



# Police Department

Frank C. Coffin, Jr., Chief of Police

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## Administrative Division Captain Jim Clay

### Personnel

The three officers in the Field Training Program are progressing at an acceptable rate. Four cadets continue their police academy training. A new hiring process for police officer/cadet was begun. The recruiting officer made 203 recruiting contacts and participated in the Central High School Career Day.

### Department Vacancies (as of 3/31/2011)

	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Vacancies</u>
Police Officer	204	192	12
Police Sergeant	42	42	0
Police Lieutenant	12	12	0
Police Captain	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>12</b>

### Training

The training facilities were used for 10 events during the month. Ninety-nine officers attended one thousand five hundred thirty-two hours of training.

### Property Unit

The Property Unit processed 474 items of property and evidence, and disposed of 908 items. A significant number of cases continue to be researched for new disposal court orders.

### Special Projects

Phase two of the Mobile Video project continues. Construction on the new garage building at the Firearms Training facility continues. Work has begun on the new Family Violence offices in the old Goodwill Building. Development of Collision Avoidance Training (CAT) continues.

**Field Operations Division**  
**Captain Wayne Jeffcoat**

The Field Operations Division consists of 4 uniformed patrol shifts which provide 24 hour service to citizens and visitors of Beaumont. The Street Crimes Unit targets special issues, through directed patrol assignments and bicycle patrol. Their hours are flexible, depending on the issues that need their attention. The K9 Unit has 4 patrol /drug dogs and one bloodhound. The K9 Officers and their partners are assigned hours to supplement the Patrol shifts and are on call to assist as needed. The Traffic Unit, which includes both motorcycles and patrol cars, work a variety of hours and are also subject to call out for fatality crash investigations. The Animal Services Unit has created an adoption friendly Animal Shelter and continues to respond to animal related calls.

1 <sup>st</sup> Watch	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	Vehicle Crashes	Offense Reports	Arrests	Investigative Stop Reports	City Warrant Arrests
9 pm-7:30 am	3980	440	38	223	161	85	\$26,996.14

**Significant Events**

- 03/15/11 Officers were dispatched to 5965 Hwy 105, AT&T, in reference to theft of metal in progress. After a short foot pursuit the actor was apprehended.
- 03/17/11 Officers were dispatched to 2245 IH-10 S, Fastlane, in reference to a stabbing. The three victims advised that the stabbing and assault had occurred at 555 Palm. Officers coordinated and investigated a large area which contained numerous crime scenes.
- 03/20/11 Officers were dispatched to 5080 Helbig in reference to an aggravated sexual assault of a child. Officers escorted the victim and her mother to St. Elizabeth Hospital and later developed a suspect to the offense.
- 03/20/11 Officers were dispatched to 490 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Checkers, in reference to an aggravated robbery.

2 <sup>nd</sup> Watch	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	Vehicle Crashes	Offense Reports	Arrests	Investigative Stop Reports	City Warrant Arrests
6am-4:30pm	4281	347	108	427	175	101	\$44,750.50

**Significant Events**

- 03/17/11 Officers responded to the 2800 block of Eastex Freeway in reference to the theft of copper where the suspect damaged several businesses air conditioners. Officers located and arrested one suspect for metal theft.
- 03/17/11 Officers responded to 604 Palm in reference to a burglary in progress where the home owner was holding the suspect at gunpoint. Officers arrived and took one suspect into custody and found that the window air conditioners along with sections of copper tubing were missing from the residence. During the investigation officers located the stolen air conditioners and copper tubing in a residence a short distance from the burglary.
- 03/22/11 Officers responded to 680 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street in reference to a burglary in progress. Responding officers located and secured the point of entry into the residence. A short time later the suspect exited the residence and was taken into custody for burglary.

- 03/24/11 Officers responded to 3660 Usan in reference to a burglary in progress. Witnesses to the burglary gave the suspect's clothing descriptions and directions of travel. Responding officers located two of the suspects. Both suspects were identified by witnesses and taken into custody for burglary.
- \$15812.00 in city warrant fines were served with the use of the license plate reader.

