Versailles Police Department & 911 Dispatch Center

Combined FY 2025 Annual Reports





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Versailles Police Department



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Rob Young - Chief of Police

"Proudly Serving Versailles, Midway and all of Woodford County"

July 24 14, 2025

To the Citizens of Woodford County,

I am proud to present the Versailles Police Department's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2025. This report provides an overview of the department's activity throughout the year, the types of crimes affecting our community, and the many initiatives we've undertaken to strengthen the already strong relationship we share with the citizens of Versailles, Midway, and all of Woodford County. None of this would be possible without the support of our government leaders, first responder partners, and our remarkable community.

This past year brought significant changes to our department, including the retirement of former Chief Mike Murray in December 2024. Following his departure, Mayor Laura Dake appointed me to serve as Chief of Police after seven years as Assistant Chief. I accepted this responsibility to ensure the continued progress and professionalism of our department.

One of our top priorities was to address the critical staffing needs of the department. Through an unprecedented recruitment effort, we successfully hired nine police officers and three telecommunicators. These achievements were made possible thanks to the hard work and dedication of Executive Assistant Tracy Combs, Lt. Tim Conner, Lt. Brent McGee, 911 Executive Director Diana Leininger, Sgt. Anthony Conner, and our detectives, who conducted extensive background investigations to ensure only the most qualified candidates joined our team.

We also made significant advancements in technology and innovation. In partnership with Woodford County Sheriff Johnny Wilhoit, we launched the department's first drone program, staffed by our FAA licensed pilot officers. This program has already proven its value in crime scene documentation, suspect location, and aerial assessments of critical infrastructure, including during recent historic flooding events.

To address the persistent concerns about reckless driving and speeding, we formed a dedicated Traffic Unit led by Officers Ben Dawson and Ben Hartley. Their efforts are focused on enhancing roadway safety throughout Woodford County. While our fatal collisions decreased from six last year to four this year, we continue to see concerning crash numbers. This year we had a total of 878 vehicle collisions with 756 resulting in



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property damage and 163 individuals being injured. Roadway safety remains a top concern moving forward.

Recognizing a gap in sex offender oversight, we established a Sex Offender Compliance Team led by Detective Dawn Monks and Officer Jeff Haney. They work closely with Kentucky Probation and Parole to ensure compliance with legal restrictions. Additionally, two detectives are undergoing training to join the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force, which will expand our ability to investigate and prevent online threats to children.

In our pursuit of justice for victims and their families, we welcomed former ATF Special Agent Russel King to serve as our Cold Case Detective. His sole focus will be on unresolved serious crimes, ensuring that these cases receive the attention they deserve, no matter how much time has passed.

Since July 2022, our department has led a countywide project to modernize and replace obsolete equipment in our emergency radio communications system that serves all of Woodford County's first responder community. The outdated system posed significant safety risks due to unreliable coverage. After years of coordination and planning, Southern Communications is nearing completion of the upgrade, and we anticipate the new system will go live in the summer of 2025.

Our Victim Advocate, Ellie Castle, continues to be a lifeline for community members affected by homelessness, substance use, mental health crises, and trauma. In addition to supporting victims of domestic violence, assault, and theft, Ellie's work focuses on our broader mission of service to the community that goes well beyond traditional policing.

Amidst Kentucky's ongoing battle with drug addiction, we're encouraged by a 30.2% statewide drop in overdose deaths between 2023 and 2024. Woodford County accounted for six of the 1,410 statewide deaths—down from nine the previous year. Fentanyl was involved in over 60% of those cases. While this data is encouraging, our fight continues. We will persist in targeting those who traffic deadly substances and remain committed to helping those suffering from addiction. Since the inception of the department's Naloxone program in November of 2017, our officers have administered the lifesaving drug 128 times during suspected overdoses.

In closing, I want to express my deep gratitude to the men and women of the Versailles Police Department for their courage, professionalism, and unwavering dedication to public service. Their work, often under dangerous and difficult circumstances, reflects the very best of what law enforcement can and should be. I



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remain confident that, together, we will continue to make Woodford County a safe and welcoming place for all.



