2024 Boone County Sheriff's Office Annual Report





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Guiding Principles

VISION

The Boone County Sheriff's Office strives to adhere to the highest standards and reflect the diversity of its community members. The people if our community and members of the Sheriff's Office must be united in their commitment to addressing crime, violence, and quality-of-life issues by engaging one another in problem-solving partnerships. Recognizing that integrity is the foundation of our profession, we endeavor to preserve and protect the public trust placed in us by adhering to the highest standards of honesty and ethical practices.

MISSION

The Boone County Sheriff's Office, in partnership with the citizens of Boone County, provides ethical and professional services that promote and protect the well-being, safety, and security of all people in our county; and to operate a safe constitutional jail system. The Boone County Sheriff's Office is committed to providing a safe and supportive community through honest, competent, professional and proactive law enforcement services.

FAIR & EQUITABLE PRACTICES

The Boone County Sheriff's Office is committed to treating everyone fairly and equitably. We remain an agency committed to our five value points: Integrity, Leadership, Loyalty, Professionalism, and Commitment. Continuing these practices, along with current policing models, we will continue to enhance our trust and partnership with Boone County Citizens.

A Message From The Sheriff

To the Citizens of Boone County,

As we move forward into 2025, I reflect on the incredible strides we made in 2024, and I am humbled by the ongoing support from our community. It is my honor to serve as your Sheriff, and I remain deeply thankful for the hardworking men and women of the Boone County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) who dedicate themselves daily to preserving the safety and well-being of our county.

In addition to keeping Boone County among the safest counties in the nation, 2024 saw exciting developments for our department. The enhancement of the Criminal Investigations Unit (CIU) further strengthened our ability to address evolving threats and ensure that justice is served. This team is already proving invaluable in solving complex cases and keeping our streets safer.

The Justice Center Project started prior to my administration taking Office, being off site for nearly two years has been tough at times but is nearing completion. We are eagerly looking forward to bringing our entire department back together again under one roof in the new facility and continuing our important work as a unified team.

The growth of our department has been critical to meeting the challenges that come with Boone County's continued expansion. As we welcome new personnel and resources, our commitment to "Keep Boone County Safe" remains steadfast. We are reminded daily that safety is a collective effort, and our success relies on the unwavering cooperation of our community. We are also grateful for the support of our County Officials that understand and supports our operational needs across all divisions.

I hope you find this report on our recent accomplishments informative. It is my sincere hope that it will inspire all of us to continue working together in our shared mission to protect and serve the citizens of our great county.



Sheriff Anthony "Tony" Harris



Command Staff

The command staff at the Boone County Sheriff's Office consists of experienced law enforcement professionals responsible for overseeing the department's operations and ensuring public safety. Led by the Sheriff, the team includes key positions such as the Chief Deputy, who manages daily operations, and division commanders overseeing enforcement, investigations, communications, corrections, and administrative services. These leaders work together to develop policies, allocate resources, and implement strategies that enhance law enforcement effectiveness within Boone County. Their responsibilities also include personnel management, training oversight, and fostering strong community relationships to build public trust. Through their leadership, the command staff ensures that deputies and support staff operate efficiently, ethically, and in accordance with the law.



Tony Harris Sheriff



Jason Reynolds Investigations Captain



Vanessa Moistner Communications Director



Mike Beard Chief Deputy



Jeremy McClaine Enforcement Captain



Tim Turner Jail Commander



Brian Stevenson Major



Craig Fouts Lieutenant



Brittany Hicks Matron

Command Structure





Administration

The Boone County Sheriff's Office Administration Division is the foundation of the department, ensuring smooth daily operations while maintaining strong connections with the community. This division is responsible for processing public records requests, including incident reports, accident reports, and FOIA submissions, providing transparency and accessibility for residents. It also oversees hiring and personnel management, from recruiting and conducting background checks to onboarding new employees and ensuring all staff receive proper training and certification. Payroll, benefits, and employee records are also carefully managed to support a well-functioning team.

Financially, the Administration Division plays a vital role in developing and maintaining the department's budget, securing funding for salaries, equipment, and operational needs while ensuring compliance with county and state regulations. It also monitors and manages grants that help support department initiatives. Additionally, the division is responsible for overseeing the county's sex offender registry, organizing compliance meetings, and ensuring that registered offenders meet all legal reporting requirements.

A significant part of the division's role involves communication and public interaction. It handles nonemergency phone calls, assists citizens with questions, and directs them to the appropriate department or resource. The team works closely with other law enforcement agencies, local government offices, courts, and community organizations to coordinate efforts and maintain public safety. Whether it's supporting deputies, assisting residents, or managing essential administrative tasks, the Administration Division is committed to keeping the Boone County Sheriff's Office organized, efficient, and responsive to the needs of the community.



Brittany Hicks Matron

Administration



Joy Stewart-Maxson Administrative Sergeant



Elizabeth Lowe Administrative Assistant



Madyson Portish Administrative Assistant



Stancie Cartwright Administrative Assistant



Addy Administrative Assistant



William Woodard Administrative Assistant

Adminstrative Requests



What's Being Requested?



Employment

In 2024, the Boone County Sheriff's Office focused on growth and team development. Beginning the year with 97 full-time employees and ending with 98, the department welcomed many new professionals while continuing its commitment to excellence. To support hiring efforts, a dedicated Recruitment, Hiring, and Retention Team was formed, consisting of three deputies, two corrections officers, and three communications officers. This team actively attends career fairs, answers questions, and encourages employment with BCSO, helping to attract top talent. While the year saw transitions, including 23 resignations, 4 retirements, and 4 terminations, these changes created opportunities for fresh perspectives and continued departmental success.

