



KANSAS
HIGHWAY PATROL

2015 Annual Report



GOVERNOR'S COMMENTS

Governor Sam Brownback



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Dear Colonel Bruce:

I want to thank you for your work for the Kansas Highway Patrol over the past year, and for the work your personnel do each day. I often see troopers from across the state as we attend events, and they are always courteous and professional. Their actions exude pride in their career, and that is just the kind of men and women we need serving our Kansas communities.

I know last year the Patrol was honored once again on a national level for helping remove drugs from our nation's roadways. Congratulations for this honor, and I am glad these illegal substances will not be reaching our communities.

In 2015, KHP personnel in the south central region moved into the new Troop F headquarters. I am pleased that this project was completed, as the personnel needed the new space.

It was my privilege to attend the Patrol's 55th Recruit Class Graduation in Salina in December. The enthusiasm of the new graduates and the dedication of those who trained them is honorable. It is encouraging that this was the largest recruit class in recent years.

It has been a pleasure to witness your agency's events and your leadership. It is very clear the *Service, Courtesy, and Protection* for which the Patrol has long been known is alive and well in our state today. I thank each one of the Patrol's personnel for your service and dedication to our state.

Sincerely,

Sam Brownback
Governor



COLONEL'S COMMENTS

Colonel Mark Bruce, Superintendent



Colonel Mark Bruce,
Superintendent
Kansas Highway Patrol

Dear Governor Brownback,

It has been my honor to lead the Kansas Highway Patrol over the past year, as we move forward into the future. Each one of our Patrol personnel, whether in uniform, or a civilian, takes great pride in the work they do, and the service they provide to Kansas citizens and travelers.

Once again, 2015 was a busy year for our personnel. Our agency saw many changes. Our men and women in uniform were responsible for arresting 1,402 impaired drivers. As part of our mission to protect lives on our roads, they issued 14,989 citations for seatbelt violations, and 1,483 for child restraint violations. Troopers apprehended several murder suspects, and officers arrested drug traffickers and gang members. We helped 101,671 motorists in need of assistance.

Much was done to promote the safety of Kansans. With your help and support, the Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation (KASM) program was created a few years ago, and has grown, now not only including schools and law enforcement, but multiple state agencies and businesses have now attended the trainings as well.

Kansas agencies know that we are always ready, should they need assistance handling the calls in their areas, or should they need someone to back them on a call.

The Kansas Highway Patrol is an agency deeply rooted in tradition. Our personnel across the state work each day to honor and live the agency motto of: *Service, Courtesy, and Protection*, which was set forth in 1937. We move toward the future while remembering the proud history our predecessors have entrusted us to carry on.

Respectfully,

Mark A Bruce

Colonel Mark Bruce,
Superintendent



SUPERINTENDENTS

COLONEL MARK BRUCE

In January 2015, Governor Sam Brownback appointed the Kansas Highway Patrol's 22nd Superintendent, Colonel Mark Bruce to his new role within the agency. Bruce has served more than 26 years with the Patrol, and has overseen several sections within the agency.

Bruce joined the Patrol on June 18, 1989, as a member of KHP Class #25. His first duty station was in the Manhattan area. He transferred to Linn County in 1993. In 1996, Bruce transferred to the Research and Planning Section of General Headquarters in Topeka. He was promoted to sergeant in 1998, and second lieutenant in 2000, with both promotions in the Patrol's Support Services section. In 2003, Bruce was promoted to lieutenant, then captain of Emergency Operations. He transferred to captain of Homeland Security when the section was created in 2004. In 2007, Bruce returned to Support Services as a captain. He was promoted to major of the Support Services section in 2008, and began overseeing Public & Governmental Affairs; Central Communications and the Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) unit; the Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy; Legal/Records section; and Human Resources. In 2013 he was transferred to serve as major of the Patrol's West Region, assuming responsibility for Field Troops C, D, E, and F, as well as Troop M, CJIS and Central Communications. In early January 2015, he began serving as interim superintendent of the Patrol. With Governor Brownback's appointment of him as superintendent of the Patrol, he will be responsible for all operations of the agency, while working closely with the Governor's Office.

Bruce is a graduate of Ellsworth High School in Ellsworth, Kan. He earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from Barton County Community College, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the University of Kansas, and a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Washburn University. Bruce served in the Kansas Air National Guard from 1985 to 1994, attaining the rank of technical sergeant in law enforcement.



LIEUTENANT COLONEL RANDY MOON

In February 2015, Colonel Mark Bruce appointed Lieutenant Colonel Randy Moon to begin serving as assistant superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol. Moon has served for more than 29 years with the Patrol, and has 32 years of law enforcement service to the citizens of Kansas.

He joined the Patrol on June 18, 1986, as a member of KHP Class #22. His first duty station was Wellington. He transferred to Wichita in 1990, then to Kingman in 1992. He was promoted to sergeant in February 1996, and was assigned to Governor's Security detail. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1999, remaining in Governor's Security. In 2000, he transferred to Reno County, serving as a zone supervisor for field units in that section of Troop F, the south central region. In January 2006, Moon was promoted to captain, and assumed command of the Patrol's Troop M—Central Communications and the Criminal Justice Information Systems unit.

As a member of the Patrol, he has served as a team leader for the Patrol's Honor Guard; as a Breath Alcohol Unit instructor; and as assistant commander of the Patrol's operations at the Kansas State Fair. In 2010, Moon completed the 11-week Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, held in Quantico, Virginia. In September of 2012, Moon was appointed by FBI Director Robert Mueller to serve as a member on the FBI Criminal Justice Information Services Advisory Policy Board.

Moon is a graduate of Pratt High School. He earned an Associate's degree in Administration of Justice from Barton County Community College. Prior to joining the Patrol, he was a patrolman with the Pratt Police Department. Moon served six years in the United States Marine Corps from 1981-1987. During his stint he was assigned to the Presidential Security Detail at Camp David from 1981-1984. He was awarded the Presidential Service Badge from President Ronald Reagan in November 1983.





MISSION & 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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2015 YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2015, the 800+ members of the Kansas Highway Patrol each strived to provide *Service, Courtesy, and Protection* across the state of Kansas to our citizens and travelers. KHP personnel covered calls in each of Kansas' 105 counties, ranging from vehicle crashes, to erratic drivers, to domestic situations.

The Patrol began early 2015 under new leadership. A series of changes in command staff and realignments in the agency were made to improve the flow of internal workings.

Officers with the Kansas Highway Patrol worked every day in support of the agency's mission and goals, to help preserve life on our Kansas roadways. Throughout 2015, troopers and other KHP officers enforced seat belt and child safety seat laws. They enforced other traffic offenses, such as speeding and following too closely. They arrested drivers who were impaired by drugs and alcohol. They checked child safety seats and gave programs to students of all ages in schools across the state. KHP members worked within their communities, at special events and on everyday situations to be a visible presence in the community, and to build relationships with the members of the public we serve.

Each day across Kansas, KHP personnel back our brothers and sisters on traffic stops. We help those agencies as they investigate crashes; work domestic incidents and fights; and investigate murders. Each day our specialty units—the Special Response Team, Police Service Dog Unit, Aircraft, Critical Highway Accident Response Team, Breath Alcohol Unit, and others offer their services to other departments who do not have the equipment or some of the specialized training that KHP's personnel do.

A morale study of the agency, a follow up to a 2014 study, was conducted partway through the year. The 2014 study had indicated many problems with the overall morale of the agency. The 2015 study showed significant improvements in agency feelings from the previous year's study, and also indicated agency members had more confidence

in the agency's leadership of the agency. This study showed KHP personnel of all levels and ranks, both uniformed and civilian members, were happier at work and felt the agency was better headed in the right direction.

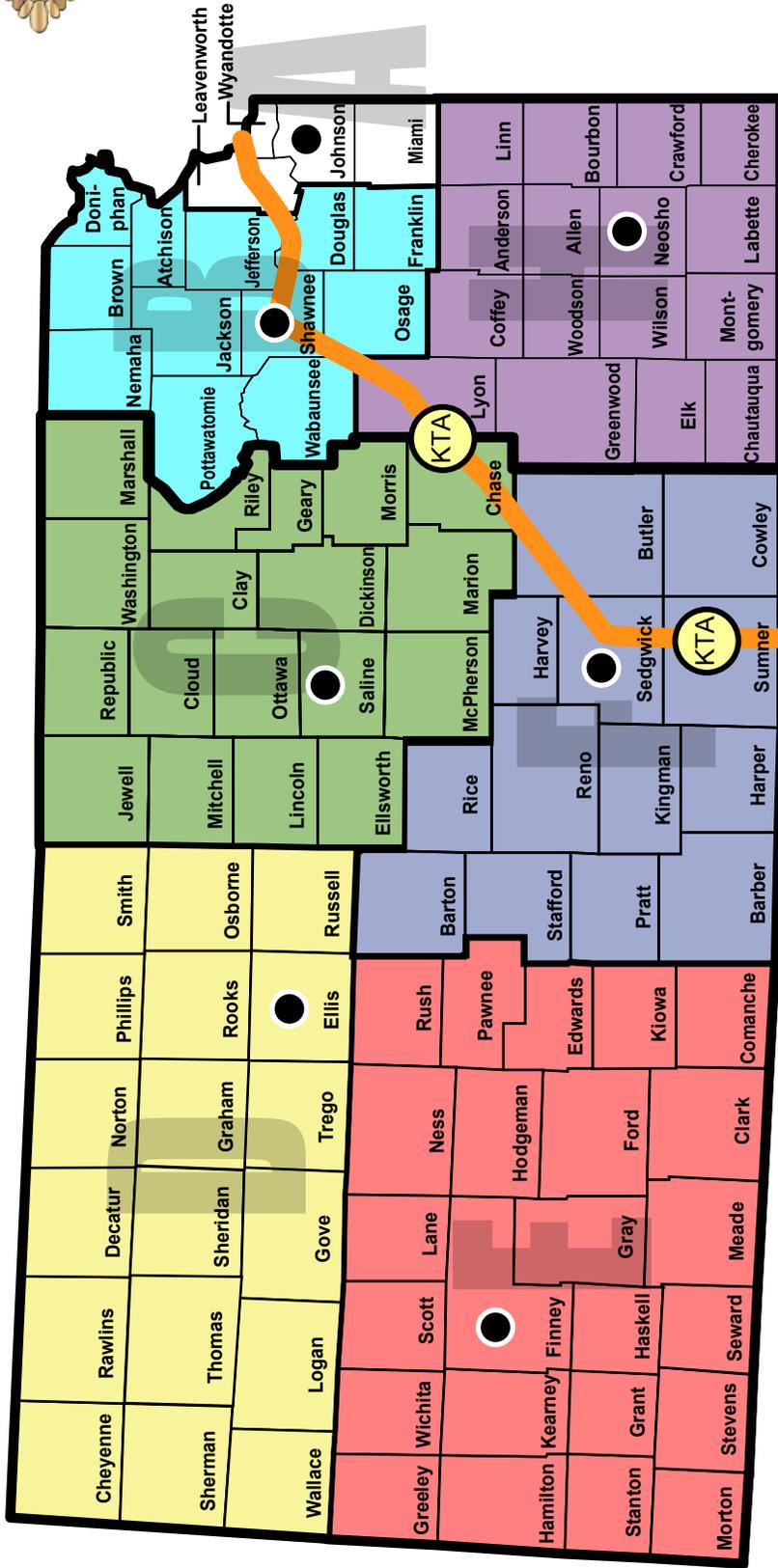
A high point for the Patrol occurred at the annual Kansas State Fair in September, where the agency hosts a booth each year. After a week with several officers being killed nationally, a member of the public posted an encouraging note of support on the patrol car which was on display. Soon, many more notes followed. A community member delivered more Post-it notes to help keep the wave going, and all together, more than 2,400 notes were left on the car. This was a very humbling moment to all members of the Patrol, and reinforces that we work among some of the best citizens in the nation.

For many years, the agency has experienced a shortage in manpower. Announced in early 2015 was the goal to hire 75 troopers in the next three years, bringing the agency to a nearly full capacity. There were several other plans developed and implemented to assist in retaining troopers, and helping the hiring process attract more applicants. A new pay plan was developed for uniformed personnel, helping to give a progression in salary over the years. The plan was passed favorably by the Kansas Legislature in the 2015 session. Also passed was the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), which would allow those eligible for retirement to stay on an extra number of years, allowing the Patrol to retain valuable experience and training as positions across the state are filled once again.

Each year it is our goal to strive to uphold our tradition of *Service, Courtesy, and Protection* to citizens and travelers across our state. Each member of the Patrol is dedicated to the service our agency provides the state. We take pride in our role within our communities. We feel honored to serve throughout the communities of Kansas, and to our travelers, and look forward to making a difference each day.



