



ANNUAL REPORT

2017



In 2017, the Kansas Highway Patrol celebrated 80 years of providing Service, Courtesy, and Protection across our state. The men and women of the Patrol remain deeply committed to the work our predecessors have set forth over the decades of service to Kansans.

We have strived the last few years to move our agency into the 21st century of policing.

We prioritize working for the mission and goals of our agency, including enforcing impaired driving laws, occupant protection laws, and other traffic laws to provide safety on our roads. In addition to our work every day, each month KHP provides special enforcements to address traffic issues and problem areas across the state. In 2017, KHP arrested 1,142 for impaired driving; issued 15,578 occupant protection and child restraint citations; and 64,448 citations for speeding.

In 2017, our officers and troopers made 2,494 felony drug arrests, and made 1,141 other felony arrests on our roads. We arrested murderers, kidnapping suspects, and responded to bank robberies. The Patrol was a vital part of apprehending the AK-47 Bandit, who was wanted for at least six bank robberies over the past five years.

Another part of our service is to assist our partnering law enforcement agencies across the state. The agency's personnel assisted every day with crashes, manhunts, mapping of crime scenes, disturbances, domestic calls, searching for missing children and elderly, among other issues.

The Kansas Highway Patrol is privileged to serve in a state like Kansas, with the citizens we come into contact with each day. Our communities are kind, and welcoming. We know our efforts make a difference, and we will remain committed to our duties each day, of every year.

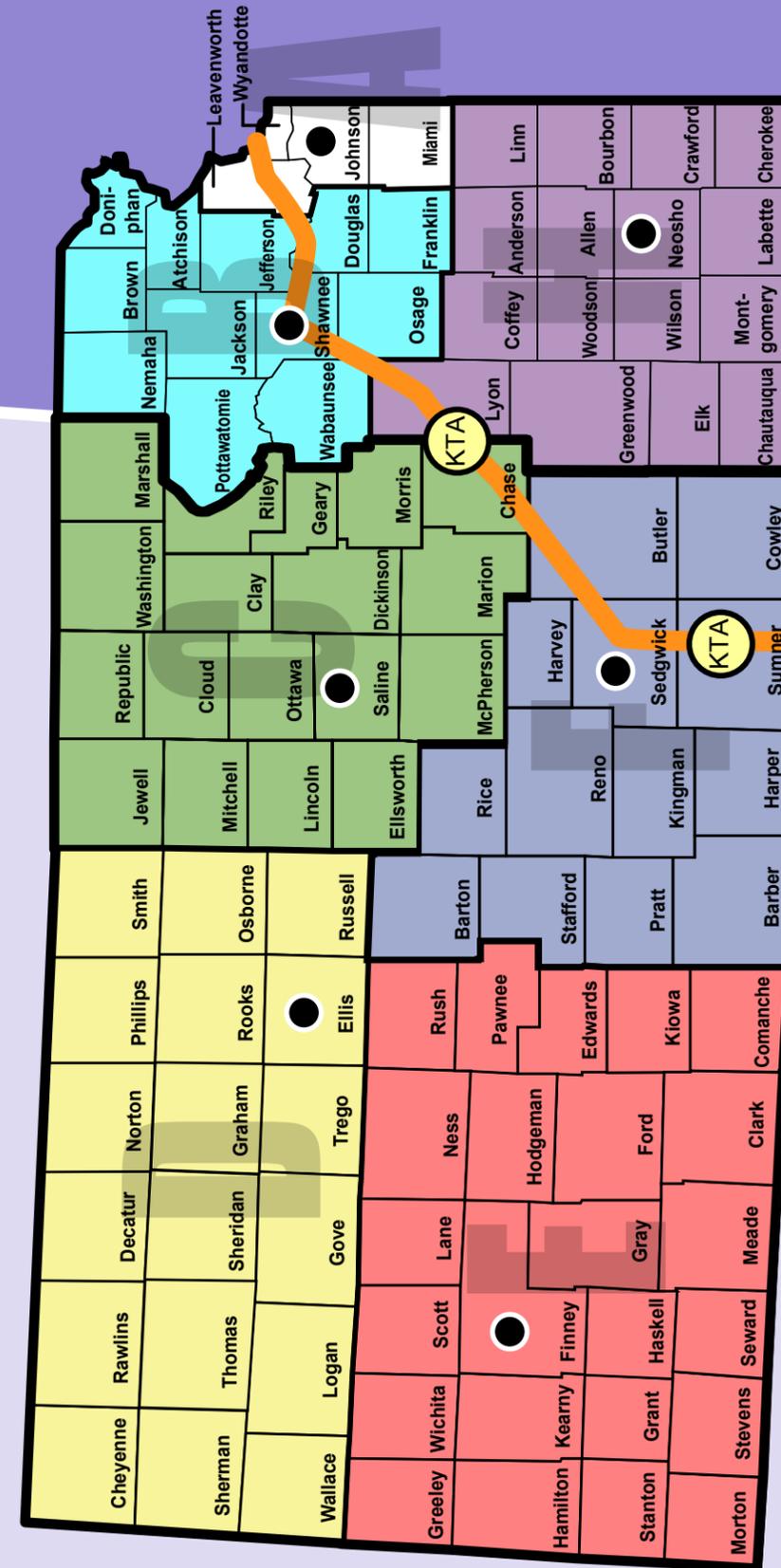
Mark A Bruce

Colonel Mark Bruce,
Superintendent



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WEST REGION
Major Jason De Vore
Troop C
Troop D
Troop E
Troop F
Homeland Security / Emergency Operations

SPECIAL OPERATIONS
Major John Eichkorn
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Troop K - Capitol Police
Troop T - Aircraft & Fleet Operations
Public & Governmental Affairs
Information Technology

SUPPORT SERVICES
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Troop M - Central Communications/CJIS
Fiscal Management
Human Resources
Legal/Records
Troop V - Motor Vehicle Enforcement

EAST REGION
Major Kyle Moomau
Troop A
Troop B
Troop G - Kansas Turnpike
Troop H
Troop N - DHET, Task Forces, Fusion Center
Emergency Services Unit

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.

YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2017, the Kansas Highway Patrol had a big year. The agency trained a large class of recruits, worked toward accreditation, and was involved in many major events, helping to keep Kansas citizens and travelers safe.