2024 Staffing Summary

Total Authorized Full Time Personnel	106
Current Operating	98
In Training	5
Merit Deputies In Academy	0
Military Leave	0
Need to Recruit	8
Part-Time	4
Volunteer	16



2024 Staffing by Division

Assignment	Assigned		
Command	9		
Investigations	8		
Enforcement	21		
School Resource	9		
Corrections	25		
Courthouse	6		
Communications	14		
Animal Control	1		
Reserve	4		
Chaplains	11		
Administration	4		
Civil Service	1		

Milestones

5 Years

Tyler Moriarty

Kobe Sutherlin

Jason Arcillas Andrew Bowen Cameron Thomas Travis Sutphin Kolby Bryant

10 Years

20 Years

Craig Fouts

25 Years Mike Snider



https://www.boonecountyindianasheriff.com/ divisions/administration/employment/



The Boone County Communications Center is located at the Boone County Sheriff's Office in Lebanon, IN. We serve the wonderful citizens of Boone County and dispatch for 8 Police Departments, 8 Fire Departments, and 1 EMS. We also work closely with many other departments. A few examples of those would include the Department of Child Services, Community Corrections, Probation, Boone County Corners Office, Utilities, INDOT, Health Department, EMA, and Wrecker companies. Currently, our division is made up of 12 full-time dispatchers, 2 part-time dispatchers, 1 Program Administrator, an Assistant 911 Director, and the 911 Director. Our dispatchers work 12-hour shifts and work the 2-2-3 schedule. The shifts are 5:30 AM - 5:30 PM and 5:30 PM - 05:30 AM.

It's not easy being a dispatcher and takes about 4-6 months of training to be released. Our training is done mostly in-house, and we have a group of trainers who dedicate their time to our new hires. After being released from training, dispatchers maintain the Indiana State Standards for Telecommunicators. Some traits that a dispatcher needs to do their job would be the ability to multi-task, stay calm during the chaos, and work efficiently in a timely manner. They must be able to work odd hours, holidays, and weekends. Like most public safety agencies, we are open 24/7/365.

Our Dispatchers answer all 911 and non-emergency lines. When the other agencies' main office closes, those lines roll over to us as well. Dispatchers don't just take phone calls. We also get information via Text to 911, live video stream, or directly from an alarm company that goes straight to our CAD. Dispatchers are trained in Emergency Medical Dispatch and can provide lifesaving instructions over the phone until responders arrive on-scene. The radios are constantly monitored as dispatchers are in contact with all public safety on the radio whether that be dispatching them to a call, checking their status while on a call, or providing updates from the public. The Communication Center oversees entering all warrants and stolen items into the state IDACS system. Dispatch is often the center hub that keeps public safety going. During large-scale events, they coordinate with all agencies and possess the general knowledge needed as they are often the "go-to" when there are questions. This is just a small glimpse into the daily operations of a dispatcher and does not begin to cover it all. We have some of the best dispatchers right here in Boone County!!



Brian Stevenson Major



Vanessa Moistner Communications Director



Kayla Kiefer Assistant 911 Director



Zach Aiduks Night Shift Sergeant



Art Naekel Program Administrator



Sam Sortor Dispatcher



Kora Hutchison Day Shift Sergeant



Nikki Knox Dispatcher



Ariana Benoit Dispatcher



Jenny Tharp Dispatcher



Nancy Martinez Dispatcher



Katelyn Duggan Dispatcher



Lincoln Lee Dispatcher





Skye Wente Trainee



Stancie Cartwright Part-time



Elitia Henry Trainee



Bre Shively Part-time



Jonah Holdman Trainee



Jason Potts Part-time

Calls to Center Statistics

The Boone County Communications Center is responsible for handling emergency and non-emergency calls for service within Boone County. Calls to the center typically fall into the following categories:

- 1. <u>Emergency Calls (911)</u> These include life-threatening situations, crimes in progress, medical emergencies, fires, and accidents requiring immediate assistance.
- 2. <u>Non-Emergency Calls (Administrative Calls)</u> These involve situations that require law enforcement, fire, or EMS response but are not urgent, such as reporting past incidents, suspicious activity, or minor accidents. These also include inquiries about public safety services, or general information related to emergency services.



Average call duration: 96.3 seconds



Text-to-911 Statistics

Text-to-911 is a service that allows individuals to send a text message to 911 in situations where making a voice call is unsafe or not possible. This service is particularly beneficial for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, have a speech disability, or are in situations where speaking could put them in danger.

The Boone County Communications Center supports Text-to-911. To use this service:

- 1. <u>Compose a new text message</u>: Open your phone's native messaging app (avoid using third-party apps) and create a new message.
- 2. Enter the recipient: In the "To" field, type 911.
- 3. <u>Write the message:</u> Clearly state the nature of the emergency and provide your exact location. For example: "123 Main St, Lebanon, IN intruder in the house."
- 4. <u>Send the message</u>: Press "Send." Be prepared to answer any follow-up questions and follow instructions from the 911 dispatcher.

It's important to note that while all 92 counties in Indiana, including Boone County, can receive and respond to Text-to-911 messages, making a voice call remains the most efficient way to reach emergency services when possible. Text messages can experience delays, and location information may not be as accurate as with voice calls. Additionally, Text-to-911 should be used only when a voice call is not feasible or safe.





Radio Communications

PTT (Push-to-Talk) radio transmissions for the Boone County Communications Center refer to the method of radio communication used by emergency services, public safety officials, and other personnel to transmit voice messages. PTT radios allow users to press a button to instantly communicate over a shared radio frequency without the need for dialing or waiting for a connection.

The Boone County Communications Center monitors 16 different radio channels throughout the county. These channels are strategically set up for specific areas and are divided among law enforcement, fire departments, emergency medical services, and other critical responders. This setup ensures that each agency has a dedicated communication pathway with dispatch, allowing for efficient, clear, and organized coordination during emergencies.

These transmissions are managed through a centralized dispatch system, which ensures real-time, secure, and recorded communication, enabling quick and effective emergency response efforts.

