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# ***FREEPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT***

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## INTRODUCTION LETTER TO THE 2004 ANNUAL REPORT

Last year the 2003 Freeport Police Department Annual Report indicated that the number of major crimes had decreased 5.5%. The crime reduction trend continued through 2004 during which the crime rate dropped another 8.24%. The cumulative effect of the efforts of the men and women of the Freeport Police Department over the last seven years has achieved a 40% reduction in the village's crime rate.

While reading this report you will realize that the reduction of crime is only a small part of the many accomplishments achieved by your Police Department. Many of our initiatives and programs focus on building a foundation for future improvements to improve the quality of life for all residents. Partnerships with other law enforcement agencies and community organizations continue to grow. A revitalized citizen crime prevention effort has taken root and flourished as the Freeport Community Block Watch Organization.

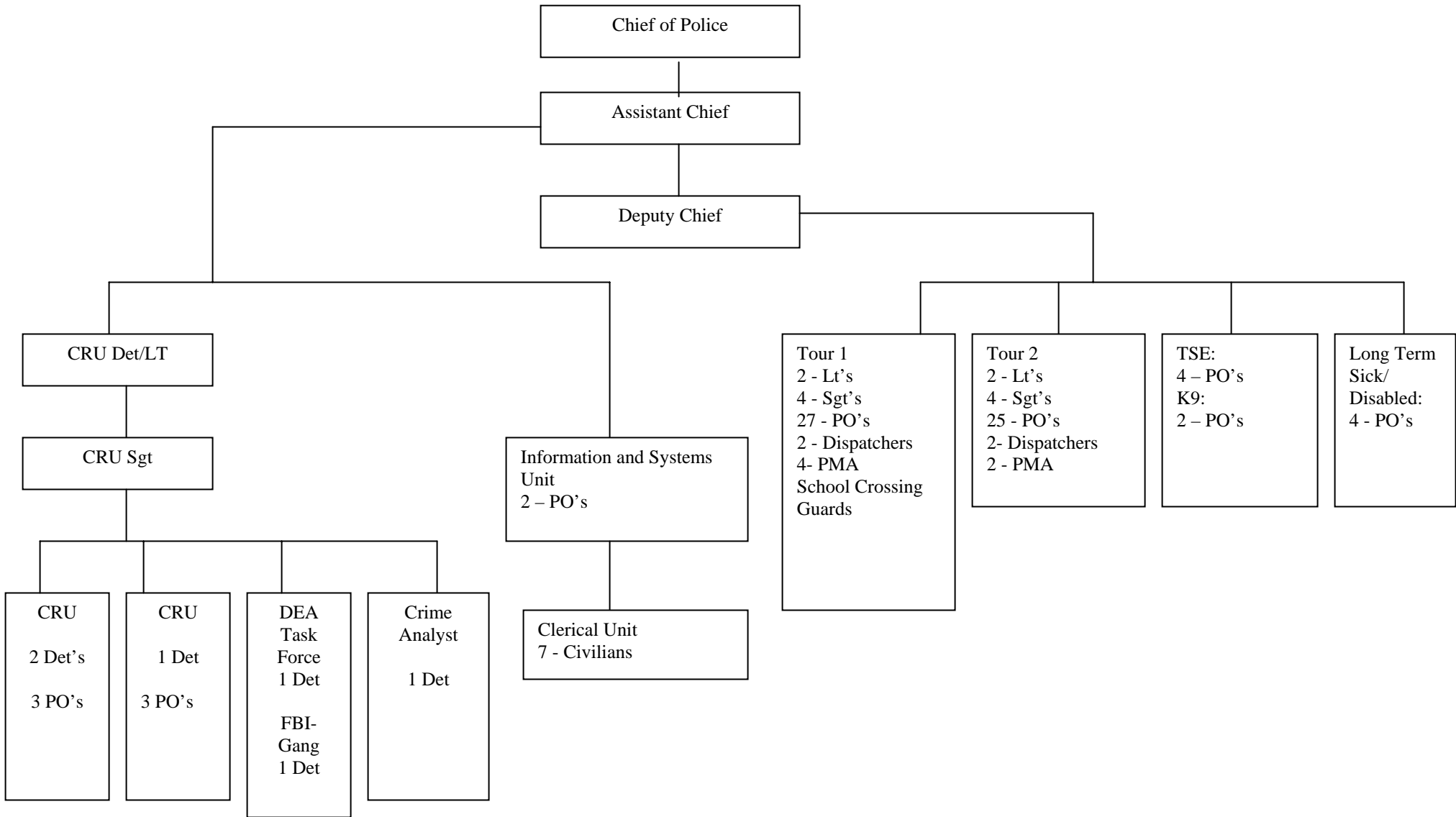
The nucleus of our success is the dedication exhibited by each member of the Freeport Police Department. Every School Crossing Guard, Parking Enforcement Agent, Clerical Staff Person, Communications Operator, Police Officer, to Supervisor contributes to making Freeport a better and safer place. I thank each of them for their continued commitment. I also want to express my appreciation to Mayor Glacken, Dep. Mayor Frierson, Trustees Miller, White and Mauersberger, for their unwavering support. Our gratitude also to Sen. Charles Fuschillo for the assistance, grants and equipment he provides each year to further the Police Department's ability to serve you.

