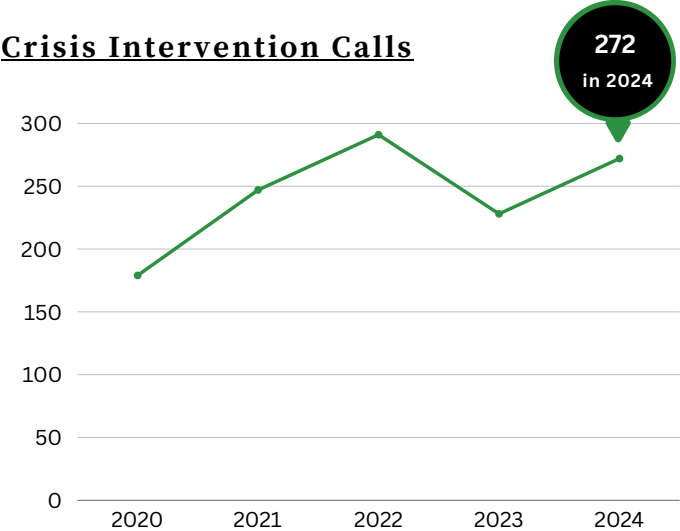
From November 2024 to January 2025, the Law Enforcement Liaison responded to a total of 62 dispatches and referrals from law enforcement. More than half of these individuals were contacted for mental health concerns, with many achieving stabilization within the community. Referrals were made to various services, including mental health support, elder services, housing assistance and crisis stabilization beds. Notably, of the 62 individuals serviced, only 9 required hospitalization and none were incarcerated.

PATROL STATISTICS

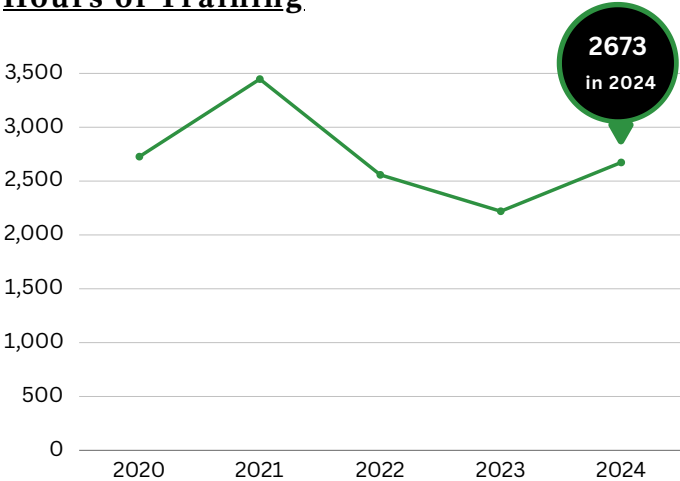


Patrol Activity	2022	2023	2024
OWI Charges	279	235	253
Speed Citations	1505	1080	1273
Stop Sign/Stop Light Citations	97	57	105
Seatbelt Citations	148	90	104
Texting While Driving Citations	54	48	87
Assault Charges	81	48	96
Accident Reports	439	380	360
PAULA Tickets	14	8	31
All Other Warnings	5431	8224	7980
Other Moving Violations/Citations	515	665	603
Crisis Intervention Calls	291	228	272
Hours of Training	2558	2220	2673