Mission Statement

As employees of the City of Versailles, Kentucky, Police Department our mission is to serve, educate and protect the public through community collaboration, problem recognition, problem resolution and police action. In carrying out our mission, we must work with the community as a team to ensure that the citizens of Woodford County are provided the best protection and service we can give them and to establish the Versailles Police Department as the finest in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the United States of America.

Goals and Value Statements

- 1) <u>PROTECTION OF LIFE AND LIBERTY</u> Officers will through patrol, protect the lives and property of all citizens of our community. Officers will become familiar with their community, its residents and normal activities of the community. Through this familiarity, officers will be more able to detect potential threats to life and property of the citizens of our community. Once the threats have been identified or detected, officers will make every effort within police powers, to eliminate the threat and protect the life and property of the citizens of our community.
- 2) <u>DETECTION, APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS AND INVESTIGATION OF CRIMES</u> Officers, through directed patrol of Woodford County, will detect, deter and apprehend criminal offenders. Officers will also take information and make reports concerning crimes and criminal activity in Woodford County. Patrol officers as well as detectives will investigate crimes. Patrol officers will be required to investigate crime of misdemeanor in nature, such as simple assault, hit and run cases and minor theft cases. Larger more complex investigations, namely felony cases, such as homicides, rapes, drugs, felony assault and major theft and burglary cases shall be conducted by detectives.
- 3) <u>MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER</u> Officers will strive through patrol and enforcement of laws and ordinances to maintain public order.
- 4) <u>COMMUNITY SERVICE</u> Officers will make every effort to assist any citizen of our community, whenever possible through service to the entire community. Officers will develop a positive relationship with the citizens which will in turn provide the officer and the department with the relationship necessary to effectively police our community.
- 5) <u>CRIME PREVENTION AND SUPRESSION</u> Crime prevention and suppression will be accomplished through enforcement patrol, special educational programs and positive interaction with citizens and civic organizations of our community. It is the responsibility of all members of the Versailles Police Department to promote crime prevention and suppression.
- 6) TRAFFIC FLOW AND ENFORCEMENT Through manual traffic control officers will facilitate the movement of traffic through our community when necessary. Officers will also through enforcement of traffic laws and education, provide safer street for our citizens to travel in our community. The enforcement of traffic laws should reduce accidents, therefore making our streets a safer place for our citizens.

Rob Young Chief of Police

Lieutenants

Tim Conner

Brent McGee

Sergeants

Anthony Conner

Jesse Evans

Eric Radford

John Costigan

Jacob Hardin

Steve Sparkman

Kevin Estes

Jordan Lyons

Casey Whittle

Investigations

Nathan Craig

Tim Graul

Matthew Mitchell

Matthew Dawkins

Russel King

Dawn Monks

Brad Flynn

Derek McKibben

Patrol

Scott Bobbitt

William Conn

Ben Dawson

Ben Hartley

Elijah Jones

JP Pittman

Wyatt Rossi

Joseph Warth

Josh Butcher

Scot Cottingham

Jonathan Geilear

Chase Henderlight

Allen Leigh

Michele Remark

Zachary Traugott

Zakkary West

Ace Colantuoni

Edward Cunningham

Jeff Haney

Stephen Johnson

Daniel Padgett

Drew Stakelin

Nathaniel Wakefield

John Wilhoit

Victim Advocate

Ellie Castle

IT Director

Brian Hawker

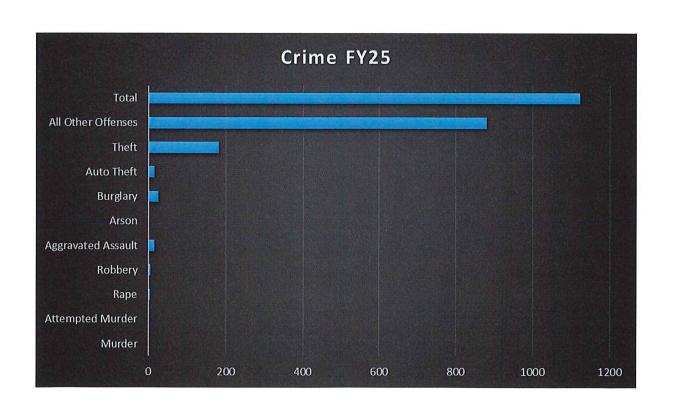
Custodian

Glenn Crawford

Crime Statistics

July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025:

Crime Category	FY24	FY25
Murder	0	0
Attempted Murder	1	0
Rape	4	3
Robbery	6	5
Aggravated Assault	21	15
Arson	0	0
Burglary	34	25
Auto Theft	21	15
Theft	187	181
All Other Offenses	1,002	879
Total	1,276	1,123

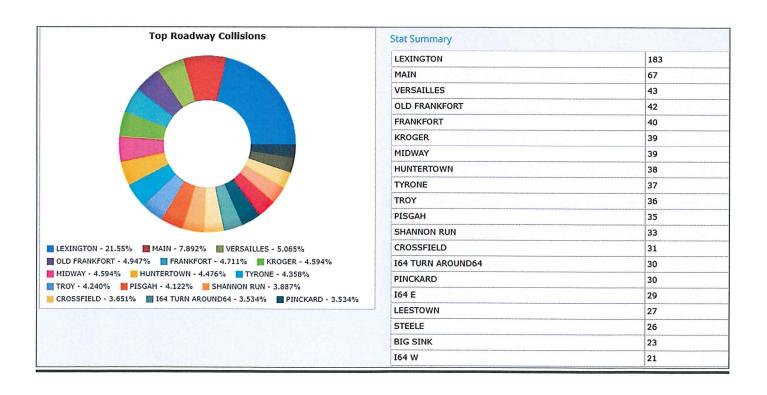


Motor Vehicle Accidents

July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025:

	FY24	FY25
Total Collisions	932	878
Collisions with Injury	101	118
Collisions with Fatality	6	4
Collisions with Property Damage	825	756
Total Injuries	151	163
Total Fatalities	6	4
Commercial Vehicle Collisions	37	57

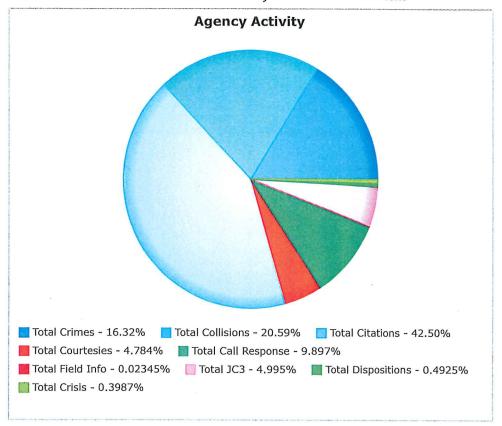
Top 20 Roadway Collisions



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Stat Summary

Total Crimes	696
Total Collisions	878
Total Citations	1,812
Total Courtesies	204
Total Call Response	422
Total Field Info	1
Total JC3	213
Total Dispositions	21
Total Crisis	17

Sworn Officers & Training

Officers of the Versailles Police Department responded to 37,909 calls for service during FY25. It is the policy of the Versailles Police Department to enforce the traffic laws, rules, regulations, and all criminal laws of the Commonwealth as well as all ordinances of the City of Versailles, City of Midway and Woodford County in a fair and impartial manner. Enforcement shall be the objective of all Versailles Police officers, with the goals of: Protection of life and property, investigation of crimes, apprehension of criminals, maintenance of public order, traffic enforcement, and community service.

The calls for service responded to by officers involve a wide-array of situations and circumstances that require the most comprehensive training possible to navigate successfully. Officers are required to complete mandatory training through the Department of Criminal Justice Training (DOCJT) annually. They may also complete more specialized training through DOCJT as elected or required by special assignments. In addition, the department conducts regular roll call trainings on high risk topics identified by the Kentucky League of Cities such as response to resistance, emergency vehicle operations, domestic violence, and dealing with people of diminished capacity, etc. Officers are also required to regularly review department policies regarding body camera use, active shooter, property and evidence, hazardous materials, critical incidents, and death investigations, etc.