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Throughout 2004 the department's Table of Organization was comprised of:

One	(1)	Chief of Police
One	(1)	Assistant Chief of Police
One	(1)	Deputy Chief of Police
One	(1)	Detective Lieutenant
Four	(4)	Watch Commander/Lieutenants
Nine	(9)	Patrol Supervisor/Sergeants
Six	(6)	Detectives
Two	(2)	Computer Unit/Police Officers
Sixty-Seven	<u>(67)</u>	Police Officers
	92	
Four	(4)	Civilian Dispatchers
Six	(6)	Parking Meter Attendants
Seven	(7)	Clerks
Twenty-Two	(22)	School Crossing Guards
Eight	(8)	Auxiliary Police Officers (volunteers)

# Freeport Police Department Organization Chart



Interaction with the schools and community-based organizations has continued throughout 2004 . Involvement with the Freeport Schools includes participation in the following programs:

- 1) Freeport Schools Safety Committee, made up of the principals of the Dodd Middle School, Freeport High School, the superintendent of schools, Nassau County Police Department and Freeport Police Department, to develop and implement resolutions for school safety issues,
- 2) The Freeport Working Officials Group, which is comprised of Mayor Glacken, Trustee Mauersberger, Dr. Eversley, the police chief, DA's Office, school board members Joe Catano and Ron Ellerbee, school administrative staff, clergy, E.O.C, Operation Pride, Freeport PTA, formed for the purpose of initiating a community wide effort to address street gang concern. In 2004 this committee had made Gang Awareness presentations to each public school's PTA, many civic associations and business organizations. In addition it developed and distributed a GUIDE TO SCHOOL & YOUTH ACTIVITIES. The guide is in both English and Spanish. It was paid for by donations from; Freeport Motor Inn & Boatel, Al Grovers High & Dry Marina, Compare Foods, L.I. Checker Cab, and Crow's Nest Cove Mini Golf,
- 3) Teens on the Job Long Island Mentoring Partnership a mentoring program for High School Students. 2004 was our seventh year in the program.
- 4) Adopt A Cop Program, which now includes ALL elementary schools in the Freeport School District,
- 5) The School To Career Advisory Board and the Work Attitude, Ethics and Safety Committee,
- 6) The Parent Child Home Program & Child Safety Presentation at Columbus Avenue School,
- 7) Moving-up ceremonies at the elementary schools,
- 8) Annual International Day at Giblyn School,
- 9) Rocket Into Reading at Giblyn School,
- 10) Staff Development Day at Freeport High School,
- 11) Safe Schools Healthy Students Committee participant,
- 12) Dodd Middle School Police Mentor Program that includes weekly lunchtime meetings and weekend sports or social activities with officers who have volunteered to be part of the program. These officers received training as mentors via B.O.C.E.S. through the Safe Schools Healthy Students Committee.
- 13) Presentation to NETCOM-Networking and Communication for Long Island Schools and Agencies Working With "at risk" Children & Families at the Woodward School,
- 14) Presentations at numerous Freeport School PTA meetings,
- 15) Career Days at Atkinson, Dodd Middle and Bayview Ave. Schools
- 16) K-9 presentation to the Freeport Head Start,
- 17) International Day & Luncheon at Giblyn School,
- 18) Safe Schools/Healthy Students Advisory Council,
- 19) Freeport Schools parents of "at risk" youth support group workshop

- 20) Student workshop on "What To Do When Stopped By Police" in conjunction with the Nassau County District Attorney's Rising Star Program,
- 21) Working Officials Group Gang Awareness presentations,
- 22) Gang Awareness Suppression & Prevention presentation to Freeport School District Adult Education English as a Second Language Program students,
- 23) Freeport High School Hispanic Heritage Assembly,
- 24) Non-violent Conflict Resolution and Forgiveness assembly at Dodd Middle School,
- 25) 2nd Annual Freeport Public Schools First Day Celebration,
- 26) AAA Schools Open-Drive Carefully Campaign,
- 27) Atkinson School Health Fair,
- 28) Freeport High School Human Rights Day,
- 29) Freeport Family Literacy Program,
- 30) Freeport School District Superintendent's Key Communicator Program,
- 31) Baldwin School District Superintendent's Key Communicator Program,
- 32) Freeport School District Safe Schools Against Violence in Education Program (SAVE).