Crisis Intervention Calls

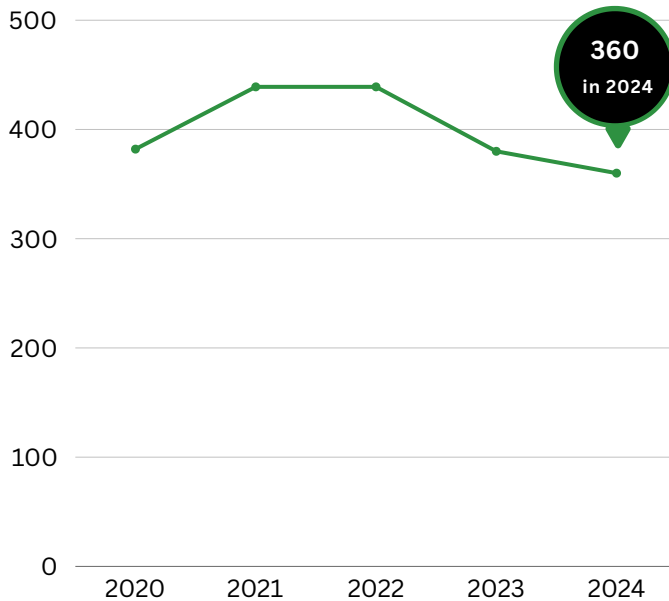


Hours of Training

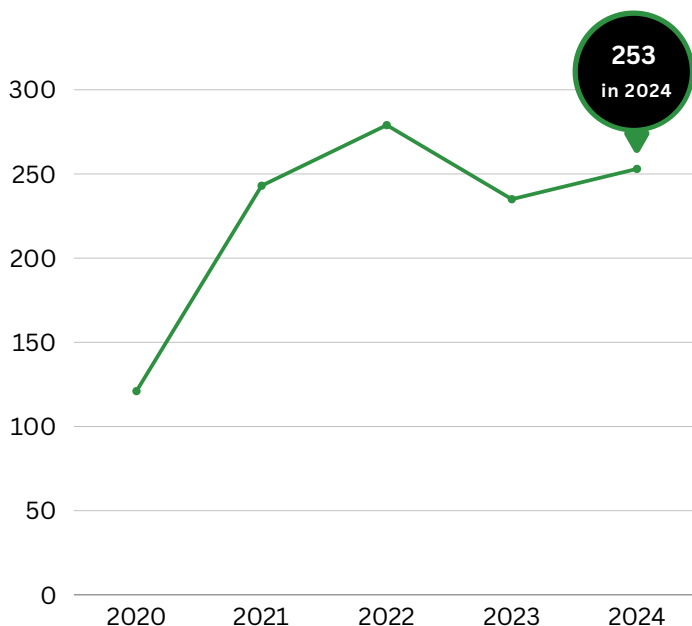


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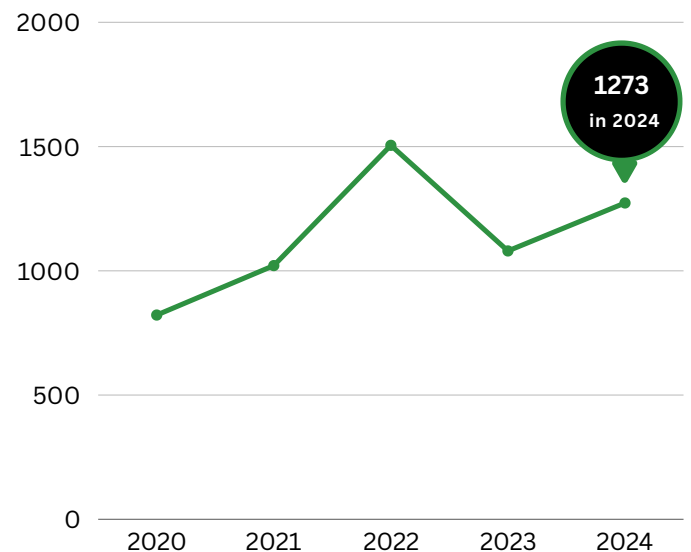
## Accident Reports