Several changes in command staff and agency organization occurred in order to streamline processes and bring efficiency to the agency and its units. Another reorganization took place in December to further increase agency efficiencies.

KHP Class #57 was trained, and marked one of the Patrol's largest classes ever. This class also marked the return of KHP Capitol Police officers to undergoing training at the KHP Academy. Five Capitol Police officers and 38 new troopers began their career in July and graduated in December, after 23 weeks of basic law enforcement training. They then went on to train for 77 working days with their field training officers.

The agency was preparing for an accreditation assessment through CALEA (The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc.). A mock assessment was held in September, when assessors traveled the state to evaluate the Patrol's facilities; policies and procedures; and other topics imperative to law enforcement organizations.

In 2017, the Patrol's Mobile Field Force was established. The team is made up of personnel with specialized equipment and training for utilization at large scale events, instances of civil disruption, and disasters. The team was equipped and began training during the year.

The Patrol responded to many multi-jurisdictional events across the state in 2017. In March, wildfires burned thousands of acres in western Kansas. Troopers were instrumental in providing aerial support, traffic control, helping stranded motorists, and evacuating towns. Troopers in western Kansas arrested murder suspect Alex Deaton, who was part of a multi-state crime spree. The Patrol was also essential in apprehending the AK-47 Bandit.

The men and women of KHP work many large events in communities across the state each year. Personnel from the eastern part of the state traveled to the Troop A, the Kansas City area, to help manage traffic for two Nascar races, assisting more than 100,000 spectators into and out of the facility with no major difficulties. The Kansas State Fair, held annually in Hutchinson, was worked by troopers across the state. Troopers provide security, traffic control, and help with other issues on the fairgrounds. Attendance at the state fair in 2017 was 322,278.

To address the increase in fatalities, troops participated in special enforcements focused on different areas of concern, including construction zones, DUI lanes, saturation patrols on major highways, Operation Lifesaver lanes, C.A.R.E. enforcements, and seat belt enforcements.

KHP personnel were awarded for their dedication to the Patrol's mission and goals. Members were recognized for their activity in multiple categories, including drug arrests, occupant protection violations, impaired driver arrests, felony arrests, misdemeanor arrests, and assistance provided to the public. Citizens were honored with Honorary Trooper awards after going above and beyond to assist others in their time of need.

With continued active shooter situations and workplace violence throughout the nation, businesses and agencies across the state have utilized the Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation (KASM) program, instructed by KHP Capitol Police officers or troopers. Many sessions were hosted throughout Kansas, particularly state agencies in the Capitol Complex area.

As the agency celebrated 80 years of dedication to the citizens served every day, the spirit of Service, Courtesy, and Protection the Patrol has been known for, was alive and well in 2017.



TROOP A – Kansas City Metro

Captain Dek Kruger

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.

TROOP A ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

In addition to working over 2,000 crashes based on high traffic volume and weather-related complications, Troop A conducted over 1,500 school bus inspections for 13 districts. Personnel made more than 31,000 public contacts, of which 16,000 were to provide service to motorists in need. Holiday enforcements focused heavily on removing impaired drivers from the roadways, encouraging occupant protection, and targeted inattentive driving.



DRUG TRAFFICKERS CAUGHT

Over the year, Troop A troopers brought numerous drug traffickers to justice. One case involved a vehicle pursuit with a suspect armed with a loaded AK-47, who attempted to flee the state. The trooper disabled the suspect's vehicle and arrested him. Along with the gun, the suspect had a large amount of currency and a notable amount of cocaine in his possession.

OUTREACH TO COMMUNITY

Troop A remains committed to serving the public through community outreach programs, and several special events took place during 2017. Members participated in two blood drives at Troop A headquarters. The annual Michael Newton Toy drive took place on December 15. KHP and Missouri State Highway Patrol delivered toys to 15 children at KU Med. That evening, the troopers and their families prepared dinner for over 70 families at the Ronald McDonald House.

EAST REGION

MAJOR
KYLE MOOMAU

TROOP B – Northeast Kansas

Captain Justin Bramlett

TROOPER HIT BY VEHICLE

In January, a trooper and his trainee were on a traffic stop on I-470, when their patrol car was struck from behind. Both troopers were outside of the car, talking to the occupants of the vehicle they had stopped. One of the troopers was hit, and knocked down into the ditch. He was off work for an extended period of time and eventually returned to full duty. This crash served as an important reminder for motorists to slow down and move over for emergency personnel working our roadways.

TROOP B ADDS TO WORKFORCE

In 2017, Troop B welcomed 11 new troopers after they all successfully completed their field training with experienced troopers. The troopers are now stationed in the following counties: Atchison, Brown, Douglas (2), Jackson, Nemaha, Osage, Pottawatomie, Shawnee, and Wabaunsee (2).

In December of 2017, Troop B welcomed an additional four new troopers, who just began their field training at the end of the year.



TROOP G – Kansas Turnpike Authority

Captain Joe Bott

TROOPER'S VEHICLE HIT; SEMI FLEES

In early January, a trooper was conducting a traffic stop eastbound on the Turnpike at mile marker 224. He approached the passenger side of the vehicle he had stopped. As he was making contact with the vehicle's occupants, a passing semi-truck struck the driver's side of the patrol vehicle, then failed to stop. The trooper pursued the semi, and it eventually stopped. The driver was cited for numerous violations.



TROOPERS WORK FATAL SEMI CRASH

On July 23, a westbound FedEx double-bottom truck-tractor trailer unit struck the guardrail at I-635, and then continued traveling westbound along the top of the bridge wall, striking an overhead pillar. The truck-tractor came to rest partially hanging off the bridge over I-635. During the collision, the truck-tractor caught fire and both occupants, driver and co-driver (who was in the sleeper), were forced to jump from the vehicle, falling 40 feet into the driving lanes of I-635. Both occupants sustained critical injuries from the fall and were transported to local hospitals. The co-driver passed away.



TROOP H – Southeast Kansas

Captain Charles Yokley

183 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA FOUND DURING STOP

A trooper stopped a 2007 Cadillac Escalade in February for speeding on I-35 in Coffey County. During the consent search, eight duffel bags containing 183 pounds of high-grade marijuana were located in the bed of the vehicle.