#### COMMUNITY-POLICE PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION

- 1) Members of the department's Community Response Unit (C.R.U.) have performed interactive workshops for Operation Pride, Junior and Senior High Schools, and other youth outreach programs, which included role-playing for the purpose of helping to establish guidelines for persons stopped by the police.
- 2) Pedestrian Safety Presentation for the Mercy Health Center Genesis Club in Freeport
- 3) Policing In Freeport presentation to the Freeport Chamber of Commerce
- 4) Tours of the Freeport Police Station House were conducted for numerous scout, student and visiting groups
- 5) C.R.U. members attended two Community Town Meetings at the Freeport Public Library
- 6) Personal Security at Home, at Work and in Our Community presentation to the staff at the Freeport Social Security office
- 7) Library Security & Staff Safety presentation to the Freeport Library staff
- 8) Nassau County Equal Opportunity Commission Anti-gang Violence/Anti-HIV/AIDS Conference
- 9) Development of Police/Community Interaction Role Playing Seminar in conjunction with NCPD
- 10) Gang Awareness Seminar at Hofstra University February 2004
- 11) Gang Awareness Seminar at Hofstra University November 2004
- 12) Helping End Violence Now (HEVN) Coalition
- 13) Presentation to Briarcliff College Criminal Justice students on the Freeport Police Department
- 14) Church of God in Christ Little Zion sponsored sessions on HIV/substance abuse
- 15) Village of Freeport Memorial Day Observance parade and services

- 16) Roosevelt/Freeport EOC Youth Council Youth Awareness Day
- 17) Nassau County Commission on Human Rights 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Human Rights Awareness Conference
- 18) Freeport American Legion Veteran's Day observance
- 19) Freeport Chamber of Commerce
- 20) Woodcleft Ave. restaurant and commercial boat owners Village Ordinance meeting and Nautical Festival meeting
- 21) Chamber of Commerce
- 22) Northeast Freeport Civic Association
- 23) Freeport Pride
- 24) PAL Canoe Races
- 25) Freeport Parent Expo at the Freeport Recreation Center
- 26) NYS Department of Correctional Services Youth Assistance Program
- 27) Nassau County Dept. of Social Services Children's Protective Services Program
- 28) Freeport Memorial Library Reading is Fundamental Program
- 29) Stearns Park Civic Association
- 30) Freeport High School Korean War Memorial Ceremony
- 31) Church of God in Christ Little Zion Readers Become Leaders Program
- 32) NYS Office of Public Security Executive Committee Zone One Member
- 33) Toys of Hope 4 Little Ones
- 34) HEVN Coalition meetings
- 35) Education and Assistance Corp. Freeport Child Passenger Safety Event

The achievements described herein are realized as a result of the collective effort of each and every member of the Freeport Police Department. Each member is assigned to a unit within the organization for the purpose of performing a task or function responsibility.

The Police Department consists of the following division or units:

- 1) The Patrol Division which has the largest assignment of personnel and also includes K-9, Traffic Enforcement, Marine Patrol Officers and Civilian Communication Dispatchers
- 2) Community Response Unit, made up of members of the old Detective Division with additional personnel from the Patrol Division
- 3) Information Systems Unit that also includes the Clerical Unit, Civilian Parking Enforcement persons, and School Crossing Guards.

Anecdotal information on each of the above is included in the following pages of this report.

### **PATROL DIVISION**

The first responders to any type of request for police assistance are the uniform personnel of the Patrol Division. They are the most visible representatives of the Police Department. The conduct and manner of each individual officer's performance is the best indicator of the Police Department's commitment to fulfilling the spirit and intent of our Mission Statement.

While most of the police work performed by members of the Patrol Division is exciting and frequently stressful, the more mundane issues are also a priority. Ensuring compliance with the myriad of laws, rules, regulations, policies and procedures, performing equipment and vehicle inspections before each tour, safeguarding evidence or crime scenes, writing clear, concise and complete reports are just a few of the routine but never the less important performance requirements expected of each officer.

These men and women need to present a calm demeanor, patience, expertise and courage in the face of the most trying types of situations. They do this around the clock in all kinds of weather to meet the needs of the public they serve. These officers wear bullet resistant vests under their uniforms, working outdoors at accidents, disturbances, investigations and many other types of assignments for prolonged periods in excruciating heat or conversely in extreme cold and snow or other treacherous conditions. They face danger from circumstances that are only limited by human imagination and the weapons available.

