





### **COLONEL HERMAN T. JONES** - SUPERINTENDENT

Colonel Herman T. Jones was appointed as the 24th Superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol on April 3, 2019.

Colonel Jones' law enforcement career began in 1977 while in college at Emporia State University working with campus police. His experiences in law enforcement and personal connections helped instill his life-long mission to serve others and to be "selfless, not selfish."

Most recently, Colonel Jones was the Shawnee County Sheriff from 2012 to 2019. He previously served with the Kansas Highway Patrol as a state trooper from 1982 to 1992, then as Director of Administration from 2000 to 2011.

Jones is involved in many law enforcement and civic organizations including his church, the Kansas Peace Officers Association, Kansas Sheriff's Association and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Topeka.

Most importantly, he is a husband, father of two and grandfather.

Some of Jones' other accomplishments include being a 2012 FBI National Academy Graduate, 2013 Kansas City, Kan., Public Schools Distinguished Alumni, 2014 National Sheriff's Institute Graduate, 2014 Kansas Sheriff's Association Sheriff of the Year, 2015 Leadership Topeka Graduate, 2016 Emporia State University Distinguished Alumni, 2019 Leadership Kansas Graduate, Life Member and former President of the Kansas Peace Officer Association (KPOA), and currently serves as a Commissioner for Kansas Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training (KCPOST).

### LIEUTENANT COLONEL JASON DE VORE - ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

LT Colonel Jason De Vore joined the Patrol in March 1994 after graduating with Class #27 from the KHP Training Academy. During his first six years, he served the Salina area as a trooper. In January 2000, De Vore was promoted to Second Lieutenant and began his assignment as Troop M Assistant Commander in Salina. In 2003, he was promoted to Lieutenant and in 2004 he was promoted to Captain of Central Communications and served as the State CJIS Systems Officer. Starting in 2005, he served as Troop C Commander. In 2011, De Vore was promoted to Major. He has served as the West Region and Special Operations Major, overseeing field operations, as well as the Special Response Team, Hazardous Devices Unit, Criminal Interdiction, K-9 Unit and various other organizational units.

During his service with the Patrol, De Vore has been a member of the Criminal Interdiction Enforcement Unit and the Special Response Team (SRT). In 2008, he attended the FBI's



National Academy in Quantico, Va., as a member of Class #234. He is a member of the Kansas Peace Officers Association (District Governor), Kansas Sheriff's Association, the FBI's National Academy Associates, Inc., the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He is also a Certified Public Manager through the KU CPM program.

## **MISSION AND GOALS**

## **OUR MISSION**

The Kansas Highway Patrol is devoted to improving quality of life through spirited and dedicated service. We pledge to be responsive to concerns of citizens and public safety partners. We will do this by providing professional law enforcement services and share resources in the most effective and efficient manner possible.

We believe in treating all persons with courtesy and respect. The preservation of individual dignity and constitutional rights is paramount in performing our duties. Protecting the rights of co-workers and providing a safe, secure working environment is of equal importance.

We are committed to providing protection of life and property through active enforcement of traffic, criminal and other laws of the State of Kansas, and by supporting Homeland Security initiatives. We recognize our responsibility to uphold and enforce this authority in a competent, fair, and honest manner.

## **OUR GOALS**

Consistent with the Patrol's mission and principal function, we will strive to attain the following goals:

- To reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes through the enforcement of impaired driving and occupant protection laws.
- The Patrol will promote the use of child restraints and safety belts through aggressive enforcement and educational programs.
- The Patrol will deter motorists from driving impaired and will arrest impaired drivers through proven DUI countermeasures, such as selective enforcement efforts and sobriety check lanes.
- To vigorously pursue, apprehend, and prosecute those who utilize Kansas highways for criminal activities.
- To improve the quality of our service and enforcement activities by developing programs and incorporating technologies that enhance public safety.
- To enhance public relations through local community involvement in schools, civic organizations, and businesses.

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Troop D	Troop F	Communications/CJIS	Troop N - DHET, Task Forces,	Troop B
Troop G - Kansas Turnpike Homeland Security	Troop H	Troop V - Motor Vehicle Enforcement	Fusion Center, Evidence Emergency Services Unit	Troop K - Capitol Police
Troop I - MCSAP CHART	Emergency Operations	Fiscal Management	Troop T - Aircraft	Fleet Operations
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	CALEA Law Enforcement Accreditation	Information Technology		
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## YEAR IN REVIEW

### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- One Team, One Mission
- Partnerships
- Restructure
- Class #59

Throughout 2019, the Kansas Highway Patrol has been focused on the ideal of "One Team, One Mission." The year included many internal changes and partnerships with many agencies, organizations and communities.

and The agency and demonstrated close-knit y partnerships with law enforcement agencies throughout the U.S. and Kansas. Personnel conducted investigations and also assisted other agencies with crashes, chases, shootings and assaults, drug trafficking, auto theft, fugitive apprehension and collaborated with many first responders. The agency strived to work with civilian organizations to help maintain safe communities and build personal relationships. Patrol members attended workshops and collaborated with other state departments to further strengthen the agency's focus on "One Team, One Mission."

Troop T, KHP's Air Support Unit, worked with state and local agencies providing aerial support for flood and tornado damage assessments, wildlife surveys, accident and crime scene photos, evidence transportation. Additionally aircraft units helped search for felons, missing persons, drowning victims, and relayed life saving medical supplies.

The men and women of the KHP worked many large events in communities across the state, such as National Night Out 2019, helped safely manage traffic for NASCAR races, and provided security, traffic control and help with other issues at the Kansas State Fair.

> To address fatality crashes, troopers participated in special enforcements focused on different areas of concern including: construction zones, DUI checklanes, saturation patrols, and seatbelt enforcements.

The agency went through an internal restructure mid-year, adding a third operations region and a fifth major to the command staff. This allows streamlined processes and brings efficiency to the agency and its units.

Two Capitol Police officers and 29 troopers began their career in July. After 24 weeks of intensive law enforcement training, Class #59 graduated from the Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy in December.

EXECUTIVE COMMANDER: MAJOR JOSHUA KELLERMAN

CAPTAIN DEK KRUGER

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TROOP



Troop A worked over 2,400 crashes, conducted over 1,700 school bus inspections for 13 districts, had more than 60,000 public

interactions and provided assistance to 15,000 motorists in need. Holiday enforcements focused heavily on removing impaired drivers from our roadways, with 166 arrests. Troopers also enforced occupant protection and inattentive driving laws. Troop A supported two NASCAR events assisting more than 100,000 spectators enter and exit the venue with no major difficulties.