WANTED FELON APPREHENDED

In August, several troopers responded to assist Missouri units who were pursuing a Harley Davidson motorcycle, which was about to enter Kansas, near Pittsburg. The troopers were advised the driver was a wanted felon. He led the troopers on a 20-mile pursuit, lasting over 24 minutes, and crossing the Missouri-Kansas state line three times. During the pursuit, the driver and passenger threw their helmets and other personal items into the roadway. They were apprehended near Lawton Road and US-69 Highway in Cherokee County.

TROOP N – Domestic Highway Enforcement Team, Task Forces, & Fusion Center

Captain Brent Hogelin

“AK-47 BANDIT” APPREHENDED

A trooper attempted to stop a vehicle driven by the alleged “AK-47 Bandit” on I-70. A shoot-out and vehicle chase ensued, culminating in a single-vehicle crash. The suspect fled the scene, stole a farmer’s truck, and crossed into Nebraska, where he was ultimately captured later that day. The “AK-47 Bandit” is the suspect in at least six bank robberies, dating back to 2012, as well as the shooting of a Chino, California Police Officer during one of the robberies.

TROOPER ARRESTS HOMICIDE SUSPECT

A trooper conducted a traffic stop on I-70. Due to signs of criminal activity, the trooper requested and received consent to search the vehicle. The search produced a 9mm handgun, which was located inside the vehicle’s air cleaner. As the trooper located the gun, two occupants of the vehicle fled on foot. After a brief manhunt, both suspects were captured. Follow-up investigation revealed both suspects were involved in several armed robberies across Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina. One of the suspects was found to be responsible for a robbery and murder in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

ACTIVITY

2017 Calendar Year	
311	Cases
4	CMV Cases
28	Vehicles Seized
31	Weapons Seized
4,696	Pounds of Marijuana
70	Pounds of Cocaine
7	Pounds of Heroin
265	Pounds of Methamphetamine
131	NCIC Hits for Stolen Items
27	DUI Arrests
500	Drug Arrests
1,394	Felony Drug Charges
201	Other Felony Arrests



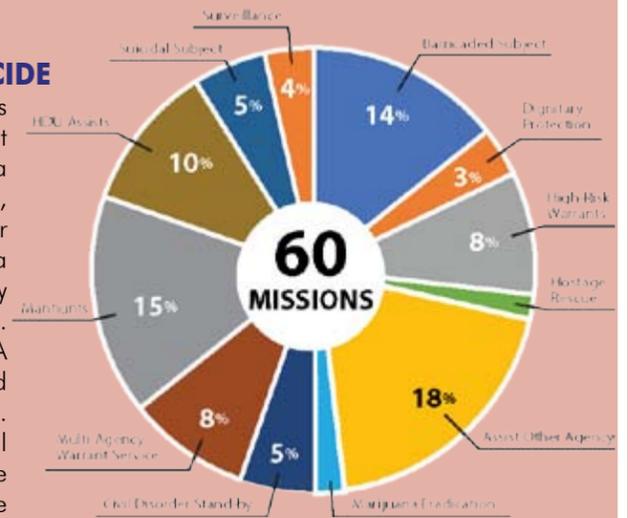
EMERGENCY SERVICES UNIT (ESU)

Captain Scott Morris

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM (SRT)

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED FOLLOWING DOUBLE-HOMICIDE

In October, the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office requested ESU’s assistance following a double-murder, with the suspect possibly still at large. The first ESU members who arrived received information that a female victim may still be alive inside. They established a rescue team, and entered the house, attempting to locate the victim. Upon their approach, a male victim was located at the main entry, dead from a gunshot. The team located the female, deceased in another area. They immediately exited, due to the unknown whereabouts of the suspect. As additional troopers arrived, multiple residences were cleared. A perimeter was held, while ESU robots searched the house and located the suspect, who was dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Personnel entered the residence to check for any other victims, as well as checking a neighboring house. No other victims were located. The scene was turned over to the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation for evidence collection and processing.

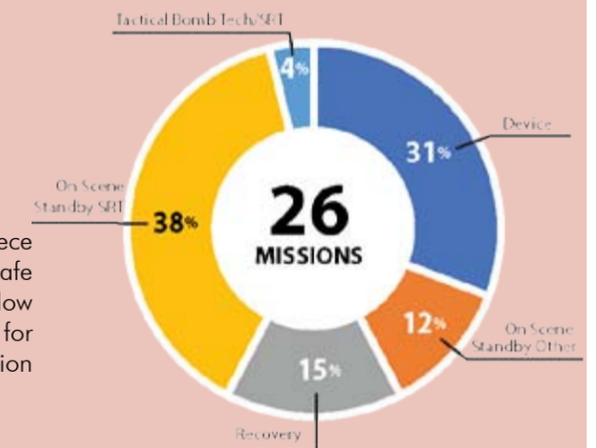


HAZARDOUS DEVICES UNIT (HDU)

Threat	Prevent	Protect	Evidential
11	1,084	27	2

HDU EQUIPMENT ORDERED FOR BOMB TECHS

ESU’s Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU) was anticipating delivery of a piece of equipment, which would allow bomb technicians to remotely render-safe items such as metallic pipe bombs, in an effective manner. This will allow for a much safer procedure that can be done robotically, and will allow for better preservation of evidence that can be used in criminal prosecution once a device has been rendered-safe.



POLICE SERVICE DOG UNIT (PSDU)

MULTI-STATE CRIME SPREE/MURDER SUSPECT CAUGHT

On March 1, ESU police service dog (PSD) personnel initiated a pursuit on I-70, in Russell County. The driver was Alex Deaton, wanted in connection with a double homicide in Mississippi. He had also kidnapped two hikers in New Mexico, and upon their escape, shot and injured both. Deaton then stole the hiker’s vehicle and fled. In the early morning hours of March 1, Kiowa County Sheriff’s Office initiated a pursuit with Deaton, which continued into Pratt and later Kingman counties, before the vehicle became disabled in Pratt. Deaton fled on foot, later entering a Kwik Shop, and at gunpoint, ordered the clerk to relinquish his keys. He shot the clerk and fled the store in the clerk’s vehicle.