## OWI Charges



## Speed Citations

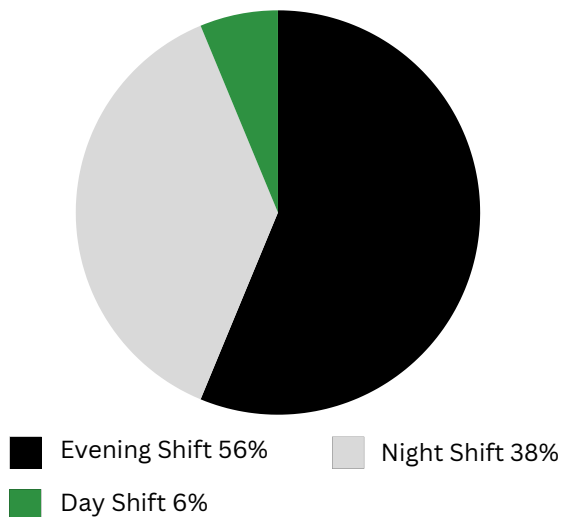


# PATROL PURSUITS

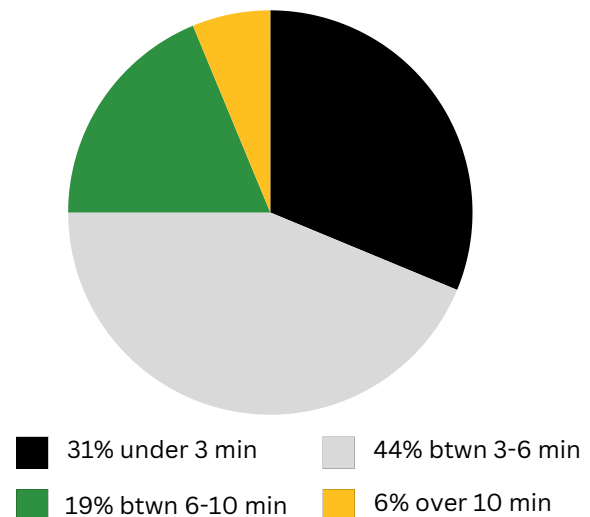
The Johnson County Sheriff's Office recognizes the fact that pursuits are inherently dangerous. For that reason, pursuits go through multiple layers of review to ensure that protocol is being followed and to identify officer safety issues, potential risks to the public, training needs and liability issues. All pursuits are subject to an after-action review which is completed by the pursuing deputy's immediate supervisor and includes the deputy who initiated the pursuit.

During the year 2024, Deputies with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office engaged in sixteen pursuits which is a 6% decrease from 2023. The sixteen pursuits are broken down as follows:

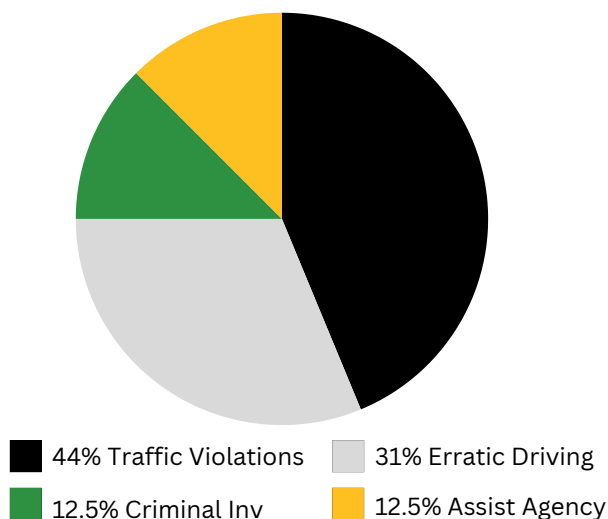
**Shifts that pursuits occurred**



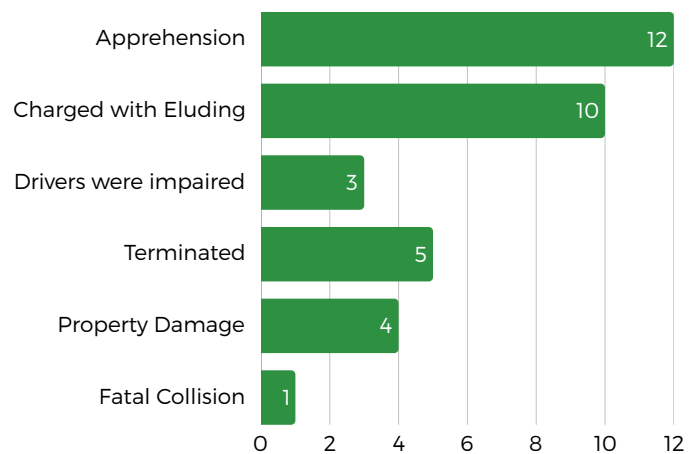
**Duration of pursuits (in minutes)**



**Pursuit Initiations**



**Overall Pursuit Disposition**



*(pursuits could fall under multiple categories)*

# RECORDS DIVISION

The Records Division maintains all of the records for individuals booked in to the jail, investigative reports, and accident reports. This Division is also responsible for fulfilling records requests for both internal and external customers.