Radio Transmissions:	1,036,881
Total Seconds:	5,479,347
Total Minutes:	91,322
Total Hours:	1,522
Total Days:	63.4



CAD stands for Computer-Aided Dispatch. CAD systems are used by emergency dispatch centers to manage and coordinate law enforcement, fire, and EMS responses. The system helps dispatchers track units in real time, log incident details, and ensure efficient communication between officers and dispatch personnel.

96,400 incidents entered into CAD

RMS stands for Records Management System. An RMS is a digital system used by law enforcement agencies to collect, store, manage, and retrieve records related to incidents, arrests, evidence, case reports, and other law enforcement activities. It helps officers and staff efficiently handle data, improve reporting accuracy, and ensure compliance with legal and departmental requirements.

1,678 warrants entered into RMS

Busiest Day & Hour

September 29, 2024 - 79 calls within the 6:00 PM hour

5,923 hours of Over-Time filled



Calls for Service

Calls for Service (CFS) refer to any request for law enforcement assistance or response, typically logged by the Boone County Communications Center. These can include emergency 911 calls, non-emergency requests, officer-initiated activities, and routine checks. Calls for service are tracked in Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management Systems (RMS) to document incidents, response times, and resource allocation.



Year End Totals

	2024	2023
Lebanon Police Department	19,632	15,845
Whitestown Metropolitan Police Department	16,804	16,182
Boone County Sheriff's Office	16,501	15,981
Zionsville Police Department	11,157	11,667
Other Agencies	4,126	4,376
Totals:	68,220	64,051

As We Continue...

16,501 vs. 16,332

Why Are We Reporting Two Different Call for Service Numbers?

You may notice that we are reporting two different numbers for calls for service: 16,501 and 16,332. This is because we use two different reporting systems: CAD (Computer-Aided Dispatch) and RMS (Records Management System).

- CAD (16,501 Calls for Service): This number represents all calls for service that are entered into the system by our Dispatch center. Anytime a call is logged, it is counted here.
- RMS (16,332 Calls for Service): This number includes all calls for service handled by employees who have access to our Records Management System (RMS). Not all personnel use RMS, so this number is slightly lower.

Who Uses RMS?

Employees with RMS access include:

- ✓ All Merit Deputies and Reserves
- ✓ Courthouse Deputies
- 🗸 Animal Control
- ✓ Civil Officers
- ✓ Some Communications Officers
- ✓ Some Corrections Officers

Since CAD captures every call that comes through Dispatch, while RMS is limited to those who actively log reports in the system, there is a small difference between the two totals. Both numbers provide valuable insight into our agency's workload and service to the community.

Jurisdiction

The Boone County Sheriff's Office has jurisdiction over the entire county, covering approximately 423 square miles. This includes both incorporated cities and towns, such as Lebanon, Zionsville, and Whitestown, as well as unincorporated areas. Deputies patrol a mix of urban, suburban, and rural areas to ensure public safety.

In 2024, the jurisdictions of Lebanon Police Department and Zionsville Police Department expanded, incorporating additional land into their respective areas. This adjustment will shift certain responsibilities away from the Boone County Sheriff's Office within those newly annexed regions while maintaining their presence in unincorporated parts of the county.





Merit Board

The Boone County Sheriff's Office Merit Board plays a crucial role in maintaining professionalism and integrity within our department. Organized under Indiana Code 36-8-10-3, the Merit Board consists of five dedicated members—three appointed by the Sheriff and two elected by a majority vote of our merit deputies.

This board is responsible for overseeing pension and disability plans for all merit deputies, ensuring their well-being throughout their careers. They also hold regular monthly meetings to address matters that impact our deputies, reinforcing accountability and transparency in our department.

One of the most important responsibilities of the Merit Board is overseeing critical personnel decisions. They have the final say in hiring, firing, demotions, or serious disciplinary actions—except in cases involving probationary officers. This structure ensures that all deputies are treated fairly and equitably, regardless of who is serving as Sheriff at any given time.

At the Boone County Sheriff's Office, we take great pride in upholding high standards in law enforcement. The Merit Board is a key part of that commitment, providing oversight that fosters trust, professionalism, and integrity in everything we do.



Merit Board Members

Don Geisler, Shirley McClaine, Doug Taylor, Chip Cravens, Bret Lee



The Enforcement Division at the Boone County Sheriff's Office consists of many moving parts, each striving for continuous improvement. In 2024, we placed a strong emphasis on traffic enforcement and education, responding to community concerns by increasing patrols in high-complaint areas. To further enhance public safety and awareness, we deployed mobile speed trailers, allowing drivers to adjust their speeds accordingly and reinforcing safe driving habits. These efforts were part of our broader commitment to reducing traffic-related incidents and ensuring safer roadways for all Boone County residents.

Beyond traffic enforcement, we prioritized the training and education of our school resource officers, recognizing their critical role in maintaining safe and supportive learning environments. Our officers received enhanced training to better respond to the unique challenges within school settings, a focus that will continue into 2025. Additionally, we expanded our team by welcoming a new animal control officer to address the county's growing domestic animal population. As she gains experience and training, she will play an essential role in managing animal-related concerns and ensuring the well-being of pets and residents alike.

Looking ahead to 2025, the Enforcement Division remains dedicated to progress and service. We will build upon our traffic safety initiatives, further refine school resource officer training, and continue developing our animal control capabilities. As Boone County grows and evolves, so too will our strategies and responses to meet the community's needs. Our mission remains steadfast: to provide effective law enforcement services, enhance public safety, and foster strong relationships with the residents we serve.