TROOP LOCATIONS



WEST REGION	SPECIAL OPERATIONS	SUPPORT SERVICES	EAST REGION
Major Jason De Vore Troop C Troop D Troop E Troop F Troop G - Kansas Turnpike	Major John Eichkorn Emergency Operations Legal-Criminal Troop J - Training Academy Troop M - Central Communications/ CJS Troop N - DHET Troop S - SRT, PSDU, HDU	Major Scott Harrington Fiscal Management Homeland Security Human Resources Information Technology Legal-Civil Motor Vehicle Enforcement Public & Governmental Affairs Troop T - Transportation Services	Major Mark Goodloe Troop A Troop B Troop H Troop I - MCSAP, CHART, MCI, BAU Troop K - Capitol Police

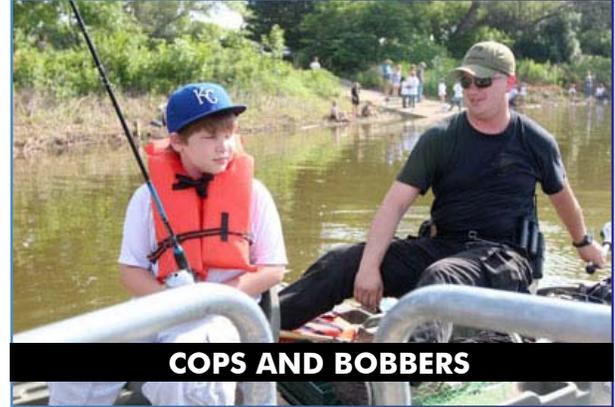


COMMUNITY SERVICE



BATTLE OF THE BADGES FOOTBALL

The Battle of the Badges flag football game was held in Topeka on November 7. A KHP team competed, along with the Shawnee County Sheriff's Office, Topeka Police Department, and Topeka Fire at Washburn's Yager Stadium. All proceeds and donations went to benefit the Special Olympics. Troopers from the road, up to the command staff participated, along with civilian and Capitol Police personnel.



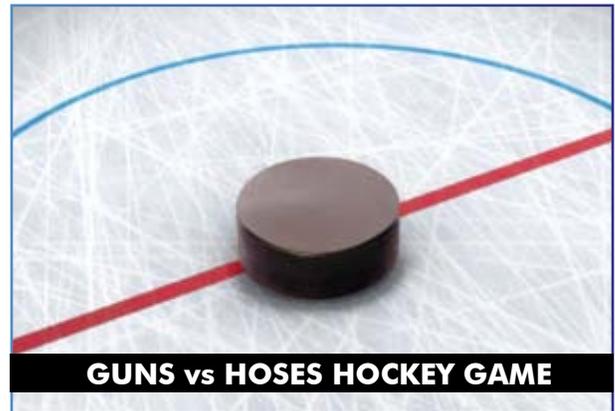
COPS AND BOBBERS

In June, Salina-area troopers participated with area law enforcement and local kids at the Lakewood Fishing Derby, "Cops & Bobbers." About 105 kids attended and had a chance to catch fish and win a number of prizes offered by area sponsors. Drawings were held for prizes, which included fishing poles, kayaks, a gas grill, and fishing trips. Participants fished with friends, family, and the officers in attendance.



C.A.S.T. FOR KIDS

In 2015, the Kansas Highway Patrol and community partners celebrated the 10th anniversary of the KHP/C.A.S.T. (Catch A Special Thrill For Kids) event on June 13 at Harvey County East Lake outside of Newton. Nearly all of the 38 participants caught a fish and there was an emergency vehicle display. The C.A.S.T. event is for disabled or at-risk children and their families. There were 30 volunteers, with an additional 16 serving as boaters for the event. There were several law enforcement partners and community sponsors making this event possible.



GUNS vs HOSES HOCKEY GAME

The 4th Annual Guns Vs. Hoses Hockey match was held on February 21 at Intrust Bank Arena, courtesy of the Wichita Thunder. The Wichita Area Law Enforcement Team, Force, took on the Wichita Fire Department's Team, Flying Monkeys. The match benefits the Wichita Children's Home. Early estimates indicated 500 tickets sold, with \$1 donated from each. The police team had donations from the Wichita Fraternal Order of Police for \$500 and Kansas State Troopers Association for \$250.



Kansas City-area troopers participated in the 13th Annual Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive, along with the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. Toys were donated by the community, and personnel delivered them to children hospitalized over Christmas at KU Med Center and the Ronald McDonald House. A meal was cooked for those families staying at the Ronald McDonald House.



On October 18th, Salina area law enforcement and firefighters met up for the 10th Annual Guns Vs. Hoses football game. Troopers played in the game, a communications supervisor served as an organizer of the event, and other communications specialists assisted with events. The money raised went to a little boy in the community who was born six weeks premature and has battled several medical issues. There was also a silent auction and get-together the night before the game. The game began on a heavy note, with the news of KHP Technical Trooper Bill Goodness' passing away from cancer, but the Guns brought home a win. 2015 marked the largest donation the event has ever raised for one single family, with \$9,999.99 being donated.

TOYS EVENT IN LAWRENCE

On December 18, troopers from Troop B participated in Operation TOYS (Take Our Youth Shopping), with local law enforcement and Ballard Community Services in Lawrence. Troopers ate breakfast with children at McDonalds, then them shopping for Christmas gifts.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Throughout the year, KHP personnel join law enforcement across the state to support Kansas Special Olympics. Patrol members run in the Law Enforcement Torch Run, and they raise money for Special Olympics events. They are often on hand to assist with opening ceremonies of the Special Olympics competitions, which KHP members look forward to each year.

SPECIAL PARTNERSHIPS

The Kansas Highway Patrol is blessed with great partnerships, many of which benefit the citizens of Kansas. These are some of the special contributions by local community groups, which aid KHP in helping keep our citizens safe on the roads.

PMCA DONATES FUEL

Annually, through the Holiday Highway Safety Program, the Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association (PMCA) of Kansas donates fuel to the Patrol. 2015 was the 25th year for this donation, which is used throughout the Christmas and New Year's holidays. In 2015, PMCA donated 70 tanks of fuel to the Patrol.

KMCA DONATES CHILD SEATS

The Kansas Motor Carriers Association annually donates 105 child safety seats to the Patrol in conjunction with Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week. The seats are then dispersed to KHP offices across Kansas, and are distributed to families who are in need of the properly fitted seat for their child. This was the 16th annual year for KMCA's donation.



TROOP A

Captain Dek Kruger

Kansas City Metro and surrounding area
Headquarters: Olathe

Situated at the crossroads of major interstates in the Kansas City metroplex, Troop A is tasked with handling multiple facets of protection and services to a diverse community.

ENFORCEMENT

In addition to working more than 2,300 crashes based on high traffic volume and weather-related complications, Troop A members conducted multiple special enforcements focused on different areas of concern, including construction zones, saturation patrols, Operation Lifesaver lanes, and holiday enforcements on Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving. These focused heavily on removing impaired drivers from the roadways, encouraging seatbelt compliance, and targeting safety issues resulting from texting while driving.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Troop A remains committed to serving the public in community outreach programs, and several special events took place during 2015. Troopers assisted with the transport of the United States Honor Flag, escorted to Olathe to honor fallen Olathe Police Officer Michael Kern. Two community blood drives were held at the troop headquarters, and several Troop A members participated



anticipated event every year, and working in conjunction with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, toys were delivered to hospitalized children around Christmas. In addition, troopers visited the Ronald McDonald House to distribute gifts and cook a meal for the families spending their holidays in the facility.

NOTABLE EVENTS

From traffic stops to unusual events, 2015 was a busy year. Several drug seizures were made, including 286 pounds of marijuana a trooper discovered in a U-Haul. A dump truck with a raised bed became wedged under a major interstate overpass during construction, resulting in ramp closures while the vehicle was removed and the bridge checked for damage. With the assistance of Troops B, I, and H, Troop A personnel once again managed the traffic control plan for two Nascar Races at the Kansas Speedway, safely assisting over 100,000 spectators in and out of the facility with minimal disruption to conventional traffic. Troop A also provided security for the Judge's Conference in Overland Park.



in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run. Numerous safety programs were presented at area schools, and personnel performed over 1,500 school bus inspections in the four-county area. A local area student was the winner of the Put the Brakes on Fatalities contest, and was presented with a bicycle and safety helmet by KDOT and Troop A's public resource officer.

The annual Trooper Michael Newton Toy Drive is a well-

AWARDS

The Troop A Vehicle Inspection program received a Distinguished Unit Citation for the highest number of inspections in the state – conducting 75,117 vehicle inspections, and recovering 37 stolen vehicles – nearly double that of any other inspection station.



TROOP B

Captain Steve Zeller

Northeast Kansas
Headquarters: Topeka

DRUG ARRESTS MADE FOLLOWING STOP, SEARCH WARRANT

In January, a trooper stopped a driver in downtown Topeka who was in possession of methamphetamine, hydrocodone pills, and marijuana. The trooper gathered detailed information, which led to a drug house in Topeka. Shawnee County Sheriff's Office's SWAT team served a warrant on the residence based off the information gathered. Four individuals were taken into custody and methamphetamine was found in the residence. The investigation was ongoing and became part of a larger conspiracy case.

TRAFFIC STOP RESULTS IN MULTIPLE DRUG, ALCOHOL, WEAPONS CHARGES

Troopers stopped a car on February 6 on I-470 in Topeka for 10% window tint and a cracked windshield. The driver said he had no driver's license or proof of insurance. A shoulder holster was seen on the passenger. As he opened the door, an open beer can fell out. The firearm was taken from the passenger. A second trooper covered the first as the driver exited the vehicle. The driver stated he had two concealed firearms and was a convicted felon. As he removed a gun from his pocket, troopers found a bag with methamphetamine. The two were separated and read their Miranda rights. The driver said everything in the car was his and that he does not use any recreational drugs. The passenger said the open beer can was his and he had just opened it. The passenger said he uses and is addicted to a controlled substance. Both suspects' backgrounds were checked, and the driver had been convicted of murder, aggravated battery, and possession of drugs with the intent to distribute. The passenger was convicted of battery on a law enforcement officer. The passenger was charged with Transporting an Open Container and Criminal Possession of a Firearm by Person Who Uses and is Addicted to a Controlled Substance. The driver was charged with: Aggravated Possession of a Concealed Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Possession of Methamphetamine with Intent to Distribute, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Driving While Suspended x4, Window Tint of 10%, Cracked Windshield, and No Proof of Insurance. Topeka Police Department's Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Task Force reviewed the case for federal charges.

TROOPERS RESPOND TO VEHICLE EXPLOSION



On July 5, a trooper responded to the Oakland Expressway outside of Topeka for an "injury crash, the roof of the vehicle blew off." While enroute, he listened to updates and requested assistance. Upon arrival the KHP units saw the roof of had nearly completely separated from the car. All doors were blown open. It was obvious whatever exploded had an extreme amount of force. There had been a child passenger in the vehicle. Both of the driver and child were taken to Stormont Vail. The child was later transferred to KU Medical Center's Burn Center in critical condition. The Kansas State Fire Marshal responded to the scene and removed contents from the vehicle. Due to the suspicious nature of some of the items in the vehicle, the state fire marshal's office took the investigation over.

FATAL SKYDIVING ACCIDENT WORKED

In November a trooper was called to a skydiving accident scene in Osage County. A plane had taken up six sky divers. The first two jumpers, both accomplished sky divers, exited the plane. One diver finished his freefall and deployed his chute and had full canopy deployment. The next thing he knew, the second diver had collided with him and both of their primary chutes were tangled. As they were spinning out of control, the first diver was able to cut away his primary chute and deploy his reserve chute successfully. The second diver was unable to recover or open his secondary chute, and he died at the scene. The Federal Aviation Administration investigated.



TROOP C

North Central Kansas
Headquarters: Salina

Captain Jimmie Atkinson

Troop C consists of 18 counties within North Central Kansas, and is situated at the crossroads of two major thoroughfares; I-70 and I-135/US-81. Troop C handles a wide array of services in both rural and urban settings. With the traffic volume increased within cities such as Salina, Manhattan, and Junction City, the calls for service and assistance throughout the troop has also increased. Troopers within Troop C often assist the local law enforcement and other state and federal agencies with various calls for service. Because of the proximity to the Training Academy, Troop C historically provides troopers to assist with many of the venues trained upon. In 2015, 1/3 of Troop C's troopers provided some type of instruction.