Since September 11, 2001, international terrorism gives them new responsibilities as first responders to attacks which may involve chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear or explosive threats. They train to try to prevent these attacks from happening, and prepare to respond to whatever type of threat is directed at our society. Working holidays, birthdays, weekends and missing family events are just some of the sacrifices these officers endure. They do this because they are dedicated and care about the public. They make a difference.

Over the past ten years the dynamics of policing have changed dramatically. The police response to domestic violence has changed from documentation to immediate intervention which, if the circumstances encountered meet the level of proof required for an arrest, the investigating officers will effect an arrest. Within the past three years the Freeport Police Department has partnered with the Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence to act as an advocate for victims of this violence. Our Use of Force training has become state of the art and recognized as a model for other police departments by the U.S. Dept. of Justice Civil Rights Division Community Relations Unit. Freeport Police Department has been recognized by the Nassau County District Attorney's Office for its many innovative programs designed to address the growing street gang problem in Nassau County. These include the Adopt A Cop program, Middle School Mentoring program and the Police Dept. membership on the Working Officials Group Committee. The development of HIV/AIDS, Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis and other communicable diseases requires specialized training along with the acquisition and training with specialized equipment, policies and procedures unique to each of these medical conditions.

Even the standard equipment in the patrol cars has changed. Patrol Division vehicles are equipped with Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs), Mobile Video Recorders (MVRs), lap top computers with broad data base access and combination oxygen/first aid kits. Each police

officer is trained as a Certified First Responder. As society's needs and its expectations change, Freeport police officers will meet these new challenges.

The presence of persons involved in gangs in the village continues to receive priority attention of all of the members of the police department. Patrol Division officers and Community Response Unit members frequently attend community meetings to gain further insight into resident concerns while explaining our programs such as Gang Awareness, Suppression & Prevention Program, Adopt A Cop Program, Middle School Communication & Activity Mentoring Program.

Our participation in the Village of Freeport Over occupancy Task force has facilitated the discovery of multiple dangerous housing units where the tenants have been exposed to unsafe living conditions and exploited financially by unscrupulous landlords. These landlords are prosecuted through the combined efforts of the Freeport Building Dept. and the Village Attorney's Office. Throughout 2004 police officers have assisted the Building Department with executing Village Court Search Warrants in furtherance of prosecution illegally over occupied houses.

In 2004, the Freeport Police Department joined with the Nassau County Police Department in their Security/Police Information Network (SPIN). SPIN is a crime prevention partnership to share important and timely information which is related to public safety between law enforcement and private security personnel.

Development Independent of Gangs Program and the Home Visit Program which focus on this issue. These officers also conduct "zero tolerance" enforcement on any observed violation of law with emphasis on persons affiliated with gangs.

An investigative stop of any person is documented on a Field Interview (FI) form, which is forwarded to members of the C.R.U. for evaluation and information sharing department-wide. Field Interview reports involving gang members have become an invaluable source for police gang suppression efforts in tracking gang members' suspicious activities and gang associates.

Within the Patrol Division, four officers are assigned to the department's Traffic Safety Enforcement Unit (TSE). These officers perform speed limit compliance enforcement using radar equipped unmarked police cars. They also perform enhanced traffic enforcement in select areas throughout the village at intersections with high accident rates or in response to resident complaints. With over ten miles of navigable waters in Freeport, during the summer months two of these officers are assigned to perform marine patrol of residential canals and the village waterways.

In addition to a TSE Unit, the Patrol Division also has two officers assigned as K-9 officers. Each of these officers, with their respective canine partners, are trained as tracking dogs for the purpose of locating missing or wanted persons and evidence recovery. Complimenting their core skills, each K-9 unit has a special detection ability. One is trained to detect drugs while the other is a certified bomb detection dog.



In August of 2004 both Freeport Police Department K-9 units were deployed to New York City to assist the N.Y.P.D. with security during the Republican National Convention

During 2004 Freeport police officers responded to over 32,514 assignments.

**Community Response Unit**  
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The purpose of the C.R.U. is to respond to the community needs in order to provide an improvement in the Quality of Life for all the residents of the Incorporated Village of Freeport. The Freeport Police Departments C.R.U., or Community Response Unit, is made up of four Detectives and six Police Officers. The Police Officers are assigned to the unit for a period of two years. At the completion of their two-year assignment, the Officers are reassigned to the Patrol Division, hopefully with a better understanding of how to meet and provide the type of policing that the community requires and deserves.