The policy of the Versailles Police Department is to protect and serve all citizens while at the same time respecting the rights of suspects and balancing the need for officer safety in response to resistance events. It is the policy of the Versailles Police Department that officers will use only reasonable force to bring an incident or event under control. Reasonable force is only that force which is necessary to accomplish lawful objectives. All uses of force must be objectively reasonable. The Versailles Police Department and all its officers recognize that the sanctity of human life serves as the guiding principle in response to resistance decisions. Based upon this philosophy, range, Taser and other use of force training is provided throughout the year.

TASER and FIREARMS RANGE TRAINING:













Investigations





The Investigations Unit is comprised of a detective sergeant, five full-time detectives and two part-time detectives. Two of the full-time detectives are assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and focus on working crimes related to illegal drugs and criminal drug networks. The primary purpose of a police investigation is to collect evidence, follow-up on leads, and interpret facts in order to determine if a crime has been committed. If so, the detectives seek to identify suspects, pursue criminal charges, and work with the prosecutors to present cases for a successful prosecution.







SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM







The Special Response Team (SRT) is utilized for high threat environments such as barricaded subjects, hostage situations, suicidal subjects, high risk search and arrest warrant operations, and other situations requiring specialized training and equipment. Currently, the team consists of ten Versailles Police Department officers, two tactical paramedics, and one trauma surgeon. The SRT is led by Commander John Costigan and Assistant Team Commander Brent McGee. The

team is on call 24/7 and is able to be deployed on short notice. In order to maintain operational readiness, each member is required to complete monthly trainings and maintain a high level of fitness.

CRISIS NEGOTIATIONS TEAM

The Crisis Negotiations Team has four Crisis Negotiators trained through the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Regional Crisis Negotiations Course. Negotiators work closely with the department's Special Response Team and train with the team regularly. Our crisis negotiators are specially trained to use communication and de-escalation techniques to resolve situations where an individual(s) in crisis creates a high threat environment. These types of situations may include suspects that have taken hostages, are suicidal, or barricaded. The goal of the crisis negotiators is to bring a safe and peaceful resolution to a highly volatile incident.

COLLISION RECONSTRUCTION UNIT

The Collision Reconstruction Unit (CRU) is comprised of five highly skilled reconstructionists that work collaboratively with the department's two evidence technicians to perform comprehensive investigations of serious injury/fatal vehicle collisions. The Unit gathers evidence and interprets details at the scene in order to make an expert determination as to the how and why a collision occurred. The CRU has access to specialized equipment and utilizes advanced technologies such as FARO 3-D imaging equipment, drones, and event data recorder (EDR) extraction devices to perform their work. The results of these investigations may involve a collision involving an impaired driver that results in serious criminal charges. It is the reconstructionist that will be required to provide expert testimony during any related court proceedings. Collision reconstructionists are required to attend a 12-week course approved by the Department of Criminal Justice Training.

DRONE UNIT

The department has three officers that are FAA trained and licensed drone pilots with two drones at the ready. One drone is a larger more weather resistant drone with high quality cameras including Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) imaging capabilities. The second drone is smaller and more versatile for faster deployment and indoor responses. The drones are utilized to access scenes that pose a threat

to personnel as a result of suspect, chemical, and explosive threats. The drones are able to provide aerial views and quickly scan large areas for a wide variety of reasons including apprehension of suspects, searches for missing or endangered persons, and environmental assessments of areas impacted by natural disaster. The use of these drones has enhanced our officer's response capabilities and provide extra protection for officers and citizens of Woodford County.



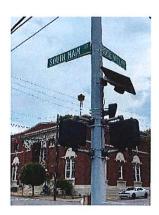




FLOCK LICENSE PLATE READERS

The department has nineteen FLOCK license plate reader cameras installed in separate locations on roadways throughout all of Woodford County. The program was initiated to assist in legitimate law enforcement activities that enhance public safety, deter criminal activity, and assist officers in the investigation and prosecution of criminal acts. The FLOCK cameras have demonstrated their effectiveness by providing time-sensitive information that has resulted in the recovery of multiple stolen vehicles, fugitive arrests, locating of endangered/missing individuals, and investigative leads in criminal cases.