## KC METRO VIOLENT CRIMES TASK FORCE

As part of the Kansas City Metro Violent Crimes Task Force, whose goal is to capture the worst violent offenders, troopers brought numerous drug traffickers to justice, making more than 370 felony arrests.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

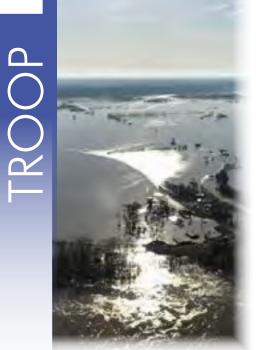
Troop A remains committed to serving the public through community outreach programs. Several special events took place, such as the annual Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive on Dec. 13. For this event, Kansas Highway Patrol and Missouri State Highway Patrol officers delivered toys to children at KU Med. Troopers and their families also prepared dinner for families at the Ronald McDonald House. In addition, Troop A participated in several

Kansas City Secret Santa operations, one of which was in partnership with the Kansas City Missouri Police Department at no cost to taxpayers.



## CAPTAIN JUSTIN BRAMLETT

NORTHEAST KANSAS



## TROOP B INVESTIGATIONS (JANUARY – APRIL 2019)

In partnership with Troop K (Capitol Police), Topeka Police Department, U.S. Marshals Service, Pottawatomie Sheriff's Office and Shawnee County Sheriff's Office an investigation lead to 16 arrests with charges ranging from pursuits, stolen vehicles, shooting suspects, financial crimes, identity theft, distribution of drugs, and over 20 warrants cleared. Eleven individuals were investigated further with charges pending. Also recovered were nine stolen vehicles, and six firearms were located on convicted felons prohibited from possessing weapons.

## HIGHWAY CLOSURE INCREASES TRAFFIC

Flooding of the Missouri River affected northeast Kansas from March to June in Doniphan and Atchison Counties. I-29 was closed because of flooding in Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska. With this closure, traffic increased significantly along US-36 and US-75 as well as some road closures in Kansas on K-7 and US-59.

## CAPTAIN AMBER HARRINGTON

CAPITOL POLICE

Headquartered in the heart of Topeka, Troop K provides full law enforcement services for properties owned and leased by the State of Kansas around the clock. The troop has their own dispatch center which operates first and second shift patrols. In addition to full-time law enforcement officers, Troop K also has part-time law enforcement officers and non-sworn Capitol Area Guards (CAG) located across the Capitol complex. Full-time officers are assigned to road patrol in and around Shawnee County and the Statehouse. Officers are also assigned to the First Family at Cedar Crest. In addition, CAGs monitor cameras and security systems in and around Shawnee County.

Officers conducted 4,395 traffic stops, including 45 felony arrests, 22 DUIs, 115 crashes, 300 Moving Hazardous Violations (MHV), and a multitude of other enforcement activities. Troop K officers also assisted other agencies, including the Topeka Police Department, Shawnee County Sheriff's Office, Kansas Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Marshals Service and other officers within the Kansas Highway Patrol.



## CAPTAIN BRIAN BASORE

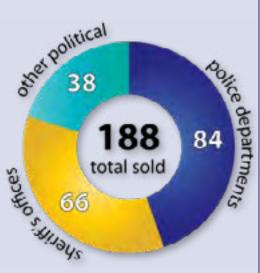


Fleet Operations is a nationally recognized program which allows the Patrol to provide new model vehicles to road personnel at a low cost to taxpayers. Vehicles are retired with the remaining factory warranty and sold to other law enforcement and government agencies at a reduced price. This money is then put back into the program to purchase new vehicles.

Fleet technicians install all emergency equipment, such as light bars, interior lighting, siren systems, radios, mobile data units (MDU) and provides maintenance as recommended by the vehicle manufacturer.

As part of the resale process, technicians remove emergency equipment not requested by the buyer, put through a 30-step maintenance inspection, detailed and made ready for delivery. Most of the vehicles purchased from Fleet are completed sight unseen. The reputation of the Patrol's vehicles is such that agencies know they are getting a "top-of-the-line" product that they normally could not afford.

### 2019 - VEHICLES SOLD



### IN STATE SALES:

- 42 Agencies
- 74 Vehicles sold

### OUT OF STATE SALES:

- 65 Agencies
- 114 Vehicles sold

### ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

827 Service appointments for oil changes, maintenance service calls, equipment repairs, etc.

## NEW VEHICLE PLATFORMS ADDED TO KHP FLEET

To diversify the fleet of Dodge Chargers and Ford Explorers, the KHP purchased Dodge Durango Pursuit vehicles. The 5.7L V8 motor coupled with the additional passenger room has made the Durango one of the main vehicles in the KHP Fleet.

In October 2019, KHP issued its first Ford F-150 Police Responder truck. The goal is to provide one vehicle platform to perform normal road duties while supporting additional specialty needs. Field testing will be done by two different units within the agency. Troop Evidence Property Officers will evaluate the use of the F-150 while transporting evidence and performing normal field duties. Troop I personnel will evaluate the F-150s ability to transport extra gear needed during reconstruction and post-crash investigations.

## **EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT UPGRADES**

Fleet Operations began upgrading the outdated emergency lighting used to equip KHP vehicles. The new technology produces brighter lights to warn surrounding traffic during an emergency. Additionally, technicians began installing commercial grade consoles inside Patrol vehicles. The upgraded consoles will replace the old pegboard consoles used for many years. The upgrade will provide a better, more organized workspace for personnel and assist in vehicle resale.

## FLEET ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

KHP Information Technology (IT) has been developing an electronic Fleet Asset Management program. The program is intended to replace the current paper-based car cost reporting system to provide a more efficient method of entering and tracking fuel, mileage and service expenses.



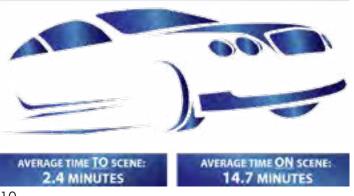
The Motorist Assistance Program (MAP) is a joint project between the Kansas Highway Patrol and the Kansas Department of Transportation which assigns motorist assist technicians to the Kansas City, Salina, Topeka and Wichita areas. Technicians perform services which keep travelers safe on the roads, help get travelers back on the road should their vehicle break down, and aid in the flow and direction of traffic.