In addition, Records processes all firearm permit applications for residents of Johnson County and maintains the Iowa Sex Offender Registry information for any sex offender that resides, works or travels to Johnson County.



	2022	2023	2024
<b>Firearms Permits</b>			
Issued - Permit to Carry	987	990	<b>687</b>
Denied - Permit to Carry	11	11	<b>3</b>
Issued - Permit to Acquire	72	40	<b>43</b>
Denied - Permit to Acquire	5	5	<b>4</b>

	2022	2023	2024
<b>Public Request</b>			
Fingerprinting	422	371	<b>272</b>
Police Reports	66	60	<b>50</b>
Accident Reports	300	312	<b>313</b>
Records Check	392	431	<b>434</b>
DVD's	514	108	<b>12</b>
Liquor License Application	56	54	<b>45</b>



# RESERVES

In 2024, the Reserve Unit continued its role as a support division at the Sheriff's Office, providing staffing resources primarily to the Patrol Division. Reserve deputies are a fixture at town festivals and special events, assist with crime prevention programs, and provide a uniformed presence at high school games and dances, allowing patrol deputies to focus on their normal duties alleviating the need for extra overtime. Those Reserves who have completed advanced field training augment patrol deputies during periods of minimum staffing or anticipated high call volume, responding to calls as backup or handling some calls on their own, freeing up full-time resources.

In 2024, several Reserve Deputies successfully completed training and earned certification through the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. This certification increases capabilities and also enhances the professionalism and preparedness of the reserve force. The Reserve Unit remains committed to ongoing training and development, ensuring that all members are equipped with the knowledge and experience necessary to serve the community with integrity and excellence.



Also in 2024, the field training program for Reserve Deputies was officially launched, marking a significant step forward in strengthening the Reserve Unit's operational readiness. This new program provides a structured pathway for Reserve Deputies to gain hand-on experience and practical skills under the supervision of full-time Deputies. Currently, several Reserve Deputies are actively participating in the program, working toward obtaining their car qualifications, which will allow them to operate patrol vehicles independently and contribute more effectively to daily law enforcement operations.

On top of all that, these dedicated volunteers found time to assist in numerous assignments including assisting with the 2024 Elections/Campaign Events, assisting with CIT training, working town celebrations, assisting with active shooter drills at a local high school and much more.

# USE OF FORCE

The Sheriff's Office began formally tracking use of force incidents in May 2023. Tracking use of force ensures transparency and helps identify training needs.

## What does Use of Force mean?

"Use of force" can be defined as a situation in which a law enforcement officer interacts with an uncooperative individual and force is used, either in self-defense or to compel compliance.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office determines a situation is a use of force incident anytime a deputy places hands on a person who is non-compliant. The most common occurrences for use of force incidents at the Johnson County Sheriff's Office are when taking someone into custody or when restraining someone engaging in self-harm.

Johnson County separates use of force incidents into two categories: "**In custody**" and "**Not in custody**".

## Use of Force - In Custody (Jail)

In 2024, the Johnson County Jail processed 4656 bookings. During this time Jail Deputies were involved in a total of **81** use of force incidents.

Jail use of force is broken down into two categories: **Less than 24hrs** in custody and **More than 24hrs** in custody.

Individuals held **less than 24hrs.** are typically only in custody for jail booking process and an initial court appearance in front of a Judge. It is not uncommon for these individuals to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs during their time at the Johnson County Jail. There were **53** use of force incidents in this category. This equates to less than .01% of all bookings.

Individuals held **more than 24hrs** are typically those individuals who are held on bond for more serious offenses or those who are serving a sentence. There were **28** use of force incidents in this category.

