

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2018 ANNUAL REPORT





We, the members of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, are committed to providing competent, effective, and responsive public safety services to the citizens of Humboldt County and visitors to our community, recognizing our responsibility to maintain order, while affording dignity and respect to all persons, holding ourselves to the highest of professional and ethical standards.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SHERIFF

I am honored to be the Sheriff of such a beautiful county that is filled with people who want to make this community thrive. I want to thank the Humboldt County voters for passing the public safety sales tax, Measure O. This measure ensures that the Sheriff's Office will be able to fill needed public safety positions for years to come. I am very thankful for the great community support we have for the Sheriff's Office and their employees. Our core values are the keys to the successes we have with our community: Respect, Fairness, Safety, Honesty, Accountability, Innovation, Collaboration, Involvement, and Opportunity.

The public safety challenges in California have become increasingly more difficult. Our law enforcement community deals with policing a county that has some of the highest per capita homicide, overdose, suicide, and child abuse rates in the state. I am happy to say that every day we have brave men and women that suit up to answer the call. These men and women show daily the professionalism and compassion to humbly serve this fine community. I want to thank them for their daily sacrifice to serve.

In this 2018 Annual Report you will find information on every division of the Sheriff's Office. Unfortunately, we couldn't highlight all of our employees, all of the crime statistics, community service, and great investigative work performed by each division. However, you will see a snapshot of our department and the people that make the Sheriff's Office work. I am thankful that we have the community's trust and we look forward to working collaboratively to solve the problems that our community faces in the coming years. For "Community Policing" to be a success, we must have a community that wants to engage and be involved. If you have not gotten involved in making Humboldt County thrive, please become a community volunteer, start a neighborhood watch, take part in a cleanup crew, or help one of our local schools. You can make a difference.

To receive up to date information about the Sheriff's Office please visit our website, like us on Facebook, join our Instagram, or follow us on Twitter. Thank you again for supporting the Sheriff's Office mission.



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OUR ORGANIZATIONAL VISION

We become a quality law enforcement agency, valued by our community and respected by our peers, by being an inclusive organization. As such, everyone is encouraged to contribute their energies, talents, and skills to create strategies to meet new challenges and achieve our mission.



OUR CORE VALUES

RESPECT We treat everyone with dignity, honoring the rights of all persons.

FAIRNESS We are just and impartial in all of our interactions.

SAFETY We create a safe work environment free from discrimination and/or sexual harassment.

HONESTY We are truthful in our words and in our actions.

ACCOUNTABILITY We are accountable for our actions and do what is right, even when no one is looking.

INNOVATION We strive to improve our workplace and community through innovative solutions.

COLLABORATION We work together with the community and other agencies to create safer neighborhoods.

INVOLVEMENT We value all employee's ideas and encourage their involvement in decision making.

OPPORTUNITY We value employee opportunities for advancement, training, and individual growth.



OUR PEOPLE

Here to Help

288

Employees

121

Patrol Deputies

(including supervisors and extra help sworn positions)

94

Correctional Deputies

(including supervisors and extra help sworn positions)

73

Professional Staff

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latest job openings.



New Faces in Leadership



Undersheriff
Justin D. Braud



Captain
Duane Christian



Captain
Bryan Quenell



Deputy Director
Regina Fuller

RECRUITING THE NEXT GENERATION

INNOVATIVE RECRUITING

We are committed to creating a diverse workforce made up of skilled employees who are not only here to do a job, but are here to make a difference in our community.

In our effort to attract and retain the best in public safety, we are always finding new and creative ways to recruit the next generation of law enforcement.



- Initiated continuous recruitment so that interested candidates always have the opportunity to apply.
- Established an ongoing testing process with in-house exam proctors to allow for an expedited recruitment process.
- Established out of town testing for correctional deputy candidates who are being trained in the Central Valley.
- Initiated a \$12,000 hiring bonus for lateral deputy candidates.
- Expanded recruitment activities at colleges, trade schools, and career fairs.
- Expanded recruitment activities on social media, particularly focusing on platforms utilized by young people.



1,575

Applications submitted
for all open positions

51

New Hires

99

Backgrounds
Completed

ABOVE AND BEYOND

On July 2, 2018, Correctional Deputy Anthony Silva was supervising a male minimum-security dorm within the Humboldt County Correctional Facility during what he thought would be an ordinary dinner.

"During dinner time I heard an inmate yell for help," Deputy Silva said. "I saw an inmate attempting to help another man who was choking on his dinner."