In 2004 C.R.U. placed a major emphasis on the following:

- 1.) Street Gangs – In 2004 the C.R.U. investigated 14 gang related crimes, resulting in the arrest of 23 gang members. CRU not only investigates gang related crimes, they also maintain an intelligence data base on all known members, those suspected of being members, and those associated with the several gangs operating within the Village of Freeport. Along those lines the CRU conducts what are called “**Home Visits**”. These are visits made by CRU members to the homes of known or suspected gang members. There are several purposes to these “Visits”. First of all, it lets the gang members know that the Police are aware of their involvement in gangs. Second, it lets the families of these gang members know about the involvement of their sons, daughters, or siblings. Thirdly, it provides an opportunity to talk to these individuals and their families to explain the down side of being affiliated with, or associated with, these gangs and offers them an opportunity to disassociate and distance themselves from these gangs. In 2004 CRU conducted **30 “Home Visits”**. CRU members also spend several days a year inside Freeport High School conducting Gang Intervention meetings with the students during their lunch periods.
- 2.) Narcotics – CRU made 50 Drug Arrests, conducted 22 Confidential Narcotic Investigations, and an additional 35 investigations, all of which resulted in the seizure of quantities of Crack, Cocaine, Marihuana, Heroin, and Ecstasy. Also seized were U.S. Currency and two motor vehicles.
- 3.) Sex Offenders – Detectives from the CRU unit maintain and monitor all registered Sex Offenders living within the Village of Freeport. In 2004 Freeport had 46 Sex Offenders registered as living in Freeport. During the course of the year two left the Village, leaving us with 44. Thirty (30) investigations were done during the year for Sex Offender Registry Verification. There were no arrests for Failure to Register. Copies of the Sex Offender registry are given to the Freeport Schools Superintendent, The Freeport Library, and The Hi - Hello School.
- 4.) Community Relations - Members of CRU gave crime prevention and gang presentations at the following locations;
  - a.) Roosevelt High School

- b.) Hofstra – Gang Awareness
  - c.) Hofstra – Youth Violence and Gang Awareness
  - d.) Parent Expo – Freeport Recreation Center
  - e.) HEVN– Gangs
  - f.) Freeport High School – Gang Awareness
  - g.) Hofstra – Street Encounter Workshop
- 5.) Interdepartmental Operations. – CRU continuously works with other departments and agencies within the Village, County, State, and Federal Government. In 2004 CRU conducted joint operations with the following;
- a.) Freeport Building Dept.
  - b.) U.S. Marshall’s Task Force
  - c.) N.Y.S. Probation – Operation Night Watch (Bi monthly patrols)
  - d.) N.Y.S. Parole
  - e.) NCPD Narcotics Squad
  - f.) Drug Enforcement Agency
  - g.) Nassau County District Attorneys Office
  - h.) State Liquor Authority
- 6.) Quality of Life Offenses;
- a.) Weapons Offenses – 6 Arrests
  - b.) Village Ordinances – 111 Summonses Issued
  - c.) Village Warrants (Building & Health) - 2
  - d.) N.Y.S. Alcoholic Beverage Control - 2 Arrests, 12 Referrals (Violations)
  - e.) Traffic Summonses – 726
  - f.) Parking Summonses – 85
  - g.) Field Interviews - 74
- 7.) Training & Education – CRU Officers, like all FPD officers receive training in Firearms and Use of Force twice a year. CRU Officers also attended the following training Seminars and Conferences;
- a.) NCPD Auto Crime School
  - b.) Maglocen Gang Information Conference – Baltimore, MD
  - c.) International Narcotics Enforcement Officer Assoc. – Miami, FL
  - d.) Fraternal Order of Police – Gang Interdiction
  - e.) Maglocen Crime Analyst Seminar
  - f.) Identity Theft Seminar - FOP

**MARINE BUREAU**

The Village of Freeport has over 10 miles of navigable coastline comprised of many bays and canals. Along these waterways exists a mixture of commercial fishing vessels, wholesale/retail seafood markets, restaurants, new and used boat dealerships, boat yards, marinas, parks and residential housing. Each summer the waterways are filled with all types of boats, from jet skis to yachts, and commercial fishing boats to an offshore casino/gambling ship. During the fall, winter and spring seasons these waters are patrolled part time by the Nassau County Marine Unit, the U.S.C.G. and Town of Hempstead Bay Constable. In the summer, the Freeport Police boat performs dedicated patrol of our canals and bays.