## **STATISTICS**

18,633 Motorists assisted

- 1,540 Times fuel was provided
- 4,319 Unattended vehicles checked
- 771,235 Total miles driven

156,490 TOTAL DRIVERS ALERTED



## HAAS ALERT SYSTEM

In April 2019, the HAAS alert system was integrated into the MAP vehicles statewide as a one-year trial project. The HAAS system was designed as a collision prevention system that provides a warning to approaching motorists when emergency vehicles are nearby through cellular services. Motorists using navigation apps receive alerts when the HAAS system is active and within range. The system also records data to include drivers alerted, average time on-scene, average time-to-scene and more.

## **2019 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS**



Cleared **2,547** database entries in the FBI's National Crime Information Center



Recovered **472** stolen vehicles and recovered **889** unattended vehicles



Issued **59,956** speeding citations



Spent **36,242.31** hours assisting **107,644** motorists



Issued **18,896** moving hazardous violations (MHVs)



Conducted **184** MCSAP safety reviews



Weighed **18,623** commercial vehicles with portable scales, **664,685** with fixed scales and **18,623** weight in motion scales



Performed **8,652** fuel inspections



Administered **1,751** preliminary breath tests (PBT)

## **NORREGION ECUTIVE COMMANDER:** MAJOR MIKE MURPHY

CAPTAIN BRUCE HYMAN

## **TROOP C HELPS WITH PURSUIT IN ELLSWORTH COUNTY**

On April 17, Kansas Highway Patrol troopers were notified of a robbery in northern Ellsworth County. The Ellsworth dispatcher advised the victim was chasing the suspect who was driving across fields to avoid getting caught. The suspect vehicle was seen entering I-70 and KHP initiated a pursuit that traveled across Ellsworth, Lincoln and into Saline County. The suspect crossed the median and was driving east on the westbound lanes of I-70 at 100 mph. This erratic driving caused KHP to end the pursuit. A few minutes later troopers found fresh tracks going into a residence where a mailbox was knocked over. They conducted a manhunt and the suspect was taken into custody without incident a short time later.

## **TEXAS TROOPERS ASSIST KHP**

On Nov. 8, a KHP trooper observed a black Cadillac Escalade pulling a black Chevrolet Camaro westbound on I-70 at speeds of 95 mph. The trooper initiated a traffic stop. Further investigation revealed that both vehicles were stolen from Hertz Car Rental and they both had fictitious VIN numbers and titles. While he was waiting for backup to arrive, four off-duty Texas Department of Public Safety troopers stopped to assist. One suspect was charged with two counts of Possession of Stolen Property, two counts of Knowingly Possessing Vehicles with Fictitious or Altered VINs, and Knowingly Possessing Fictitious Titles. The other suspect had been hired to drive the vehicles and had no knowledge of the scheme and was released.

**TROOP** 

## CAPTAIN TRAVIS PHILLIPS

NORTHWEST KANSAS

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## **TROOPERS ON GUARD**

On April 18, Troop D troopers assisted the Russell Police Department in a welfare check on a possible suicidal subject at a local hotel. During the check, the suspect shot through the doors and walls of the hotel. One of the police officers was struck and the troopers guarded the injured officer and provided medical attention until EMS could take over. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident.



## STORM ASSISTANCE ON INTERSTATE

On Aug. 13, a storm caused power poles to be blown over causing a power outage to over 7,000 citizens in Hays. Five semis were also blown over on the interstate. I-70 was closed from WaKeeney to Hays for 5  $\frac{1}{2}$ hours while troopers assisted with the removal of the semis and power poles.



## FLOODING CAUSES TURNPIKE CLOSURE

Due to flooding on May 8, Troop G troopers assisted with the closing of the Kansas Turnpike on I-35 between the Oklahoma line and the US-160 Wellington interchange. The shutdown lasted for two days. Troopers worked with turnpike maintenance crews to re-route traffic until the water receded and the roadway was rebuilt.

## SHOOTING SUSPECT APPREHENDED

On Sept. 12, troopers were on the lookout for a vehicle and suspect associated with a Riley County shooting. A trooper located the suspect traveling eastbound on I-70 in Leavenworth County. A pursuit began after an attempted stop of the vehicle. The trooper performed a Tactical Vehicle Intervention (TVI) and successfully brought the pursuit to an end where the shooting suspect was taken into custody.

## OKLAHOMA SHOOTING SUSPECT IN CUSTODY

Troopers assisted with the search for a suspect who shot at another vehicle on Aug. 28 in Oklahoma. Troopers located the suspect vehicle as it exited the turnpike and proceeded northbound on K-15. A traffic stop was attempted with assistance from Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office. The pursuit ended in Wichita when the suspect struck a curb. Troopers recovered two stolen firearms and over 317 rounds of ammunition.



ROOP

## HONORABLE MENTION

ACCIDENT RESPONSE TEAM (CHART)

In September 2019, Troop I received an Honorable Mention recognition for Data Quality Improvement during the CVSA Conference in Biloxi, Miss. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) recognized the Kansas Highway Patrol for the greatest improvement in data reporting from the fiscal year 2018 to the fiscal year 2019.

## **CONTINUING EFFORTS**

Troop I personnel continued their efforts to reduce large truck and bus crashes in the state by completing 30,096 commercial vehicle inspections, 78 safety programs provided to the commercial vehicle industry, industry stakeholders and schools, reaching 6,291 people and by targeting drivers who are driving aggressively around commercial motor vehicles. The chart to the right indicates some of Troop I's activities during fiscal year 2019.

## **CHART TOTALS**

Troop I oversees the Patrol's Critical Highway Accident Reconstruction Team (CHART). During the last year, the CHART team members were called to 131 incidents

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Speed	2,514
Seat belt Violations	1,055
Misdemeanor Traffic Violations	1,247
Felonies	32
Drug	38
DUI	20
Misdemeanor Non-traffic	353
NCIC	53
Total	5,111

for the Kansas Highway Patrol and local agencies. These calls involved 114 collisions, 94 of which were fatal, one aircraft accident and one crime scene. During these incidents, CHART completed 86 forensic maps and 14 collision reconstructions.

