

KENOSHA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT



2015 ANNUAL REPORT

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Sheriff's Introduction

When most people think about a law enforcement agency they probably think about getting pulled over for a traffic violation. While traffic enforcement is an important aspect of what we do, anyone at the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department can tell you that traffic enforcement is only one aspect of what goes on here.

Our deputies, of course, conduct traffic stops, but they are also responding to a vast range of calls, assisting our citizens in every day issues through life's twists and turns. Our deputies are responding to neighbor problems, burglaries, robberies, fights, family issues, car crashes, child abuse complaints, etc. Those are just our patrol deputies. We also have deputies who transport inmates around the county, state and to court. Deputies serve civil process (evictions, repositions, subpoenas), have positions in the county high schools (School Resource Officers), and teach safety to younger students (Drug Abuse Resistance Education, Deputy Friendly).

Our deputies are also involved in specialty teams that require extra time and commitment. Some of those teams include the Tactical Response Team, Dive Team, ATV Unit, Bicycle Unit, Honor Guard, Sheriff's Bomb Squad, and Marine Unit.

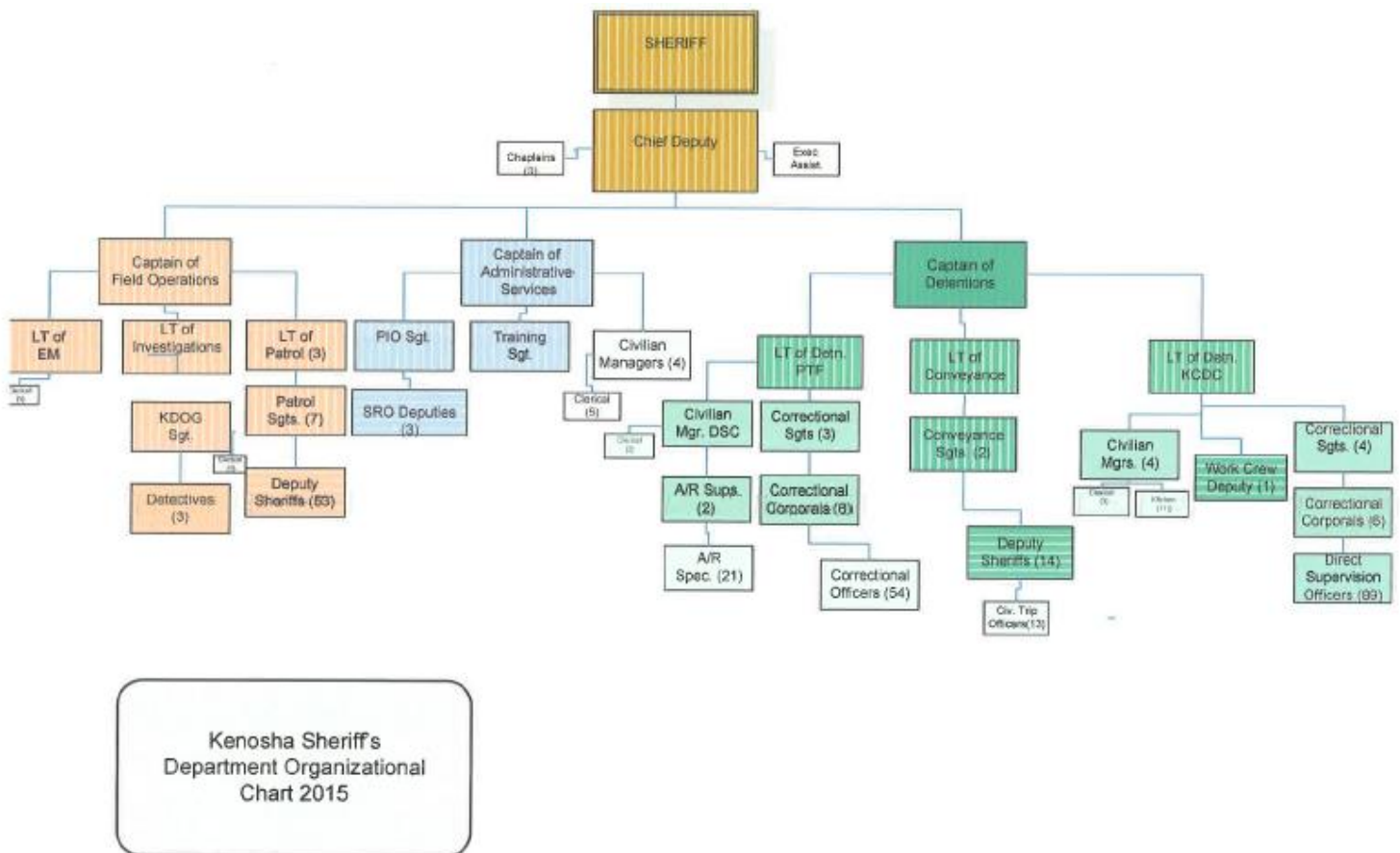
That is a really brief description of our sworn staff's functions. Two-thirds of the Sheriff's Department's budget is in the corrections area. Corrections are also two-thirds of our staff. Our corrections staff is responsible for maintaining the records, security and health of over 850 inmates in our two jail facilities. Kenosha County has the third largest jail in the State of Wisconsin. The men and women who work in the Sheriff's Department Corrections area make it possible to not only house those sentenced in Kenosha courts, but generate revenue by housing federal inmates. The hard work of these men and women make it possible for the Kenosha Sheriff's Department to generate revenue every year that offsets operating expenses and reduces the amount of money taxpayers contribute to the Sheriff's Department.

Contained in this report are more details of the tasks the employees of the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department accomplish every day, incidents that are far beyond issuing a traffic citation. Hopefully, a traffic stop is the only encounter citizens will have with most of our staff. I am proud of those who work at this department and proud of the service they deliver to Kenosha County's citizens.