In 2003 the Freeport Police Department took delivery of a new Boston Whaler Impact Model Enforcement/Rescue boat. This is the first boat of its type on Long Island after it had been successfully tested for over a year by the N.J. State Police. The new police boat has the stability of a rigid hull inflatable with more durability. The collar, which is inflated on other vessels and subject to puncture failure, is a sectional solid foam core on our boat. Any damage to one section can easily be replaced. Further, the new boat is equipped with a rescue door that opens at water level to facilitate a one-person rescue of a distressed or injured person from the water. In addition, the boat is specifically designed for marine enforcement and rescue. It is not a standard recreational model that has been altered slightly by a municipality and pressed into a use it is not readily capable of performing.

During 2004 the Freeport Police Department Marine Unit became an active member of SARCOM which is a joint Search And Rescue Combined Operation Management effort of all Law Enforcement Agencies with Marine Assets in Nassau County.

### **INFORMATION AND SYSTEMS UNIT**

The Information and Systems Unit consists of two police officers. The unit oversees the daily operation of the police computer systems, which consists of three file servers, 30 Dell Optiplex desktop workstations and 30 Dell Latitude laptops. The department uses IMPACT as its police

records management and dispatching software. This software streamlines the process from the time a call for service is received until a disposition is made. In 2005 the department plans on deploying a new records management system called Total Enforcement from Total Computer Inc.

All patrol and supervisor police vehicles are equipped with a Dell laptop computer. The laptops communicate with police headquarters using Cellular Digital Packet Data (CDPD) technology through the Verizon cellular network. This provides officers the capability of performing DMV inquiries, warrant checks, text messaging and the entry of police reports from the vehicle. In 2005, the department plans on upgrading its wireless communications to Verizon EVDO for faster and more reliable data communications.

The unit is responsible for the Enhanced 911 telephone system and interface. This system provides headquarters personnel with the exact location of all calls received through 911. This is helpful when the caller is unable to communicate their location due to a medical emergency, fear or confusion. All phone calls received by the department as well as all radio transmissions are recorded by a Nice Systems digital recorder using DVD disks for storage. The Information and Systems Unit provided the District Attorney's Office with over 61 copies of radio and phone transmissions for 2004.

All police vehicles are also equipped with the Kustom Signals Eyewitness video system. The Eyewitness system consists of a video camera and recorder. The Information and Systems Unit is responsible for the maintenance of this equipment. In the future, the department plans on using digital and wireless technology for storage of video data.

In 2004, the unit designed a video surveillance system that will be deployed in high crime areas in early 2005. This system consists of three (3) wireless video cameras, and can be controlled by officers at the police desk in headquarters. All video data is recorded for later review.

The unit is also responsible for the maintenance, downloading and analysis of data retrieved from the AED (Automated External Defibrillator) units, which are carried in every vehicle and are used during aided cases involving cardiac arrest. In 2004, the defibrillators were used eighteen (18) times.

The unit oversees the Police Clerical office that maintains all records for the department. The Clerical Office is comprised of seven clerical workers. All reports are stored in police clerical. Clerical personnel provide the public with copies of accident and police reports when requested. In 2004 the clerical office processed over 1000 Freedom of Information requests.

## **AN OVERVIEW OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE TO TERRORISM & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

The four major components to counter terrorism and enhance resident safety are:

1) Prevention

- 2) Awareness Planning
- 3) Incident Response
- 4) Recovery

1) Prevention

In an effort to meet each of these objectives, the Freeport Police Department has access to federal, state and international intelligence resources. New York State Department of Public Security has provided the Freeport Police Department with a dedicated Counter Terrorism Network computer. This system allows us to receive timely intelligence notifications for the purpose of directing our resources to focus on a specific type of potential threat or seek intelligence about possible terrorists. The police department with the Freeport Fire Department sponsored a joint training session on INCIDENT RESPONSE TO TERRORIST BOMBINGS given on site by New Mexico Tech, a member of the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium. The U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security paid for the training.

The police department is a member of the Long Island Satellite Intelligence Center based at the Suffolk County Police Department Headquarters. The purpose of the center is to "provide accurate and topical intelligence to all levels of local law enforcement in order to augment investigations, enhance homeland security, and assist in the apprehension of wanted individuals".

NYS Senator Charles Fuschillo had secured a grant of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of installing an expandable video observation system with three remote video only cameras. The system has the ability of monitoring areas for Homeland Security and crime prevention purposes. The system became operational in 2004.

2) Planning

To facilitate awareness planning, Mayor Glacken has formed a Public Safety & Security Committee, which is comprised of all Village Department Heads and chaired by Assistant Police Chief Arthur Burdette. During 2004 a REVERSE 911 system was obtained and deployed through the efforts of this committee. The R-911 allows different village agencies to contact residents through their phone to report important information. The system was first used during a severe snowstorm during the early winter in 2004. The committee has also formulated other ideas and suggestions which are in the planning stage as the year closes.