With just seconds to act, Silva quickly sprang into action, performing the Heimlich maneuver on the inmate. After approximately five to six Heimlich thrusts, the food dislodged from the inmate's throat. He was later cleared by medical staff at the facility.

Silva says medical training provided to correctional staff prepared him for this situation.

"This is something that we train for often. It feels good to use that training to help another person," Silva said. "Being a correctional deputy isn't like an ordinary job. We aren't just here to get a paycheck. We're here to help these inmates reach their highest potential, to show them there are people that care about them and want to see them succeed."

Each shift at the Correctional Facility has approximately 19 correctional deputies that are responsible for the care and custody of the inmates. Correctional deputies spend an average of 12 hours per day directly interacting with inmates. This style of direct supervision, along with crucial training, has enabled deputies to discern when inmates may be experiencing distress prior to an incident occurring.



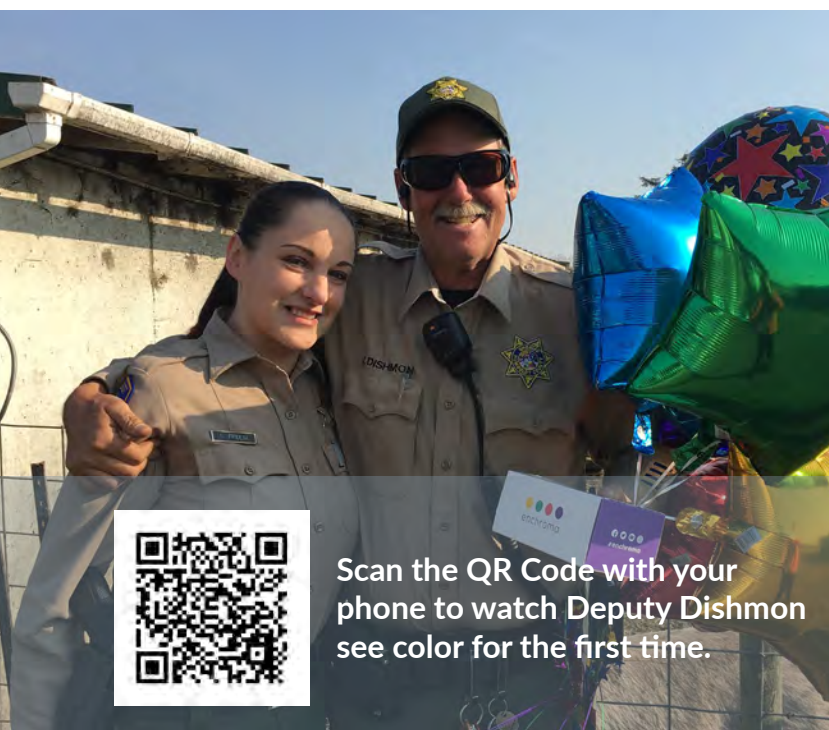
CORRECTIONAL DEPUTY ANTHONY SILVA

SAVING LIVES

In 2018, HCSO employees achieved:

10
Lifesaving awards

3
Medals of Valor



AN ACT OF KINDNESS SHARED THROUGHOUT THE NATION

On November 14, 2018, Correctional Deputy and Sheriff's SWAP Farm Manager Jeff Dishmon saw the world like never before. Dishmon has been colorblind his whole life. Correctional Deputy Samantha Freese and several other deputies pitched in to buy Dishmon a pair of Enchroma glasses. With the glasses Dishmon was able to see "all the colors". The special moment was caught on video and posted to the HCSO Facebook page. From there it was shared throughout the world, gaining the attention of major media and garnering millions of views.

VOLUNTEERING FOR CHANGE

SCOP

BY THE NUMBERS

10
Volunteers

1,641
Patrol hours

19
Community events

SHERIFF'S CITIZENS ON PATROL (SCOP)

SCOP is a volunteer program that assists the Sheriff's Office's law enforcement efforts. The first SCOP unit was formed in 1996 in McKinleyville and later expanded, creating a second unit in Eureka. Program volunteers patrol identified problem areas, conduct traffic control at incidents and events, conduct vacation and business checks, and assist the public.

SCOP volunteers are also community champions and work on several other community interest projects, including a recent project in which volunteers advocated for and helped implement improved School Zone signs and crosswalks in McKinleyville.