3rd Watch	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	Vehicle Crashes	Offense Reports	Arrests	Investigative Stop Reports	City Warrant Arrests
11am– 9:30pm	1282	81	32	173	71	20	\$8,127.00

### Significant Events

- 03/28/11 Officers responded to a burglary in progress at Charles Gibbs Insurance located at 1035 Washington Blvd. Upon arrival, officers discovered that the owner had the burglar at gunpoint. The suspect was arrested and transported to jail.
- 03/26/11 Officers responded to a shooting at 5280 Spencer. Upon arrival officers found a juvenile had been shot in the jaw. The juvenile suspect was located and went to the police station where he was interviewed by detectives.
- 03/23/11 Officers responded to a shooting at 2555 Sweetgum and discovered that a 22 year old black male had been shot in an apparent robbery during a drug transaction. The suspects fled the scene in a vehicle and were pursued by officers. The suspects were involved in a crash at French and Concord and were subsequently arrested. The victim was transported to the hospital.
- 03/18/11 Officers responded to a call at 930 Jasmine. A man decided to shoot his soon to be ex-wife with a rifle. The son heard the mother scream and wrestled the rifle from the father. Upon their arrival, the officers arrested the suspect.
- Officers served city warrants in the amount of \$265.00 while utilizing the license plate reader equipped Tahoe.

4 <sup>th</sup> Watch	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	Vehicle Crashes	Offense Reports	Arrests	Investigative Stop Reports	City Warrant Arrests
4pm-2:30am	4,941	656	92	284	235	195	\$55,566.00

### Significant Events

- Officers responded to reported robberies at these locations: 650 Magnolia (Bus Station), 490 N. 11<sup>th</sup> St. (Checker's), 6458 Phelan Blvd. (Subway), 3605 College (Walgreen's), and a residence at 1520 Avenue D.
- Officers responded to a fatality accident at 800 I-10 East @ MLK.

Street Crimes	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	Offense Reports	Arrests	Trespass Warnings	Knock & Talks	Investigative Stop Reports	City Warrant Arrests
Hours vary	338	39	13	39	0	17	16	\$10,963.25

### Significant Events

- Street Crimes officers participated in the state wide warrant round up with the Port Arthur, Nederland, Groves and Port Neches police departments. They assisted using the license plate reader and with take down units. Many city warrants were cleared during the operation.
- Officers patrolled the Pear and Grant area, and completed several field contacts.
- Officers worked the South Texas State Fair on bicycles and assisted with traffic control.
- While using the license plate reader, street crimes officers made an arrest for Possession of Marijuana. The amount of the suspected marijuana was nearly 3 lbs.

Traffic Unit	Citizen Contacts	Arrests	Crashes Investigated	Commercial Vehicle Inspections	Citations	City Warrant Arrests
Hours vary	1,224	266	45	58	1,052	\$246,441.67

### Significant Events

- Traffic officers were called out on one fatality crash investigation.
- The unit filed 13 cases with the District Attorney's Office: 11 Driving While Intoxicated; 1 Driving While License Invalid; 1 Fail to Stop and Give Information.
- 245 crash reports were submitted to the unit for review and approval.
- The Gusher Marathon was held on March 12. The Traffic Unit along with other officers and City employees did an excellent job on their assignments. The run was very successful from a public safety / traffic control point of view. We were assisted by personnel from the Emergency Operations Center and Public Works department.
- The planned warrant sweep was conducted during the first week of March. In Beaumont, 680 defendants were handled and 191 were arrested during the sweep. Those handled had warrants totaling \$453,066.05, of which \$246,624.38 was collected.

K9 Unit	Calls for Service	Traffic Contacts	K9 Deployment Reports	Offense Reports	Arrests	Investigative Stop Reports	K9 Response to Alarms	Building checks & searches
Hours vary	305	16	32	5	7	6	52	46

### Significant Events

- 03-01-11 A K9 Officer and his partner assisted with a vehicle pursuit in the area of Brandon and Anchor in which the driver abandoned the vehicle and ran off on foot. The K9 Officer and Joery tracked and located the driver of the vehicle hiding under a house a short distance away from where the suspect had left the vehicle.
- 03-05-11 A K9 Officer and his partner were dispatched to assist officers with a traffic stop. The K9 Officer and Hutch conducted a narcotic search of the exterior of the vehicle. K9 Hutch showed a positive narcotic odor response on the exterior of the vehicle and a subsequent search revealed three kilos of cocaine.

- 03-16-11 A K9 Officer and his partner were dispatched to assist patrol officers with a traffic stop on IH-10. The K9 Officer and Marco conducted a narcotic search of the exterior of the vehicle. K9 Marco showed a positive narcotic odor response on the exterior of the vehicle and a subsequent search revealed a quarter pound of marijuana.

