



Middletown Twp. Police Department

Chief of Police R. Craig Weber

Middletown Twp. Police Annual Report

The Police Department is responsible for providing police services to the township, which is approximately 42 square miles and is home to approximately 67,000 residents. In 2017, the Middletown Twp. Police Department responded to 45,538 calls for service. Listed below are the numbers for arrests, DWI arrests, domestic violence incidents, and motor vehicle crashes that our officers handled during the year.

Nature	Total
Total Arrests	1,397
DWI Arrests	121
Domestic Violence Incidents	231
Motor Vehicle Crashes	1,872

In accordance with the reporting requirements specified in the New Jersey Attorney General Guideline, *Internal Affairs Policy and Procedures*, the following information is being made available to the public concerning complaints received by the Middletown Twp. Police Department Office of professional Standards. Complaints can be received from various sources, including anonymous complaints, citizen complaints, and complaints from within the law enforcement agency. In the event that the allegation involves a criminal act, the matter is referred to the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office for investigation and review. Complaints of non-criminal actions by our officers are investigated internally.

At the conclusion of an Internal Affairs investigation, there are four possible dispositions. The dispositions include *Exonerated*, *Sustained*, *Not Sustained*, and *Unfounded*. The definitions of those possible dispositions are as follows:

Exonerated: The alleged incident did occur, but the actions of the officer were justified, legal and proper.

Sustained: The investigation disclosed sufficient evidence to prove the allegation and the actions of the officer violated a provision of the agency's rules and regulations or procedures.

Not Sustained: The investigation failed to disclose sufficient evidence to clearly prove or disprove the allegation.

Unfounded: The alleged incident did not occur.

Complaints may also be *Administratively Closed*. As per the Attorney General Guideline *Internal Affairs Policy and Procedures*, “In some cases, the complaint or investigation is closed prior to reaching a disposition. These should be counted as "Administratively Closed." Examples include situations when a complainant voluntarily requests that a complaint be withdrawn, or the subject officer terminates his or her employment prior to disposition of the complaint.”

Listed below is the summary of Complaints and Dispositions Received by the Middletown Twp. Police for 2018.

2017 Summary of Complaints and Dispositions Received by the Middletown Twp. Police

In 2017, the Middletown Twp. Police Department Office of Professional Standards received a total of 13 complaints. 69.2% of the complaints came from citizen complainants. 31.8% were agency complaints. The complaints, categorized according to the New Jersey Attorney General Guidelines, included the following:

Type of Complaint	Anonymous Complaints	Civilian Complaints	Agency Complaints	Total
Excessive Force	0	1	0	1
Improper Arrest	0	0	0	0
Improper Entry	0	0	0	0
Improper Search	0	0	0	0
Other Criminal Violation	0	2	1	3
Differential Treatment	0	0	0	0
Demeanor	0	3	0	3
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0
Other Rule Violation*	1	2	3	6
Total	1	8	4	13

*As defined in the Types of Complaints section of the Attorney General Guidelines pertaining to Internal Affairs

Dispositions of complaints for 2017 include the following:

Disposition	Total
Sustained	2
Exonerated	1
Not Sustained	1
Unfounded	0
Administratively Closed	2
Total	6
Pending	9