Jeremy McClaine Enforcement Captain



Craig Fouts Lieutenant





Ryan Musgrave Day Shift Sergeant



K-9 Chase Man Trailing



Wesley Garst



Corbin Noble Deputy



Jeff Dixon Deputy



Matt Elder Deputy



Kolby Bryant Deputy



Brayden Scott

Deputy

Doug Gauthier Deputy



John Barnes Afternoon Shift Sergeant



Tyler Moriarty Deputy



Nick Bland Deputy



Luca Ruby Deputy



Jeff Zanker Deputy



K-9 Kylo Police Utility & Narcotics Detection



Matt Brennan Deputy



Sam Dardini Deputy





Travis Sutphin Night Shift Sergeant



K-9 Justice Man Trailing





K-9 Rikko

Police Utility & Narcotics Detection

Brayden Vandyke Deputy





Chris Ridgeway Deputy



Chris Reid Deputy



Nathan Osborne Probationary



Monthly Calls For Service



BCSO Calls vs. Agency Assists





Moving forward throughout this report, we will be analyzing the 13,602 calls for service. This analysis will provide insights into the nature, frequency, and distribution of these calls, helping to identify trends, areas of concern, and potential opportunities for improvement.

Assist

2,730

<u>Total</u>

16,332

=

BCSO

13,602



The breakdown of calls for service typically falls into the following categories:

Police Calls

Deputies are responsible for handling criminal and non-criminal law enforcement calls in unincorporated areas or where no municipal police exist.

Fire Calls

Deputies may assist in traffic control, evacuation, arson investigations, or protecting firefighters from threats like hostile individuals or criminal activity at fire scenes.

Medical Calls

Deputies may be the closest available emergency personnel and can provide life-saving aid until paramedics arrive. Additionally, some medical calls involve law enforcement aspects like overdoses, assaults, or psychiatric emergencies.

Animal Calls

Deputies respond to calls involving animals when our Animal Control Officer is available and unavailable. They assist with phone calls, stray animals, dog bites, and kennel releases.

Civil Calls

While these are not criminal matters, law enforcement involvement is sometimes necessary to keep the peace, enforce court orders, or prevent a situation from escalating into a criminal act.





Deputies respond to a wide range of calls. The calls for service that Enforcement Deputies are solely responsible for are generally categorized as follows:

- <u>Crimes Against Persons</u>: Incidents where a victim is directly harmed or threatened.
- Property Crimes: Calls involving theft, property damage, or unauthorized use.
- <u>Self-Initiated</u>: Proactive stops or interventions made by deputies while on patrol.
- Traffic: Roadway incidents such as hazards, suspended drivers, or wrong-way drivers.
- <u>Accidents:</u> Vehicle crashes requiring law enforcement response, including property damage, personal injury, and fatalities.
- <u>Alcohol/Drugs/Guns/Pursuits:</u> Calls involving controlled substances, firearms, or vehicle chases.
- Jail Transports: Assisting with the movement of individuals in custody between locations.
- Other: Miscellaneous calls that include warrants, investigations, alarms, and return phone calls.



Types of Calls



Case Reports

In 2024, the Boone County Sheriff's Office took a total of <u>759 case reports</u> across various categories similar to calls for service. These reports help us track incidents, ensure public safety, and uphold the law in our community. The reports have been categorized as follows:

- <u>Crimes Against Person</u> Incidents involving harm or threats to individuals.
- Property Crimes Cases of theft, vandalism, and other property-related offenses.
- <u>Alcohol/Drugs/Guns/Pursuits</u> Incidents involving substance-related offenses, firearms violations, and vehicle pursuits.
- Animal Reports concerning animal-related incidents and welfare.
- <u>Traffic</u> Vehicle-related infractions and accidents.
- Sex Offender Violation Violations of sex offender registration laws.
- Other Incident Reports Miscellaneous incidents that do not fall into the above categories.



<u>Field Contact</u>: a brief record of an interaction between law enforcement and an individual or situation that does not rise to the level of a formal investigation. Officers use field contacts to document suspicious activity, encounters with individuals, or any noteworthy observations. These contacts can serve as reference points for future investigations but do not always lead to criminal charges.

121 Field Contacts



Arrest

In 2024, the Boone County Sheriff's Office made <u>344 arrests</u>, those arrests are classified into five main categories to provide clear and accurate reporting on law enforcement actions. This classification helps track law enforcement activity and provides transparency on different types of arrests. Here's what each category means:

- <u>Felony Warrants</u> Arrests made based on warrants issued for serious crimes like robbery, assault, or drug trafficking. These crimes typically carry prison sentences of over a year.
- <u>Misdemeanor Warrants</u> Arrests made due to warrants for less serious offenses such as petty theft or disorderly conduct, usually leading to fines or shorter jail time.
- <u>Other Warrants</u> Includes arrests related to warrants that don't fall under felony or misdemeanor categories, such as bench warrants for failing to appear in court.
- <u>Felony Arrests</u> Arrests made on the spot for serious crimes, even without a pre-existing warrant, due to law enforcement witnessing the crime or having probable cause.
- <u>Misdemeanor Arrests</u> Arrests made at the scene for lesser offenses that do not require a warrant but still involve lawbreaking, like public intoxication or minor vandalism.





Felony Arrests

Misdemeanor Arrests





Accident Reports

The Boone County Sheriff's Office has responded to approximately 700 calls for service related to traffic accidents. These incidents fall into several categories:

- <u>Property Damage Accidents</u> Crashes where only vehicles or property are damaged, with no reported injuries.
- <u>Personal Injury Accidents</u> Collisions that result in injuries to one or more individuals, ranging from minor to severe, but no fatalities.
- Fatal Accidents Crashes that tragically result in one or more deaths.
- Unknown Accidents Incidents where details about injuries or damage are not immediately available.
- <u>Tactical Accidents</u> More complex crashes involving overturned vehicles, trapped individuals, or scenes requiring stabilization by emergency responders.
- <u>Motorcycle Accidents</u> Crashes involving motorcycles, which often result in more severe injuries due to the lack of external protection for riders.

The high number of responses highlights the Boone County Sheriff's Office's commitment to roadway safety and swift emergency assistance for those affected by traffic collisions.