FARO SCANNER

The FARO scanner is a measurement and 3-D imaging system that allows for the secure capture of detailed and accurate crime scene evidence through the use of sophisticated laser technology. By scanning scenes involving vehicle collisions, collision reconstructionists obtain large volumes of data that assist in determining human, mechanical, and speed related factors involved in serious collisions. This equipment and technology is also used in the processing and documentation of significant or complicated crime scenes such as a shooting or murder. By deploying the FARO system department personnel have been able to more effectively document scenes in a reduced amount of time such as opening roadways sooner during vehicle collision investigations. This type of effectiveness and efficiency has resulted in the FARO system becoming a highly valued resource in the department's tool bag.



NARCOTIC DETECTION K-9 NICO

The department's canine handler, Sgt. John Costigan, and his narcotic detection K-9 partner Nico have been working together since 2018. K-9 Nico is trained to detect illegal drugs such as marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamine, heroin, and MDMA. He is also proficient in tracking people and conducting article searches for items such as discarded weapons. The canine team is certified annually through National Narcotic Detection Dog Association (NNDDA). The team has demonstrated their effectiveness over the years and they have successfully located drug stashes, drug money, and fleeing suspects. As a result of their good

reputation, Sgt. Costigan and Nico have assisted other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Sgt. Costigan continues to participate in community events and frequently provides demonstrations for adults and children at local libraries, schools, civic group meetings, and events like "Touch a Truck". The Canine Program's impact has been tremendous as officers have come to rely on Sgt. Costigan and Nico to help them find dangerous items and suspects. The community has embraced the program and shown strong support through donations and encouragement.









BIKE UNIT

Through a generous donation from local Woodford County businessmen Brian Padgett, Tim Dayley, and Mike Rohach, the Bike Unit was able purchase two fully equipped e-bikes with emergency lights, gear bags, run flat tires, as well as a heavy duty bike rack for transport. The Unit officers utilize the bicycles to perform extra patrols in crowded or hard to reach areas during public events throughout Woodford County.



HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Health Improvement Program's purpose is to ensure personnel have the physical capacity to safely fulfill the requirements of the job, improve mental and physical well-being, reduce injuries and use of sick leave, and improve the department's public image. The program is incentivized to increase voluntary participation. Participants are encouraged to work throughout the year towards meeting established standards in an effort to improve their quality of life and job performance. Participating officers that meet these fitness goals during a fitness test administered in the fall of each year are rewarded with varying levels of days off depending on officers' individual achievement.





SPECIAL EVENTS

Many special events are held throughout Versailles, Midway and Woodford County during the year including Twilight Festival, gatherings in The District, Bourbon Chase, Midway Fall Festival, etc. Individuals and organizations wishing to sponsor events are required to complete an Event Permit Application that they then submit to the local government body for approval. Once approved, the event organizers work with the Versailles Police Department to address any safety concerns related to pedestrians, vehicle traffic, and roadway closures, etc. The department routinely assigns dedicated officers to be present during special event so there is uninterrupted law enforcement coverage. The assignment of our

officers during these special events demonstrates the department's commitment to safety and security of our community.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

During the past year, two School Resource Officers (SROs) were active at local schools. Officer Scot Cottingham was assigned to the Woodford County Middle School and Officer Scott Bobbitt at the Woodford County High School. The officers provided a law enforcement presence, investigated criminal activity, worked traffic, assisted in safety drills, and worked with the Department of Juvenile Justice and the Department for Community Based Services.

With the creation of the Woodford County Schools Police Department (WCSPD) in 2019, the four elementary schools and the alternative school were assigned to SROs from the WCSPD, while the middle school and high school remained with SROs from the Versailles Police Department. At the conclusion of the 2025 school year, it was decided that the WCSPD was prepared to assume SRO responsibilities of all of the Woodford County Schools. Although the Versailles Police Department will no longer be providing SRO's to area schools, the excellent relationship with the WCSPD and the Woodford County School Board will continue. It is our commitment to the public we serve that the Versailles Police Department will always work with our schools to ensure the safety of all Woodford County children.





VICTIM'S ADVOCATE

The department's Victim's Advocate, Ellie Castle, has served in this role since 2022. This multifaceted position provides a bridge between victims and the justice

system, social services, and other support systems. The function is to support crime victims and witnesses by helping them navigate the criminal justice system. In order to help victims cope with experienced trauma, she provides assistance and resources such as safety planning, referrals for counseling or legal services, accompaniment to court, and case status updates.