In addition to other traffic related activities such as speeding, DUI arrests, and crashes, throughout 2015 Troop C personnel conducted:

41	Special Enforcements
138	Safety Programs
1,756	School Bus Inspections
108	Felony Arrests
340	Drug-Related Arrests
3	Significant Manhunts

MULTIPLE EVENTS SUPPORTED

In 2015 Troop C provided security/traffic control at many events across the area, including Country Stampede, Symphony in the Flint Hills, the May Day Parade in McPherson, Strong City Rodeo, DHS Secretary's visit in Manhattan, Kansas State University football games, multiple standbys for Department of Revenue in Cottonwood Falls, and Ft. Riley events.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED AFTER SHOOTING

In January, troopers assisted Saline County Sheriff's deputies northeast of Assaria on a call to check the welfare of a toddler. During the investigation, a deputy fatally shot a man after he spun around and pointed a handgun at the deputies. Troopers responded to the request for assistance following an officer-involved shooting. They provided scene security and helped with officer safety until the KBI arrived. The man died early the next day.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Boys' State at KSU-Manhattan
PRO Twitter communication with citizens
Lakewood Fishing Derby
SADD – Mock Crash in Wakefield
Seat Belts Are For Everyone (SAFE) Program
Troop C area recruiting
Multiple local presentations throughout the troop

ABUSE VICTIM LOCATED WITH KHP'S HELP

A mother, concerned with the safety of her daughter who was traveling with her boyfriend, called KHP dispatch. Her daughter had called her crying and said the boyfriend had been hitting her as they traveled to Oregon. Dispatch and a KHP lieutenant had the daughter's phone pinged to determine her location. They were stationary in Lamar, Colorado. Dispatch advised local authorities and their officers arrived to see the boyfriend abusing the female. He was arrested, and she was provided counseling and given a bus ticket to continue her travels to extended family members.

SHATTER AND PARAPHERNALIA LOCATED AFTER STOP



In April, a trooper stopped a car on I-70 in Ellsworth County for a registration violation. The driver was arrested for No Valid Driver's License, and a vehicle inventory revealed approximately 9 lbs. of shatter, as well as drug paraphernalia. Shatter is a product smuggled by narcotic traffickers, which contains highly concentrated (80-90% range) purity levels of marijuana. For an inexperienced user, it is easily over-consumed, and has caused a rise in marijuana-related medical responses and ER visits.



TROOP D

Captain Michael Murphy

Northwest Kansas
Headquarters: Hays

TROOPERS ASSIST IN CEREMONY

In February, two troopers led the American Citizenship Oath for Hays seventh graders, who studied and took the American Citizenship Test; States and Abbreviations Test; and performed acts of service. Students were presented certificates during the American Citizenship Ceremony.

MURDER SUSPECT APPREHENDED

Someone was murdered in a Norton park in March. When Norton police officers arrived, a suspect fired at them multiple times, then was seen crossing U.S.-36, where he again fired at them. He stole a pickup, and a chase ensued, which went off on county roads and officers had trouble keeping up with the suspect due to dust from the roads. Aircraft arrived overhead and a perimeter was set up. Troopers noticed a fence was broken and tracks into a pasture. A short time later, aircraft located the pickup in a ravine. Troopers and K9 units cleared the pickup, but did not locate the suspect. A Ruger Mini-14 rifle was taken into evidence. They continued the search, and a short time later, as troopers were closing in, the suspect stood up, and was taken into custody without incident.

FOLLOWING CHASE, MURDER SUSPECT COMMITS SUICIDE

In June, a trooper attempted to stop a car for speeding on I-70. The vehicle wouldn't stop, exited at milepost 140, stopped briefly, and then sped off. The suspect's driving was very erratic as they crossed the median, in between vehicles, and went on the shoulder. Even though both front tires hit stopsticks, the chase continued until one tire

shredded and the other went flat. The suspect crossed the median into oncoming traffic and into a field. When troopers opened the suspect's car, he was found dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. It was determined he was a murder suspect from Windsor, Vermont, who had shot and killed his girlfriend two days earlier.

RAPE SUSPECT APPREHENDED AFTER STEALING TWO CARS

A trooper responded in October to a truck stop in Bunker Hill to help the Russell County Sheriff's Office on the felony stop of a stolen vehicle. The suspect had also allegedly raped a 13-year-old girl, and was armed with a handgun. When the sheriff's office attempted to call the suspect out of the car, he fled. A chase went on I-70, until the suspect crashed the car at the Gorham exit and fled on foot. KHP troopers and Special Response Team; Russell County Sheriff's Office; and the Ellis County Sheriff's Office searched the town for several hours. While searching, a trooper noticed a black Cadillac Escalade leaving the area, and knew it was not the owner (known by the trooper) behind the wheel. Another chase began, with the suspect driving westbound in the eastbound lanes. Permission to use legal intervention was given and a trooper struck the vehicle. As the suspect continued, he crossed the median several times into oncoming traffic. For an unknown reason, the suspect went into the median at milepost 165, and became airborne between two I-70 bridges. The Cadillac landed on the county road below I-70, and became disabled when it high centered on a guard rail. The suspect was taken into custody.





TROOP E

Captain Randell Mosher

Southwest Kansas
Headquarters: Garden City

SECURITY PROVIDED DURING FORMER PRESIDENT BUSH'S VISIT

On April 28, the 43rd President of the United States, George Bush, attended a private event in Garden City. KHP personnel assisted in the planning and execution of the event. Personnel led the motorcade to and from the event; provided traffic control; and KHP Hazardous Devices Unit trooper and K9 teams were used to scan all vehicles in the motorcade and the physical venues. The Patrol worked closely with the U.S. Secret Service, Finney County Sheriff's Department, and the Garden City Police Department.

PATROL ASSISTS WITH THREE MAJOR EVENTS

Three major events which occurred in Troop E during the summer months included: Beef Empire Days in Garden City, Dodge City Days in Dodge City, and "Horse Thief, the Festival" in Hodgeman County. Troop E personnel were involved in varying degrees for all three of the events. The Patrol worked closely with all their local law enforcement partners in support of the events.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED DURING INVESTIGATION INTO ABDUCTION, MURDER, AND SUICIDE

In August there was a double homicide/suicide/abduction in Dodge City. The suspect killed a subject in a local store parking lot, then went to another store and abducted his ex-wife, then continued to a third location in Dodge City. When the suspect was approached by law enforcement at the third location, he shot his ex-wife and himself. They

both eventually succumbed to the injuries. The Patrol assisted with locating the suspect and securing the scene of the homicide/suicide. KHP was also contacted to provide assistance from KHP's PEER Support Team.

PATROL ASSISTS DURING NINE-YEAR-OLD'S FUNERAL

On August 11, the Patrol assisted the Liberal Police Department and the Seward County Sheriff's Department with the funeral of Kaiser Carlile, a nine-year-old boy. Kaiser was a bat boy for the Liberal Bee Jays, and was struck in the head by a bat at the National Baseball Congress World Series game in Wichita. KHP performed traffic control and assisted with media during the tremendous outpouring of support from the community and across the nation.

UNUSUAL KANSAS SUPREME COURT HEARING HELD, PATROL ASSISTS

The Kansas Supreme Court held a session at Garden City High School in October. This was the first time the Supreme Court has ever held a session in a high school, and one of the few sessions held outside of Topeka. The court heard arguments on three cases, including a murder case. The Patrol assisted in planning and physical security at the event. KHP's Hazardous Devices Unit K9 teams were also utilized to secure the facility. A Patrol lieutenant served bailiff for the event.



**KHP TOTAL MILES
DRIVEN STATEWIDE**



TROOP F

Captain Dennis Marten

South Central Kansas
Headquarters: Wichita

PERSONNEL WORK KANSAS STATE FAIR

The Kansas State Fair was held from Friday, September 11, through Sunday, September 20, 2015 in Hutchinson. Thousands of people visited the annual fair and interacted with assigned KHP personnel, including troopers, communications specialists, and motor carrier inspectors. This year, more than 369,000 people attended the fair. The Patrol provides personnel to police the grounds 24 hours a day, as well as personnel to patrol the major roadways in Reno County.

NEW TROOP F HEADQUARTERS OPENED

The new Troop F Headquarters, which had been under construction since August of 2014, was completed in December. Personnel and equipment were moved from the previous Troop F Headquarters and from the Valley Center office to the new facility mid-December. The new building is located in Kechi, just north of K-254, between Woodlawn and Rock Road. It was built on land owned by the Kansas Department of Transportation. While the Patrol owns the building, space is shared with the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI). The building cost approximately \$3.5 million, however no taxpayer money was used for construction costs, instead it was paid for using asset forfeiture funds confiscated from criminal activity. The new facility is approximately 22,000 square feet.



10TH ANNUAL CAST FOR KIDS EVENT HELD

On June 13, 2015, Troop F personnel gathered with 38 children and their families at Harvey County East Lake for fishing and fun through the Catch a Special Thrill (CAST) for Kids event. This event introduces disabled/at risk children to the sport of fishing, enjoyment of the outdoors, and allows positive interaction with law enforcement, fire, and EMS personnel. The Patrol was joined by other area law enforcement agencies and emergency first responders to provide the participants with a fun and unique fishing experience. More than 35 volunteers assisted with the event. A Life Team Air Rescue helicopter flew in and was placed on display, with the flight crew giving a short presentation and answering participants' questions. A fire truck, ambulance, patrol cars, and boats greeted guests as they arrived. They could sit in the patrol vehicles, ask questions of emergency responders, and see firsthand what emergency response vehicles look like up close. Each participant received a plaque, photograph, and fishing gear as mementos of the day.

PEACE TREATY PAGEANT WORKED

On September 25 through September 27, 2015, Troop F assisted the Barber County Sheriff's Department and the Medicine Lodge Police Department with the 2015 Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Pageant. The Peace Treaty pageant is held every three years and is a three day reenactment of the signing of the peace treaty for area tribes. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday included a reenactment and a parade. A ranch rodeo and street dance were hosted two nights. The Patrol provided assistance during the day for traffic control. During the evening, three Patrol members conducted traffic enforcement and assisted the police department with the increased call volume. The weekend was a success, with only two minor non-injury crashes and 10 alcohol/drug related arrests.





TROOP G

Captain Joe Bott

Kansas Turnpike
Headquarters: Wichita

SUSPECTS WHO SHOT OFFICER APPREHENDED

In March, a trooper was in the area of Metropolitan Avenue and I-635 assisting the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department in a manhunt for three suspects who shot a police officer. The trooper saw a vehicle on Metropolitan going 63 mph in a 30 zone. The car went northbound on I-635 and accelerated up to 100 mph. The trooper could see there were three individuals inside. He activated his lights and siren to stop the vehicle, but the driver refused to stop. The pursuit entered Missouri, eventually ending when the occupants were apprehended without incident. The investigation determined that the occupants were tied to the shooting of the officer earlier in the evening.

KIDNAPPING/ATTEMPTED MURDER SUSPECT ARRESTED

A trooper stopped a vehicle for speeding on the Turnpike south of Wichita. During the stop, the female passenger indicated she wanted to talk with the trooper. He took the driver's information and had the passenger step out. She told him she was being taken against her will, and the male driver was her boyfriend, but they had broken up earlier. She said he tried to drown her in the bath tub and she was taken against her will to Oklahoma. Wichita Police Department was contacted and responded as the subject was wanted in connection with the kidnapping and attempted murder. The male was booked into the Sedgwick County Jail.

MAN DROWNS FOLLOWING FLOODING

On July 10, on the Kansas Turnpike south of Emporia, following torrential rainfall, a blue Mustang went off the road into a ditch full of water. An eyewitness who was right behind the Mustang when it went into the ditch told the driver to sit tight and he would throw a rope down to him. Before he could retrieve the rope from his vehicle, the Mustang had floated down to the mouth of a box culvert, and was swept through the culvert. There was a four minute time lapse from when the report of the vehicle going off the road was made, to the report of the vehicle being submerged under water. The car and the driver's body were located a couple hours later, after the water receded, approximately 100 yards from where the culvert dumped out. The victim's mother was notified via telephone, as they had already begun driving to Kansas from Texas. She had been on the phone with her son when the line cut out, and was aware he was in water and attempted to call him back. When she never got through, they got in the car and began the trip to Kansas.

MISSING CHILD LOCATED

Troopers in September responded to an unpaid toll at the East Wichita interchange. The female was wanted and one of the children with her had been reported as missing. The wanted female was the mother, however her ex-husband had custody. The man with her was also arrested. The child was delivered into the custody of the Wichita Children's Home, while two other children in the vehicle were released into the custody of a family member.



NUMBER OF TROOPERS BY YEAR



TROOP H

Captain Rick Wilson

Southeast Kansas
Headquarters: Chanute

WANTED SUSPECT CAUGHT

On January 2, several troopers assisted the Neosho County Sheriff's Office with the pursuit of a wanted suspect. During the pursuit, speeds reached more than 90 mph and stop sticks were deployed. After the suspect vehicle crashed, the driver was taken into custody, however the passenger fled on foot. After a short foot chase in Chanute, the passenger was taken into custody.

FIVE VEHICLE FATAL CRASH WORKED

Troopers in March worked a five vehicle, single fatality, crash on US-400 near Fredonia. A severe storm had passed through the area, leaving the roadway covered with hail. The crash involved two semis and three other vehicles.

THREE SUSPECTS ARRESTED AFTER DEPUTY AND CITIZEN SHOT

On May 28, Troop H personnel were notified of a pursuit from Oklahoma into Montgomery County on US-169. Three suspects in the fleeing vehicle had shot an Oklahoma deputy. The suspects fled from their car on foot near the Oklahoma-Kansas state line. Two suspects were immediately apprehended, but the third escaped. The remaining suspect fled the area and later robbed and shot a civilian near Liberty, Kansas. After an overnight search, the third suspect was located in a house near Liberty and was taken into custody.