Accident Summary

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3
4
4
5
4



K9 Unit: 2024 Performance Report

K9 Kylo German Shepherd Handler: Sgt. Barnes

K9 Rikko Belgian Malinois Handler: Deputy Long

K9 Chase K9 Justice Bloodhound

Handler: Sgt. Musgrave

Bloodhound Handler: Sgt. Sutphin

The Boone County Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit consists of four K9s and four handlers, all of whom have successfully completed annual certifications in:

- Obedience: On- and off-leash response to verbal commands and hand signals
- Building & Area Searches: Locating suspects or missing persons in large spaces
- Article Searches: Recovering lost or discarded evidence
- Tracking & Trailing: Following the path of fleeing suspects or lost individuals
- Aggression Control: Apprehending suspects while maintaining control under highpressure situations
- Specialized Detection: Narcotics, explosives, cadaver recovery, and accelerant detection

Police Utility & Narcotics Detection

- 120 deployments supporting narcotics detection, warrant services, and perimeter security
- 40 criminal arrests directly attributed to K9 involvement
- 14 criminal apprehensions where suspects surrendered without injury
- Recovered 100+ pieces of evidence, including:
 - Narcotics (Marijuana, THC derivatives, Methamphetamine, Cocaine, Heroin, Fentanyl, Psilocybin)
 - Drug paraphernalia
 - Multiple illegal firearms

Man Trailing

- 19 deployments (11 criminal cases, 18 missing persons)
- 12 demonstrations
- 968 volunteer training hours with 17 volunteers



The Investigations Division is led by a Captain and consists of two specialized units: Investigations and Crime Scene Investigations (CSI). Each unit is supervised by a sergeant who ensures the division operates efficiently and effectively.

Investigations includes one sergeant and four detectives responsible for handling a wide range of cases, including property crimes, drug investigations, serious bodily injury (SBI) and fatal accidents, sex offender compliance, and crimes against persons, including crimes against children. Detectives are also embedded in specialized task forces such as the Child Abuse and Sexual Exploitation (CASE) Task Force, the Hamilton and Boone County Drug Task Force, and the Criminal Intelligence Unit. While there is not currently a detective assigned to the Crime Guns Task Force, the division continues to support their investigations as needed.

Crime Scene Investigations, also led by a sergeant, consists of two crime scene investigators who provide critical support to ongoing cases. Their responsibilities include processing crime scenes, managing the evidence and property room, and offering expertise in firearms, electronic devices, scene reconstruction, and investigative intelligence. Their meticulous work ensures that investigators have the forensic support needed to solve cases and bring justice to victims.

Both detectives and crime scene investigators work in the office and the field throughout the week, maintaining an on-call schedule to provide support whenever needed, including outside of regular business hours. Criminal investigations do not follow a set schedule, and the division remains committed to responding whenever duty calls.

Looking ahead to 2025, the Investigations Division aims to enhance its capabilities by expanding training opportunities, strengthening resources, and increasing collaboration with other agencies. There is also a focus on growing the division to ensure it has the necessary personnel and tools to address the evolving demands of law enforcement. Above all, the division remains dedicated to serving Boone County with professionalism, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to justice. The Boone County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division continues to play a vital role in protecting the community and pursuing justice, and the dedication of its investigators and CSI personnel remains its greatest strength.



Jason Reynolds Investigations Captain





Brad Dunn Sergeant



Leon Golladay Sergeant

Eric Geyer Detective

Austin Bonty

Detective



Morganne Carpenter

Detective



Cameron Thomas Detective



Bobbi Winings Crime Scene Investigator



Doug Boxler Crime Scene Investigator



The Investigations Division is made up of five dedicated detectives, with one assigned to the CASE Task Force and another to the Drug Task Force. While these task force assignments focus on specialized investigations, the statistics provided reflect the collective efforts of all detectives, including those working within these specialized units. Every case, search warrant, and arrest warrant contributes to the overall impact of the division, demonstrating the dedication and hard work of the entire team in solving crimes and ensuring public safety.

Below are some explanations of the categories of data that have been collected:

<u>Working Cases</u> – These are active investigations that detectives are currently handling as of 12/31/2024. Each case remains open until enough evidence is gathered to solve the crime, make an arrest, or determine that no further action is possible.

<u>Closed Cases</u> – These are investigations that have been completed. A case is considered "closed" when detectives resolve the matter, whether by making an arrest, determining no crime was committed, or exhausting all leads without further evidence available.

<u>Filed Criminal Charges</u> – This refers to cases where investigators have gathered sufficient evidence to formally recommend charges against a suspect. The case is then submitted to the county prosecutor, who reviews the evidence and officially files criminal charges in court.

<u>Cases Pending Prosecutor Review</u> – These cases have been submitted to the prosecutor but are still under review. The prosecutor examines the evidence to determine if charges should be filed, dismissed, or if further investigation is needed.

<u>Turned Over to Other Agency</u> – Some cases fall under the jurisdiction of other law enforcement agencies, such as state police, federal authorities, or neighboring departments. When a case is better handled by another agency, whether due to the location of the crime, specialized resources, or jurisdictional authority, it is officially transferred to ensure proper handling and investigation.

<u>Search Warrants Completed</u> – These represent the number of times investigators obtained a legal warrant from a judge to search a location for evidence related to a criminal investigation. Search warrants are crucial tools for gathering critical information to solve cases.

<u>Callouts</u> – These are incidents where detectives were called to respond to a crime scene or investigation outside their normal working hours. Callouts often involve major crimes such as homicides, serious assaults, or other urgent cases requiring immediate attention.



71

Callouts

Investigations

63% Cases Reports assigned to the Investigations Division for follow-up or created by an investigator.