In addition to serving victims, Ms. Castle assists and connects individuals and families with critical resources needed to reduce the impact of domestic violence, housing insecurity, mental illness, substance use disorders, and suicide. Her work involves collaborative partnerships that she established with shelters, drug treatment programs, grief counselors, and domestic violence specialists. She has become the de facto point of contact in Woodford County for helping individuals suffering in our community from a wide array of personal and societal issues. Her work and heartfelt support of others in need is evidence of law enforcement's evolving role in the community.

Ms. Castle has also contributed by hosting activities focusing on health and substance abuse awareness as well as participating in local events designed to develop and enhance the relationship between law enforcement and the community. The Versailles Police Department's goal is to continue building and strengthening relationships between our officers and the diverse community they serve.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY







The Citizens Police Academy (CPA) is an eight week course designed to help citizens better understand the role of law enforcement in the community and to provide interaction between citizens and officers. The Academy teaches some of the basic concepts of law enforcement and allows members to participate in a ridealong with an officer as well as observe in the Central Telecommunication Center. The classes include instructional time taught by Versailles Police Department

officers as well as hands on experiences such as time with the Firearms Training System (FATS), a scenario based audiovisual tactical training simulator. During the past year, CPA classes were held under the direction of our CPA Coordinators, Sgt. Jacob Hardin and Detective Derek McKibben.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association is comprised of graduates of the Citizens Police Academy that wish to continue their support of the police department. The members participate in fundraising activities to establish funds to support programs of the police department. They purchase small equipment, contribute to community outreach, support employees through special gifts for birthdays and holidays, and volunteer their time to assist with Cops for Kids and other ventures of the department. Their dedication and commitment is greatly appreciated by everyone.







COPS FOR KIDS

Cops for Kids, Inc. is the department's charitable organization and an exceptional community support program. It is a 501(c)(3) non-profit group led by the Versailles Police Department. The organization is comprised of our first responder partners from Versailles, Midway and Woodford County.

Personnel raise funds throughout the year in order to provide gifts to underprivileged children of Versailles, Midway and Woodford County at Christmas. The organization also provides clothing, toys and school supplies to children who are victims of fire, natural disaster, or tragedy on an as needed basis throughout the year. In 2024 Cops for Kids had 275 Christmas participants and the

program was appreciative and fortunate to have the contributions and support of the community that allowed us to provide for these families.





Other Community Policing Efforts

Our goal is to continue building and strengthening relationships between our officers and the diverse community they serve. The Versailles Police Department implements community oriented policing to make our community a safer and better place to live and work for our citizens and our officers. Our programs demonstrate that through collaborative efforts communities can reach goals and objectives, which would not be possible attempted individually. It is only through cooperative efforts that identified problems in communities can be resolved.

The following are a few of our programs and efforts in our community:

<u>Weekend Call Checks</u>: This program provides a service check on Senior Citizens who may not have anyone else to check on their welfare during the weekend.

<u>Business Checks/Door Checks</u>: Patrol officers check the doors of downtown businesses nightly and conduct extra patrol on all other businesses throughout the community to assist with crime prevention.

<u>Extra Patrol</u>: Citizens may contact the Versailles Police Department at any time to request extra patrol for their residence while they are away due to illness, vacation, etc. Officers will then conduct the extra patrol daily or even more often to ensure the security of the property while the homeowner is away.

<u>Neighborhood Meetings</u>: Meetings are conducted for residents of various neighborhoods to address concerns of citizens for their neighborhoods such as traffic, parking and City and County Ordinances.

<u>Training/Education</u>: Detectives and officers regularly provide training and education throughout the community at civic organizations and local businesses regarding topics such as fraud and identity theft prevention, robbery prevention and general safety precautions.



Diana Leininger Executive Director

This year's annual report is going to jump ahead and then go back to the beginning to review the year as a whole.