Sincerely,

David G Beth
Sheriff – Kenosha County

Kenosha County Sheriff's Department Organizational Chart



Budget

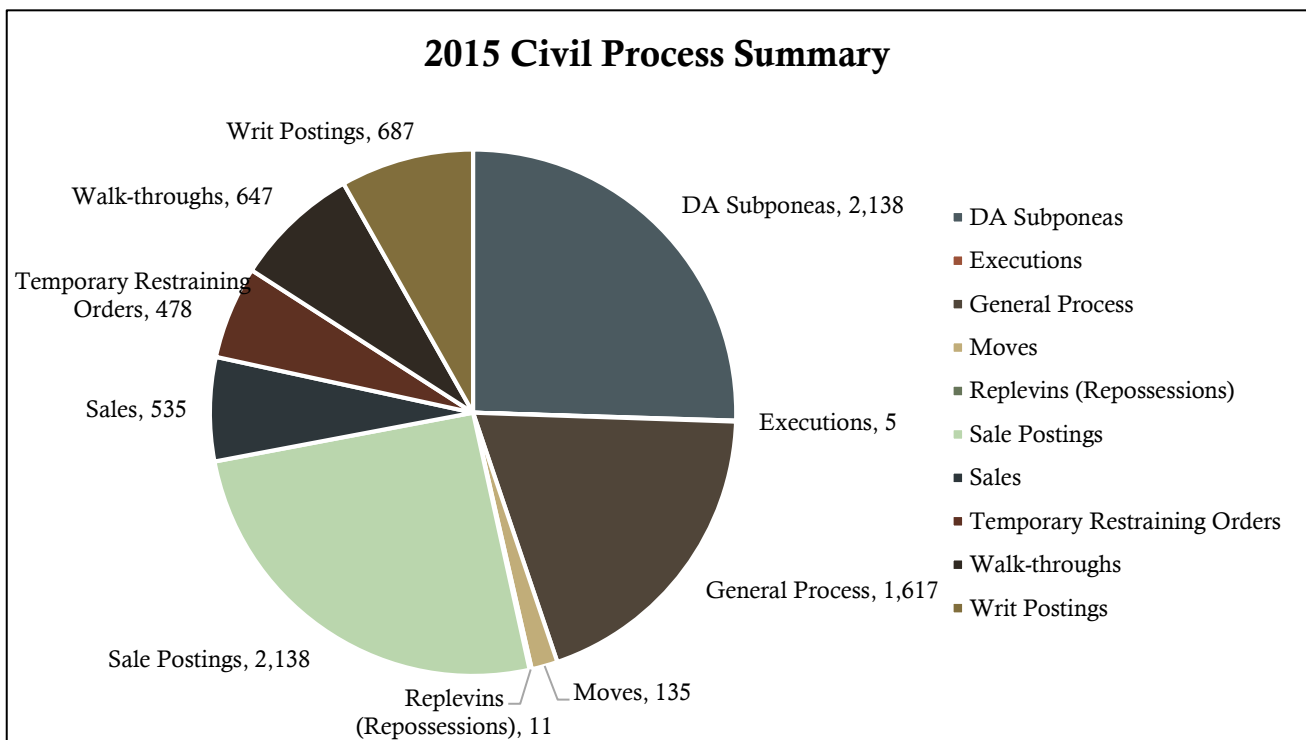
The Kenosha Sheriff's Department operating budget for 2015 is \$35,200,165 and a revenue budget for 2015 is \$9,301,849. The Kenosha Sheriff's Department has 343.2 Full Time Equivalent Positions.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Civil Process Summary

Wisconsin State Statute 59.27(4) requires the sheriff of a county to; *...serve or execute all processes, writs, precepts and orders... delivered to the sheriff."*

In short, this means that The Kenosha Sheriff's Department serves subpoenas, custody papers, evictions, foreclosures and multiple other court papers. Involved in that, is repossessing property and moving people and their possessions out of premises from which they have been evicted. In 2015, the Civil Process deputies and clerks were responsible for the following:



Total:	13,318.00
Total Revenue from Services:	\$154,610.00

Community Involvement

The Kenosha Sheriff's Department is actively involved in the Community. This year, we fulfilled over 50 requests for deputies to participate in public events. Sheriff David Beth also awards citizens and businesses for outstanding acts of service and Boy Scouts for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Sheriff's Awards

- In 2015, Sheriff Beth bestowed the Sheriff's Award to a woman named Jill Bein. Jill, a Chicago resident was on her way home with dozens of other people from a trip to Wisconsin on January 24th, 2015. She quickly responded in an emergency and was able to safely bring a commercial coach bus to a safe stop as it traveled on Interstate 94 in Kenosha County. The bus driver became incapacitated following a medical event. The bus had struck a concrete wall several times prior to Jill taking over the driver position and applying the brakes, steering everyone to safety.
- Tenuta's Delicatessen and Liquors received a Sheriff's Award from Sheriff Beth for its longstanding support of law enforcement and their continued kindness and generosity to the community.
- Paul Trombino, Jr, received a Sheriff's Award in recognition of his 26 Years of dedicated service on the Kenosha County Civil Service Commission January 21, 1988 to July 30, 2014.

One of the organizations the Sheriff's Department is very actively involved in is the **Frank Neighborhood Project**. The KSD family does clothing and hygiene drives for the students of Frank School, which is located a few blocks from the Public Safety Building. Additionally, Sheriff Beth invites the Frank Neighborhood kids to a picnic on his farm in Brighton each year. Sheriff Beth is also a very close friend of Santa Claus, who visits Frank School each year at Christmas time to distribute gifts donated by Walgreens and other community members.

Other ways the Sheriff's Department is involved in the Kenosha Community is by providing Drug and Alcohol Resistance Education (DARE) to 5th graders throughout the county. Deputies Rowe and Wright teach DARE in 21 schools throughout Kenosha County. Over 1000 students graduated from the DARE Program this year.

*The Sheriff's Department also utilizes many volunteers. Volunteers help with limited office tasks for some of the management staff, as well as helping in the library and enrichment classes in the Jail. **We really appreciate our volunteers!** For more information, call or email Sgt. Eric Klinkhammer eric.klinkhammer@kenoshacounty.org or (262) 605-5133.*

Emergency Management

The mission of Emergency Management (EM) is to mitigate known hazards, prepare for, respond to, and recover from both natural and man-made disasters that may occur in Kenosha County. The office exists under the requirements of Wisconsin State Statute 323, mandating that every county shall designate a head of Emergency Management.