Investigations Summary

Criminal Intelligence Unit

The Criminal Intelligence Unit enforces criminal laws through surveillance, arrests, and special investigations. Deputies conduct covert surveillance, track suspects, and gather intelligence on criminal activities. They secure warrants, subpoenas, and affidavits to ensure the lawful apprehension of offenders. The unit also handles high-crime patrols, priority court transports, and assists with joint task forces like CASE, the Drug Task Force, and ICGTF to combat criminal networks and enhance public safety.

<u>Warrants</u>	On-scene	=	<u>Total</u>
Issued	+ <u>Arrests</u>		<u>Arrests</u>
9	14		23
Miscell	Marijuana: Heroin: Fentanyl: mphetamine: aneous Pills: eited Money:	0 gra 7 gra 130 g 50,00	ims ims grams 00



Calls For Service



The Investigations Division also consists of three dedicated crime scene investigators, one of whom is assigned to the CASE Task Force. The provided statistics represent the combined efforts of all CSIs, including those in specialized units.

Below are some explanations of the categories of data that have been collected:

<u>Callouts</u> – These are incidents where crime scene investigators were called to respond to a crime scene or investigation outside their normal working hours. Callouts often involve major crimes such as homicides, serious assaults, or other urgent cases requiring immediate attention.

<u>Cases Worked On</u> – This refers to the number of cases where CSI personnel were actively involved in processing crime scenes. Their work includes documenting evidence, taking photographs, and collecting forensic materials to aid in investigations.

<u>Evidence Collected</u> – This represents the total number of items gathered from crime scenes for further analysis. Evidence can include fingerprints, DNA samples, weapons, drugs, and other crucial materials that help link suspects to crimes and build strong cases for prosecution.

<u>Lab Submissions</u> – This tracks the number of evidence items sent to forensic labs for specialized analysis. These submissions may include DNA testing, toxicology reports, ballistic testing, and other forensic examinations that provide critical insights into investigations.

<u>Prosecutor Discovery Requests</u> – These are official requests from the prosecutor's office for evidence, reports, and forensic findings needed for court proceedings. Discovery ensures that all relevant information is shared with the defense as part of the legal process.

<u>Gigabytes Analyzed</u> – This refers to the volume of digital evidence examined by CSI and investigators. This can include data from cell phones, computers, surveillance footage, and other electronic sources that are reviewed for relevant case information.





Criminal Intelligence Unit





Fatal Alcohol Crash Team

The Fatal Alcohol Crash Team (FACT) is a specialized unit focused on investigating accidents involving serious bodily injury or fatalities. The team consists of detectives, reconstructionists, Crime Scene Investigators (CSIs), and Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) specialists. FACT works in collaboration with deputies assigned to the road, assisting with scene preservation and providing expertise in writing initial and accident reports. Their role ensures thorough investigations, especially in accidents with severe injuries or fatalities.





43% were Alcohol/Drug related


Investigations

Crimes Against Children Statistics

As of fall 2024, the Boone County Sheriff's Office transferred all crimes against children cases (CAC) to the Child Abuse and Sexual Exploitation (CASE) Task Force. Previously, BCSO investigated these crimes, while most internet-related offenses involving children were handled by CASE. With this transition, all cases in this category will now be investigated by the specialized task force, ensuring a focused and expert approach to these sensitive matters. BCSO remains committed to protecting children and supporting CASE in its efforts. To assist, the department provides one detective and one crime scene investigator. Additionally, BCSO will continue to track and report statistics on crimes against children within its jurisdiction.



Sex and Violent Offender Statistics

Individuals convicted of certain sexual or violent offenses are mandated to register with the Sheriff's Office, ensuring public access to their information through the Indiana Sex & Violent Offender Registry. This registry allows residents to search for offenders by name or address and offers a free email notification system for updates. The registry is designed to enhance public safety by providing accurate and updated information about offenders residing in the county. Failure to comply with registration requirements can result in legal consequences, including criminal charges. The following statistic reflect the numbers as of 12/31/2024.

Living in County	79
Working in County	47
Failure to Register Charges	9
Verifications Completed	505

School Resource Officers

The Boone County Sheriff's Office School Resource Division consists of nine full-time merit deputies, commonly referred to as School Resource Officers (S.R.O.s). Our division provides a daily law enforcement presence in six school buildings across Boone County, serving both the Western Boone School Corporation and the Zionsville Community School District.

Each elementary school within our jurisdiction has a dedicated deputy, while the Western Boone Junior and Senior High School have two deputies assigned to them. Similarly, in the Zionsville District, each elementary school has an assigned deputy, and Zionsville West Middle School is covered by two deputies. The division is supervised by a sergeant who rotates between schools daily, assisting as needed and providing additional support when necessary.

In 2024, our school-based deputies responded to 157 calls for service during school hours. These calls covered a range of issues, including drug-related incidents, battery, child welfare concerns, home visits, and welfare checks. In addition to handling these cases, our deputies maintain a strong daily presence, conducting routine door checks, mentoring students, and frequently teaching classes on a variety of subjects. They also play a crucial role in leading and assisting with violent intruder drills each semester to ensure school preparedness.

Beyond the school day, our deputies are actively involved in after-school programs, athletic events, and extracurricular activities, reinforcing safety and fostering positive relationships with students and staff. They work closely with school administrators to develop and implement emergency response plans tailored to each campus. Their presence helps deter criminal activity, providing a reassuring and secure environment for students, teachers, and parents alike. The division also collaborates with local organizations to offer educational outreach programs on topics such as cyber safety, substance abuse prevention, and conflict resolution. By building trust and positive interactions, our S.R.O.s serve as role models, promoting respect and responsibility among the youth in our community. The Boone County Sheriff's Office remains committed to ensuring the safest possible learning environment for all students and staff in our schools



Neil Randolph Sergeant

School Resource Officers



Jesse Boggs Deputy Thorntown Elementary



Cary Clanton Deputy Granville Wells Elementary



Ken Conley Deputy Western Boone Jr./Sr. H.S.



Bob Anderson Deputy Zionsville West M.S.