A priority of this effort is the development of an enhanced communications capability to keep the public informed of important developments and provide essential safety information in addition to TV and radio station broadcasts. In most cases, sheltering in place and having a safety and provisions kit will be the recommended course of action. To prepare this kit, please follow the recommended guide in the YELLOW BOOK under the title Hurricane Safety & Preparedness. If you want a list of recommended items for a kit or other emergency preparedness information, please contact the Village of Freeport Emergency Management office at (516) 377-2188.

The department was also successful in obtaining Homeland Security Grants which have provided funding for increased patrol of sensitive locations throughout our community.

### 3) Incident Response

The Incident Response component is being addressed through interactive drills, wherein we participate in or host other agencies for the purpose of practicing Incident Command Management, when we are called upon to handle a situation involving terrorism or other type of critical incident. N.Y. State Senator Michael Balboni has orchestrated Law Enforcement Executive Counter Terrorism Workshops to further our ability to respond to the terrorist threat. In addition, the department is a member of the Nassau County Search and Rescue Combined Operational Management (SARCOM) Task Force, a consortium of federal, state and local law enforcement which shares intelligence and operational expertise.

In June of 2004 the Freeport Police Department participated in the LIPA Emergency Blackout Drill and a SARCOM drill which took place on Woodcleft Ave.

### 4) Recovery

The recovery effort involves assisting the public with medical and subsistence support. Simultaneously, officers will initiate an investigation of the cause and method regarding the incident, along with the initiating of protocols to prevent subsequent incidents. Safeguarding and processing evidence, gathering intelligence and restoring essential infrastructure are critical objectives of this component.

We will continue to train, prepare and work to address this threat from terrorists.

## AWARDS

For the fourth year in a row, AAA Automobile Club recognized the Freeport Police Department and presented us with their PLATINUM Award. Freeport was one of only six municipalities awarded the AAA Platinum Traffic Safety Award in New York State. Individual Freeport police officers also received other awards throughout 2004 which include:

Town of Hempstead Police Service Award presented to P.O. Patrick Franzone

Lynbrook Elks Club Police Service Award presented to Det. Thomas Garrity, P.O. Donnie Ethier P.O. Steven Margiotta, and P.O. Richard Paulik

Nassau County Police Chiefs Association Distinguished Service Award presented to P.O. Michael Guzowski

**2004 TRAINING ORDERS**

<a href="#">TOB1-04</a>	01/26/04	CrimeBUSTER Strategies for Targeted Enforcement Initiatives	- Sgt. Smith
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<a href="#">TOC1-04</a>	01/29/04	Emergency Vehicle Operators Course – EVOC	Jockers
<a href="#">TOC2-04</a>	01/29/04	Emergency Vehicle Operators Course -- EVOC	Sumner
<a href="#">TOC3-04</a>	03/02/04	Domestic Violence Training Seminar	Sgt. Noll
<a href="#">TOC4-04</a>	03/02/04	Auto Crimes Awareness	B. McGovern/ Tom Seaman
<a href="#">TOD1-04</a>	03/05/04	Interagency Counter-Terrorism Drill	A.C.Burdette, Lt's Giglio &, Zagaja, Sgt.'s Bermudez Smith, Noll & Barrella, PO's Franzone, Edell, Randall, Carney, Dean, Brodsky, Case, T.Williams, Adames, Jockers, Luikart & Rampanelli
<a href="#">TOB2-04</a>	03/19/04	IDENTITY THEFT—UNDERSTANDING & INVESTIGATION	Sgt Smith/Haggerty
<a href="#">TOA1-04</a>	03/23/04	USE OF FORCE CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO	Sgt Bermudez, PO Carney & Randall
<a href="#">TOA2-04</a>	03/25/04	2004 National Hurricane Conference	Sgt Smith
<a href="#">TOA3-04</a>	03/29/04	7 <sup>TH</sup> Annual International Crime Mapping Research Conference	P.O. O'Sullivan
<a href="#">TOB3-04</a>	03/29/04	Nassau County Traffic Safety Board-Grant Information	PO Kessler, E. Graupner
<a href="#">TOD2-04</a>	03/29/04	Use of Force Training	
<a href="#">TOC5-04</a>	04/06/04	Field Training Officer Program –	Armfield, Ethier, Franzone, Hetzel, M.Nolan
<a href="#">TOC6-04</a>	04/08/04	Awareness Level Incident Response To Terrorist Bombing	
<a href="#">TOB4-04</a>	04/29/04	Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings	Burdette, Bermudez
<a href="#">TOB5-04</a>	04/29/04	Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings	Carney, Randall
<a href="#">TOC7-04</a>	05/11/04	Supervisory In-Service Training	Giglio
<a href="#">TOC8-04</a>	06/22/04	E.V.O.C.—Emergency Vehicle Operators Course	Germanakos
<a href="#">TOC9-04</a>	06/23/04	Emergency Care K9 Seminar	Murray, Wilson
<a href="#">TOA4-04</a>	08/05/04	2004 NYS Chiefs of Police Annual Training Conference	Woodward
<a href="#">TOB6-04</a>	09/09/04	Basic Intelligence Officer's Awareness Course	Kessler
<a href="#">TOB7-04</a>	09/14/04	Performance Appraisal Class	Zagaja
<a href="#">TOB8-04</a>	09/22/04	NYS Paramedic Refresher Course	Edell
<a href="#">TOD3 04</a>	09/30/04	Use of Force Training	
<a href="#">TOB9-04</a>	10/12/04	Project Development and Implementation Training	O'Sullivan
<a href="#">TOB10-04</a>	10/12/04	Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Course	CANCELLED 10/14/04 Samuel