Deaton was located by a member of the PSDU, and immediately engaged in a pursuit. Other KHP personnel assisted with the pursuit, during which Deaton drove recklessly and traveled at speeds more than 140 mph. Deaton exited the interstate and traveled south toward Wilson. Due to the nature and severity of Deaton’s crimes, a decision was made to attempt a TVI (tactical vehicle intervention), prior to entering the town. The maneuver was successful, causing the vehicle to leave the roadway and roll. Deaton crawled from the vehicle and was taken into custody. Inside the vehicle were two handguns, and a large amount of currency. Deaton was facing multiple criminal charges through several states, due to his multi-state crime spree.

2017 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS



Cleared **2,122** database entries in the FBI's National Crime Information Center



Recovered **363** stolen vehicles and checked **893** abandoned vehicles



Issued **64,448** speeding citations



Spent **33,903.90** hours assisting **103,885** motorists



Issued **16,971** moving hazardous violations (MHVs)



Conducted **337** MCSAP safety reviews



Weighed **7,311** commercial vehicles with portable scales and **906,811** with fixed scales



Performed **17,249** fuel inspections



Administered **1,440** preliminary breath tests

SPECIAL OPERATIONS

TROOP I –
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP),
Critical Highway Accident Response Team (CHART),
Motor Carrier Inspection (MCI)
Captain Christopher Turner

MAJOR JOHN EICHKORN



TRUCKS ON PATROL FOR SAFETY (TOPS)

Kansas began TOPS enforcement and education efforts in 2007, and the program has continued. TOPS has allowed KHP to contact more than 109,000 drivers, issuing over 130,000 citations, warnings, and inspections. The program has shown significant results in enforcing alcohol and drug violations, with 328 arrests. Since inception, there have been 402 felonies and NCIC hits on drivers, in addition to large drug and currency seizures. Based on the Large Truck Causation study, Kansas expected to have a higher enforcement rate among passenger vehicles, which has been the case, however, enforcement is also taken on commercial motor vehicles. KHP has discovered 2,490 vehicles, 1,121 drivers, and 405 hazardous materials violations meeting CVSA Out-of-Service criteria. Seat belt enforcement was another significant violation, resulting in 5,053 passenger vehicle and 873 CMV citations and warnings.

SAFETY AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

During fiscal year 2017, MCSAP personnel, including the public resource officer, performed 81 safety programs across the state at farm shows, industry trade shows, and local events. These are integral to the Patrol's education efforts. The events give farmers and local businesses the opportunity to get one-on-one time to ask questions and know how to further safety.

TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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

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

TOPS ACTIVITY

COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS

Violation	Citations	Warnings
MHV	48	127
Lidar	49	0
Speed (radar)	6	13
Seat Belt Violations	49	6
Child Restraint Violations	0	0
Midemeanor Traffic	21	0
Felonies	4	0
NCIC Hits	0	4
Drug Arrests	7	0
DUI-Drugs	0	0
DUIs	2	0
Alcohol Violations	2	0
Motorists Assisted	303	
Other	166	4,475
Totals	354	4,928

NON-COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS

Violation	Citations	Warnings
MHV	321	1,129
Lidar	106	101
Speed (radar)	1,396	1,952
Seat Belt Violations	581	73
Child Restraint Violations	11	7
Midemeanor Traffic	635	0
Felonies	26	0
NCIC Hits	0	38
Drug Arrests	94	0
DUI-Drugs	0	0
DUIs	9	0
Alcohol Violations	6	0
Motorists Assisted	1,875	
Other	65	1,820
Totals	3,250	6,995

TROOP K – Capitol Police

Captain Andrew Dean

HIRING/TRAINING PROCESS UPDATED

Troop K updated hiring processes, to align with the trooper hiring process. For many years, Capitol Police officers were sent to various training academies throughout the state, but in 2017, Capitol Police officers returned to the KHP Training Academy for their training. Troop K has experienced difficulty in recruiting and hiring. Troop K officers will benefit from agency-specific training by enhancing the commitment each officer has for the culture and core values of the Patrol. Training at the Patrol academy also familiarizes recruits with agency policies, cutting back the time they must go over this in the field training phase. Five Capitol Police officers graduated with Recruit Class #57.

TROOP K RESPONDS TO BURGLARY, OTHER SITUATIONS

Troop K patrol officers spent much of the year proactively working in the Capitol Complex area. They responded to a vehicle burglary in progress adjacent to the Attorney General and Secretary of State offices. Officers worked with Troop K's Central Monitoring, and were able to give a detailed description of the suspect, and direction of travel. After losing sight of the suspect, officers located him under a porch in a nearby neighborhood.

Officers also kept busy handling domestic disputes, aggravated burglaries, aggravated batteries, and numerous drug-related arrests throughout the year.



PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Captain Joshua Kellerman

Public & Governmental Affairs houses the agency's recruiter, and is responsible for much of the recruiting efforts for new personnel. The unit handles the Patrol's public image, from interaction with the media, to information put out to the public. Public & Governmental Affairs prepares legislative testimony, and provides security during the legislative session. Agency-wide policies and procedures are updated through this unit. They also write and submit grants for the Patrol.

The Public & Governmental Affairs unit oversees the agency's accreditation process through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). In 2017, the agency underwent a mock assessment, in preparation for the official assessment, scheduled for Spring of 2018.

PROs MOVE TO PUBLIC & GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

In 2017, the Patrol's public resource officers (PROs) were moved under the Public & Governmental Affairs section. There is one PRO for each field troop, as well as Troop I and Troop K, who handle media calls in their area, safety programs, car seat installations, and the Kansas Active Shooter Mitigation program. The PROs are also known as the Tweeting Troopers, as they utilize social media to connect with the public in their areas of the state.

The PROs annually work the KHP booth at Kansas State Fair to answer questions from the public and visit with attendees.

Two PROs presented at the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) State Provincial Planning Officers Section Conference in Philadelphia in 2017.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Chief Information Officer: Interim IT Director Steve Shepard

The KHP Information Technology Team strives to improve agency technologies by aligning technological advances with the agency's business needs. Infrastructure manages servers, network security, and computer applications. They manage the state's Simplex door access and Capitol Police surveillance systems. Programming & Development writes custom applications, such as the Kansas Law Enforcement Reporting System (KLER), and supports applications, such as the agency's Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD). The I.T. 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.