The various responsibilities of Emergency Management are: developing and updating county-wide emergency plans, educating the public, conduct disaster and exercise drills, advise local municipalities during a disaster, coordinate damage assessment, maintain and test the warning siren system, assist in procuring resources, retain and update the plans of all facilities within the county that report the storage of hazardous materials, and maintain and develop an Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Planning

EM conducted a review and update of the Kenosha County Strategic Plan and the major city evacuation plan. Additionally, there were two regional projects. The first involved the development of a Recovery Annex for Kenosha's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP). The second involved working with UW Parkside students in the development of an Emergency Management App for public use. Kenosha EM hosted the UWP workgroup with a talk and tour of the EOC, 911 Dispatch Center, and Kenosha County IT department. The effort was to give the

workgroup firsthand knowledge of how EM functions, as well as the mechanics of Response, First Responders, Communications, and Technology.

In addition, the EM office assisted in the planning and coordination of radiological waste transports resulting from the de-commissioning of the Zion (IL) nuclear plant. The office coordinated with county and municipal departments as the sensitive shipments safely traversed the County.

Outreach

There were numerous community outreach events including: nine presentations on Severe Weather and Disaster Preparedness at Lance Middle school and two Tornado Spotter classes open to the public, conducted by meteorologist from the National Weather Service. EM coordinated the ongoing Public Private Partnership trainings for area businesses and public agencies. The office presented on preparedness with a local assisted living facility and school kids. Additional presentations were conducted at the Kenosha County Fair, Retirees' Health Care Fair at Local 72 Hall, and at the KSD Family Day event. In addition, the EM office co-sponsored the 2015 Kenosha County Safety Fair at Sam's Club in early fall.

Exercises

EM responded to a biohazard incident in Kenosha County Detentions. A detainee testing positive for tuberculosis resulted in an exposure concern throughout the facility. A partial on-site EOC was created involving representatives from Health, LE, EM, HSU, and Detentions. An incident action plan was created to isolate and test all potentially affected individuals and provide messaging to the public.

Collaborating with Wisconsin Emergency Management, the EM office facilitated an active shooter in a school scenario on April 1st, 2015 at Bristol grade school, completing a two-year effort. The exercise involved agencies from law enforcement, Fire/Rescue, Hospitals, Schools, Medical Examiner, and Emergency Management. In Mid-April, Kenosha County participated in a statewide tornado drill. Subsequently, the director

joined a contingent from the Kenosha Sheriff's Department as the group attended SIMCOM 2015, in Oshkosh, WI. The new mobile communications platform played an active role in the interoperability exercise. EM also played a role in updating the state's web-based hazmat reporting site (WHOPRS). The PA updated 7 site plans for hazardous materials (EPCRA), and created 1 new plan.

Grants

Organizational work began on the update to the Kenosha County Hazard Mitigation Plan, an 18-month long project grant totaling \$40,000.

Honor Guard

The Kenosha County Sheriff's Department takes great pride in our community, our department, and our deputies. Regularly, the Sheriff's Department is called on to have representation at various events. The Kenosha County Sheriff's Honor Guard represents the department at events such as: local parades, the Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony, and other engagements. The Honor Guard also attends funerals for fallen officers throughout the State of Wisconsin, as well as funerals for employees and retirees of the Sheriff's Department.

In 2015, Sheriff Beth authorized and personally assisted other members of his staff in designing new uniforms for the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department 12-member Honor Guard team. Along with the new uniforms, the Sheriff sent several Honor Guard members to additional training events to sharpen their skills and movements during the various events the Kenosha County Sheriff's Honor Guard participates in throughout the year.



DETENTIONS DIVISION

The Detentions Division of the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department is responsible for the operation of the county jail system and its supporting functions. Under the auspices of the Sheriff of Kenosha County, the Detentions Division controls the operation of the Adult Pre-Trial Detention Center and the Kenosha County Detention Center providing safe and secure housing to all persons remanded to the custody of the Kenosha County Sheriff.

Average Daily Population

- Average Daily Population: 682
- Total Number of Bookings 7,926
- Total Number of Releases: 7,958

2015 Average Monthly Populations for BICE /USM

	BICE	USM	Monthly Total
January	119	66	185
February	110	65	175
March	119	60	179
April	123	59	182
May	129	70	199
June	144	73	217
July	132	80	212
August	117	78	195
September	137	68	205
October	147	62	209
November	125	56	181
December	141	70	211
Average population per day			195.83

Detentions Programs

The Detentions Division of the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department services the secure detention needs of the criminal justice community, together with the public safety needs of the citizens of Kenosha County. This is accomplished by providing housing for pretrial detainees in a system of modern linear confinement, and sentenced persons in a direct supervision environment. All incarceration is managed by policies that hold inmates accountable for their behavior. This system of safe and appropriate housing of detainees is the product of Objective Inmate Classification, which determines risk levels. This safe and secure confinement includes responsible management, aided by community-based programming providing practical life skills exposure. This creates a perpetual goal of releasing persons from confinement back into the community in a condition no worse than when they first arrived.

Electronic Monitoring

The Electronic Monitoring program is used to track and supervise the locations of individuals who have been released to home confinement.

2015 Electronic Monitoring Average Daily Population	
January	39
February	39
March	28
April	28
May	32
June	29
July	24
August	19
September	22
October	19
November	17
December	12
Average Daily Population	26