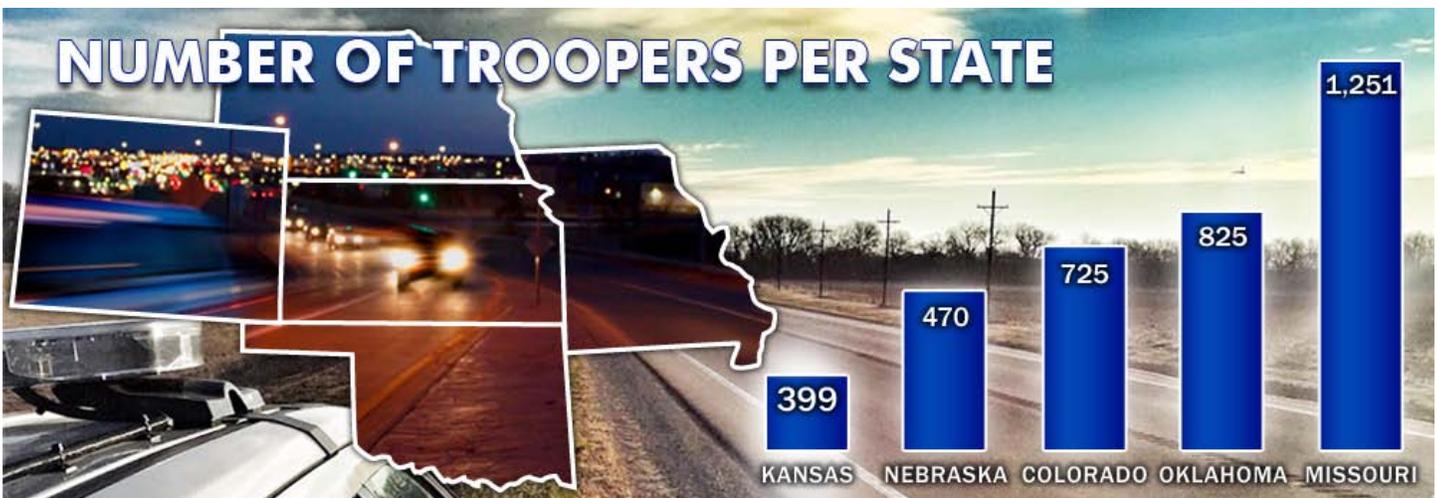


PATROL ASSISTS U.S. MARSHALS SERVICE

In October, Troop H units assisted the U.S. Marshals Service and Montgomery County Sheriff's Office with the apprehension of a wanted felon. The suspect had fled on foot from the marshals as they attempted to take him into custody. KHP aircraft and ground units assisted in locating and taking the suspect into custody.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED WITH EVACUATIONS

In Noember, KHP units assisted with the evacuation of the Yates Center nursing home and elementary school due to a wild fire near the town. The fire began south of Yates Center and was pushed by high winds toward the south end of town. KHP units posted south of town to warn motorists on US-75 of the low visibility due to smoke, then were later directly involved in the evacuations.





TROOP I

Headquarters: Topeka

Captain Chris Turner



Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP)
 Critical Highway Accident Response Team (CHART)
 Breath Alcohol Unit (BAU)
 Motor Carrier Inspection (MCI)

TOPS GRANT FUNDING SECURED

For the 10th year, Troop I was awarded a Trucks on Patrol for Safety (TOPS) grant for Federal Fiscal Year 2016, based upon the successful work completed in 2015. From 2007-2015, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) increased TOPS funding to the Patrol by one-third. In 2015, TOPS enforcements produced the following activity:

TOPS ACTIVITY

3,325	Truck Inspections
483	Out of Service Vehicles
221	Out of Service Drivers
459	Hazardous Materials Inspections
197	Hazardous Materials Violations
99	Hazardous Materials Out of Service
320	Other Activities
20,020	Total

TOTALS

7,909	Public Contacts
22,958	Activities

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS

Offense	Citations	Warnings
MVH	87	257
Lidar	0	2
Speed (radar)	15	45
Seat Belt Violation	69	10
Child Restraint Violations	0	0
Misdemeanor Traffic	92	0
Felonies	2	0
NCIC Hits	4	0
Drug Arrests	3	0
DUI - Drugs	1	0
DUI	9	0
Alcohol Violations	0	0
Motorists Assisted	0	222
Other	312	5,250
Totals	594	5,786

NON-COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS

Offense	Citations	Warnings
MVH	544	1,427
Lidar	46	127
Speed (radar)	1,151	1,674
Seat Belt Violation	653	77
Child Restraint Violations	32	3
Misdemeanor Traffic	633	0
Felonies	20	0
NCIC Hits	46	0
Drug Arrests	68	0
DUI - Drugs	3	0
DUI	29	0
Alcohol Violations	24	0
Motorists Assisted	0	1,907
Other	97	1,834
Totals	3,346	7,049

CRASH REDUCTION EFFORTS MADE

In 2012, Troop I began a new enforcement focus through the TOPS grant, which has continued. While assessing large truck crash data from 2009 through 2011, it was discovered the highest crash rates were in Johnson, Wyandotte, Sedgwick, and Shawnee counties. In 2011, these counties accounted for 36% of 1,449 large truck crashes in Kansas. In 2013, Troop I combined TOPS enforcements, and worked with local partners to focus efforts in these counties. There was an astounding 300 fewer crashes in CY 2013 compared to CY 2011. Troop I continues these enforcement efforts with the hope of a continued reduction in crashes, saving lives and positively affecting Kansas' overall truck crash rates.

SEAT BELT USE INCREASES

Kansas' safety restraint usage has increased significantly over the past decade. In calendar year 2001, only 70.9% of drivers involved in large truck crashes were wearing safety belts. In 2012 this percentage rose to 86.6%. This increase is due, in large part, to the educational and enforcement actions by the Patrol. CMV fatal and injury crashes were also significantly reduced.

SAFETY PROGRAMS CONDUCTED

During 2015, MCSAP personnel, including the public resource officer, performed 153 safety programs at farm shows, industry trade shows, and local events. This is an integral part of the Patrol's education efforts. The events give farmers and businesses the opportunity to get one-on-one time to ask questions and to visit and share ideas on how to further their safety efforts.

STATE AND NATIONAL TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Every June, MCSAP personnel partner with the Kansas Motor Carriers Association to judge the annual Truck Driving Championships (TDC). Seventy drivers from across Kansas competed in a written test, vehicle inspection process, and driving course.

MCSAP was asked to assist in developing the Hazardous Materials problem for the national TDC, due to their expertise. MCSAP also sent one competitor to the national TDC, who represented Kansas and MCSAP exceptionally well.

BREATH ALCOHOL UNIT MOVED UNDER TROOP I



The Breath Alcohol Unit (BAU) is responsible for DUI detection certification of all uniformed personnel, as well as the training and certification of the Drug Recognition Experts (DREs). Unit members also provide training to other law enforcement agencies, and assist with DUI check-lanes and enforcement activities throughout the state.

In 2015 the Breath Alcohol Unit moved to Troop I. Along with their regular duties, in 2015 the BAU assisted the Kansas Department of Health and Environment in training nearly 4,300 law enforcement

officers statewide in the operation of the Intoxilyzer 9000, the state's new evidential breath test instrument.

NIGHT SHIFTS WORKED TO HELP ENFORCEMENT

Most CMV collisions occur Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Most MCSAP agencies work these hours as part of their grant agreements to work when crashes are most likely to occur. CMV drivers trying to skirt the federal safety regulations are aware of this. KHP road troopers work shift work, and many are CVSA-certified, which gives Kansas an edge in enforcement. To contribute to the Patrol's enforcement during evening shifts, Troop I personnel worked night shifts throughout the year.

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TROOP J

Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy
Headquarters: Salina

Captain Robert Keener

The Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy (KHPTA) is the initial home to the KHP trooper recruits, and where other KHP members undergo annual training.

Trooper applicants go through an extensive hiring process that includes a written test; interview; physical and psychological testing; and a background investigation. Upon completing 23 weeks of training at the Academy, recruits enter a field-training program with veteran troopers.

The facility, located at the former Marymount College in Salina, is available for use by other agencies. In addition, other law enforcement agencies may enroll in continuing education classes held at the KHP Training Academy throughout the year.



LARGEST RECRUIT CLASS IN RECENT YEARS GRADUATES

In 2015, the Kansas Highway Patrol hired one new trooper class. KHP Class #55 began their careers with the Patrol on July 8. The 20 newest troopers of the Kansas Highway Patrol graduated on December 10, and began field training.

CONFERENCE HELD

In April, Dr. Kevin Gilmartin presented on "Emotional Survival" to Kansas Highway Patrol uniformed and civilian members, as well as personnel from other public safety agencies.

SALINA JUNIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT BAND HOSTED

The Salina Junior Law Enforcement Band met at Troop J every Tuesday throughout the school year for rehearsals.

COLLEGIATE LAW AND CADET LAW PROGRAMS HELD

In May, the Kansas Collegiate Law Enforcement Academy was held at Troop J. The program offers college students the opportunity to experience Training Academy life before entering law enforcement. Criminal Justice programs from colleges across the state work annually with KHP to provide this real-world experience.

In June, the annual Cadet Law Enforcement Academy program, a joint venture between KHP and the American Legion, was held at Troop J. The attendees must be in high school, and go through a selection process to attend the training, which focuses on some of the training recruits undergo.

CIVIL INCIDENT COMMAND

In November, Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation (KASM) held a Train the Trainer course for Kansas Highway Patrol members and for outside agencies.



TROOP K

Captain Andrew Dean

Capitol Police
Headquarters: Topeka

CAPITOL POLICE OFFICER INVOLVED IN SHOOTING

On April 10, while on patrol in downtown Topeka, a Capitol Police officer heard a Topeka police officer broadcast an officer in distress/shots fired call on Auburn Road. The Troop K officer immediately began responding. While traveling west on I-70, following a Topeka PD vehicle, he overheard the same Topeka officer advise of a related car-jacking that occurred, with the suspect last seen traveling north toward I-70. The officer lost sight of the vehicle near I-70 and Auburn Road. A Topeka police supervisor immediately advised responding officers to exit I-70 in an attempt to locate the vehicle. The Capitol Police officer and the officer he was following exited I-70 at Wanamaker. While traveling south on Wanamaker, crossing over I-70, they witnessed a motor vehicle crash directly in front of them. As Troop K's officer came to a stop, he saw a man walking northbound, away from the scene. The subject appeared to have an assault rifle, which he was aiming and firing in the direction of officers. The Capitol Police officer exited his vehicle and fired at the suspect, until there was no longer a threat. The subject was transported to a local hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries. No officers were injured during the incident.

CHASE ENDS WITH ARREST/DRUG SEIZURE

While on patrol, a Troop K officer attempted to stop a Ford truck at 9th and Topeka for an unreadable 60 day tag. A short pursuit went through central Topeka and the officer observed the driver throw an object that appeared to be wrapped in plastic out the window. Several blocks later, officers discovered the truck parked in the 1600 block of Clay, where the suspect was located. He said he ran because of a felony warrant from Leavenworth County, and that he had thrown a bottle of alcohol out of the vehicle during the pursuit. A Topeka PD officer responded to the area where the item was thrown out, and recovered a plastic-wrapped package, later identified as 1.1 pounds of methamphetamine. The driver was arrested for Possession With Intent to Distribute, a felony warrant, and other charges. Troop N assisted with interviewing the suspect following the arrest.

TROOP K BICYCLE UNIT

In 2015, the Patrol purchased three new Trek Police bicycles for the Troop K Bicycle Unit. The bicycle unit consists of six uniformed officers who operate within the Capitol Complex. Each officer received new uniforms and equipment to replenish their supply. They respond to calls throughout the complex, while providing high visibility patrols.

GOVERNOR'S INAUGURATION, GALA, AND STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

January 10 through 15 was a busy week for Troops K, L and S, as they prepared for, and provided security for, the Governor's Inauguration, Inaugural Gala, and State of the State Address. The Kansas Expo Centre was the sight of the gala on Saturday night. KHP was assisted by the Topeka Police Department and Kansas National Guard to provide a safe environment for those attending. The Inauguration and State of the State were both held at the Statehouse (Monday and Thursday), and went off seamlessly, despite the weather and it being the first week of the Legislative session.

TROOP K SIMS TRAINING HELD

In October, Troops J and S conducted simunitions training for Troop K at the Docking State Office Building in Topeka. A vacant floor was used to conduct numerous scenarios for officers, who welcomed the opportunity to practice a vital skill. The training was well received, as this is an on-going threat to everyone. Given the number of active shooter events occurring in the U.S., and the location and atmosphere Troop K operates in, it is felt that this training is extremely important to stay proficient. Troop K officers look forward to participating in similar trainings in the future.