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## 76,209 PUBLIC CONTACTS



## **2019 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS**



Investigated **7,230** non-injury, property damage only crashes



Investigated **232** fatality crashes



Investigated **1,898** injury crashes



Inspected **12,041** school buses



Verified **139,101** vehicle identification numbers



Inspected **38,104** trucks



Seat belt use in Kansas **85%** 



Made **2,107** felony drug arrests



Made 3,721 felony arrests

EXECUTIVE COMMANDER: MAJOR ERIC SAUER

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## CAPTAIN RANDELL MOSHER

southwest kansas

## TROOPERS RESPOND TO HOSTAGE SITUATION

On July 7, the Pawnee County Sheriffs Department requested assistance with a possible hostage situation with a barricaded subject and a young child north of Larned. Troops E, F, and D personnel responded to the area. A command post was set up and a perimeter was established. Field personnel then requested the ESU team to respond. The ESU team arrived and contacted the suspect. The suspect came out of the trailer and the situation was resolved without any incident.

## LARGE GRASS FIRE FORCES TYSON PLANT EVACUATION

On August 9, Troop E personnel responded to the Tyson Beef plant in Finney County to assist local agencies with a large fire. The fire was very active upon personnel arriving. Troop E personnel assisted with evacuating employees from the area and assisted with scene security. Troopers assisted until they were released from the scene the next day. Troopers also assisted with traffic control and access for the next several days so employees, public personnel, and investigators could successfully enter and exit the area.

## CAPTAIN DENNIS MARTEN

SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS

## **KANSAS STATE FAIR SUPPORT**

The Patrol provides 24-hour law enforcement services and serves over 337,000 people who attend the yearly event. KHP personnel patrol in and around the fairgrounds, investigates potential criminal activity, patrols major roadways in Reno County, staffs the Patrol's booth and provides on-site communications. The Patrol also responds to a variety of calls for assistance including medical calls and reuniting separated persons. In partnership with the City of Hutchinson and Reno County, the Patrol utilized a new text messaging service to provide public safety messages to subscribers during the fair.



## **ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS**

Troop F troopers investigated more than 1,775 crashes in 2019. Members also conducted more than 60 special enforcements focusing on areas of concern such as saturation patrols, officer-in-training, concentrated enforcement in problematic areas, multiple STEP campaians and holiday enforcements. These enforcements focused heavily on removing impaired drivers from the roadways, encouraging seat belt compliance and targeting MHV violations, such as texting and driving, and speeding.

## **KANSAS SUPREME COURT SECURITY**

On Oct. 7 and 8, Troop F provided security for the Kansas Supreme Court hearing at El Dorado High School in El Dorado, Kan. KHP arrived before the hearing to check the building for weapons and possible threats towards the Justices and attendees. KHP personnel also attended the Leadership Community Breakfast.

## CAPTAIN CHARLES YOKLEY SOUTH EAST KANSAS

## **PERIMETER SECURED**

On April 23, Troop H units assisted the Garnett Police Department and Anderson County Sheriff's Office with an armed and barricaded suspect. The suspect entered his neighbor's residence earlier in the day and shot the neighbor in the chest with a handgun over a dispute involving a dog. The suspect then returned to his residence and refused to surrender. Troop H units provided perimeter security and scene containment during the standoff. The suspect eventually surrendered and the victim was transported to the hospital where he recovered from the gunshot wound.

## SEARCH FOR ARMED ROBBERY SUSPECT

On Aug. 8, Troop H units were dispatched to assist in the search for an armed robbery suspect near Humboldt, Kan. The suspect was wanted for an armed robbery at a Payday Loans business in Iola, Kan., and stole the clerk's vehicle in the getaway. A short time later the suspect was located walking near Humboldt. When officers attempted to take the suspect into custody, he jumped into the Neosho River. Troop H units along with ESU and KHP Air Support maintained visual contact with the suspect as he floated down the river hanging onto a log. The handgun, mask and clothing used in the robbery were located at the river. The suspect eventually evaded arrest in a heavily wooded area north of Chanute. Days later the suspect turned himself in to the Allen County Sheriff's Department.

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The KHP Homeland Security Office (HSO) has served as the Governor-appointed State Administrative Agency (SAA) for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) since 2001 and the Non-Profit Security Grant Program (NSGP) since 2018.

The State of Kansas is divided into seven Homeland Security regions, each represented by a governing council made up of local volunteers from various disciplines. As the SAA, the Kansas Highway Patrol is responsible for pass-through and oversight of the HSGP and NSGP.



- The NSGP received \$150,000 in Department of Homeland Security (DHS) appropriated funds for fiscal year 2019, which was distributed to four recipients in Kansas (all four are faith-based organizations). The recipients will use these funds to support physical security enhancements and other security initiatives.
- In fiscal year 2019, the HSGP received nearly \$4.1M in DHS appropriated funds. The monetary award is distributed among five sub-recipients to be allocated across the state. The funds are used to implement investments that build, sustain and deliver core capabilities through planning, equipment, training and exercises.
  - Ο Funding was used to secure and sustain an existing KHP Fusion Center analyst to work in the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center (KIFC). The position assists the with analysis and dissemination of intelligence information to law enforcement in Kansas and beyond.
  - Funding was secured to provide an investigative database tool to help mitigate and pursue О criminal use of cell phones to commit cybersecurity crimes, as well as domestic and foreign terrorism.
  - $\mathbf{O}$ Funding was secured to provide equipment from the KHP Thermo Scientific Warranty utilized by KHP Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU). The equipment is designed for field analysis of a wide range of chemicals including explosive materials, narcotics and industrial chemicals.

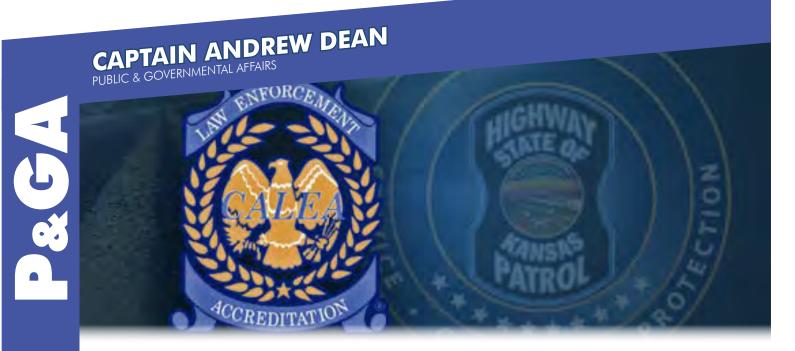
## STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

During the widespread fires, blizzards and flooding that took place in 2019, members of the Emergency Operations unit staffed the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) for several weeks.

In December, the emergency operations unit participated in an evaluated readiness exercise for the Wolf Creek Nuclear Facility. Currently the unit is planning a full-scale pandemic flu exercise with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for spring 2020.