## Use of Force - Not in Custody (Patrol)

In 2024 the Johnson County Sheriff's Office logged 38,315 calls for service. During this time, Patrol Deputies were involved in **39** use of force incidents. This equates to .001% of calls for service resulting in use of force.

## Overall

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office reviews all use of force incidents. There were no serious injuries reported for any of the **120** use of force incidents recorded for 2024.



# COMPLAINTS

Complaints and Compliments on staff can be filed through the Sheriff's website, email or in person. The Sheriff's Office began tracking complaints in mid-2021.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Office logged 17 complaints against staff in 2024. This is an increase in complaints from the previous two years; 10 in 2023 and 15 in 2022.

All complaints are logged regardless of the seriousness of the allegation. If a member of the public submits a complaint electronically via the website or calls in to make a verbal complaint against a staff member, a complaint file is generated and investigated by a member of the Sheriff's Administrative team.

Investigations of complaints involve reviewing evidence such as camera recordings, documents and interviewing witnesses. The average complaint investigation was completed in 11 days.

Complaints about a deputy's attitude/actions "unprofessional behavior" was the most common sustained allegation.

Upon a "sustained" finding coupled with a policy violation, Sheriff's Administration typically consults with Johnson County Human Resources to appropriately address the behavior. This could result in a counseling session with the employee, additional training or other corrective disciplinary action up to and including termination.

## Goals for reducing complaints

1. Promote and support professionalism across the office.
2. Continue to hold staff accountable with corrective action for sustained complaints regarding behavior that is not consistent with the standards and expectations of the Sheriff.
3. Promote leadership training for supervisors and incorporate Field Training Officers into leadership training.





### Canine Echo

Echo is a Belgium Malinois born September 9, 2017 in Massachusetts for Canine Tactical of Iowa. He is a cloned canine, chosen for his high hunt drive and trainability. He is currently number 10 of 15, and five of the cloned canines are with law enforcement agencies in Iowa. Echo and his handler, Deputy Jesse Lenz, were trained in Chariton, Iowa by Canine Tactical of Iowa. Echo is trained in narcotics, tracking, building searches, article searches, apprehension, and officer protection. He started his career at 10 months old with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in July of 2018.



### Canine Rudy

Rudy came to the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in July 2023. He is a mixed breed rescue dog born in July 2022. K9 Rudy and Detective Schuerer became a certified Crisis Response K9 Team in March 2024. In 2024, the team was requested and attended 39 events.

Rudy's primary goal is to support staff after traumatic incidents or job-related stressors and to be a resource for victims and witnesses. Rudy works a 42-hour work week providing support and is a simple, non-confrontational resource to help build office morale, reduce cumulative stress on the job and improve emotional well-being. He accompanies Detective Schuerer during community outreach engagements on a regular basis.



### Canine Bo

Bo is a Belgium Malinois born June 16, 2019, in Mexico. He and his handler, Deputy Kyle Campbell, were trained at Northern Michigan K9 and continue monthly trainings. Bo is trained in narcotics, tracking, building searches, apprehension and officer protection. He started his career at 15 months old with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in July of 2020.





# SPECIALITY ASSIGNMENTS

In addition to their regular responsibilities, deputies at the Johnson County Sheriff's Office are encouraged to undergo training in specialized fields. This additional training equips them to better support the office, collaborate with other local law enforcement agencies, and serve the community effectively.

Some of the specialized assignments are listed below.



- Alice Instructors
- CIT Instructors
- CPR/AED Instructors
- Crash Investigators
- Crisis/Hostage Negotiator
- Defensive Tactics Instructors
- Drone Pilots
- Drug Recognition Experts
- Drug Task Force
- Field Training Officer
- Firearms Instructor
- Hazmat Response Team
- Honor Guard
- Johnson County Bomb Squad
- K9 Handler
- Metro Dive Team
- Peer Support
- Precision Driving Instructor
- SFST Instructors
- SERT
- Taser Instructors
- Water Patrol
- Water Search and Rescue





# RECOGNIZING GREAT WORK IN 2024



**Deputy Niffen**  
**Deputy Espinoza**



**Deputy Griffith**



**Deputy Feeley**

## **Four Deputies Graduated from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) in 2024**

- Deputy Niffen graduated from ILEA's 314th Class on April 19, 2024, and is currently assigned to the Jail Division.
- Deputy Espinoza graduated from ILEA's 314th Class on April 19, 2024. Deputy Espinoza earned the 300 Point Club for exceptional performance in physical fitness. He is currently assigned to the Patrol Division.
- Deputy Griffith graduated from ILEA's 315th Class on August 16, 2024, and is currently assigned to the Jail Division.
- Deputy Feeley graduated from ILEA's 318th Class on December 16, 2024, and is currently assigned to the Jail Division.