TROOP M

Captain Justin Bramlett

Central Communications/CJIS
Headquarters: Topeka

CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS

Communications specialists support field personnel with dispatching services 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Daily responsibilities include maintaining radio contact with officers; running queries to determine information on individuals and vehicles; taking calls from the public and other agencies; and dispatching personnel to crashes and other occurrences, among other duties and tasks. 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.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS (CJIS)

The Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) unit provides training to local agencies throughout Kansas and conducts audits to ensure proper use of systems. CJIS administers several components of the Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS). Local agency computer networks undergo security reviews before workstations are 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/missing persons and stolen property. KHP CJIS trainers also instruct the Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operators (BLECO) training course for new local agency dispatchers.

KCJIS TRAINING CONFERENCE

Once again, the KHP CJIS Unit participated in the KCJIS Training Conference, which was held in Topeka in June. 130 criminal justice employees attended the conference.



CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS:

- 320,071 Calls for service
The KHP Dispatch Center handles 40% more calls for service than similar sized centers across the nation.
- 18,437 Case numbers issued
- 137 School Safety Hotline calls
- 32 School Safety Hotline referrals given to local law enforcement
- 18 Underage Drinking Hotline calls taken and referred to local law enforcement
- 1 Communication specialist class held
- 6 New communications specialists hired

CJIS UNIT - NCIC Technical Security Audit Team

- 133 Information Technology Security Audits conducted
- 137 Agency contacts for security reviews and approvals for KCJIS access including:
- 433 Net new terminals approved
- 25 Terminal deactivations
- 22 Network change and relocations approved
- 9 Post-incident (virus) reconnections approved
- 6 Local Agency Security Officer classes, 103 attendees and 85 completed online program

CJIS UNIT - NCIC Audit Unit

- 116 NCIC Data Quality Audits completed
- 27 Full Access NCIC Training classes, 467 students
- 5 KLETC NCIC Training classes, 285 students
- 1 KHP Recruit NCIC Training class, 24 students
- 25 Terminal Agency Coordinator training classes, 353 students
- 3 Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operator classes, 32 students
- 1 KHP Communications Specialist class, 6 students
- 10 National Sex Offender Registration Training classes, 128 students
- 4 National Instant Criminal Background Checks System Message Key (QNP) classes, 124 students

N-DEX UNIT

- 10 N-Dex classes held, with 86 students



TROOP N

Domestic Highway Enforcement Team (DHET) & Asset Forfeiture Program
Headquarters: Topeka

Captain Eric Sauer

Troop N provides personnel for joint task forces with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center. Members are tasked with curtailing criminal activity statewide through criminal interdiction, and by participating in Homeland Security initiatives with federal, state, and local law enforcement.

SINCE INCEPTION OF TROOP N IN 2009, THE TEAM HAS SEIZED:

43,887 lbs	Marijuana
719 lbs	Cocaine
1,179 lbs	Methamphetamine
121 grams	Crack
458 lbs	Ecstasy
180 lbs	Heroin
353	Vehicles
147	Firearms
3,201	Individuals arrested

ARREST OF TERRORISM SUSPECT

A case initiated by the Topeka FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force resulted in the successful apprehension of a local Topeka man for attempting to use weapons of mass destruction on a military base.

MAN SENTENCED IN PLANNED ATTACK AT AIRPORT

In 2014, the Wichita FBI office had a similar international terrorism-related case, involving Terry Loewen. In 2015, Loewen was sentenced to 20 years in federal prison for attempting to use weapons of massive destruction at a Wichita airport.

MARIJUANA TRAFFICKING DOWN, DUE IN PART TO INTERDICTION WORK

Marijuana continues to be the most common drug being trafficked through Kansas. While the total pounds of marijuana are down in comparison to years past, this should not be interpreted to mean the demand/consumption of marijuana has declined. Because of the successful continued interdiction work by the KHP, Kansas has become known as a state to avoid by those who are actively engaged in trafficking narcotics.

METH SEIZED; ESCAPEE SUSPECT ARRESTED

A DHET trooper conducted a traffic stop on I-70 and seized a ½ pound of methamphetamine. The passenger had no ID and quickly fled on foot. After a three-hour manhunt, the suspect was located and found to be an escapee from the Colorado Department of Corrections.

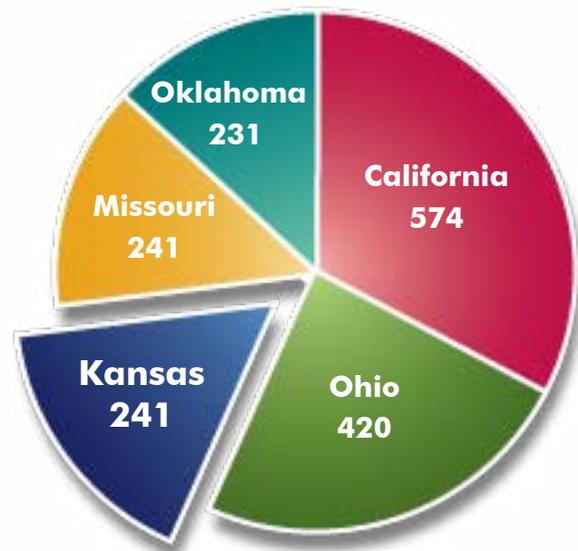
KHP RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY FOR EFFORTS

In August, Troop N members attended the 25th Annual Motor Vehicle Criminal Interdiction conference in Cincinnati, where the Kansas Highway Patrol was once again nationally recognized for their interdiction efforts.

2015 TROOP N/S SEIZURES (Jan. 2015 to Dec. 8, 2015)

196	Cases
8	CMS cases
25	Vehicles
26	Weapons
2,670 lbs	Marijuana
58 lbs	Cocaine
15 lbs	Heroin
322 lbs	Methamphetamine
102	NCIC Hits for wanted persons/stolen items
28	DUI arrests
336	Drug arrests
873	Drug felony arrests
320	Other felony arrests
20	DEA controlled deliveries

2015 TOP STATE SEIZURES





TROOP S

Statewide

Captain Rick Peters

Special Response Team (SRT)
Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU)
Police Service Dog Unit (PSDU)



BARRICADED SUSPECT TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

In June, a suspect broke into a home in Geary County. He fired at responding deputies, then led them on a pursuit, which ended in a Dickinson County field, where he barricaded himself in his vehicle. He fired at KHP's plane and at law enforcement personnel. KHP SRT was requested to assist in the suspect's apprehension. SRT negotiators made contact and began negotiating the suspect's surrender, as other team members arrived with the armored vehicle. After the arrival of the armored vehicle, the suspect relayed his desire to surrender. Utilizing the armored vehicle, an arrest team was delivered, and the suspect was taken into custody.

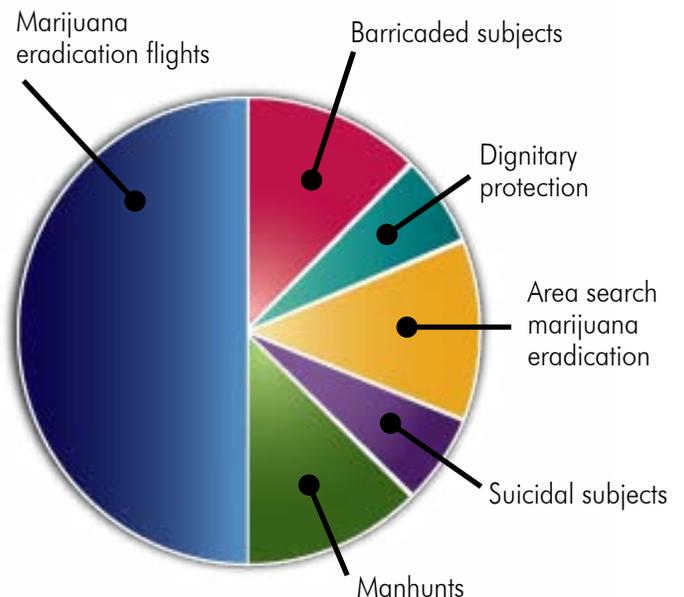
SRT RESPONDS TO BARRICADED SUBJECT

On August 5, a subject wanted for aggravated assault barricaded himself in his vehicle in a remote area of Mitchell County. Mitchell County officials were unable to establish communication with the suspect, due to the remote open area and him being armed with a long gun. KHP's SRT was requested to assist with the suspect's apprehension. SRT negotiators were unable establish communication. An ERT (Emergency Reaction Team) comprised of two K9 handlers, two snipers, and one operator was deployed to the area to begin observations with the aid of enhanced optics. KHP aircraft provided observations as well. Shortly after the ERT got in place, the suspect began walking in their direction. The two K9 handlers and operator left the observation location and moved into a cover position to intercept the suspect, while the snipers maintained over watch. When the suspect got to a location that was advantageous for intercepting, they announced their presence, ordered him to surrender, and he was taken into custody without incident.

ARMED ROBBERY SUSPECT APPREHENDED FOLLOWING MANHUNT, PURSUIT

In October, an armed robbery suspect led law enforcement on a pursuit and crashed his vehicle near the town of Gorham. K9s tracked the suspect to the town. SRT was requested to assist in the search for the suspect. Upon the arrival of the SRT and Police Service Dog teams, they began a methodical search of the town. SRT members asked residents if they had seen the suspect, and if they had any areas they would like to have cleared. Unknown to SRT, the suspect was hiding in a house that he had broken into. As the team was closing in on the last section of town (where the house was that he was hiding in), he fled in a stolen vehicle. A pursuit occurred until he crashed and was apprehended.

2015 SRT ACTIVITY



ADDITIONAL SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM ACTIVITIES:

- National Tactical Officers Assoc. (NTOA) Conference
- KHP Recruit Less Lethal Certification
- KHP Recruit Methamphetamine Awareness Training
- KHP Recruit Firearms Training
- KHP Recruit Active Shooter Training
- KHP Recruit Building Search Training
- KHP Cadet Law Firearms Training
- Kansas Arson Investigator Firearms Training
- Active Shooter Response Training-multiple sessions
- Precision Scoped Rifle Course
- Evaluation to certify Ft. Riley PD tactical team
- Norton Correctional Facility Tour
- Explosive Breach Training
- Bus Assault Training
- Venom Less Lethal Demo
- Hornady Factory Tour and Ammunition Testing
- Lenco Armored Vehicle factory tour and vehicle pick up
- Sig Sauer Factory Tour and Weapons Testing
- FN Armorers Course
- H&K Armorers Course
- Troop S Audit by the Ramirez Group
- State Firearms Coordinator Responsibilities
- KHP range clean up and lead removal coordination
- KHP ammo responsibilities
- DEA Marijuana Eradication Course Training
- KDOC Negotiator Seminar
- SRT Active Listening Presentation-multiple sessions
- CST Coordination and Response meeting
- West Regional SWAT Team integration– Multiagency coordination

PSDU ASSISTS IN ARREST OF TWO SUSPECTS

On December 29, Police Service Dog (PSD) teams assisted Hays-area law enforcement search for two armed robbery suspects, who fled on foot after crashing their vehicle during a pursuit. KHP Hays aircraft was also on scene. PSD teams arrived and began tracking the suspects. As the track progressed, aircraft, utilizing a thermal sensor, advised the PSD/Arrest Team that there was movement in front of them. One of the suspects attempted to flee from the approaching PSD/Arrest Team. The suspect was arrested without incident. As the search continued for the second suspect, a PSD team began conducting an area search of the KDOT lot near Troop D. The second suspect was located in a KDOT truck cab and arrested without incident. This was a joint effort between Troop D, SRT, Aircraft, the PSDU, and local law enforcement. This collaboration highlights the recent suspect search training conducted at KHP In-Service.

DEVICES RENDERED SAFE BY HDU

On March 9, Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU) personnel deployed to a scrap yard near Columbus to assist the sheriff's office and police department in rendering some suspected pipe bombs safe. The scrap yard had received a load of pipe, and discovered several capped pipes. Troop H and the sheriff's office had made the area safe for HDU to conduct operations prior to the HDU's arrival. HDU arrived and conducted diagnostics of the pipes and determined they contained a filler. Disruptions were performed and further diagnostics determined that the pipes contained possible explosive tools from an oil field. Over a period of several hours, the HDU team conducted 14 render safe operations. Further research showed that capped piping was a common oil field method for disposing/transporting tools.