Work Crew Program

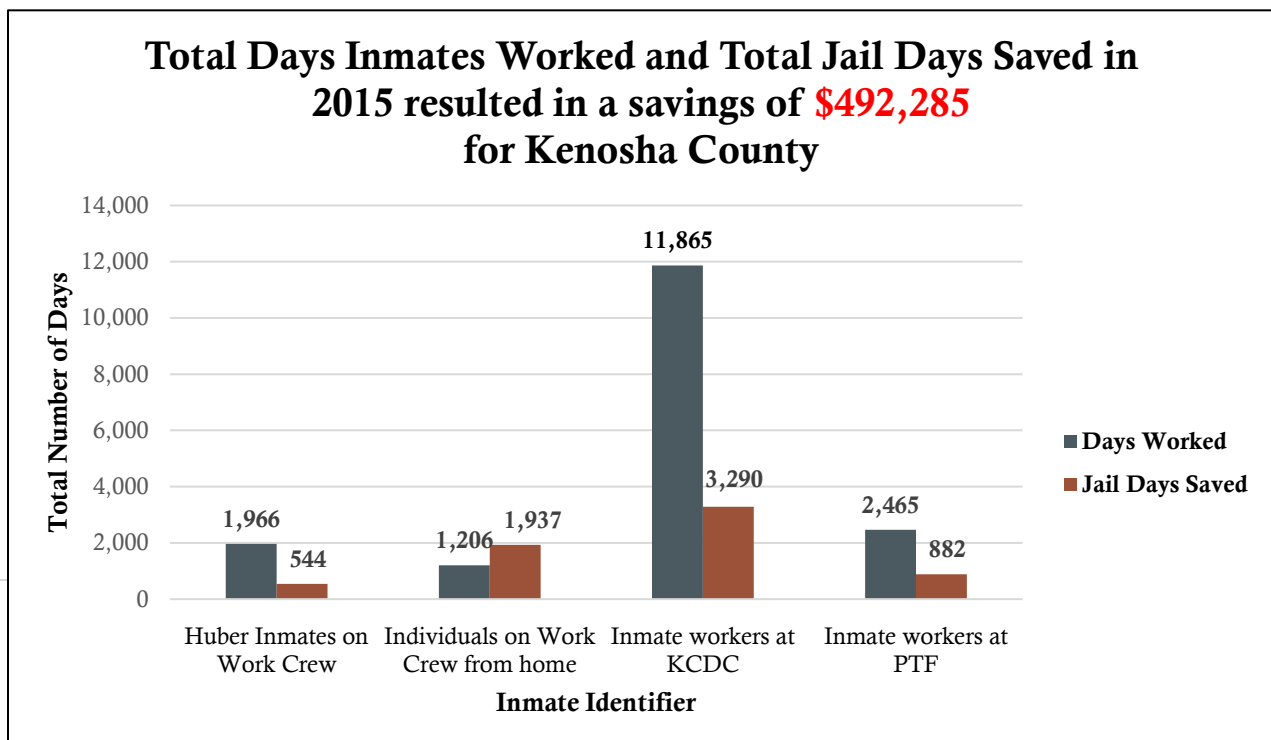
Primary Purpose of the Community Service Work Crew Program is to alleviate overcrowding in the County Jail, while at the same time, serving the community.

To have a successful program there has to be 100% cooperation with: Circuit Court Judges, District Attorney's office, Clerk of Courts, Municipality Courts and Jail staff. The program also relies upon non-profit locations with supervisors and two Deputy Sheriff's to enforce the program rules.

There are four types of people who participate on the work crew program.

1. Huber inmates who are unemployed.
2. Non- Huber sentenced inmates (used only inside for inmate workers)
3. People who are unable to pay a fine. (Person convicted of a forfeiture in which they were given time to pay a fine by the courts and the alternative would be serving County Jail time.)
4. Probation referrals

The individuals that are assigned to outside non-profit organizations are given the opportunity to work at no cost to the community while working towards repaying the debt accessed by the courts. The current jail work



days ratio used by the courts is ten days in the county Jail would be five days served on the work crew.

Living Free 2015

The Living Free Program is an 84-day intensive educational/group therapy program directed to 36 Males and 15 Females at a time. The program is available to all inmates on a volunteer basis. The Program is also offered to some inmates as an Alternative to Revocation (ATR) of Probation. Participants have three two-hour classes daily and homework that must be completed in order to graduate. All participants are expected to follow KCDC and Program rules. Instruction is provided by the following community agencies: Women and Children's Horizons, Moore and Associates, Hope Council, Kenosha County Job Center, Kenosha County Health Department, and Walkin' in My Shoes. The type of instruction provided includes: Life Skill, Domestic violence, Sexual Assault Education, Job Readiness, Anger Management AODA, Parenting, Maleness to Manhood, Criminal Thinking, Overcoming Problems Effectively, Employment Skills, and Health classes. Also provided are AA, NA and Bible study groups.

	Total Participants
Males participating in the Living Free Program <i>Graduated—72</i>	149
Male ATR's in the Living Free Program	37
Females participating in the Living Free Program <i>Graduated—27</i>	63
'Female ATR's in the Living Free Program	18
Total Participants	267

Educational Services

Kenosha County Detention Center provides classes for Kenosha Unified School students by providing a classroom as well as two KUSD teachers. One of the teachers is a Special Education teacher and the other is a General Education teacher. Students participate in classes from 8:45–

11:00 am and 1:00-3:15 pm daily. Teachers also visit students weekly at KCJ. They work with students up to the age of 21. They also run a summer school class with one teacher position. Inmate students are provided the same curriculum as regular KUSD students. Upon entry to the program, students' transcripts are assessed and a graduation plan is put into action. Students may graduate through earning traditional credits or the ITED alternative diploma. If students will not be returning to KUSD, they provide GED preparation but do not administer any GED testing.

Kenosha Unified School Male & Female 2015	84 Participants
Graduated KUSD 2015*	16 Graduated

**This number does not include students that were in the KUSD program at KCDC but were released to their schools and graduated from there.*

Wisconsin Community Services

The Kenosha Intoxicated Driver Intervention Program provides supervision for persons who have a second or subsequent Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) offense. The program is an effort to get the offender into treatment as soon as possible after arrest. Compliance with the program requirements and treatment may result in reduced jail sentence. The Kenosha Intoxicated Driver Intervention Program is aimed at reducing the rate of recidivism for repeat drunk drivers.