TROOP T – Aircraft and Fleet

Captain Greg Kyser

AIRCRAFT

AERIAL SUPPORT PROVIDED FOR FIRES

The fires in the Ashland area were a big assignment for KHP Aircraft in 2017. KHP was the first aerial asset on scene of the fires, and winds were gusting into the 50 mph range. The pilots directed fire units to areas needing more help the first day and part of the second day, and then switched to a damage documentation role with aerial photos and video after that. At the time, this fire was the largest fire in the nation for 2017, although it was later surpassed.

SUSPECT WHO FIRED AT OFFICERS LOCATED

In February, Barton County deputies pursued a vehicle, and during the pursuit, shots were fired at the deputy. The occupant of the vehicle bailed on foot while firing shots over his shoulder. Barton County requested aircraft to assist with the search. The pilots responded, and after about five minutes, located the suspect in a field. They led ground units into the location, and he was taken into custody without incident.



Fleet Operations

Fleet Operations is the backbone of the Kansas Highway Patrol's vehicle program. This nationally-recognized program allows the 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 installs 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 removes emergency equipment not requested by the 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 vehicles purchased from Fleet are completed sight unseen. The reputation of KHP's vehicles is such that agencies know that when they purchase KHP's vehicles, they are getting a "top of the line" product that they normally would not be able to afford.

KHP 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 those used by the Police Service Dog Unit, Hazardous Devices Unit, Breath Alcohol Unit, and Critical Highway Accident Response Team.

In 2017, Fleet was busy with many changes.

- They upgraded most of the troop spare vehicles, MVE vehicles, and other civilian staff vehicles.
- Many new specialty vehicles, including Motorist Assist trucks were prepared.
- Wraparound style push bumpers were added, and installs began. These bumpers provide protection and lessen repair expenses from crashes. LED lighting was installed to the sides of the bumpers for increased visibility. The siren was installed to the bumper, providing much more audible volume than prior speakers.
- A low-profile lightbar mount was implemented giving vehicles a more stealth appearance, while maintaining the same high visibility.
- Recruit Class #57 vehicle builds were underway for early 2018.

IN-STATE SALES

24	Police Departments
17	Sheriff's Offices
1	Unified School District
2	Departments of Correction
3	Universities/Colleges
2	County EMS Departments
1	Fire Department
3	Airport Police Departments
22	Purple Wave Auction Sales
4	Salvage Companies
4	Insurance Settlements
83	Vehicles Sold

OUT-OF-STATE SALES

31	Police Departments
64	Sheriff's Offices
1	Unified School District
6	Universities/Colleges
1	Fire Department
3	CLEET (Gov't LEO training agency)
106	Vehicles Sold

2017 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS



Investigated **6,590** non-injury, property damage only crashes



Investigated **279** fatality crashes



Investigated **1,854** injury crashes



Inspected **11,797** school buses



Verified **151,459** vehicle identification numbers



Inspected **44,736** trucks



Seat belt use in Kansas **87%**



Made **2,494** felony drug arrests



Made **1,141** felony arrests

TROOP C – North Central Kansas

Captain Robb Keener

ARMED ROBBERY SUSPECT ARRESTED

On September 21, a trooper stopped a 1992 Ford Crown Victoria for speeding on I-70 in Saline County. While talking to the occupants of the vehicle, the trooper became suspicious of criminal activity. The trooper requested permission to search the vehicle, but it was denied. A KHP police service dog team responded to the scene. The police service dog alerted on the vehicle, indicating the odor of illegal drugs. A probable cause search was performed, resulting in the discovery of marijuana, methamphetamine, four firearms (one of which was stolen), 74 pieces of jewelry with price tags affixed (many were still in their display cases), two ski masks, and a Burger King receipt from Denver, Colorado, dated September 20. The trooper contacted Denver Police Department. A violent robbery had occurred in Denver on September 20. The vehicle and suspects matched the description of the those stopped by the trooper. Both suspects were taken into custody, and faced multiple felony charges, in both Kansas and Colorado.

TROOPERS RESPOND TO JAIL BREAK

Troopers responded to Marysville in October to assist the Marshall County Sheriff's Office with a jail break. The two started a fire within the jail. While prisoners were evacuated from the cell block, two inmates made their way to the basement by breaking through a security door. They tore a shotgun rack off the wall, and got a shotgun and ammunition. They broke through a garage door, encountered the emergency management director, and held him hostage. One prisoner began firing at houses. A Marysville police officer arrived, and returned fire. The inmate dropped the shotgun and surrendered. The other inmate jumped into a pickup, and fled. The pursuit went into Nebraska. The truck eventually crashed, and the inmate was taken into custody. Multiple troopers responded to assist with security and relocating prisoners to another jail.

TROOP D – Northwest Kansas

Captain Mike Murphy

KHP ASSISTS WITH WILDFIRES IN WESTERN KANSAS

On March 6, KHP shut down I-70 in Russell County, and evacuated the town of Wilson while firefighters battled a fire that began by Wilson Lake. Due to high winds, there were three fires within two days. KHP assisted with traffic control and evacuations in Rooks County, Ellis County, and Russell County.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED DURING PRISON RIOT

Many KHP troopers responded to a riot at the Norton Correctional Facility on September 5. A fight between inmates led to a mattress being set on fire. Nearly 250 inmates spilled into the yard, broke into a tool shed, and smashed several prison windows. While Troop D units provided security, three nurses were evacuated from the prison. When the riot was over, troopers escorted buses carrying 90 prisoners to other correctional facilities. The troopers performed well, and were thanked by prison staff.

WEST REGION

MAJOR
JASON De VORE



TROOP E – Southwest Kansas

Captain Randell Mosher

SHIPPED PACKAGE CONTAINS 350+ POUNDS OF MARIJUANA

On January 3, KHP was contacted by a Federal Express security agent, advising they picked up suspicious packages in Holly, Colorado. The packages were now in a FedEx warehouse in Liberal. Troopers responded, and upon entering the warehouse, immediately detected the strong odor of marijuana. Three large boxes had been isolated from other freight. Through holes in the containers, green vegetation in plastic bags could clearly be seen. Based on the odor and characteristics of the boxes and contents, they secured a search warrant. Approximately 350 pounds of loose marijuana, and eight vacuum-sealed bags containing 16 pounds of packed marijuana, were discovered. The packages were being shipped from Colorado to California. The investigation included the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), and Colorado Highway Patrol.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED WITH WILDFIRES

From March 6-11, Troop E assisted with several wildfires.