TRAINING PROVIDED TO HDU AND OTHERS

During April, KHP HDU personnel received Tactical Explosive Breach Training from a recognized subject matter expert. During the course, all HDU personnel completed training to the Advanced Tactical Explosive Breacher level. This course has enabled the HDU to instruct and perform these activities as needed. This course also included training for: GHQ staff, KHP Legal, and the Special Response Team

PATROL DOG ACTIVITY

Felony suspects caught	51
Tracking Incidents	36
Building Searches	64
Perimeter Control.....	41
Area Searches	84
Vehicle Assault/Search	19
Demos/Attendance	24/967
Evidence Recovered	23
Outside Agency Requests ..	96
KHP Assists.....	33
PSDU Initiated	20
Patrol Calls Refused	10

DRUG SNIFFS

Vehicle.....	2070
Area	5
Article	11,506
Building	104
Outside Agency Requests ...	107
KHP Assists.....	122
PSDU Initiated	61
Refusals	146

BOMB DOG ACTIVITY

Vehicles.....	29,343
Buildings	788
Articles	50,939
Areas	3,083
Outside Requests....	1,129
KHP Requests.....	90
Calls Refused	3

OTHER ACTIVITY

Instructing Hours.....	4,595
Felony Drug Charges .	229
Guns Seized.....	12
Stolen Vehicles	4
NCIC Hits	28
Other Felony Arrests....	16
Explosives Located	2
DUIs.....	13
Crashes Worked	69

PSD SNIFF RESULTS

Marijuana.....	1150 lbs.
Cocaine	44 lbs.
Methamphetamine ...	24 lbs
Vehicles seized	0



TROOP T - TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Captain Greg Kyser



AIRCRAFT

Stationed in: Hays, Salina, Topeka

LAW ENFORCEMENT AIRCRAFT STATISTICS

402 Missions Requested
 326 Missions Accepted
 641.2 Hours Flown
 38 Suspects Located During Missions
 82 Subjects Taken Into Custody During Missions
 \$107,200 Recovered Property

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED DURING PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

President Barack Obama visited the Lawrence area in January. Aircraft was heavily involved with security in the days leading up to, and during the visit. Troopers flew the Secret Service in preparation of the visit. They assisted with counter surveillance, flying the inbound approach into Forbes Field in Topeka for Air Force One, then flew the motorcade route to Lawrence. They assisted with flying the route ahead of the motorcade in Lawrence, checked Allen Field House, and then flew the motorcade route back to Forbes, along with the departure runway for Air Force One.

DOMESTIC BATTERY SUSPECT LOCATED DURING MANHUNT

On June 16, Ellis County Sheriff's Office initiated a traffic stop on a domestic battery suspect. The suspect fled. As a Trego County deputy approached the pursuit head-on, the suspect swerved at the deputy, causing him to go off-road. A trooper successfully deployed stop sticks. Units lost the vehicle for a bit, but it was found abandoned in rural Trego County. K9 units were deployed to assist with searching. KHP Aircraft located the suspect with Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) in the middle of a field, lying in weeds several feet tall. He was taken into custody after taser deployment by Ellis County Sheriff's Department.

SUICIDAL SUBJECT LOCATED

In June, the Shawnee County Sheriff's Office requested aircraft search for a suicidal subject at Lake Shawnee. The pilots located the person's car on the west side of the lake next to the baseball diamonds. They directed sheriff's units to the location, where they located the subject next to the water's edge.

SHOOTING SUSPECT FOUND

In July, Aircraft responded to Manhattan to help locate a vehicle involved in a shooting and chase. The vehicle was last seen in the area of K-13 and Otter Creek Rd. The suspect's parent's home was nearby, and Aircraft located a car matching the description in the driveway. A pilot used FLIR to see if the engine was warm, which it was. Aircraft observed a subject walking to and from the vehicle and back to the house. The SWAT team formed a perimeter and made contact. Five subjects were taken into custody without incident.

SUSPECT WITH STOLEN IDS, CREDIT CARDS, CHECKS ARRESTED

Aircraft responded to Topeka Police Department's request during a pursuit, which had entered the Kansas Turnpike. The vehicle was located by aircraft, then the suspect drove off the road into the south ditch, fleeing on foot. The suspect was seen throwing a bag of stolen check, credit cards, and IDs over the highway fence. Ground units were guided to the suspect's location, where he was taken into custody. A passenger who was in the vehicle was wanted on additional warrants.

EXECUTIVE AIRCRAFT STATISTICS

102 Days Flown	51,275 Miles Flown
316 Departures	198.5 Hours Flown
998 Passengers	



FLEET OPERATIONS

Stationed in: Topeka

Fleet Operations is the backbone of the Kansas Highway Patrol’s vehicle program. This nationally-recognized program allows the Kansas Highway Patrol to provide new model vehicles to road personnel. 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.

For KHP vehicles that are in use, Fleet staff install all emergency equipment, such as light bars, interior lighting, siren systems, radios, and mobile data units. Fleet also performs maintenance as recommended by the vehicle manufacturer.

As part of the resale process, Fleet personnel remove emergency equipment not requested by the purchasing agency; the vehicle is then put through a 30-step maintenance inspection; and finally, the vehicle is detailed and made ready for delivery. Most of the vehicle purchases from Fleet are completed, sight unseen. The reputation of KHP vehicles is such that agencies know that when they purchase Kansas Highway Patrol vehicles, they are getting a “top of the line” product that they normally would not be able to afford.

KHP inventories a multitude of pursuit and non-pursuit vehicles. The pursuit vehicles maintained are the Dodge Charger PPV HEMI AWD, Ford Police Pursuit Vehicle Utility AWD, and the Chevy Tahoe.

Fleet also maintains specialty vehicles, such as K9, Hazardous Device Unit, Breath Alcohol Unit, and Critical Highway Accident Response Team vehicles.

FLEET SALES PROGRAM

IN-STATE SALES

60 vehicles sold to Kansas agencies/departments/schools

- 13 Police departments
- 31 Sheriff’s offices
- 6 EMS departments
- 5 Unified school districts
- 4 Departments of Correction
- 1 University/College

OUT-OF-STATE SALES

164 vehicles sold

- 52 Police departments
- 100 Sheriff’s offices
- 5 Universities/colleges
- 3 EMS departments
- 4 Tribal police departments





HOMELAND SECURITY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

Captain Eric Sauer

The Kansas Highway Patrol has served as the Governor-appointed, state administrative agency (SAA) for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) since 2001. Funds from the program are used by state and local jurisdictions to prevent, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism by enhancing and sustaining capabilities. Kansas obtained \$3,734,500 in HSGP funding through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Federal Fiscal Year 2015.

EXERCISES

Outside of administering and managing the Homeland Security Grant Program, the fall of 2015 brought several exercises which Homeland Security/Emergency Operations participated in, to include a Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) exercise, Wolf Creek graded exercise, and Invisible Fire exercise.

The COOP exercise had two scenarios which many agencies and sections of the Patrol worked through. The first scenario involved a civil disturbance on the Statehouse grounds, and the second scenario was involving an earthquake with an epicenter 40 miles away from Topeka. The Patrol had representatives from Troop K, Command Staff, Information Technology, Public & Governmental Affairs, Purchasing, Accounting, Legal, Human Resources, and Emergency Operations.

The federal government has made changes to the schedule of exercises for nuclear power plants, which includes Wolf Creek. An evaluated exercise is required once every two years with a Hostile Action Based (HAB), taking place every eight years. This was the first graded Hostile Action Based (HAB) exercise. Representatives from Troops B and H participated, along with Homeland Security/Emergency Operations, Public & Governmental Affairs, and command staff. Because this was a new exercise for all involved, there were two pre-graded exercises, held in October and November to prepare for the graded December 8 exercise.

Invisible Fire might sound like a strange name for an exercise, but if you consider how a Foreign Animal Disease (FAD) outbreak would affect Kansas, it makes sense—it is invisible to the eye but can spread like a wildfire. In 2015, the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) had four days of exercises to practice a response to FAD. In a real life event, the Patrol would be controlling the movement of livestock at selected checkpoints along the bordering states of Colorado, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Nebraska. Much of the Patrol's response during the exercises was simulated, however, Emergency

Operations was involved for several days. Day one was focused on Permitted Movement—which involves getting the Stop Movement Order issued, answering questions, and entering permits into the system for tracking. Day 2 was more KDA focused, but the Patrol was involved in answering questions and also with aircraft for transport. Day 3 was focused on the state and local response.

STATE PREPAREDNESS REPORT

A State Preparedness Report (SPR) is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness of core capabilities, which is required annually as part of the Homeland Security Grant Program.

In 2015, Homeland Security expanded the effort to include more local units of government and private partners who they had the most involvement with across the state, in assessing gaps and recent advances in capabilities. By including more than state subject matter experts in this assessment, the SPR is evolving into a broader assessment, which provides a better picture of what Kansas needs to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from, all types of hazards. Five of the seven Homeland Security Regions participated in 2015, which enhanced the annual report.

TORNADO IN LOGAN COUNTY 05/27/2015





PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT (MVE)

Captain Josh Kellerman

PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Public & Governmental Affairs unit's main responsibility is to promote the Patrol's public image. This is done through media releases; media interviews; the development of a web presence; brochure design; and the production of public service announcements for television and radio. The unit is also responsible for the KHP's presence on social media, which includes Youtube, Facebook, and Twitter accounts.

Public & Governmental Affairs prepares and presents legislative testimony for proposed traffic and public safety legislations; provides security during the legislative session; and edits agency-wide policies and procedures. The department also writes and submits grants for the Patrol.

The KHP Recruiter resides in Public & Governmental Affairs as well, to assist the agency in expanding recruiting efforts. The recruiter attends career fairs and

public events, reaches out to potential applicants, and works with other agencies on recruiting ideas and plans. The trooper overseeing recruiting works very closely with the Human Resources section, and with applicants throughout the hiring process. While recruits undergo training, much the recruiter's time is spent at the Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy as well.

During 2015, the Patrol began the process of becoming accredited through CALEA (the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc.). The Patrol's purpose behind becoming accredited is to improve the delivery of public safety services, and to be more accountable within our own agency, and to the public we serve. As an early step in the agency's accreditation process, an accreditation manager was hired to help oversee the Patrol's work on this endeavor.

MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT

In 2015, the Patrol's Motor Vehicle Enforcement (MVE) unit was realigned, and moved under Public & Governmental Affairs. MVE coordinates the statewide vehicle inspection program to increase the detection and recovery of stolen vehicles, and/or component parts.

MVE also trains other law enforcement agencies in auto theft and vehicle inspections, and works closely with the

Kansas Department of Revenue in titling and registering vehicles. Inspections are performed by troopers, civilian VIN inspectors, and employees of law enforcement agencies who have agreements with the KHP.

In 2015, four members of the MVE unit attended the IAATI (International Association of Auto Theft Investigators) Conference in Phoenix.

VIN VERIFICATIONS

142,075

VIN ASSEMBLIES

529

VIN REPLACEMENTS

444



MOTORIST ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MOTORISTS ASSISTED

101,671

ABANDONED VEHICLES

446

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

In 2015, motorist assistance technicians performed 101,671 motorist assists, including changing flat tires, offering fuel, providing jump starts, directing traffic at crash scenes, and removing hazardous objects from the roadway. Technicians also checked 446 abandoned vehicles in 2015.



PUBLIC RESOURCE OFFICERS

Team Leader: Lieutenant Allan Lytton

A statewide public information officer (PIO) represents the agency to the public and media regarding statewide matters.

Each field troop (Troops A, B, C, D, E, F, and H) is assigned a public resource officer (PRO), who works with the media in their assigned troop, recruits applicants, and presents safety classes to students and adults. The PROs are certified child passenger safety technicians and maintain child safety seat fitting stations in each troop. They also use rollover demonstrators and seatbelt convickers to educate the public about buckling up. The PROs travel annually to the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson to answer questions from the public and visit with attendees. The PROs have also become known as the Tweeting Troopers, as for the past couple of years they have been utilizing Twitter, and in 2015, a couple began using Facebook, to connect with the public and media in their areas of the state.

Troop I, the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program, has two PROs who work with the trucking industry and associations on safety presentations pertaining to Kansas state laws and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. Safety awareness is demonstrated through association gatherings, farm shows, and the Kansas State Fair.

Troop K, Capitol Police, also has a PRO who handles media inquiries reference events that involve Capitol Police.

KANSAS STATE FAIR BOOTH A SUCCESS

Every year the PROs come up with new focuses for outreach efforts during the annual Kansas State Fair. In 2015, the plan was to talk child passenger safety and recruiting. The booth took an unexpected turn after a member of the public left an encouraging, positive note for the troopers. This turned into a movement of positive Post-It notes being left all over the patrol car in the booth. It inspired not only the Patrol, but law enforcement across the state, with more than 2,400 encouraging notes left for officers.

PROS INVITED TO SPEAK AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Two of the PROs who are very active on the Tweeting Trooper Twitter accounts were invited to speak at the National Information Officers Association's (NIOA) annual training conference in Florida. NIOA is a group of public information officers from across the globe, and the conference brings the best of the best speakers from critical events across the U.S. and other areas each year to give best practices and lessons learned from the incidents. KHP's PROs spoke on their use of Twitter, and how beneficial it can be to police agencies.



HONOR GUARD

Team Leader: Technical Trooper Robert Istas

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 15 members, consisting of a Team Leader, Color Guard, Firing Detail, Flag Folding Detail, Body Bearer Detail, Honorary Pallbearers, and Bugler.