Program Statistics

There are numerous statistics available on the OWI Program, below are those of most frequent inquiry:

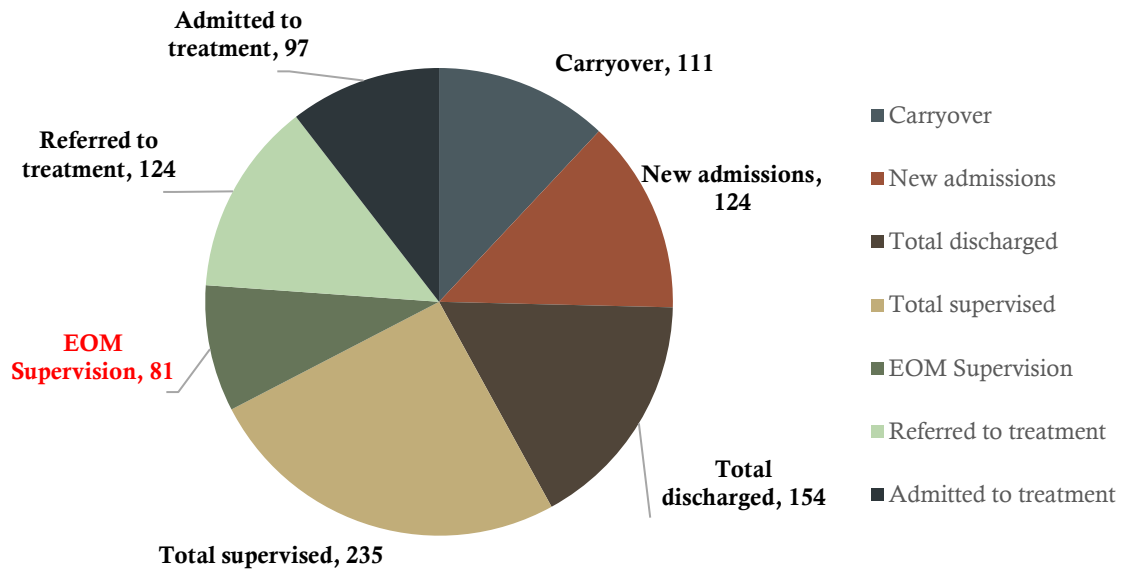
Recidivism rates:

- Re-arrested during supervision -2-
- Re-arrested after supervision completed -0-