Volunteers are the key to this program and we always need more help. Volunteers must be 21 years of age or older, have a valid California Driver's License, and pass a routine background check. Volunteers are provided with training and a basic uniform. Volunteers are expected to participate in at least one four-hour patrol each week and attend a one hour meeting each month.

To apply to SCOP, download an application from our website:
humboldt.gov/sheriff

TAKING BACK HUMBOLDT

We believe that law enforcement is so much more effective when deputies and the community work together. Having a Neighborhood Watch in your community not only reduces crime and makes your community safer, it also helps our deputies identify common problems seen in neighborhoods across Humboldt County and work toward long-term solutions. Our Neighborhood Watch program is led by HCSO Volunteer Ginger Campbell. Ginger puts in hundreds of hours to make sure residents have the tools they need to take back their neighborhoods.

START A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IN
YOUR COMMUNITY: (707) 839-6606



62
Neighborhood
Watch Groups

28
Neighborhood Watch
Community Events

BUILDING A HEALTHY WORKFORCE

SHERIFF'S FITNESS CHALLENGE

A career in law enforcement comes with many challenges. Job stress, long hours, and unhealthy eating habits make people vulnerable to illness, health problems, and injuries that are directly and indirectly caused by the profession. The third leading cause of death for law enforcement officers is job related illness and diseases.

"I WANT ALL OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF TO HAVE HEALTHY, SUCCESSFUL CAREERS AND TO HAVE A LONG RETIREMENT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. THE WAY TO MAKE SURE THIS HAPPENS IS BY LIVING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE."

- SHERIFF WILLIAM HONSAL

In 2018, to help overall wellness, strength and fitness of the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Honsal launched a physical fitness program called the Sheriff's Fitness Challenge.



Employees who participated in the fitness challenge were required to:

1. Participate three times a week in a fitness or wellness program.
2. Make a pledge to eat healthier.
3. Participate in six public fitness events.

To get the community involved, employees were encouraged to post photos of their involvement on social media with: **#sheriffsfitnesschallenge**.

In 2018, 21 participants successfully completed the Fitness Challenge.



BACK THE BADGE

\$2,000+ raised

for families of fallen peace officers

Inspired by the Sheriff's Fitness Challenge, Deputy Seth Crosswhite organized the Back the Badge 5K fun run on July 28, to raise money for the Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) Nor-Cal Chapter, an organization which assists families of fallen peace officers.

SAFER COMMUNITIES

1,686

Total arrests in 2018

65,743

Calls for service

6,657

Reports taken



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your phone to see our
deputies in action.

MAIN STATION

Main Station deputies serve the Humboldt Bay Area and the unincorporated areas surrounding Eureka, Freshwater, and the Eel River Valley. During 2018, Main Station increased patrols in the Myrtle town area due to a spike in theft and assault related reports. These patrols have helped reduce suspicious foot and vehicle traffic. We continue to address homeless camping issues by offering alternative assistance to those inhabiting private properties and take enforcement action as appropriate. Deputies continued their dedication to fostering relationships with our community through several outreach efforts.