During 2015, the Kansas Highway Patrol Honor Guard assisted with the memorial service of Kansas Highway Patrol Technical Trooper Bill Goodness, who died following a bravely fought battle with cancer.

During the year they also assisted with a recruit graduation, the Kansas Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony, and presented the colors at a Kansas City Royals game



PEER TEAM

Team Coordinator Chip Westfall

Critical Incident Stress Management, at the peer level, is provided to all members of the agency by the KHP PEER Team. These services are conducted in group settings, or one on one, direct contact. The team membership is made up of representatives of the following classifications of the agency: trooper, civilian, Capitol Police, communications, and motor carrier.

One of the major changes in providing PEER support to the Patrol was the passage of Senate Bill 131. This legislation provides for confidentiality of trained PEER support personnel when assisting agency employees with stress issues and critical incidents. This legislation passed both chambers of the Legislature, and was signed into law by Governor Sam Brownback.

Training is an important component of the team's services. The team is required to conduct four days of training per year. In 2015 the team received training on various topics relating to the performance of the agency PEER Team. Two of the training sessions were opened to all agency members to attend. Those topics were presented by Dr. Allyson McFarland, Bethel College Business Management School, who presented on the topic of managing and working with millennials in the work force. The second session was by Dr. Bruce Nystrom, PEER Team Psychologist, who presented on the process of evaluating officers fit for duty status following officer-involved shooting incidents. Additional training was presented by Rodney Denholm of Consumer Credit Counseling Services, who presented a program on how to refer employees to different consumer counseling services and offices across the state. Chaplain Jason Reynolds, Harvey County Law Enforcement Services, presented training on suicide prevention. Nystrom

also presented on the effects of the backlash from the Ferguson, Missouri police shooting and how it is effecting community and law enforcement relations today. The team received other training on: one on one peer support, physiological effects of energy drinks on the body, listening skills, family holiday stress, and review of basic group debriefing procedures.

Throughout 2015, the team conducted one critical incident defusing, and four full critical incident debriefings. The incidents involved the death of a child in a house fire; an officer involved shooting; a fatal car crash; the stabbing of a KDOC guard; and the accidental death of a child by gun fire.

Personnel attending these sessions came from: KHP; KDOC; full time and volunteer fire fighters; full time and volunteer EMS; communications personnel; and other law enforcement agencies.

The mission of the team is to help alleviate stress generated by the performance of agency members in a highly stressful job. The team contacts agency personnel who have investigated fatal crashes, other death events, or who were involved in critical incidents. These activities generated 168 individual assigned contacts that team members made.

Additionally, the team handled 161 contacts that were initiated by agency members seeking assistance or direction in handling a variety of stress issues effecting agency members privately.

Another service provided by the team is to assist the training center with new recruit troopers while attending the Training Academy. The team provided mentoring services on two occasions this past year.



CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

The Kansas Highway Patrol Chaplaincy Program was created to provide employees of the Patrol and their families with the assistance of a uniformed, ceremonial, and non-denominational chaplain. They are available

for funerals, memorials, and other events or services as requested or directed by the superintendent. Two troopers serve as the KHP chaplains, and are available across the state.



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Chief Information Officer: Mark Thurman

Infrastructure Section

Programming & Development

Technical Support

Hosted Solutions

The KHP Information Technology team strives to improve agency technologies by aligning technological advances with the agency's business needs and processes.

INFRASTRUCTURE SECTION

Infrastructure manages servers, network security, and other computer applications, such as e-mail, archive, spam filtering, NetMotion for mobile data units (MDUs), and DNS for internet access and controls, as well as managing the agency's storage space needs. They also manage the state's Simplex door access and Capitol Police surveillance systems.

PROGRAMMING & DEVELOPMENT

Programming & Development writes custom applications, such as KLER (Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting System), and supports integration of vendor-created applications such as Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), Records Management Systems (RMS), and Image-Now records systems. In addition, custom interface programs support Civil Assessment, Interdiction, Human Resources, Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), and other in-house applications.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

The IT Help Desk and support staff provide hardware to support the agency's employees, including more than 1,000 desktop, laptop, and mobile computers in more than 50 locations statewide, with sections ranging from new recruits at the Training Academy, to CHART (Critical Highway Accident Response Team), SRT (Special Response Team), and Aircraft personnel. The team also supports numerous commercial and custom software applications from Microsoft Office to KLER (Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting System), and DigiTicket.

ACCESS CONTROL

In 2014, KHP IT assumed responsibility for maintenance and technical support for the Capitol complex access control systems. The team works with agencies throughout the Capitol Complex, Cedar Crest, and Forbes Field, as well as KHP offices, to provide and maintain building security and video surveillance.

HOSTED SOLUTIONS

The Hosted Solutions section supports outside entities utilizing the "KLER Justice Solution". The KLER Justice Solution is a package of software applications for law enforcement including KLER, Global Justice RMS, CVIEW, and InSpect. KHP has teamed with the vendors to offer software to Kansas law enforcement agencies at reduced rates. The service allows smaller entities who normally could not afford hardware and licensing to use the KHP's servers to store data and to purchase software licenses at the State's volume purchase pricing. The Hosted Solutions team provides assistance with installation, configuration and training, as well as first line technical support.





TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

ACCESS CONTROL/SURVEILLANCE

The Access Control group is responsible for maintaining and providing technical support for the Capitol complex access control systems. The group works with agencies throughout the Capitol Complex, Cedar Crest, and Forbes Field, as well as KHP offices, to provide building security and video surveillance.

In 2015 the team expanded the access control system to include networks, security cameras, and access controls for the new Troop F headquarters building in Wichita. The building will be the first outside of Topeka to be monitored by Troop K's Central Monitoring Center. The Access Control group was also involved in planning multiple state agency relocations and remodeling projects, including a Banking Commission remodeling project, and plans to move KDOR from the Docking Building to three separate locations in Topeka in 2016. The unit is also lining up upgrades at KDHE, KCC, and KHP's Troop N in 2016.

INSPECT

InSpect allows users to import information from Commercial Vehicle Information Exchange Window (CVIEW) to pre-populate inspection forms and to electronically transfer inspections in real time to federal databases. This allows CVIEW users and other states to view the inspection information in as little as 15 minutes after the report is submitted. In the past, there was a lag time of up to 24 hours between submitting an inspection and the report being viewable to others. In 2015, KHP began allowing certified personnel from Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) and local law enforcement agencies access to the InSPECT/CVIEW system.

ELECTRONIC CITATIONS

On average, the Patrol issues more than 11,100 electronic citations and more than 11,700 warnings each month. In 2015, KHP added the law enforcement query system, providing officers the ability to lookup driver's license and vehicle registration within digiTicket. The information can then be used to automatically populate fields in the citation and in KLER. The feature reduces the time spent filling out forms, which allows the car stop to take less time, improving officer safety and public safety. It also increases data accuracy and improves customer service.

DEVELOPMENT

During 2015, the Application Development section focused on several projects, including a grant-funded Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) application, and a new workflow application that will allow the agency to further leverage the KLER form designer. The DRE program was released to KHP and outside agencies in October 2015, along with handheld tablets to enable users to complete forms while issuing tests/performing observations. Federal funds allowed the Patrol to not only purchase tablets for KHP's DRE group, but also to provide tablets for municipal/county DRE personnel.

Development staff members also created new Oracle applications to allow users to view and retain data that was previously stored on outdated AS400 systems. These projects allow the agency to reduce maintenance costs by retiring Legacy systems.

TELEPHONES

In 2015, the Patrol moved from Blackberry mobile devices to the iPhone 6, a long awaited move that was enabled by new features from Apple and the Blackberry Bez server. In addition, Troop M began transitioning the dispatch center to Voice over IP (VoIP) phone lines, including new audio recorders. The state's CJIS-compliant VoIP was also installed at the new Troop F location.

OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE/TECH SUPPORT

2015 was a busy year for the Infrastructure and Tech Support teams. In Troop A, the groups set up REGIS for Troop A personnel to be able to share NCIC data with metro area law enforcement agencies on both sides of the state line. Tech Support also set up computers in the new Racing Command van. The Infrastructure team coordinated with our Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) vendor and Troop M to provide CAD call location data to KCScout in an effort to improve timeliness of traffic alerts. In Troop F, the groups worked to wire the new building, set up and move hardware and phones from the former location. In addition, the group continues to work with state planning committees towards an MS Office.365 email solution, which will begin rolling out to state agencies in 2016.



LEGAL COUNSEL

Tammie Lord
Sarah Washburn

In the course of providing *Service, Courtesy, and Protection* to the citizens and travelers in Kansas, legal counsel is often necessary. The KHP Legal staff provide guidance and advice on all aspects of KHP policy and procedure, while providing direction to various KHP commanders and senior staff for day-to-day operations. This includes: interpretation of policy, Kansas Administrative Regulations, state and federal laws; legal training for staff; preparation of Memorandum of Agreement/Understanding; contract negotiation, drafting, and interpretation; employment and labor law; civil and administrative law; response to agency complaints, Kansas Human Rights Commission, or Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), including racial profiling allegations; asset forfeitures; requests through the Kansas Open Records Act; and others.



RECORDS

Records Custodian: Tammie Lord

The Records Department has 12 staff members who process, maintain, and archive reports generated by Kansas Highway Patrol field personnel. The Records Department staff also respond to requests from the public; courts; prosecution and defense attorneys; insurance companies; and other law enforcement agencies, etc., for copies of criminal investigation reports, crash reports, digital images, in-car evidential videos, records checks, subpoenas, Kansas Open Records Act/Freedom of Information Act requests, and court orders.

IN-CAR EVIDENTIAL VIDEOS

- 3,145 Total videos requested
- 1,774 Videos requested by prosecution
- 484 Videos requested by defense
- 573 Videos requested by the public and for inter-agency use

DUI/GENERAL ARREST/INVESTIGATION/MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

- 10,346 DUI/General Arrest/Investigation reports received from the field
- 60,783 Miscellaneous documents received
- 2,665 DUI/General Arrest/Investigation reports released
- 67 Kansas Open Records Act/Freedom of Information Act Requests for records
- 162 Background Records Checks performed

CRASH RECORDS STATISTICS

- 8,854 Electronic Crash Reports received from the field
- 3,413 Crash Reports requested through KHP Records Department, with many additional reports requested online
- 2,767 Digital Image CDs received from the field
- 776 Digital Image CDs requested
- 7,492 Phone Calls received
- 415 Walk-in Customers

THE RECORDS DEPARTMENT RECEIVES A DAILY AVERAGE OF 41 WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR COPIES OF RECORDS.



PROTECTIVE SERVICES DETAIL

Captain Dereck Hood

FACTS

4 TROOPERS AND SUPERVISORS

The Protective Services Detail handles security for the Governor and the First Family in public. Visiting dignitaries also may 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.



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

Captain Eric Pippin

2015 STATISTICS

109 Cases Processed
100 New Cases Opened
9 Cases Carried Over from 2014

YEAR-END DISPOSITIONS

16 Sustained
55 Not Sustained, Unfounded, or Exonerated
34 Closed
4 Pending

The Professional Standards Unit (PSU) provides fact-finding investigative services for the agency, focused on safeguarding administrative investigative processes, upholding agency integrity, and ensuring employee due process rights. The unit maintains the confidential archives of agency employee administrative investigations.

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. Professional Standards monitors and reviews investigations assigned to supervisors throughout the state, as well. Investigatory findings are utilized to identify agency training and supervisory needs.

The Professional Standards Unit receives assignments from, and reports findings directly to, the superintendent.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Director: Jesse Maddox

Human Resources is comprised of six team members who provide guidance and support on personnel issues, such as benefits; payroll; affirmative action; recruitment and selection; classifications; discipline and guidance; employee and labor relations; employee assistance programs; mentoring; performance management; and training.