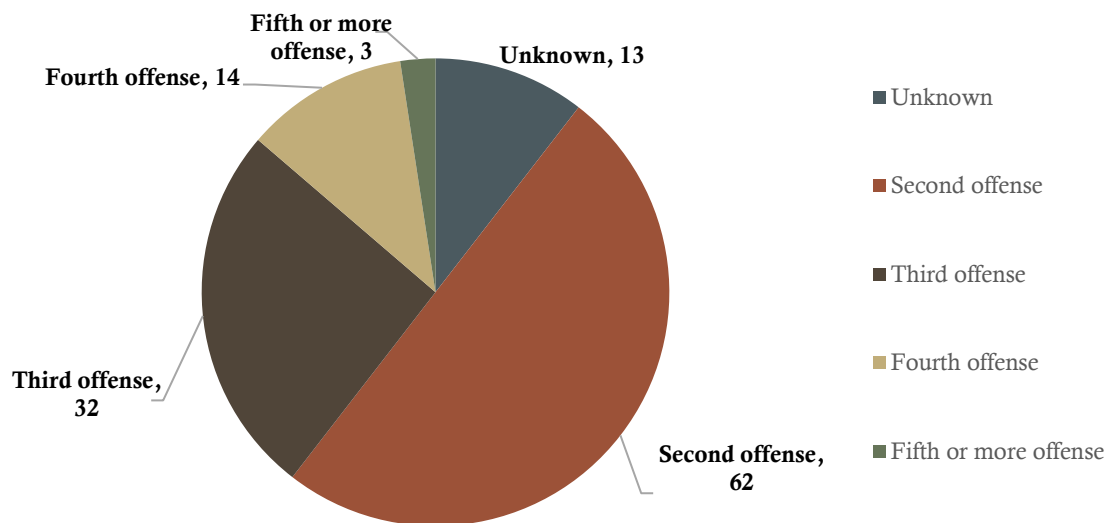
Gender

- Male— 91
- Female—33

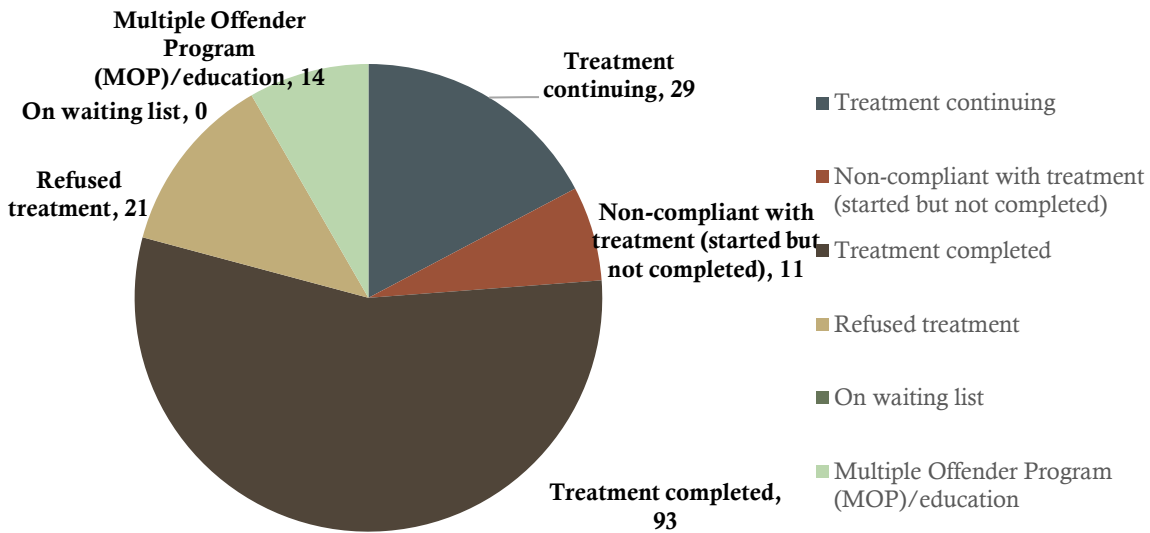
Program Activity



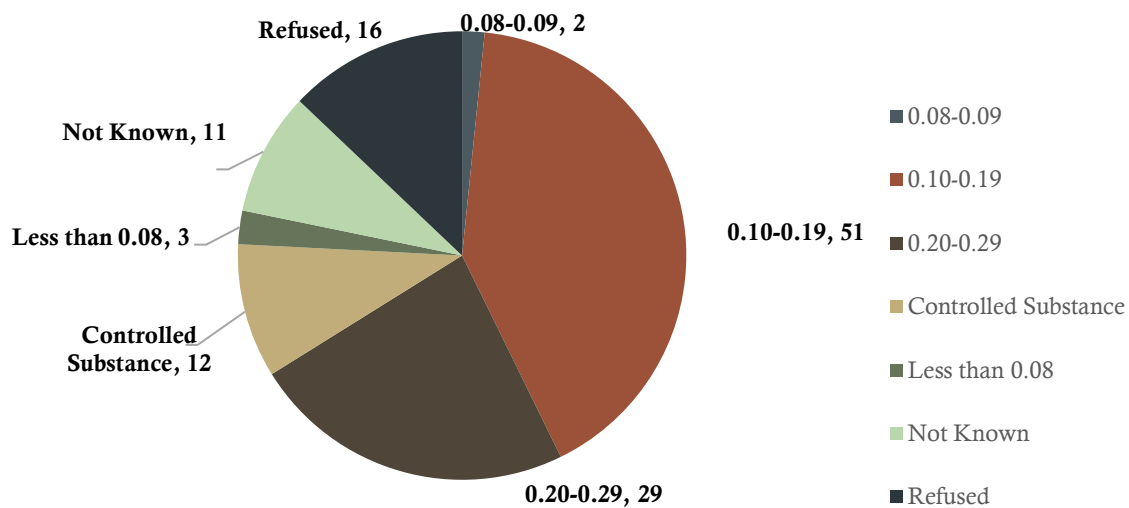
Offenses at Time of Admission



Treatment Outcomes at Discharge



Blood Alcohol Content upon admission



Conveyance Unit

Twelve Deputies and three sworn supervisors are responsible for the transport of inmates to court, medical appointments, and from institutions throughout the State of Wisconsin. These Deputies are an integral part of detention operations as well as the Circuit Court system. Together the personnel in are involved in over 7000 transports per year and over 200,000 miles travelled. This is done with the security and safety of the detained individuals as well as the public in mind.

2015 CONVEYANCE			
		HOURS	MILES
JANUARY		624	17263
FEBRUARY		514	15072
MARCH		606	17116
APRIL		596	17421
MAY		612	15680
JUNE		638	18102
JULY		680	17819
AUGUST		499	15095
SEPT.		617	17908
OCT.		596	18116
NOV.		566	16761
DEC.		549	15112
TOTALS		7097	201465

OPERATIONS DIVISION

Patrol

The patrol Division for the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department had 56 deputy sheriffs assigned to three shifts in 2015. The department has a Traffic Interdiction Unit (TIU) which allows deputies to concentrate enforcement in specific areas.

- 21 Deputies Assigned to 1st Shift
- 20 Deputies Assigned to 2nd Shift
- 15 Deputies Assigned to 3rd Shift

This staffing level not only covered all six districts of the county, but also covered the contracted municipalities for the Villages of Bristol and Paddock Lake. Deputies responded to 82,220 calls throughout the year.

In 2015, the three patrol shifts made a total of 15,351 arrests. This is a 1 percent decrease from 2013. A total of 12,465 traffic citations were issued and a total of 872 county ordinance violations were written.



On the criminal side, 597 felony arrests were made and 1,317 misdemeanor arrests were made. There were also an additional 408 juvenile arrests.

Contracted Law Enforcement Services

The Villages of Bristol, Paddock Lake and Silver Lake contract their Law Enforcement services through the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department for protection of the village residents and businesses. The deputies are able to patrol all sections of the villages and maintain high visibility which works as a deterrent of crime for the community. Each of the village halls provides office facilities for the deputy's use. Deputies are committed to policing the community and having a positive impact with residents and businesses alike.

Village of Bristol

Deputies have been providing contracted patrol services for the village since June 2008. During 2015, deputies issued 1436 citations which encompass various traffic violations. They also issue Village Ordinance violations that occur within the Village of Bristol. Criminal offenses are heard in Kenosha County Circuit Court.

Village of Paddock Lake

Deputies have been providing contacted patrol services for the village since 1981. In 2015, deputies issued 649 traffic violations. Deputies also issue Village Ordinance violations that occur within the village and enforce parking violations. All criminal violations are handled through Kenosha County Circuit Court.

Village of Silver Lake

Deputies recently began the providing contracted patrol services for the village in June of 2015. Throughout the remainder of 2015 a total of 389 citations were issued, as well as, local ordinance citations.

Sworn Staffing

KENOSHA SHERIFF ANNUAL SWORN STAFFING								
	Deputies	Detectives	Sergeants	Lieutenants	Captains	Chief Deputy	Sheriff	TOTAL
2010	76	14	12	8	2	1	1	114
2011	76	14	12	9	2	1	1	115
2012	76	14	12	9	2	1	1	115
2013	76	14	12	8	3	1	1	115
2014	76	14	12	8	3	1	1	115
2015	79	14	12	8	3	1	1	118

Major Events Summary

Every year, the Kenosha Sheriff's Department responds to many major events. Certainly, on a weekly basis there are events that deputies deal with that alter the lives of people in our community. 2015 was no different. Some of the more noteworthy events we were involved in were:

- **Commercial Bus Crash:** On January 24, Kenosha County Sheriff's Deputies to a Commercial Coach Bus crash in the 7500 block of the southbound lanes of Interstate 94 in Kenosha County, WI. At the time of the crash, the bus was traveling southbound on Interstate 94 returning from Milwaukee, WI enroute to the Chicago, IL area. The bus had 34 adult passengers on board at the time of the crash. The bus drifted into the western concrete wall along the right shoulder of Interstate 94 striking the wall approximately 2 to 3 times before coming to rest. A bus passenger named Jill Bein, of Chicago, IL was able to gain control of the bus after realizing the driver was no longer in the driver's seat.
- **Death of numerous calves:** On May 22, an investigation of animal abuse/neglect resulted in the discovery of at least 52 deceased calves in and around the barns on the property at 275-248th Avenue (STH 75). There were 15 live calves found at this location and were removed from the property and moved to a safe location in the area. The extensive investigation has also resulted in the discovery of a second scene. This is a farm also operated by the same family in Paris Township, Kenosha County. Investigation at this second scene has resulted in the discovery of at least 30 deceased calves in various states of decomposition. At least 100 live cattle were located at this farm as well.
- **Plane crash:** On July 26, the Winnebago County (WI) Sheriff's Department contacted the Kenosha County (WI) Sheriff's Department regarding an overdue aircraft. The Aircraft was described as a Zenith CH601XL airplane. The plane was last known to be enroute to the Annual EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Air Show in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The plane was approximately 20 hours overdue. Kenosha County Deputies immediately began a search for the missing plane along with the Wisconsin Civil Air Patrol. Civil Air Patrol personnel located a plane crash site at approximately 1238 hours in a grassy field several hundred yards south of a residence at 16807-60th Street in Kenosha County, WI. Two men were found in the crashed plane

deceased. There were no injuries to anyone on the ground and no buildings or property was damaged.