Matt Williams Deputy Stonegate Elementary



Tom Maxson Deputy Boone Meadow Elementary



Marc Mitalski Deputy Zionsville West M.S.



Tony Bayles Deputy Western Boone Jr./Sr. H.S.

School Resource Officers



SROs are in 6 different schools in Boone County

Western Boone Community Schools: 3 Zionsville Community Schools: 3







The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program teaches students decision-making skills to lead safe and responsible lives, reaching over 10,000 communities in all 50 states and 49 other countries with science-based, age-appropriate curricula. It addresses issues like drug prevention, bullying, and decision-making, including the evidence-based "keepin' it REAL" (kiR) curriculum for middle school students. To teach D.A.R.E., officers must complete an 80-hour training course and meet peace officer training standards. BCSO has 2 D.A.R.E offices who split their time between the middle school and elementary schools.

Approximately 142 hours of School Related Special Details completed by the SRO Division



Animal Control



Julia Hole Animal Control Officer





117 Dogs brought to kennels

Average Stay: 12 Days



The LOVE Pet Project is a 501(c)(3) all-breed rescue that began by saving parvo-positive dogs and has since expanded to treat various medical issues, matching over 1,700 families with pets in the past year. The Humane Society for Boone County (HSforBC) is a volunteer-run nonprofit dedicated to animal welfare, rescue, and education, supported by donors, volunteers, and foster families. Both organizations collaborate with the Boone County Sheriff's Office to improve animal welfare, with LOVE Pet Project providing medical evaluations for dogs at the sheriff's kennels and HSforBC receiving guidance on animal control efforts.



The Corrections Division entered 2024 amid significant construction, temporarily closing the Sallyport, booking area, and work release. To ensure daily operations continued smoothly, Captain Turner, along with corrections and maintenance staff, worked diligently to establish a temporary booking area, maintaining the safety and security of the jail. Meanwhile, Medical and Kitchen services were relocated within the facility with minimal impact on inmates. The medical team continued enrolling offenders in Medicaid before their release or after 30–45 days of incarceration, while the kitchen served 152,511 meals throughout the year.

Despite these challenges, the Boone County Jail successfully processed 2,227 arrestees, served 1,132 warrants, and released 2,242 offenders. Additionally, in collaboration with the BCSO Investigations Division, 18 cases were filed against inmates. Jail programming, including the drug block programs, remained uninterrupted, with 56 participants (30 men and 26 women) graduating. HSE classes also continued, with 163 inmates attending and eight earning their diplomas. Students completed career assessments to help guide them toward future employment opportunities.

Transport operations remained steady, with over 315 out-of-county transports and 156 transfers to the Department of Corrections.

Looking ahead, 2025 promises to be an exciting year as the Boone County Jail expansion nears completion.



Tim Turner Jail Commander



Tim Korte Lieutenant



Cole Coffey Staff Sergeant



Lars Rascoe Night Shift B Sergeant



Joshua Boyd Corrections Officer



Chase Richwine Corrections Officer



Susan Kinney Day Shift B Sergeant



Audrey Steele Night Shift A Sergeant



Trey Owsley Corrections Officer



Michael Strode Corrections Officer



Robinson Morales Day Shift A Sergeant



Kobe Sutherlin Central Control



Angel Jackson Corrections Officer



Garrett Luper Corrections Officer



Austin Albaugh Corrections Officer



Matthew McCormick Corrections Officer



Caleb Ehrstine Corrections Officer



Chris Lee Corrections Officer



Mitchel Newton Corrections Officer



Cameron Beckett Corrections Officer



Connor Hole Corrections Officer



Max Johnson Corrections Officer



Shawn Ramirez Corrections Officer



Noah Wynn Corrections Officer



Elijah Holman Corrections Officer



John Poupa Corrections Officer





Corrections Summary



486 completed

- 3 Aspire JCAP Therapy
- 25 Inmate Workers



Courthouse

Welcome to the Boone County Courthouse, the central hub of Boone County's government and legal proceedings. The Courthouse is a bustling facility with approximately 70 employees and an average of 4,500 visitors each month.

To ensure the safety and smooth operation of the Courthouse, the Boone County Sheriff's Office has six dedicated Deputies on duty. Their responsibilities include providing protection, offering assistance, and sharing information with all who enter the building.

The Courthouse houses four courtrooms and is staffed by three Judges and two Magistrates. During normal business hours, public access is limited to a single entrance, where two Deputies are stationed at a security checkpoint to screen visitors. Additionally, these Deputies manage the secure transport of inmates to and from the Courthouse for their scheduled hearings.

Beyond the Courthouse, the Deputies oversee security at the Key Bank Building, which contains four floors of County offices. They are also responsible for safeguarding the Boone County Annex, ensuring the security of all offices within it. Their duties extend to attending and providing security for all County meetings, including those held after regular business hours.

The Deputies assigned to the Courthouse Division are Sgt. AJ Naekel, Deputy Jason Arcillas, Deputy Ted Hedges, Deputy John Copeland, Deputy Jeff Ray, and Deputy Jon Winings. If you find yourself in the area, be sure to stop by and say hello to some of the friendly and dedicated members of the Boone County Sheriff's Office.



AJ Naekel Sergeant

Courthouse



Jason Arcillas Courthouse Deputy



Ted Hedges Courthouse Deputy



John Copeland Courthouse Deputy



Jeff Ray Courthouse Deputy



Jonathan Winings Courthouse Deputy

Response Summary





Guns Detected

55,878 Persons Scanned



Civil Process



Jeff Keller Civil Process Server

The Civil Process Division of the Boone County Sheriff's Office is responsible for serving and executing various legal documents issued by the courts. These include summonses, subpoenas, eviction notices, writs, orders of protection, and other civil process documents. The division ensures that due process is upheld by delivering these legal notices in a timely and professional manner. Additionally, this division may assist with court-ordered property seizures and repossessions. Their work is crucial in maintaining the legal system's integrity and supporting both the courts and the citizens of Boone County.