FY 2025 (Dates 7/1/24-6/30/25)

May 2025 marked a pivotal moment for Woodford County 911 as the 911 Board began the critical process of selecting new leadership following the departure of the previous Executive Director. After a comprehensive search and careful consideration of several highly qualified candidates, the Board appointed Diana Leininger as the Executive Director of 911 on May 28th.



Diana Leininger brings with her 23 years of experience in emergency communications, 21 of those here in Woodford County. Her deep understanding of both frontline operations and organizational leadership made her the clear choice to guide the agency into its next chapter.

A Letter from the Director:

Hello,

My name is Diana Leininger, and I'm honored to introduce myself as the new 911 Executive Director at the Versailles-Woodford-Midway Communications Center. It's a privilege to lead such a dedicated and hardworking team, and I want to thank the 911 Board for the opportunity to continue my career in this capacity. I'm equally grateful to work alongside the skilled professionals and first responders who serve our community with commitment, compassion, and integrity every day.

When stepping into this role, I identified three top priorities to address early on:

- 1. Meet individually with each dispatcher, followed by a full department meeting.
- 2. Connect with peers across the Emergency Services Community, including Fire, EMS, Emergency Management, and others.
- 3. Address staffing needs by hiring new dispatchers and improving the schedule.

These priorities were important to me because I wanted to demonstrate that the decision to promote me into this role was the right one. More importantly, I wanted our dispatchers to feel heard, valued, and supported from the beginning.

To support the first priority, I focused on creating a supportive environment through an opendoor policy. I believe this fosters a family-like culture where teamwork thrives and everyone works together toward our shared mission: ensuring the safety of both citizens and responders.

Early on, I met individually with each dispatcher. These one-on-one conversations gave me valuable insight into their concerns, ideas, and overall vision for a better workplace. Many offered thoughtful solutions, showing just how invested they are in our success. With their input, we held a department-wide meeting within the first month, where we shared a meal and openly discussed ways to enhance our operations. It was a meaningful first step toward building a stronger, more unified team.

For my second priority, I've been focused on strengthening relationships across the county. Building strong partnerships with Fire, EMS, Emergency Management, and other agencies is essential to delivering effective emergency response. I'm committed to open and consistent communication across all departments so we can continue working as one team to serve our community with excellence.

My third priority, hiring new personnel is key to supporting our current dispatchers. Filling staffing gaps not only reinforces our team but also allows existing employees to take well-deserved breaks, recharge, and return ready to serve. We've already hired a certified dispatcher and two uncertified dispatchers, who are all fitting in very well. In addition, we have three certified dispatchers (one full-time and two part-time) currently in the background check phase. Once cleared, we plan to offer all three positions here at the Versailles-Woodford-Midway Communications Center. These new hires will help stabilize our schedule and ensure we continue providing the high-quality, dependable service our community expects.

In closing, I want to express my genuine excitement for the opportunity to grow both personally and professionally in this role. I remain committed to supporting our employees, strengthening relationships with other departments, and serving the citizens and visitors of our community to the best of my ability. Even in the short time I've had as Executive Director, I believe I've demonstrated my dedication to this position and to the people we serve by acting quickly on the priorities I outlined. I'm proud of the progress we've made so far, and I look forward to building on that momentum, together.

With appreciation,

Diana Leininger

911 Executive Director

Diana Leininger 911 Executive Director

Full-Time Telecommunicators

Crystal Campbell Kristen Jordan
Rebekah Clover Haley Lynn
Amy Earlywine Maria Morales
April Gullett Kishma Smith
Beth Jones Albert Woodrum

Part-Time Telecommunicators

COMING SOON!

The 2025 Fiscal Year in Numbers:

Calls for Service (CFS) entered into the CIS CAD by Dispatch: 47,345 Broken down by into agencies:

CALLS FOR SERVICE FY25 July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025		
Agency	Calls for Service	
Woodford Co. Emergency Management	11	
Midway Fire Department	329	
Versailles Fire Department	1,479	
Versailles Police Department	37,909	
Woodford Co. EMS	3,889	
Woodford Co. Animal Control	429	
Woodford Co. Coroner	61	
Woodford Co. Fire Department	794	
Woodford Co. Schools Police Department	5	
Woodford Co. Sheriff Office	2,439	
TOTAL	47,345	

EMS assists were the most common call type for all three fire departments, with a combined total of over 1,200 responses. Tuesdays were the busiest day of the week for the Officers with the Versailles Police Department. They were dispatched and responded to over 5,790 calls. Mondays came in a very close second with over 5,760 calls. There were over 11,420+911 calls handled by our 12 dispatchers for the 2025 fiscal year.