Animal Services	Calls for Service	Animals Apprehended	Animals Surrendered to Shelter by Owners	Citizen drop-off of found animals	Animals reclaimed by owner
8am-5pm	808	115	69	40	20

Animal bite investigations	Animals quarantined	Cruelty Investigations	Citations issued	Citizens visiting Shelter	Animal adoptions
8	7	51	10	238	45

### Significant Events

- 03/10/2011 Animal Services hosted two Volunteer Orientation meetings to kick off its Volunteer Program. Eight prospective volunteers were present and are now able to begin their volunteer work with the Shelter.
- 03/11/2011 Supervisors from the Mansfield Police Department toured the Animal Shelter and viewed our Records Management System. Beaumont Animal Services is the first and only shelter in the state to have this particular system created by Sungard.
- 03/17/2011 Animal Services personnel attended the North End Neighborhood Association Meeting and answered animal related questions and concerns.

### Criminal Investigations Division Captain Glenn Durst

Unit	Cases Assigned	Active	Inactive	Arrests	Exceptionally Cleared	Unfounded
Persons Crimes	181	61	18	14	125	13
Night Investigators	27	29	3	5	17	2
Special Crimes	228	38	12	24	176	31
Family Violence	224	48	0	49	190	3
Property Crimes	235	126	53	49	95	12
<b>TOTALS</b>	895	302	86	141	603	61

### Auto Theft Task Force

Cases Assigned	Active Cases	Inactive cases	Arrests	Cases filed	Seizures	Vehicle Inspections	Salvage Inspections	Recovered Stolen
43	13	19	4	5	0	204	2	7

### Narcotics

Complaints Assigned	Buy/Busts	Buy/Walks	Knock & Talks	Search warrants	Consent Searches	Arrests	Interdiction Stops /Searches	Cases filed
5	0	10	4	1	36	21	155/ 34	15

### **Significant Investigations:**

- The suspicious death (car fire) that Investigators were called out on 02-20-11 in the 8200 block of Evangeline has been determined to be an accidental fire death.
- Investigators were able to identify suspects in two robberies of individuals that occurred in the Parkdale Mall parking lot. That case has been filed against three defendants.
- There were 153 searches on Leads on Line by property investigators.
- One of the Property Investigators, along with several other city departments inspected all known scrap metal businesses in Beaumont. He was unable to get any state agency interested in assisting in enforcing laws that deal with scrap metal businesses.
- Burglary Investigators have worked diligently in putting together cases on several very active burglars. All three are currently in jail with large bonds and there has been a noticeable decrease in the south end burglaries because of these efforts. They also have identified several other burglars and are currently working cases against them.
- Two Investigators are working with the Secret Service on an increase of counterfeit money brought into the city and attempting to be passed at the South Texas State Fair.
- Special Crimes is investigating a case involving a two year old who came home from a child's party with her cloths in disarray, indicating a possible sexual assault.
- An investigator assisted in the case of a missing 70 year old man. Due to the investigator's knowledge of the area and based on information obtained, the missing elderly man was found in an abandoned house. The elderly man was disoriented and needed immediate medical attention for exposure and the injuries he received when he was assaulted.
- A victim from Kennewick, Washington reported that while visiting her husband, who is incarcerated in one of our local prisons, she was sexually assaulted by a prison guard at a motel in Beaumont during May 2010. An investigator is coordinating with Kennewick PD for assistance in this case.
- Investigators continued working a major organized crime case to try and complete that investigation. This case, *so far*, has resulted in the seizure of about \$110,000 in US Currency as well as a firearm and a 2010 Ford truck (estimated value of \$25,000), as well as over 100 pounds of marijuana and 500 tabs of MDMA (Ecstasy).
- Investigators conducted a Knock & Talk at the Wizard trailer park on College Street and were able to seize 4.2 grams of cocaine along with a stolen motorcycle.
- On March 9<sup>th</sup>, Drug Interdiction Officers conducted a traffic stop and seized over \$10,000 in US currency, which is believed to be drug proceeds.

### Uniform Crime Report Year to Date Comparison

**March 2011**

	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>%</b>
Murder	1	1	0	0%
Neg. Homicide	0	0	0	0%
Rape	24	11	13	118%
Robbery	70	54	16	30%
Aggravated Assault	153	116	37	32%
<b>Violent Crime</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>36%</b>
Burglary	527	350	177	51%
Theft	943	949	-6	-1%
Auto Theft	51	63	-12	-19%
<b>Property Crime</b>	<b>1521</b>	<b>1362</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>12%</b>
Arson	4	17	-13	-76%
<b>UCR Total</b>	<b>1773</b>	<b>1561</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>14%</b>