## KHP MOBILE FIELD FORCE

The KHP's Mobile Field Force (MFF) is a unit of highly trained troopers specializing in the preservation and protection of life, property and citizens' First Amendment rights. Tactic specific training as well as traditional civil disturbance training continued in 2019; as did the broadening of inter-agency coordination. In 2019, the MFF and the Kansas Department of Corrections conducted inter-agency exercises during an annual in-service as well as a joint operation at the Ellsworth Correctional Facility.



The Public & Governmental Affairs (P&GA) unit is responsible for a wide variety of outreach programs to the general public and government elected officials.

- This unit handles the Patrol's public image and houses the agency's recruiter who is responsible for bringing new personnel to the agency.
- The P&GA unit is involved in the State's legislative process. This unit prepares legislative testimony and provides security during the legislative session.
- The P&GA unit coordinates the agency's policies and assists in the agency's accreditation processes. The Kansas Highway Patrol received it's accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA.)
- After receiving law enforcement accreditation in 2018, the Patrol has made commitments in earning accreditation for both the Training Academy and Communication centers.

## **PUBLIC RESOURCE OFFICERS (PROS)**

The Patrol's Public Resource Officers (PROs) operate under the P&GA section. Each field troop has a PRO who handles media calls, safety programs, car seat installations and the Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation program.

- The PROs are also known as the Tweeting Troopers and utilize social media to connect with the public across the state and nationally.
- Annually, the Patrol's PROs staff the KHP booth at Kansas State Fair to answer questions from the public and visit with attendees.
- The PROs also attended the annual Uniformed Safety Education Officers Workshop (USEOW) in June, where they earned awards for their safety presentations.

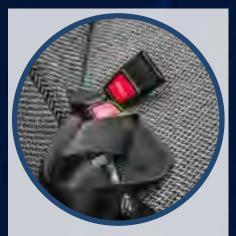
## **2019 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS**



Administered **1,751** evidentiary alcohol tests



Arrested 1,365 impaired drivers



Issued **14,465** total Seat belt violations



CHART responded to **131** requests for assistance, crash investigations and crime scene reconstructions



Issued **1,342** child restraint violations



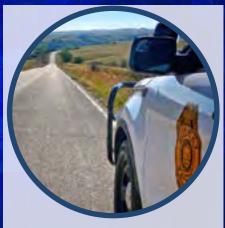
Conducted **5,588** criminal interdiction searches



Spent **5,847.25** hours preparing for court



Conducted **385** check lanes



Patrolled 12,372,364 miles





CAPTAIN ALLAN LYTTON TRAINING ACADEMY

## ACADEMY TRAINS RECRUITS

The Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy is home to the Patrol recruits, and annual in-service training required for all troopers and officers.

On Dec. 5, Recruit Class #59 graduated 29 troopers and two Capitol Police Officers after completing the 24-week Recruit Basic Program. The 31 recruits began their Field Training Officer phase and are stationed throughout the state. Over the last four years, the Patrol has placed a strong emphasis on recruiting that has led to larger classes with applicants from all walks of life.

## DRE PROGRAM TEACHES DETECTION OF DRUG IMPAIRMENT

In 2019, the Kansas Drug Evaluation and Classification Program held two Drug Recognition Expert Schools. These schools include 72 hours of classroom training, field certification training and a comprehensive final knowledge exam. Currently, Kansas has 80 certified DREs located across the state. Highly trained in the detection and evaluations of drug impaired drivers, Kansas DREs conducted 630 evaluations in 2019, assisting in the detection and apprehension of drug-impaired drivers in Kansas.



## ARMED AND BARRICADED SUSPECT

On April 29, Emergency Services Unit (ESU) personnel were deployed to an armed and barricaded suspect who shot the Rice County Sheriff and Undersheriff. The suspect was known to local law enforcement and had felony warrants for his arrest. The Undersheriff identified the suspect as a passenger in a car leaving a local restaurant and conducted a traffic stop. During the stop, the suspect got out of the car and shot the Undersheriff before fleeing the scene with the female driver. The female driver took the suspect to his residence where he obtained more firearms and ammunition. The suspect then drove himself to his father's residence located in rural Rice County.

The Rice County Sheriff drove by the father's residence where the suspect shot at the sheriff's patrol vehicle, striking the sheriff in the leg. ESU personnel joined multiple law enforcement agencies on the scene and implemented barricaded protocols. The Wichita Police Department deployed a drone to conduct surveillance around the house and outbuildings. The drone operator located two bodies which appeared to be unresponsive. Due to a lack of communication or response from the suspect, and the evidence obtained by the drone operator, ESU personnel entered the residence where they found two deceased individuals. One of the deceased was identified as the suspect and it appeared his death was the result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The second individual was identified as the father of the suspect.

## HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT DESIGNS DEFEAT TOOL

The Hazardous Devices Unit recently designed an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Defeat Tool. This type of IED Defeat Tool will help preserve evidence and facilitate the prosecution of individuals charged with crimes associated with certain explosive devices. Certified bomb technicians across the U.S. can utilize this tool to safely and remotely perform render safe procedures on IEDs.

The IED Defeat Tool has been identified by Homeland Security as filling a gap within the department's explosive ordinance disposal techniques. The tool is currently undergoing evaluation by Homeland Security and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This is an extreme honor for the Kansas Highway Patrol's Hazardous Devices Unit and the personnel who designed this tool.





## 240 POUNDS OF METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZED

A Commercial Vehicle Service Alliance (CVSA) inspection led to 240 pounds of methamphetamine seized from a commercial vehicle. The investigation continues to seek the origin and destination of the methamphetamine.

## **TROOP N INTELLIGENCE ANALYSTS**

A Criminal Intel Analyst has been assigned to Troop N as well as an additional analyst provided by the Kansas Air National Guard. These positions are invaluable in assisting with cell phone downloads and analysis, compiling data of seizures and trends and disseminating intelligence gained on KHP cases to other law enforcement agencies nationwide.

## **TROOP N DEA GROUP 42A**

The KHP worked with the DEA to form a DEA KHP Highway Interdiction Group, comprised of four Task Force Officers (TFO), one Lieutenant, who is also the group supervisor, and one DEA Special Agent. This new DEA group formation (42A) brings all KHP TFOs under one umbrella and maximizes investigative output statewide.