- **Deputy involved shooting incident:** On October 24, a Kenosha Deputy Sheriff was involved in a shooting. A 47-year old white male confronted Deputies with a shotgun and failed to drop the shotgun when ordered. One Deputy shot the man. No Sheriff Deputies were injured during this incident.
- **Arrest of Andrew Obregon:** On September 26, the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department began a death investigation along CTH A/ 7th Street in Paris Township in Kenosha County, WI. A man named Andrew Obregon, of the town of Brighton, WI was determined to be the suspect in this homicide investigation. Over the course of 2 ½ weeks, deputies from Racine and Kenosha counties engaged in several high-speed pursuits of Obregon. He was eventually arrested in Winthrop Harbor, IL following yet another high-speed pursuit in a stolen vehicle. He is currently awaiting trial for homicide charges.

Detective Bureau

The Detective Bureau received **1,068** cases to conduct follow-up on during 2015. The table below is a breakdown of some of the case activity received in the Detective Bureau.

The Detective Bureau was also responsible for over 437 electronic assistance related cases that do not result in arrests. They encompass producing CD's for interviews that are made from suspects being questioned by various officers and departments; downloading and archiving department related photographs from incidents that occur; providing copies of squad videos to various entities and also providing assistance to other agencies as well as the Kenosha Sheriff's Department itself with Jail Related Global Tel Link phone calls.

Kenosha Drug Operations Group

Detective Bureau Cases 2015

TYPE OF CASE	RECEIVED IN BUREAU	ASSIGNED TO DETECTIVES	CLOSED WITH ARRESTS	CLOSED FOR VARIOUS REASONS
Adult Sexual Assault	8	7	2	5
Aggravated Battery	4	3	1	2
Arson/Fire	14	14	2	12
Battery	9	8	7	2
Burglary	61	40	15	16
Child Abuse	11	9	0	7
Child Sexual Assault	31	31	6	19
Criminal Damage	30	7	0	29
Death Investigations	42	15	1	40
Disorderly Conduct	12	9	0	8
Forgery/Fraud	72	44	0	33
Narcotic/Drug Related Arrests (Not KDOG)	9	8	7	1
Thefts	126	50	14	25
TOTAL	429	245	55	196

Kenosha Drug Operation Group (KDOG)

In **2015**, the Kenosha Drug Operations Group (KDOG) initiated 232 drug cases. These cases resulted in 185 felony arrests and 49 misdemeanor arrests. KDOG conducted 69 search warrants and 140 controlled

purchases of drugs. KDOG investigations resulted in the seizure of approximately \$283,588 of drugs and cash.

Major KDOG Cases:

- In 2015, the Kenosha Drug Operations Group (KDOG) continued to target mid-to-high level drug trafficking organizations operating around the southeastern Wisconsin area. In addition to the heroin/opioid problem in the area, KDOG also began to identify and target large-scale methamphetamine traffickers. In one particular investigation, KDOG arrested four defendants and seized over 17 kilograms of methamphetamine following the execution of a search warrant at a residence being used as a clandestine conversion laboratory responsible for converting Mexican produced “crystal” methamphetamine into powder methamphetamine that would more closely resemble cocaine. In addition to the methamphetamine that was seized, investigators also seized various quantities of cocaine and marijuana, as well as a firearm and clan lab processing chemicals.
- In another successful joint investigation involving other Wisconsin HIDTA participating agencies such as the Racine County Drug Task Force and DEA, a large scale drug trafficking organization (DTO) known as “the Firm,” was dismantled after the arrest of 44 defendants and the execution of 12 federal and 13 state search warrants in the Kenosha and Racine areas. This DTO also had ties to the Gangster Disciples street gang. This DTO was known for its violence and drug trafficking. The investigation resulted in the seizure of over 800 grams of crack cocaine, 676 grams of heroin, 227 marijuana plants, 120 lbs. of marijuana, and 25 firearms. More importantly however, this investigation resulted in the complete dismantlement of this violent DTO that had been operating in southeastern Wisconsin since the 1990s.
- KDOG also continues to share drug-related intelligence with other agencies outside of Kenosha when received. For example, in 2015, KDOG received information that two females from Kenosha were

traveling to Oregon to transport a large quantities of high-grade marijuana back to Wisconsin. KDOG notified numerous agencies and based upon the intelligence provided, the females' vehicle was located and stopped in Minnesota. Inside the vehicle was 114 lbs. of marijuana. After that seizure of marijuana, KDOG then executed search warrants at the females' residences and seized over \$30,000 in drug proceeds, which the females later admitted was their payment for this particular trip.

- On September 26, 2015 at 1630 hours, selected members of the Kenosha Sheriff's TRT (Tactical Response Team) were activated to respond to southwestern Kenosha County calls for service possibly related to searching for three suspects involved in the slaying of a Fox Lake Police Department (Fox Lake, Illinois). Members of TRT accompanied KSD patrol squads regarding any suspicious persons on the roadways, subdivisions, and other dwellings. The TRT BearCat, Van, and three unmarked squads were utilized during this operation. TRT members responded to several suspicious persons and unsecure dwellings.

Bomb Squad

The Bomb Squad had an increase in activity in the year 2015 compared to 2014. The Bomb Squad had 17 call out/activations compared to 13 in 2014 to several agencies within and outside of Kenosha County. Each call out/activation in 2015 involved a variety of issues ranging from some type of homemade IED, to suspicious packages and recovering of old military ordinances and fireworks. Many agencies seek information on how to deal with bomb threats and consulting on suspicious packages that could be handled over the phone and did not require a squad response.

The Bomb Squad also assisted TRT with high-risk warrant services. The Bomb Squad is asked from time-to-time to execute an Explosive Breach on doors to allow a clear pathway for the tactical team to enter. The

Bomb Squad had several successful explosive breaches to residences with no reported injuries to any parties involved

ATV/ Snowmobile/Marine Units

The Kenosha Sheriff Department's ATV Marine, and Snowmobile Units were created to address the many concerns, complaints, and issues related to these recreational vehicles that occur within Kenosha County.