<a href="#">TOC10-04</a>	11/01/04	Emergency Vehicle Operators Course – E.V.O.C.	T. Nolan
<a href="#">TOB11-04</a>	12/05/04	Street Survival Seminar	Bermudez

**2004 OVERALL ACTIVITIES**

<b>TOTAL RECORDED ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>32,514</b>
Case Reports	6,267
Aided Cases	3,714

Accidents	1,687
Alarms	4,760
Tickets -- VTL's	7,465
Tickets -- VO's and Marine	679
Tickets -- Parking	11,675
Arrests	647
Impounds	602
Juvenile Arrests	24

#### **MAJOR CRIMES REPORTED TO THE FBI FOR 2004**

Murder & Non-negligent Manslaughter	4
Forcible Rape	6
Robbery	70
Aggravated Assault	101
Burglary	125
Larceny	583
Auto Theft	<u>168</u>
	1,057

#### THE FUTURE

Successful planning for the future is a multi-faceted task which requires awareness of current community police issues, an analysis of the scope and potential impact of these issues on the public safety, and the formulation of the means to address these issues. In this context, a study of shared information/intelligence, along with the examination of trends or behavior patterns

exhibited by persons with criminal intent often provides insight into future policing needs. The sources of the information used to meet these needs comes from police officers, community members, seminars, training sessions, information/intelligence sharing meetings, and secure formal communications.

Crimes involving violence, domestic violence, property crimes, street gangs, use of illegal drugs, traffic safety, and terrorism are current and future concerns of the Police Department. While each of these concerns is unique, they are also inter-related. Successful intervention in one category will often result in a beneficial effect on at least one other category, providing that it too is engaged in a police prevention program which is occurring simultaneously. Conversely, an insufficient effort that fails to target multiple categories may artificially reduce activity in one category while subsequently increasing illegal activity associated with the closely related categories. For example, if the police were to focus the majority of their resources on street gangs without focusing on other crime types they are associated with, organized gang activity would be reduced while its members would independently engage in violent crime, property crime and the sale of illegal drugs. Even domestic violence may increase in a gang member's household or that of their "significant other's" as he/she avoids street exposure to the police and focuses their controlling behavior on domestic associates. A broad based zero tolerance approach must be maintained to achieve positive results.

The Freeport Police Department has an interactive and inclusive approach to deal with each of the above categories through the many programs described within the preceding pages. These programs have contributed to the 8.24% crime rate reduction realized in 2004. The Officials Working Group along with the myriad of other school and community based programs in conjunction with innovative and efficient police officer deployment will continue to enhance public safety. As we go into 2005, we look forward to expanding our involvement and participation in other community and village organizations. This task will not be easy. Federal grant funding for public safety programs have been substantially cut. The money that was previously used to fund many crime prevention programs has been reallocated to Homeland Security. We will continue to pursue any grant opportunity available to subsidize our efforts to provide the best Police Service Possible.

## **CONCLUSION**

No police department can prevent every crime or offense from happening. There will always be a small segment within society who will display an unpredictable demeanor or exhibit horrific violent behavior. However, through the continued support of Mayor Glacken, Deputy Mayor Frierson and Trustees, Miller, White & Mauersberger and the community we serve, the men and women of the Freeport Police Department will continue to work to improve your quality of life and fulfill your public safety expectations.