Year of Retirement Eligibility	All Trooper Ranks
Current	47
2017	0
2018	8
2019	4
2020	0
Total	53



PERSONNEL ACTIONS

NEW TROOPERS

Trooper Zachary Bachert
Trooper Travis Bacon
Trooper Tanner Blakesley
Trooper Linden Blank
Trooper Dray Carlton
Trooper Derek Carr
Trooper Jory Custar
Trooper Dustin Dusin
Trooper Dustin Gall

Trooper Nicholas Irwin
Trooper Dillon Keller
Trooper Elijah Kennedy
Trooper Brian Lee
Trooper Chason Lueth
Trooper Benjamin Marten
Trooper Cole McGee
Trooper Phillip Metzen
Trooper Cameron Robison

Trooper Zachary Schwab
Trooper Kyle Seiler
Trooper Troy Setzkorn
Trooper Andrew Seufert
Trooper Quinten Shoopman
Trooper Christopher Suther
Trooper Roy Wise
Trooper Andrew Zeller

PROMOTIONS

Colonel Mark Bruce
Lieutenant Colonel Randy Moon
Major Scott Harrington
Captain Derek Hood
Captain Joshua Kellerman
Captain Greg Kyser
Lieutenant Mitch Clark
Lieutenant Dave Gritman
Lieutenant Richard Hageman
Lieutenant Donald Leatherman
Lieutenant Doug Rule
Lieutenant Eric Rust
Lieutenant Dennis Shoemaker
Lieutenant Jason Vanderweide
Lieutenant Adam Winters
Technical Trooper Ryan Goubeaux
Technical Trooper Ian Gray
Technical Trooper Derek Haskin
Technical Trooper Brandon McMillan
Technical Trooper Eric Wheeler
Master Trooper William Bailiff
Master Trooper Brant Birney
Master Trooper Charley Brattin
Master Trooper Andrew Campbell
Master Trooper Clayton Hardaway
Master Trooper Roy Henry
Master Trooper Jordan Plachecki
Master Trooper Luke Rieger
Master Trooper Jason Ruffin
Master Trooper Marcus Seirer
Master Trooper Adam Simone
Master Trooper James Wright
Law Enforcement Officer II Greydon Walker
Public Service Administrator I Rebecca Hoobler
VIN Inspector Supervisor Terri Chaffin
VIN Lead Gregg Eilenstine
VIN Lead Lyndsey Luttrell

VIN Lead James Neff
VIN Lead Carol Nellor
Communications Specialist II C. Sue Davis
Communications Specialist II Samantha Erickson
Communications Specialist II Michelle Florence
Communications Specialist II Heather Froelich
Communications Specialist II Sandra Kennedy
Communications Specialist II Kacey Plante
Communications Specialist II Rebecca Zrubek
Capitol Area Guard II Jack Allison

RETIREMENTS

Captain Donald Child
Lieutenant Stephen Billinger
Lieutenant Richard Jimerson
Lieutenant Joseph Vajgrt
Technical Trooper Charles Krape
Master Trooper Greg Askren
Master Trooper Mike Frederiksen
Master Trooper Alex Petigna
Master Trooper Kevin Rourke
Law Enforcement Officer II Ernest Lang Jr.
Law Enforcement Officer II Robert Lawrence
Procurement Officer III Vickie Orr
Public Service Administrator II Brenda Jones
Aircraft Mechanic Charles Proctor
Electrician Senior Dennis Richter
VIN Inspector Supervisor John Fickel
VIN Inspector Lead James Riley
MCI II Doris Loewe
MCI II Neal Lorimor
MCI II Donna Nowak
MCI II Tink Taylor
Motorist Assistance Technician Melvin Powell
VIN Stephen Wodtke

In Memory



Service
Courtesy
Protection

Technical Trooper ~ K-197
William "Bill" M. Goodness

Years of Service 1994-2015

The Kansas Highway Patrol wishes to express its heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Technical Trooper William "Bill" Goodness.

Bill began his career with the Kansas Highway Patrol on March 18, 1994, as a member of KHP Class #27. Upon completion of his training, he was stationed in Saline County, within the Patrol's Troop C, the North Central Kansas region. He was promoted to Trooper II on March 22, 1998. In June of 2003, the Trooper II position was reallocated, and Bill was promoted to Master Trooper. He transferred to the Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy, Troop J, on September 26, 2004, becoming a Technical Trooper. As a Technical Trooper at the Training Academy, he served as the Core Defense Tactics Instructor. Throughout his career with the Patrol, Bill served as a Recruit Class Coach, Field Training Officer, and was a member of the Patrol's Special Response Team. He helped keep countless troopers and officers on the road safe through his teaching of defense tactics; and civilians and students safe through his self defense classes. Bill had served the state and citizens of Kansas for more than 21 years upon his death on October 17, 2015.

Bill will be greatly missed by his friends and family of the Kansas Highway Patrol!



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE GOLD AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE

Trooper John Gizzarelli III
Master Trooper Dave Jacobs

GOLD AWARD OF VALOR FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE, METROPOLITAN CHIEF'S AND SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION

Master Trooper Matt Brooks

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PEOPLE SAVING PEOPLE AWARD

Master Trooper Jeff Schawe

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY ALLIANCE SECRETARY/TREASURER ELECTION

Captain Christopher Turner

KANSAS MOTOR CARRIERS ASSOCIATION CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Kansas Highway Patrol

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY ALLIANCE NORTH AMERICAN INSPECTORS CHAMPIONSHIP

Technical Trooper Nicholas Wright, Eighth Overall; Second
in Hazmat/Transportation of Dangerous Goods Inspection;
Fourth in Out-of-Service Criteria

MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING AWARDS

Master Trooper Tyler Bailiff
Master Trooper Cody Parr

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/KANSAS TRAFFIC SAFETY RESOURCE OFFICE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Kansas Highway Patrol, for SAFE program support

KANSAS PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION SPRING SHOOT

Master Trooper Adam Barta: First Place, Fastest in Line of Fire;
First Place, Speed Pyramid
Trooper Jared Cripe: Second Place, Individual Line of Fire
Master Trooper Lane Larimer: Second Place, Speed Steel
Master Trooper Travis Noon: Second Place, Individual Speed
Pyramid
Lieutenant Jason Vanderweide: Third Place, Speed Steel

BORDER SHOWDOWN PISTOL COMPETITION

Kansas Highway Patrol Team 1, First Place-Team
Lieutenant Jason Vanderweide, First Place-Individual
Trooper Jared Cripe, Third Place-Individual
Master Trooper Lane Larimer, Seventh Place-Individual

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SUPERINTENDENT'S AWARDS

Master Trooper Matthew Brooks
Law Enforcement Officer II Brad Fegan

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL HONORARY TROOPER AWARDS

HIDTA Executive Director David Barton
Randy Hendershot, U.S. Attorney's Office

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENDATION

Assistant Human Resources Director Susan Pfannenstiel

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL COMMANDER'S COMMENDATIONS

Master Trooper Jeff Burgardt
Master Trooper Keefe Hemel
Master Trooper Cody Parr

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL LIFESAVING AWARD

Technical Trooper Christopher Bauer
Master Trooper Christopher Woods

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATIONS

Troop A Vehicle Inspection Program
CJIS Unit

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Human Resources Professional II Shellbie Blodgett
Senior Administrative Assistant Barb Hayes
Administrative Specialist Janice Kelly

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL CERTIFICATES FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS

Technical Trooper Charles Krape

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE

Chief Mark Zaretski, Bonner Springs Police Department

KANSAS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER GRADUATION

Law Enforcement Officer I Scott Moses

KHP TOP PRODUCER AWARDS

TOP DUI ARRESTS

Master Trooper Lance Rushmeyer

TOP SEAT BELT ARRESTS

Master Trooper Jeff Burgardt

TOP CHILD RESTRAINT ARRESTS

Trooper Alan Wagner

LARGEST METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZURE

Technical Trooper James McCord

LARGEST HEROIN SEIZURE

Technical Trooper Chris Nicholas

LARGEST MARIJUANA SEIZURE

Trooper Ben Kahle

LARGEST COCAINE SEIZURE

Technical Trooper Dave Stahl

LARGEST CASH SEIZURE

Technical Trooper Justin Rohr



FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Chief Fiscal Officer: Kim Torrey

Fiscal Services is responsible for the agency's budget; procurement of goods and services; management of owned and leased facilities; federal grant oversight; and accounting and reporting of all financial transactions.

Approximately 10,551 payments were made in Fiscal Year 2015 for items purchased or contracted by the Patrol. About 15 lease contracts are renewed each year, including facilities for office space, storage, troop headquarters, and aircraft hangars.

Procurement officers research; conduct bids; and negotiate and prepare contracts for goods and services. In 2015, Procurement processed 4,368 purchase orders, and prepared 39 agency-specific contracts.

2015 FY ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	REPORTABLE EXPENDITURES	% OF TOTAL
OPERATIONS		
Operations/Administration	\$54,293,070	70.50%
Breath Alcohol Unit	Included in Operations/Administration	
Training Academy	Included in Operations/Administration	
Aircraft	Included in Operations/Administration	
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP)	Included in Operations/Administration	
Motorist Assistance	\$1,442,969	1.9%
VIN Inspection	\$2,245,693	2.9%
Information Technology	\$3,177,679	4.1%
	\$61,159,411	79.4%
Capitol Police	\$4,015,567	5.2%
Turnpike	\$3,768,086	4.9%
Motor Carrier Inspection	\$4,052,109	5.3%
Homeland Security	\$3,183,141	4.1%
Debt Service/Capital Improvements	\$812,135	1.1%
Total Actual Expenditures	\$76,990,449	100%

PARTNERS PROGRAM

Operated by the Kansas Highway Patrol, the PARTNERS (Providing Assistance for Resisting Trafficking of Narcotic Enterprise Related Sources) program allows local and state agencies to purchase products using the federal government's purchasing contracts. The only requirements are that the agencies purchasing products must have at least one sworn law enforcement officer on staff, and whatever is purchased must be used for counter-drug missions. Often, goods can be purchased

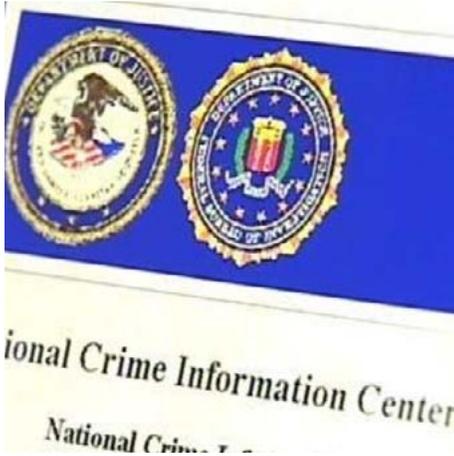
cheaper through the PARTNERS program because the contracts used utilize the buying power of the federal government.

2015 STATISTICS

State agencies saved	\$76,913
Sheriff's departments saved	\$378,501
Police departments saved	\$196,985



2015 STATISTICS



Cleared **1,645** database entries in the FBI's National Crime Information Center



Recovered **249** stolen vehicles and **446** abandoned vehicles



Issued **61,575** speeding citations



Spent **24,276.37** hours assisting **101,671** motorists



Issued **16,492** moving hazardous violations (MHVs)



Conducted **315** MCSAP safety reviews



Weighed **4,830** commercial vehicles with portable scales and **719,899** with fixed scales



Performed **10,835** fuel inspections



Administered **1,730** preliminary breath tests



2015 STATISTICS



Investigated **7,024** property damage only crashes



Investigated **269** fatality crashes



Investigated **1,964** injury crashes



Inspected **11,264** school buses



Verified **142,422** vehicle identification numbers



Inspected **46,393** trucks



Seat belt use in Kansas
86%



Made **1,527** felony drug arrests



Made **1,204** felony arrests



2015 STATISTICS



Administered **1,299** evidentiary alcohol tests



Arrested **1,402** impaired drivers



Issued **14,989** total seat belt violations



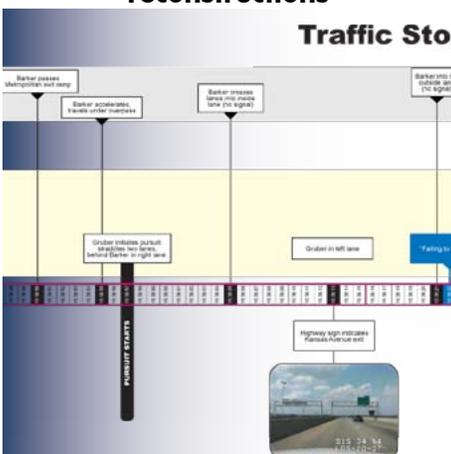
CHART responded to **103** requests for assistance, crash investigations, and crime scene reconstructions



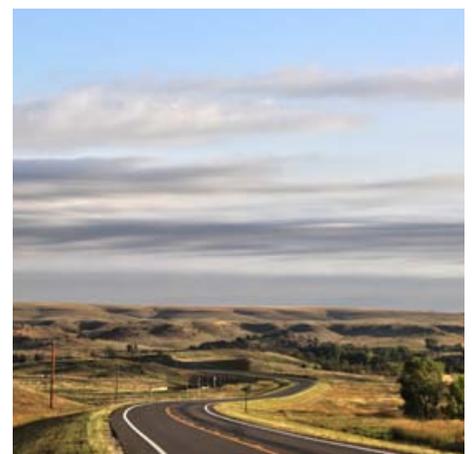
Issued **1,483** child restraint violations



Conducted **2,970** criminal interdiction searches



Conducted **431** check lanes



Patrolled **12,549,392** miles

HONORING OUR FALLEN



MSTRP Dean A. Goodheart
1995



TRP Maurice R. Plummer
1944



TRP Jimmie Jacobs
1959



MSTRP Larry L. Huff
1993



TRP John McMurray
1964



TRP Ferdinand F. Pribbenow
1981



LT Bernard C. Hill
1967



TRP Conroy G. O'Brien
1978



TRP James D. Thornton
1973



SGT Eldon K. Miller
1968