On March 6, troopers worked two crashes in Lane County, caused by limited visibility from smoke. One crash involved an ambulance enroute to the first crash.

Later that afternoon, Clark County requested KHP's assistance with the evacuation of Ashland. That evening, there were two injury crashes on K-34 Highway, north of Ashland. Troopers were delayed in arriving, due to extreme heat from the fire and quickly moving flames. A deceased male was found in a ditch. The investigation determined he was driving a semi when he encountered the fire, and attempted to back up and turn around. He jack-knifed, and became disabled in the road. He left the truck on foot, attempting to get away from the fire. An autopsy determined he died from smoke inhalation.

Throughout the duration of the fires, KHP assisted at the command post; helped with motorist assists, roadblocks, and public relations; and responded to law enforcement calls.

KHP members were assigned to 12-hour shifts to assist Clark County. KHP worked 236.75 regular hours, 166 overtime hours, and drove 8,368 miles to assist during this wildfire event.

TROOP F – South Central Kansas

Captain Dennis Marten

KANSAS STATE FAIR

The Kansas State Fair was held from Friday, September 8, through Sunday, September 17, 2017, in Hutchinson. The Patrol provides a visible deterrent through frequent patrols of the fairgrounds and provides 24-hour law enforcement services in, and around, the fairgrounds. This year, approximately 70 troopers, motor carrier inspectors, Capitol Police officers, and communications specialists interacted with the more than 322,000 people in attendance. Personnel are utilized to patrol the fairgrounds and grandstands; serve as investigators; patrol major roadways in Reno County; staff the Patrol's booth; and provide on-site communications. Personnel also assist with medical calls and reunite separated individuals with their families.

RENO/RICE COUNTY WILD FIRES

Beginning Saturday, March 4, through Thursday, March 9, the Patrol assisted with several large fires impacting Reno and Rice counties. Over the six-day event, approximately 75 KHP personnel deployed to assist with evacuations, close K-61 Highway for fire operations, and conduct perimeter control and security of the affected area. Due to high winds and extreme fire danger, the fire quickly spread. The evacuation area comprised approximately 30 square miles, affecting over 300 structures, and potentially impacting the city of Hutchinson. The wildfire consumed over 5,000 acres, destroyed 10 homes, and numerous outbuildings.

HOMELAND SECURITY/EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

Captain Eric Sauer

HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

The KHP Homeland Security office has served as the Governor-appointed, State Administrative Agency (SAA) for the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) since 2001. Funds are used by state and local jurisdictions to prevent, respond to, and recover from, acts of terrorism or other catastrophic events by enhancing and sustaining capabilities.

In 2017, the SAA managed three open HSGP grants, including \$3,734,500 for FY 2015, \$3,734,500 for FY 2016, and \$3,752,000 for FY 2017, while preparing for FY 2018.

Funding was secured to sustain an existing KHP Fusion Center Analyst to work in the Kansas Intelligence Fusion Center (KIFC), assisting with analysis and dissemination of intelligence information to law enforcement in Kansas and beyond.

A more robust vetting procedure was created for future HSGP funding, involving more input from specialty units such as the Emergency Services Unit, and the KHP Training Academy, as well as the Kansas Law Enforcement Resources Working Group, to help eliminate duplication of resources, increase transparency, and create more efficient use of grant funds.

KHP MOBILE FIELD FORCE DEVELOPED

Due to recent incidents around the country of lawful protests eroding into unlawful civil disorder, the Patrol researched the potential to train and implement a contingent of personnel with special equipment and training to respond to such occurrences and other disasters. The KHP's Mobile Field Force was developed and began training in 2017.

WOLF CREEK EVALUATED EXERCISE

KHP successfully participated in Wolf Creek pre-exercises and planning for an evaluated plume phase exercise, held in December. Personnel from the Emergency Operations group worked in the State Emergency Operations Center, along with Troop H personnel, who were in the vicinity of the Wolf Creek Nuclear Power Generating Plant.



TROOP J – Training Academy

Captain Jimmie Atkinson

The Kansas Highway Patrol Training Academy (KHPTA) is the initial home for KHP recruits, both troopers and Capitol Police officers. They also provide annual training to KHP personnel.

Recruits endure an extensive hiring process, which includes a written test; interview; physical and psychological testing; and a background investigation. Upon the completion of 23 weeks of training at the Academy, recruits enter a field-training program.

The Academy is in Salina, and is housed at the former Marymount College.

Along with training for KHP employees, training is also offered to other agencies.

LARGEST RECRUIT CLASS GRADUATES

KHP Class #57 began their career with the Patrol on July 6th. KHP graduated 38 troopers and five Capitol Police officers on December 7.

COLLEGIATE LAW AND CADET LAW PROGRAMS HELD

Annually in May, the Kansas Collegiate Law Enforcement Academy is held, offering college students the opportunity to experience a portion of Training Academy life. Criminal Justice programs work with KHP to provide this real-world experience.

In June, the annual Cadet Law Enforcement Academy program is held, a joint venture sponsored by the American Legion. The attendees go through a selection process to attend. Cadet Law is a unique opportunity for high school students to receive insight on portions of recruit training.



BREATH ALCOHOL AND DRUG EVALUATION UNIT-TROOP J

In 2017 members of the Breath Alcohol and Drug Evaluation Unit (BAU) instructed numerous classes. Along with teaching the Standardized Field Sobriety Testing curriculum and refresher, BAU instructed classes in Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement, Drugs in the Academic Environment, Improving Parents' Education on Drugs, and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) were conducted. Sixteen new DREs were certified, and two experts were placed in Northwest Kansas for the first time in several years.

In conjunction with the Sedgwick County Regional Forensic Science Center and KDOT, BAU also conducted a large peer-reviewed scientific study regarding oral fluids testing for drug impairment. Special presentations regarding this cutting-edge technology and the study results were conducted by two BAU troopers at the LifeSavers Conference in North Carolina and in New Jersey at a large AAA-sponsored summit on drugged driving.

BAU troopers assisted on several dozen DUI checklanes and saturation patrols, both with KHP personnel and outside agencies across Kansas.