## **EVIDENCE PROGRAM**

During calendar year 2019:

- Central Evidence personnel destroyed approximately 19,986 pounds of illegal narcotics.
- A federal grant was secured allowing the purchase of NARCAN for all uniformed law enforcement and personal protective equipment at evidence stations.

## **TROOP N HOSTS NIC**

Troop N and ESU were tasked with hosting the National Interdiction Conference in Overland Park, Kan. This conference is held at different state police and highway patrol agencies each year with more than 800 participants attending.

2019	2019 ACTIVITY						
340	Cases						
8	Commercial Motor Vehicles						
89	DUI arrests						
502							
1,551							
223	Other felony						
232	NCIC hits (18 stolen vehicles)						
SEIZU	SEIZURES						
27	Vehicles						
28	Weapons						
9,096	Pounds marijuana						
159	Pounds cocaine						
58	Pounds heroin						
890	Pounds methamphetamine						

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	2019 A	СТІVІТҮ
11-HUMAN RANDOWN	1,358	Hours flown
PLATELETS	990	Flights conducted
	EXECUTIV	'E AIRCRAFT
	33,616+	Miles flown
	446	Passengers transported
	130.6	Hours flown

## **AIR SUPPORT USES FLIR CAMERA TO ASSIST OFFICERS**

In April, Troop T was called to Lyon County to assist in the search for two wanted suspects that fled on foot from a residence. The aircrew located both subjects using a FLIR camera on the aircraft and guided officers to their location. The suspects were taken into custody without incident.

## **AIRCREWS SEARCH FOR SUSPECT INVOLVED WITH SHOOTING**

In April, Troop T aircrews responded to an officer-involved shooting near Sterling, Kan. The suspect fled and shot another officer a short time later. Two aircrews assisted in the search and flew overwatch on a residence where the suspect was ultimately located.

## **TROOP T LOCATES AN ATTEMPTED MURDER SUSPECT**

Troop T was on patrol in late July in the Kansas City area when they responded to a report of a shooting. The shooting suspect fled the scene on foot. Troop T located an attempted murder suspect hiding behind a building a few blocks away. The aircraft crew guided officers to the suspect's location where he was taken into custody.

## **AIR SUPPORT KEEPS WATCH ON BARRICADED SUBJECT**

In late September, Troop T responded to a barricaded subject that was shooting. The suspect was northeast of Hays. Officers couldn't get close to the residence. The aircrew kept the suspect in sight and relayed information to the ground units. The subject later surrendered and was taken into custody.



## SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDE

Wildlife surveys

Accident and crime scene photos

**Evidence transportation** 

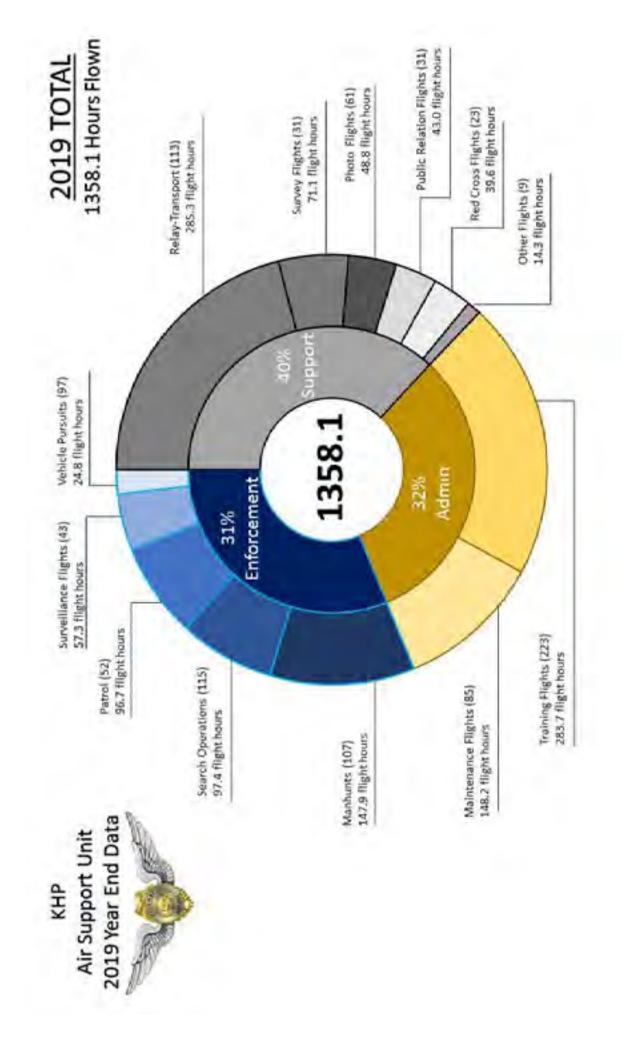
**Education programs** 

Searches for felons, missing persons, drowning victims

**Blood relays** 

## AIRCREWS HELP AGENCIES IN DRUG INVESTIGATION

Troop T assisted local and federal agencies in a large drug investigation in Troop E that resulted in multiple arrests, several businesses forfeited and the seizure of drugs and money. The aircrew assisted with surveillance on several occasions. The case is pending in federal court.



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TROOP M

CAPTAIN JIM OEHM CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS/CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS



CENTRAL	COMMUNICATIONS					
19,770	Case numbers issued					
350,680	Calls for service					
100	Safe School Hotline (SSH) calls received					
36	SSH calls forwarded to law enforcement					
8	Underage Drinking Hotline calls received					
5	Communications Specialists hired					

## **CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications specialists support field personnel 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They maintain radio contact with officers; run queries for information on individuals and vehicles; take calls from the public and other agencies; and dispatch personnel to crashes and other events. Communications personnel also coordinate blood and organ relays across the state and monitor alarms and warnings, such as those issued by the National Weather Service.

Supervisors from Central Communications attended the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International conference in Baltimore, Md. They attended courses in leadership and technology and were also able to research new equipment available to the communications field.

Central Communications had five retirements and two Tac-Com deployments at the State Fair in Hutchinson, and Fake St. Patty's Day in Manhattan.

- Assisted Kansas Bureau of Investigation and participated in the KCJIS Conference in Topeka.
- Supervisor/Auditor attend STARS, a conference in Arizona for state training and auditing resources.
- Participated in the Central States Communications Exercise in Oklahoma.
- Published an updated KCJIS Policies and Procedures Manual in July, one month after the FBI released their latest security policy.
- Regularly participate in various user groups sponsored by both the KBI and local agencies throughout the state.