ATV Unit

The department's ATV's are utilized to patrol trails and large festival sites during the summer months. These ATV's are owned by the Sheriff's Department and are transported to sites utilizing their own trailer. This year the unit recorded **69.5 hours** of ATV-related issues within Kenosha County. These issues involve trespass complaints, illegal operation on roadways, accidents, and training classes. This year the Unit issued a total of **6** citations and **3** warnings for ATV violations under Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 23.

Through participation in the Wisconsin State Aid Program, the Kenosha Sheriff's Department has been reimbursed **\$2,138** for the program year 2014-2015, recovering **86.1%** of department costs.

Snowmobile Unit

The department's Snowmobile unit is utilized to patrol trails throughout Kenosha County. Two snowmobiles are owned by the Sheriff's Department. The unit's objective is to promote trail safety, investigate snowmobile accidents, and enforce Wisconsin State Statutes (Chapter 350) governing snowmobile operation. This year the Snowmobile Unit recorded **85 hours** relating to these issues. This year **15 citations** and **16 warnings** were issued.

Through participation in the Wisconsin State Aid Program, the Kenosha Sheriff's Department has been reimbursed **\$6,675** for program year 2014-2015, recovering **95.7%** of department costs.

Marine Unit

In 2015, the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department had 15 active members on the Marine Unit. Our vessels include a 26-foot Mako and a 17-foot Lund. We accumulated **153.25** patrol hours and issued **13** citations for various violations including slow no wake violations, registration violations, and operating without a valid safety certificate. Our primary operation was on Lake Michigan, but we also patrolled Camp Lake, Paddock Lake, Lake Shangri-La, Center Lake, and Silver Lake.

The Kenosha Sheriff's Marine Unit does receive some reimbursement for expenses related to the water patrol. In 2015 we received **\$18,049.68** in reimbursement from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, which was approximately **69.6%** of total costs.



K9 Units

The K9 units are responsible for numerous narcotics arrests every year especially along the I94 corridor which splits the east and west end of the County and is a High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area.

They also assist our patrol division and other agencies in the County with narcotic sniffs, tracking of wanted and missing persons and other K9 duties.



Tactical Response Team

In 1980, the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department recognized the need for a specially trained unit to handle critical incidents. These critical incidents ranged from high risk warrant service, hostage situations, barricaded gunman, suicidal subjects and more. Although Kenosha County Sheriff's Department patrol personnel are highly and continuously trained, the need for specialized equipment and tactics were sometimes required to resolve a dangerous situation.

The Tactical Response Team was originally trained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Currently the Department utilizes numerous resources available to it at the County, State and Federal levels to train its team members in the latest techniques available. The team trains twice a month. Members are required to maintain rigid standards of expertise and proficiency. This knowledge and capability of the Tactical Response Team is augmented by the newest equipment available, which includes less than lethal munitions.



As the needs of the community change, so will the operation and structure of the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department Tactical Response Team.

TRT Services for 2015 continued with their normal support of narcotic search warrants and apprehension warrants for the Kenosha Police Department and the Kenosha Drug Operations Group. In addition to providing tactical support, the Tactical Response Team prides itself in maintaining proficiency in tactics and equipment through monthly training. Each month the team focuses on a particular skill or technique to include: hostage rescue, warrant service, explosive entry, woodland operations, sniper deployment, vehicle assaults, and weapons proficiency. The Kenosha County Tactical Response Team is fortunate to be one of a select number of teams in the State of Wisconsin to utilize TEMS (Tactical EMS) and the use of explosive entry.

In addition to law enforcement duties, members of the Tactical Response Team attended several community functions. These functions provide opportunities where citizens can talk to officers and see the equipment currently utilized by TRT. TRT members also take part in the Kenosha County Sheriff's Department Citizens' Academy program.

Major TRT Cases 2015

- On April 28 at approximately 0600hrs the Kenosha County Tactical Response Team assisted the Drug Enforcement Administration and Kenosha Drug Operations Group with the service of a federal search warrant at an address in the city of Kenosha
- On May 19 at approximately 0450hrs the Kenosha County Tactical Response Team conducted service of a NO KNOCK Search Warrant obtained by the Kenosha Drug Operations Group. The suspect was the subject of a KDOG drug investigation. He was believed to have access to weapons including handguns and rifle. The suspect had four video surveillance cameras operational in order to monitor the front door and stairway to the apartment.

- On June 9 at approximately 0805hrs members of the Kenosha County Tactical Response Team assisted the Sheriff's Department Process Division with the service of an eviction at 7416-8th Ave in the City of Kenosha. The subject of the eviction was a proclaimed Sovereign Citizen and concerns were that he would be resistive to the eviction process.
- Five different TRT Deployments occurred in the first weeks of October involving the search for homicide suspect Andrew Obregon. TRT officers searched buildings and fields for Obregon spending many hours deployed during this tense situation.

Personnel

<i>New Employees</i>	
Deputy Sheriff	Correctional Officers
Kenneth Corn Adam Barnard David Kless Keith Kirwan Christopher Schneider Matthew Kasulke Michael Dummer Brandon Ergish Kimberly Gall	Robert Israel Marquis Griffen Vianey Perez Jeremiah Nordlund Steven Smith Timothy Pederson Edward Bielawski
Direct Supervision Officers	Casual Corrections Officers
Keith Soderstrom Christina Sumwalt Ryan Farrell Christopher Schmitz Richard Cole Daniel Balk Jr. Donald Armour IV Gary Konken Anna Dean	Robert Mickelson–PTF Edna Gross–KCDC

Admissions Release Specialists	Kitchen Staff
John Scott Karen Trujillo	Marina Randjelovic, P/T
<i>Promotions</i>	
Lieutenant Robert Croeker Sergeant Mark Malecki A/R Supervisor Michelle Hicks	
<i>Retirements</i>	
Lieutenant Mark Schlecht Deputy Allen Morris Deputy Pamela Daniels Correctional Officer Walter Kozel Direct Supervision Officer Frederick Storz Direct Supervision Officer David Simonsen	