SUPPORT SERVICES

**MAJOR
SCOTT HARRINGTON**

TROOP M – Central Communications / CJIS

Captain Steven Zeller

CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS STATS

- 17,366 Case Numbers Issued
- 389,921 Calls for Service
- 57 School Safety Hotline Calls
- 10 School Safety Hotline Referrals Given To Local Law Enforcement
- 6 Underage Drinking Hotline Calls Taken
- 1 Communication Specialist Class Held
- 3 New Communications Specialists Hired

CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS

Communications specialists support field personnel 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 allowing workstations to be connected. The unit manages and provides assistance to local agencies using the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC), including FBI-mandated certification of all operators with access to NCIC. CJIS coordinates the annual validation of all Kansas-entered records, such as wanted/missing persons and stolen property. KHP CJIS trainers also instruct the Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operators (BLECO) training course for new local agency dispatchers.

CJIS STATS

NCIC Data Quality Audit Unit

- 145 NCIC Data Quality Audits Completed
- 29 Full Access NCIC Training Classes with 399 Students
- 3 NCIC Limited Access Classes with 105 Students
- 5 KLETC Classes with 330 Students
- 1 KHP Recruit NCIC Training Class with 43 Students
- 28 Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) Classes with 361 Students
- 2 Basic Law Enforcement Communications Operator (BLECO) trainings-26 students
- 22 NCIC Classes with 355 Students
- 1 KHP Dispatch In-service - Open Fox Tips & Tricks with 77 Students
- 1 KHP Law Enforcement Officers' In-service - Open Fox Tips & Tricks with 389 Students
- 22 Open Fox Tips & Tricks to Outside Agencies with 375 Students

NCIC Technical Security Audit Unit

- 90 Information Technical Security Audits Completed
- 406 New NCIC Terminals Approved for Connections
- 16 NCIC Terminal Deactivations
- 11 Network Change and Relocation Approvals
- 25 Post-Incident Reconnections Approved
- 5 Local Area Security Officer (LASO) Trainings with 99 Students
- 115 Students Compling Online LASO Training

N-DEx and Record Checks

- 1 N-DEx Class with 43 Students
- 228 Applicant Record Checks Completed
- 850 Employee Annual Record Checks Completed
- 538 Vendor Record Checks

TROOP V MOTOR VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT UNIT

Captain Craig Phillips

Troop V, the Motor Vehicle Enforcement (MVE) Unit 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.

The Motor Vehicle Inspection (MVE-1) form went completely digital in 2017. All inspectors—uniformed and civilian—are able to complete vehicle inspections on their computers. VIN inspections are stored in a database and can easily be accessed whenever needed. This has proven to be a tremendous benefit to the agency and to Kansas citizens.

**MVE
recovered
126 stolen
vehicles in
2017.**



HUMAN RESOURCES

HR Director: Susan Pfannenstiel

To support the mission of the agency, the six employees of Human Resources provide service and guidance to agency employees in many areas. Some of these areas include: benefits-related issues, including health and life insurance, workers compensation, and retirement; Payroll-related issues including leave accruals, length of service, and Career Progression Plan; hiring selection and promotional processes, including affirmative action, and Equal Employment Opportunity; position classification; performance management; guidance and discipline; employee and labor relations; and employee assistance programs. All policies, administrative regulations, state and federal laws, memorandums of agreement and other applicable standards are maintained.

LEGAL

General Counsel: Tammie Lord

In the course of providing Service, Courtesy, and Protection to the citizens and travelers in Kansas, legal counsel is often necessary. 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.

**On
average,
the department
receives 51
written requests
for copies of
records each
day.**

The Records Department has 12 staff members who process, maintain, and archive reports generated by field personnel. Records also responds 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.

RECORDS

IN-CAR EVIDENTIAL VIDEOS

5,664	Total number of videos requested
3,095	Videos requested by prosecution
158	Videos requested by defense
1,191	Videos requested by the public and inter-agency use
1,224	Videos requested, but for which a video did not exist

CRASH RECORDS STATISTICS

9,285	Electronic Crash Reports received from the field
3,038	Digital Image CDs received from the field
782	Total number of photo CDs requested
6,935+	Phone calls received
218	Walk-in customers

DUI/GENERAL ARREST/INVESTIGATION/MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

21,097	Electronic arrest/investigation reports received from the field
41,620	Miscellaneous documents received and scanned into the Records Management System

KORA REQUESTS/ARREST REPORT REQUESTS/CRASH REPORT REQUESTS/SUBPOENAS

8,073	Formal written requests for reports were processed
4,874	Crash reports were purchased online through Kansas.gov
2,332	Witness statements were purchased online through Kansas.gov

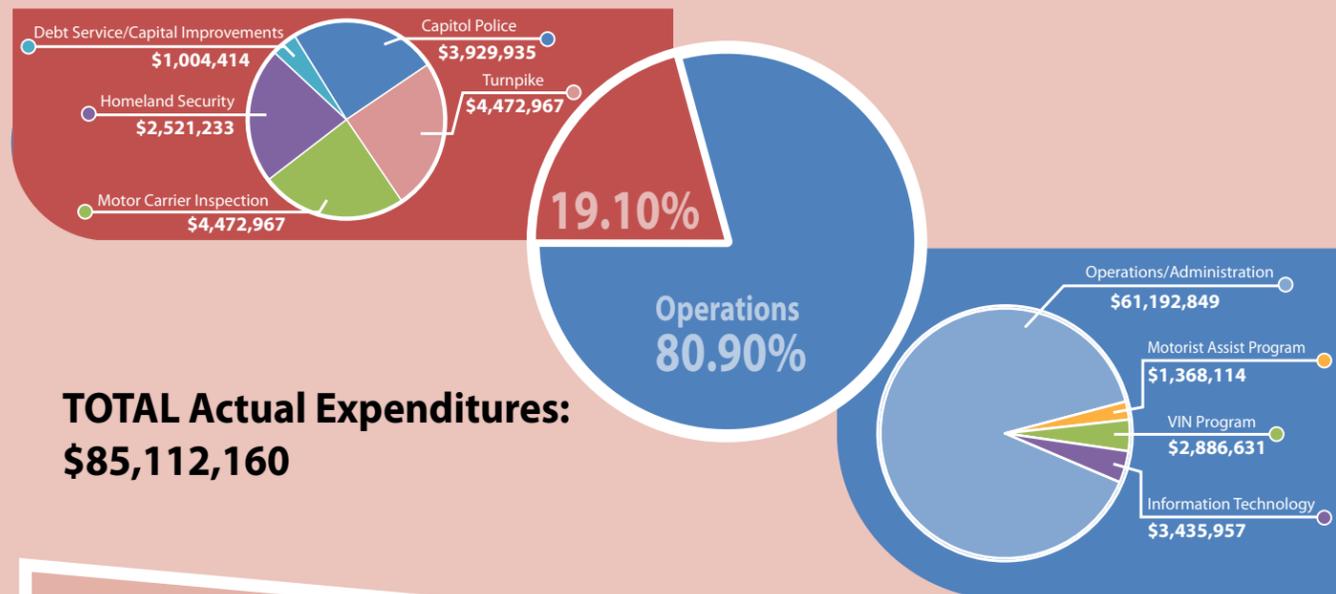
FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Chief Financial Officer: Sherry Macke

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, both state and federal.