## **CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS (CJIS)**

The CJIS unit provides training to local agencies throughout Kansas. They conduct audits to ensure the proper use of systems, and administers several components of the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS). Local agency computer networks undergo security reviews before allowing workstations to be connected. The unit manages and provides assistance to local agencies using the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), including FBI-mandated certification of all operators with access to NCIC. CJIS coordinates the annual validation of all Kansas-entered records, such as wanted or missing persons and stolen property. KHP CJIS trainers also instruct the Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operators (BLECO) training course for new local agency dispatchers.

CJIS A	CTIVITY	NCIC D	ATA QUALITY AUDIT UNIT		
NCIC T	CHNICAL SECURITY AUDIT UNIT	140	NCIC data quality audits completed		
110	IT security audits	30	Full access NCIC training classes -		
192	New NCIC terminal devices		163 students		
approved		32	KHP recruit PIN/Token setup		
12 NCIC terminal deactivations		35	Arson Investigators taught NCIC rules and requirements		
16Network change and relocation approvals1Post-incident reconnection approved6LASO training classes- 133 students		32	Recruits instructed on-line NCIC certification via CJIS Launchpad		
		N-DEX AND RECORDS CHECKS			
		1	N-Dex Class - 31 students		
			Advanced (fingerprint) record		
100 Additional people completed LASO			checks for applicants		
	training	829 Annual employee record check completed			
		333	Vendor record checks		
NCIC ce	ertifications are verified every two years	498	Token users managed and new		

tokens issued





The Patrol's Motor Vehicle Enforcement (MVE) unit coordinates the statewide Vehicle Inspection program. The goals are to increase the recovery of stolen vehicles and/or component parts, detect and prevent titling fraud, and provide Kansas residents with vehicle inspections to title and register a vehicle with an out of state title. MVE trains other law enforcement agencies in auto theft investigation and the vehicle inspection processes so that more inspection options are available to Kansas residents. MVE works closely with Kansas vehicle dealers and the Kansas Department of Revenue in titling and registering vehicles.

The Kansas Highway Patrol and its designees conducted 238,391 VIN inspections in 2019. Troop V recovered 156 stolen vehicles in 2019. Many of those led to larger investigations and prosecutions for fraud and stolen vehicle crimes.

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Human Resources (HR) works to attract and retain quality employees in an agency of over 800 positions. HR staff provides information and direction to applicants and employees not only in the hiring and promotional processes, but also in benefit programs and policy development. The HR department works to ensure agency compliance with state and federal employment laws, state statutes, Kansas Administrative Regulations, executive directives, Memorandums of Agreement, CALEA standards and agency policies. KHP supports our military employees and veterans and strives to reflect the diversity of the citizens the agency serves. The department provides training to agency employees to ensure clear communication and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity, Affirmative Action and more.





Fiscal is responsible for the agency's budget, and the accounting and reporting of all state and federal financial transactions. This department also administers the procurement of goods and services, management of owned and leased facilities and federal grant oversight.

## ACCOUNTING

The Fiscal Accounting staff processed approximately 51,000 line-item payments in fiscal year 2019 to outside suppliers for goods and services purchased or contracted by the agency. Fiscal managed over \$19.5 million in grant funds and provided oversight for 124 facilities whether Patrol owned, leased through private organizations or shared space with other state agencies. These contracts include facilities for office space, VIN operations, storage, troop headquarters, fleet garage and aircraft hangars.

## PROCUREMENT

Kansas Highway Patrol Procurement Officers facilitate the procurement process as delegated by the Department of Administration. Functions include product research, management of bid solicitations and negotiating and preparing contracts for goods and services. In fiscal year 2019, Procurement processed 3,454 unique purchase orders with over 11,849 lines and prepared 36 agency-specific contracts, totaling \$19,196,559 in purchases. In addition, Procurement was instrumental in preparing 260 Prior Authorizations which, by statute, are submitted to the Division of

3,454	Unique purchase orders
11,849	Request lines
36	Agency-specific contracts
260	Prior authorizations over \$5,000
\$19,196,559	In purchases

Purchases for approval on requests exceeding the Patrol's purchasing authority of \$5,000.

Procurement played an instrumental role in acquiring several key procurement contracts in fiscal year 2019, including uniforms, food services, drones and a firearms simulator at the Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy.

In addition, Procurement managed the agency's 645 Procurement Cards (P-Card) with an annual spend of \$1,554,647.

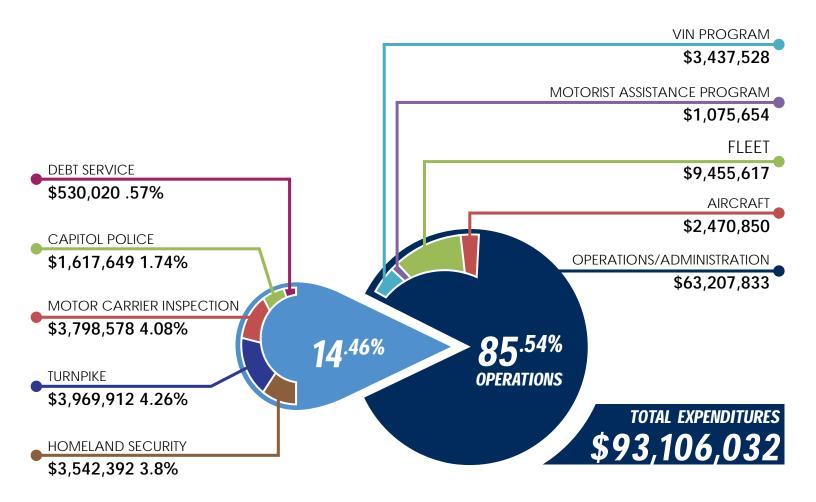
## ASSET MANAGEMENT

Fiscal Management is required to track assets throughout the agency and submit a Capital Asset Reporting Log quarterly to the Department of Administration. This report identifies the Patrol's assets that have been acquired, disposed of or changed in value within the fiscal year. The Department of Administration also conducts random sampling of assets on a three-year cycle. The agency achieved an accuracy rate of 95% during its last audit.

## **CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

Throughout fiscal year 2019, Fiscal continued their efforts to engage in a series of rapid workflow reviews, known as Kaizen events, to establish a culture of improvement. Kaizen is an approach to creating continuous improvement based on the concept that small, ongoing positive changes can gain measurable improvements and directly impact outcomes.