Teacher

This position plays a crucial role in providing educational opportunities to incarcerated individuals. This includes designing and delivering programs such as GED preparation, literacy improvement, vocational training, and life skills development. The educator assesses inmates' educational levels and tailors instruction to meet their diverse learning needs, ensuring individualized support. Collaboration with corrections officers and facility administration is key to maintaining a safe and effective learning environment. In addition, the educator helps inmates develop skills that are essential for successful reintegration into society upon release, contributing to the reduction of recidivism. The role also involves maintaining records of inmate progress and ensuring that educational programs comply with relevant standards and regulations, making the educator a vital part of the rehabilitation process.



Nancy Hendrickson Educator

Chaplains





Larry Blue Senior Chaplain

The Chaplain Division of the Boone County Sheriff's Office provides spiritual and emotional support to law enforcement personnel, their families, and the community. The division is split into two sections: Enforcement and Corrections, ensuring tailored support for both sworn deputies and corrections officers. Chaplains assist officers, deputies, and staff with personal and professional challenges while also providing comfort to victims, inmates, and their families, in addition to community members, during crises. They play a critical role in supporting the department during critical incidents and death notifications, offering prayer and spiritual counsel upon request. In the Corrections section, chaplains also conduct Bible studies and church services for inmates, providing spiritual guidance and encouragement. By dividing the Chaplain Division between Enforcement and Corrections, chaplains can better address the unique challenges faced in each area, promoting overall well-being and resilience within the department and the community.

Hannah Banks

Andrew Bowen Chaplain Tim Stonecipher

Amber Rust

Lead Enforcement

Larry Rice Chaplain

Chaplain

William Macrie Chaplain Terra Crow Chaplain Sara Noel

Chaplain

Adam VanTreese

Chaplain

Julie Toole Chaplain



Reserve Division

Mark Batic Reserve Deputy Kevin Orr Reserve Deputy Mike Snider Reserve Deputy Alex Baldwin Reserve Deputy

The Reserve Division, established in 1979, is made up of volunteer sworn deputies who assist the Enforcement Division with patrol duties, provide security at fairs and festivals, and help ensure public safety. While they have the same law enforcement authority as Merit Deputies, they serve on a volunteer basis, with most holding full-time jobs elsewhere. Reserve Deputies are required to contribute a set number of volunteer hours each month and are responsible for purchasing most of their own equipment. The division operates under the leadership of the Enforcement Captain, who oversees training, discipline, and overall operations. Their dedication plays a crucial role in supporting the Boone County Sheriff's Office and the community.



Reserve Hours Summary

Road: **531.75** Other Details: **355.75** Training: **136** BCSO Details: **86** Fair/Festival: **20.75**





Addy's Legacy: A Tail of Love and Courage

Dear Boone County Community,

Woof! It's me, your favorite one-eyed, pizza-loving, tail-wagging friend from the Boone County Sheriff's Office. My name might be familiar to some, but for those of you who haven't met me, I'm Addy —a furry ball of love who found a forever family in the hearts of those who protect and serve this community.

When I arrived at the Sheriff's Office, life hadn't always been easy for me. I was a little rough around the edges—missing an eye, fighting cancer, and told I only had a few months left. But, boy, did my life change for the better. From the moment I stepped paw into the office, I was welcomed with open arms, belly rubs, and more pizza and donuts than any dog could dream of!

I know the vets said I wouldn't make it long—six months at most—but the love, joy, and warmth I found at the Sheriff's Office stretched my life far beyond what anyone expected. I became part of something so much bigger than myself, helping to bring smiles to faces and lift spirits even on the toughest days. Whether it was curling up next to someone who needed comfort or just being a wagging tail to remind everyone to take a moment and breathe, I loved every second of my time there.

You see, the humans here gave me more than just food, they gave me a purpose. In return, I gave them all the love and happiness my little one-eyed self could muster. We might be a law enforcement team, but I like to think of us as a family too, one that I was incredibly lucky to be a part of. Every donut and every scratch on the butt was a reminder that I had found my place in this world.

Even though I have crossed the rainbow bridge and taken my final nap, I'll always carry the Boone County community in my heart (and maybe a piece of pizza too). Thank you for welcoming me, for loving me, and for showing me that no matter how old, sick, or different a dog might be, there's always room for joy, laughter, and a little mischief.

Keep wagging your tails, Boone County. I'll be watching over you.

With All My Love & Paw Prints, Addy



Looking Back on 2024: A Year of Community and Connection

What a year it's been! In 2024, the Boone County Sheriff's Office had the privilege of connecting with our incredible community through so many fun, meaningful, and impactful events. From exciting V-150 Rides with Students, where kids got to hop in our armored vehicle, to heartfelt traditions like Shop with a Cop, we've loved every moment spent with you.

We had a blast celebrating at events like Mooned in Boone, the 4-H Fair, the Turning of the Leaves Festival, the Zionsville Fall Fest, and the Lebanon 4th of July Parade. Whether grilling up some friendly competition at the Battle of the BBQ, testing our spice tolerance at the Chili Cookoff, or hitting the greens for one of our golf outings, we cherished every opportunity to connect with the community.

Beyond the fun, we stayed committed to education and awareness through programs like the Teen Academy, Citizen Firearms Courses, and JPRO events. We honored our law enforcement family during National Police Week and spent time with neighbors at National Night Out, strengthening the partnerships that make Boone County such a special place to call home. We also supported important causes through the MADD Walk, career fairs, and the Senior Olympics, ensuring we reached every corner of our community.

As we head into 2025, we're looking forward to even more opportunities to serve, celebrate, and engage with all of the Boone County Citizens. We invite you to take a look back at some of our favorite moments with our photo highlights from 2024—because these memories wouldn't be possible without the amazing people of Boone County! Here's to another fantastic year ahead!















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