Approximately **13,195** payments were made in Fiscal Year 2017 for items purchased or contracted by the Patrol. The Fiscal Division managed over **\$21.0M** in grant funds and provided oversight for **14 lease contracts** which are renewed annually, including facilities for office space, storage, troop headquarters, and aircraft hangars.

Procurement officers research, conduct bids, negotiate, and prepare contracts for goods and services. In 2017, Procurement processed **3,883 purchase orders** and prepared **36 agency-specific contracts**. Procurement also managed the agency's **505 procurement cards** with an annual expenditure of **\$985,729**. The KHP Procurement team was an instrumental part in developing a statewide contract for uniforms, which resulted in standardization of body armor, weapons, and law enforcement gear.



PARTNERS PROGRAM

Operated by the Kansas Highway Patrol, and managed by the KHP Fiscal Department, 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 main requirement is 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 at a reduced price through the PARTNERS program because the contracts used utilize the buying power of the federal government.

FY 2017 PARTNERS STATS

Sheriff's Departments saved: \$233,621
Police Departments saved: \$71,597



TROOP L – Protective Services Detail

Captain Dereck Hood

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

Troop L Facts - 5 Troopers and Supervisors



PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT

Captain Eric Pippin

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 provide 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.

2017 STATISTICS

Citizen Received Compliments

172

Complaints Breakdown

7 Cases Carried Over From 2016	108 Total Allegations
45 New Cases Opened	24 Sustained
44 Completed Cases	64 Unfounded, Not Sustained, or Exonerated
8 Cases Pending	4 Withdrawn Without Finding

PEER TEAM

Team Leader: Chip Westfall

The Kansas Highway Patrol PEER Team has served the KHP and other related agencies since 1994.

The service provided by the team assists emergency personnel in reducing stress from job-related incidents, as well as personal issues. Upon request, the team will deploy and assist other law enforcement, fire, EMS, Communications, and related agencies.

The PEER Team contacts officers who serve as the lead investigator of a fatal/death case or following another type of critical incident. In 2017, the team initiated "assigned follow up" contacts with 197 members of the agency, an increase over last year as the number of fatality crashes increased.

The team also serves all employees who contact PEER Team members about stress issues from job-related incidents to personal issues. The team handled 134 contacts in 18 categories of stress issues.

The team provided a presentation to the KHP recruit class in July to familiarize the new officers with the services the team can assist with. A presentation about stress management was also presented. Additionally, the team provided assistance to the Training Academy coaching staff, by providing mentoring services to the recruit class.

The team conducted six Critical Incident Stress Management Group debriefings and defusings. The events were requested for, and by, the following agencies:

- Reno County Sheriff hosted a debrief following the suicide of a spouse who works in emergency services.
- Ford County hosted a debrief for fire, EMS, troopers, deputies and dispatch personnel following a five-victim fatality crash.
- Reno County hosted a debrief following a multi-vehicle fatality crash. Deputies and rural volunteer fire fighters attended.
- Geary County arranged a debriefing following a drowning incident at Milford Reservoir. Personnel from Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism, Geary County deputies and rural firefighters were participants.
- The Kansas Turnpike Authority hosted a debrief following a large, multiple-vehicle crash, in which five people died. KHP, KTA maintenance, fire, and EMS attended this debriefing.
- Kansas Department of Transportation hosted a debriefing in Newton following a crash involving one of their supervisors.
- Additionally, the PEER Team conducted a defusing at the request of Jackson County, following the accidental death of a child experimenting with fireworks.

In all, 82 total emergency service personnel were provided assistance by the PEER Team through this type of stress management service.



HONOR GUARD

Team Leader: Technical Trooper Robert Ista

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

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

CHAPLAINS

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.

MOTORIST ASSIST PROGRAM

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 2017, motorist assistance technicians performed **71,105** 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 **280** abandoned vehicles in 2017.

In 2017, the Patrol began moving the Motorist Assist trucks to Dodge 2500-series trucks. New message boards have been added to the trucks to address mechanical issues of the older message boards. New mobile video cameras were also added to the trucks.

2017 AGENCY-WIDE STATISTICS



Administered **1,164** evidentiary alcohol tests



Arrested **1,142** impaired drivers



Issued **14,294** total seat belt violations



CHART responded to **120** requests for assistance, crash investigations, and crime scene reconstructions



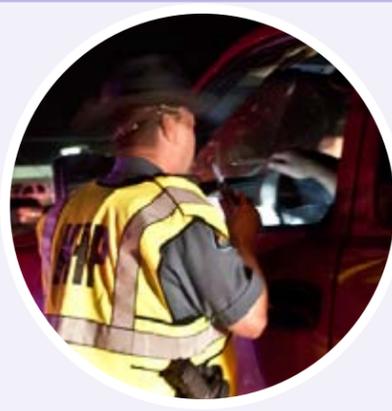
Issued **1,284** child restraint violations and installed **704** child seats



Conducted **5,288** criminal interdiction searches



Spent **5895.75** hours preparing for court



Conducted **380** check lanes



Patrolled **12,270,777** miles





LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY



TRP Maurice R. Plummer
1944



TRP Jimmie Jacobs
1959



TRP John McMurray
1964



LT Bernard C. Hill
1967



SGT Eldon K. Miller
1968



TRP James D. Thornton
1973



TRP Conroy G. O'Brien
1978



TRP Ferdinand F. Pribbenow
1981



MSTRP Larry L. Huff
1993



MSTRP Dean A. Goodheart
1995