Through cooperation and commitment between individuals throughout the Patrol and state agencies, Fiscal has implemented over 30 process improvement initiatives that have created a more efficient and effective unit. Examples include the development of a mid-year close process; year-end reports; reduction in document printing; formation of centralized emails; accepting scanned receipts to minimize delays in reimbursements; distribution of e-statements for p-cards with a self-service capability with our banking partner; and reorganization of staff assignments to create a more efficient workflow within the unit.





The Kansas Highway Patrol Information Technology (IT) team ensures that troopers, civilians and command staff have the latest technology available at their fingertips to quickly provide any and all relevant data in the most convenient method possible. This reduces time on the side of the road, while increasing officer and public safety. IT's staff monitors and maintain an advanced network of servers, desktops and hundreds of mobile devices, including both mobile data units (MDU) and cellular phones. Internally, programmers and system engineers look ahead to provide the next generation hardware and software required for reliable operation. IT staff are tasked with the installation, operation and troubleshooting of the Capitol Complex video network and system-wide access control.

**COUNSEL** GENERAL COUNSEL LUTHER GANIEANY; LEGAL COUNSEL SARAH WASHBURN

KHP Legal staff provides guidance and advice on all aspects of Patrol's law enforcement mission as well as providing advice to various KHP commanders and senior staff needed for day-to-day operations. This year, the Patrol welcomed a new General Counsel, Luther Ganieany. Legal Counsel also provided input on new legislation to clarify the process of returning property to citizens when no longer needed as evidence.

Day-to-day operations of the legal department include representing the Patrol in civil litigation; interpretation of agency policy; Kansas Administrative Regulations; and state and federal laws; providing legal training for staff; reviewing in-custody medical claims. Additionally. Legal helps with the preparation of Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding - contract negotiations; provides legal counsel in matters concerning employment and labor law; reviews and drafts responses to agency complaints such as those filed with the Kansas Human Rights Commission, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or complaints alleging racial or other biased-based policing. Legal also handles the filing of asset forfeitures and quiet title cases on behalf of the Patrol and responds to business records subpoenas and public requests made through the Kansas Open Records Act. Legal provides support and counsel to both sworn and civilian members.

## RECORDS

The Patrol's Records section processes, maintains and archives reports generated by KHP field personnel. Records personnel also respond to open records requests for copies of criminal investigation and crash reports from attorneys, courts, insurance companies, public and other agencies. 

## OTHER DEPARTMENTS

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PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

The Professional Standards Unit (PSU) provides factfinding investigative services for the agency. The unit focuses on safeguarding administrative investigative processes; upholding agency integrity, and ensuring employee due process rights. Confidential archives of agency employee administrative investigations are maintained. Troopers assigned to the unit investigate concerns regarding employee conduct, competency, and agency procedures received from both in and outside the agency. Additionally, PSU staff provides training on administrative investigation processes to new employees and supervisors. PSU monitors and reviews investigations assigned to supervisors throughout the state as well. Investigatory findings are utilized to identify agency training and supervisory needs. PSU receives assignments from, and reports findings directly to the superintendent.

COMPLIMENTS						
155	Citizen compliments					
COMPLAI	NTS					
11	2018 Cases carried over					
41	Cases initiated					
52	Cases completed					
86	Total 2019 complaints					
22	Sustained					
64	Unfounded or not sustained					



The Protective Services Detail handles security for the Governor and the First Family in public. Visiting dignitaries may also be provided protection at the request of the Governor or the Kansas Highway Patrol superintendents. Protective Services works with the Executive Aircraft Operations section to provide aerial transport for the Governor and other public officials.



The Honor Guard portrays the highest degree of professionalism and fosters pride in the organization by exhibiting respect and honor. The Honor Guard provides ceremonial duties at funerals, memorial dedications, recruit graduations, law enforcement functions and other special events.

The Honor Guard is made up of 12 members, consisting of a Team Leader, Color Guard, Firing Detail, Flag Folding Detail, Body Bearer Detail, Honorary Pallbearers, and Bugler. Additionally, two Chaplains are part of Honor Guard.



The Kansas Highway Patrol PEER Team continues to grow and serve the KHP and various law enforcement entities and state agencies since 1994. With the recent change in leadership, the PEER Team has moved away from the reactive approach and transitioned to a more proactive approach. The PEER Team deploy to various locations across Kansas to host or assist with Critical Incident Stress Management and defusing when requested.

In 2019, the team changed the way they assign follow-ups after a fatality collision or critical incident. Now, the PEER Team coordinator will reach out to a member of the PEER Team who knows the affected law enforcement officer or employee, or they will contact the affected officer's immediate supervisor to check their welfare. When assigning a follow-up to a PEER team member who the affected officer is not familiar with or does not know, the team has learned that a typical response received during their interaction would be "I'm fine," even if that incident is bothering the officer or trooper. In most cases, a law enforcement officer's first line supervisor will be one of the first to know if the affected officer or employee is displaying unusual behavior.

The PEER Team spent a significant amount of time during their quarterly training sessions covering active listening, PTSD, suicide prevention and traumatic brain injuries. The team has been trained on how to utilize the State of Kansas Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and now recommends it when applicable during their one-on-one contacts. The key is to get our people help by any means necessary.

The PEER Team has conducted and assisted with the following Critical Incident Stress Management Group:

- Kansas Department of Transportation hosted a debrief in Overland Park following a crash involving one of their employees.
- Helped with a debrief for hospital staff and EMT personnel at Medicine Lodge regarding two bicyclists one was well known in the community.
- Kansas Turnpike Authority requested a debrief after an employee involved in a murder/suicide.
- Assisted in a debrief in Russel, Kan. after an officer was shot in the leg during a suicidal call at a local hotel.
- Assisted in two critical incident debriefs in Caney, Kan., for a fire department member who committed suicide. One debrief was for fire personnel and the other was for police personnel.
- Took part in a debrief for the Kansas Department of Transportation in Oakley, Kan., regarding the loss of two employees within a month's time.

In 2019, the Patrol's PEER team provided support to 176 KHP members, 54 civilians, and 11 other law enforcement members.

## LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY



**TRP Maurice R. Plummer** 1944



**TRP Jimmie Jacobs** 1959



TRP John McMurray 1964



LT Bernard C. Hill 1967



SGT Eldon K. Miller 1968





**TRP James D. Thornton** 1973



TRP Conroy G, O'Brien TRP Ferdinand F, Pribbenow 1978



1981



MSTRP Larry L Huff 1993



MSTRP Dean A. Goodheart 1995