# 2024 COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fostering positive change in Johnson County starts with the community. The Johnson County Sheriff's Office works hand in hand with partner agencies and community stakeholders throughout the county, linking prevention and enforcement efforts through active community engagement and participation in outreach events.

Additionally, the Sheriff's Office maintains a strong presence on social media. In 2024, the Sheriff's Office Facebook page recorded 736,107 visits, reached 526,408 accounts, and attracted 1,972 followers. Of these followers, 62.4% are women and 37.6% are men.

## February

- Hillcrest Donut Day
- Project FUN at Mercer Aquatic Center

## March

- Solon Intermediate School Donut Day
- CCA HS Criminal Law Presentation

## April

- Hills Elementary Donut Day
- Tiffin Fire Community Day
- Public Safety Day at Mid-Prairie Home School
- Solon High School Career Fair
- Regina 7-8th grade Internet Safety Presentation

## May

- Solon High School Forensics Class

## June

- Solon Library Reading Program
- Swisher Family Summer Safety Fair

## July

- Blues & BBQ North Liberty
- Swisher Library Story Time
- Johnson County Fair and Kids Day



# 2024 COMMUNITY EVENTS

## August

- Tiffin Rec Fest
- National Night Out - Tiffin
- Party in the Park - Oxford
- Pathways Adult Day Health Center - LE Fraud Prevention Presentation
- First Responders Meet & Greet Dunn Brothers Coffee

## September

- Community Helper Day - Sprouts Tiffin
- Donut Day at Lone Tree Schools
- Emergency Vehicle Day at Clear Creek Elementary School

## October

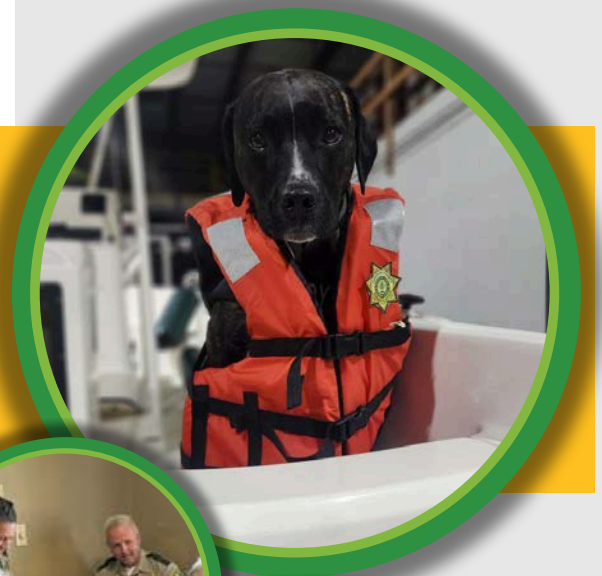
- Lone Tree Health Center - Coffee with a Cop
- The Arc Southern Iowa Childcare - Crisis Response K9 Presentation
- City of Oxford - Halloween Event in the Park
- Hills Fire Prevention Safety Day
- Solon Cub Scouts Presentation
- Coralville Reservoir Trunk Treat
- Tiffin Trunk Treat
- 4H Fairgrounds Trunk Treat
- Solon Trunk Treat
- Swisher Legion Trunk Treat

## November

- CCA High School Street Law Class Presentation
- Tiffin Elementary Donut Day
- CCA Early Childhood Academy - Visit with all preschool kids

## December

- Oak Hill Elementary Donut Day
- Tiffin Fire Department - Breakfast with Santa







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