In addition...

We continue to try to find ways to lighten the mood and de-stress within the dispatch center. October 2024 Halloween Spirit Week. We had days like Beetlejuice, Beetlejuice Day we were giving black, white, green and purple vibes.



Of course on 10/31 we wore our favorite Halloween costumes. The best costume went to Dispatcher Beth Lewis and Dispatcher April Gullett as Thelma and Daphne of course the star of the show, Bullet as Scooby.

Our longtime friend and co-worker John Long, sadly passed away 11/24/2024. John was not able to enjoy his retirement with his wife Connie, son Jody, or granddaughters, who he affectionately called his little ducks, for very long as he wished. His training activity will continue to live on with training of the new dispatchers; 'Ring! Ring!' John always expected you to answer before the third ring! Dispatcher John Long is and will forever be missed by many.

During November 2024 Dispatch was able to have a little fun while being able to give back to our community. Each day during Thanksgiving Week dispatchers could bring in nonperishable food items to donate to the Woodford County Food Party to then participate in 'Thanksgiving Spirit Week' days, such as *So Cozy Sunday*, and *Worksgiving*, where dispatchers gathered potluck style and had dinner.



In February 2025, Dispatcher Haley Lynn attended a 40 hour training course at DOCJT to become a Communications Training Officer (CTO). Since then she has assisted in training two newly hired dispatchers. Her knowledge and training style are key to helping new dispatchers learn the ropes. She is also now a NENA/APCO member, that will allow her more opportunities to grow her career her at VPD.

In addition, we held our very first recruitment event in the Community Room at the Police Station in February. This event resulted in the hiring of Dispatcher Kristen Jordan, who is now DOCJT Academy certified and currently training with Dispatcher Beth Lewis; and Maria "Lucita" Morales, who is currently training with Dispatcher Haley Lynn and scheduled to attend the DOCJT Academy in August.

In March 2025, Dispatcher Haley Lynn and Director Diana Leininger collaborated to update and standardize the Dispatch Training Manual. With a self-imposed deadline aligned to the start date of our new hires, they completed the project on time. The manual is now designed for easy updates as procedures evolve, ensuring consistency and accountability across all training efforts. They updated the Daily Observation Report (DOR) to match up with shift rotation, so that it is easier for the trainers to notate progress.

In May 2025, the Versailles-Woodford-Midway Communications Center was invited to participate in the Woodford County High School Job Fair, thanks to an invitation from VPD Lt. Brent McGee. This outreach effort served multiple purposes such as offering local graduates a pathway to employment, humanizing the voices behind emergency calls, and providing current dispatchers with a brief and welcome break from the radio console.

As the Terminal Agency for all of the Woodford County first responder community, we are responsible for making required entries into the LINK/NCIC systems. Currently, we have approximately 230 active entries for matters involving protection orders, wanted persons, and stolen property like firearms and vehicles. Our Terminal Agency Contact (TAC) Kishma Smith is designated to oversee all of these entries to assure the completeness and accuracy.

As you can see the 911 Dispatch Center had a busy year filled with lots of positive change and we look forward to continuing to improve upon our existing relationships in the first responder community and the service we provide to our citizens. We would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge the amazing support we have enjoyed throughout the year from all of the members of the 911 Service Board and the government officials throughout Woodford County. Thank you to everyone!

Thank You!

The Versailles Police Department and 911 Dispatch Center are grateful for the ongoing support of Mayor Laura Dake and the Versailles City Council; Mayor Grayson Vandegrift and the Midway City Council; and Judge Executive James Kay and the Woodford County Fiscal Court.

We are also appreciative of the incredible partnerships we share with all of the Woodford County first responder community as well as the remarkable generosity and support that we continue to enjoy with the amazing community we serve.

It has been a great year and we look forward to the year ahead. Be Safe Woodford County.