GARBERVILLE SUBSTATION

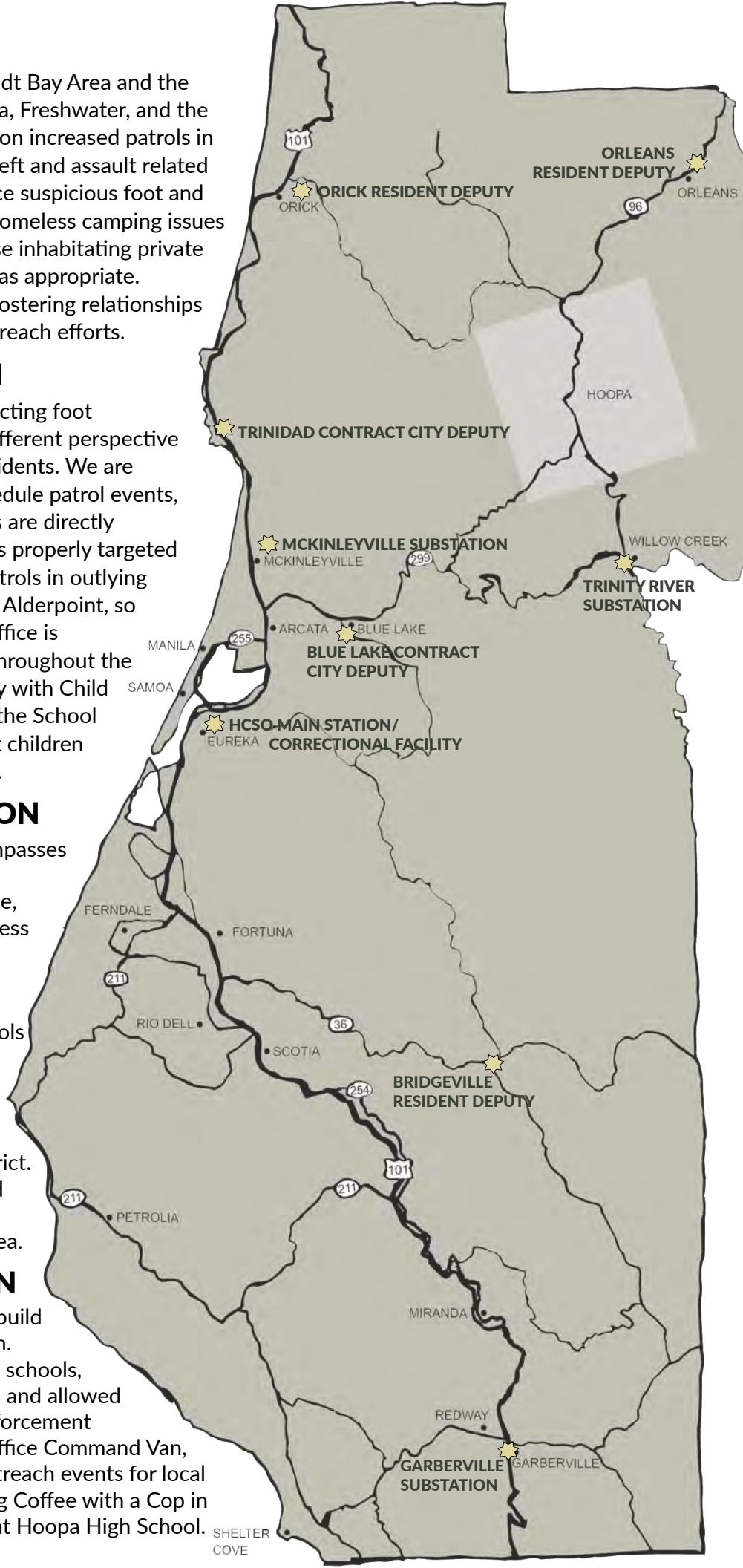
In Garberville, we have continued conducting foot patrols in order to see the area from a different perspective and cultivate relationships with local residents. We are employing our new RIMS system to schedule patrol events, which helps ensure that citizen concerns are directly addressed and specific criminal activity is properly targeted in those areas. We are continuing our patrols in outlying areas such as Shelter Cove, Petrolia, and Alderpoint, so those communities know the Sheriff's Office is committed to providing patrol services throughout the county. We also continue to work closely with Child Welfare Services, our local schools, and the School Attendance Review Board to ensure that children in the community are safe and educated.

MCKINLEYVILLE SUBSTATION

The North Area Command, which encompasses the unincorporated portions of northern Humboldt County including McKinleyville, continues to address the influx of homeless in the community by connecting the population with resources and enforcing applicable laws as appropriate. Extra patrols have been assigned to local schools and to the Hammond Trail to address community concerns. Resources have been reassigned to provide a Deputy Liaison between the Sheriff's Office and Northern Humboldt Unified School District. The North Area Command looks forward to continuing to hire and train quality personnel and increase staffing in the area.

TRINITY RIVER SUBSTATION

In the Trinity River area, we continue to build community relationships with local youth. We held several outreach events at local schools, where we met and talked to the children and allowed them to see all different types of law enforcement equipment. This included the Sheriff's Office Command Van, jet skis and K9 Benny. We also held outreach events for local adults and high school students including Coffee with a Cop in Willow Creek and Pizza with the Police at Hoopa High School.





FIGHTING THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

On July 6, 2018, the Sheriff's Office and RX Safe Humboldt launched an anti-opioid campaign. As part of the campaign, we installed a medication disposal bin in the lobby of the Humboldt County Courthouse's Fourth Street entrance. We believe that when medications are properly disposed of, the chance for the prescriptions to be abused decreases. This is just one step we're taking to fight the opioid crisis.

SAFER COMMUNITIES

EQUIPPED TO SAVE LIVES

In June of 2018, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services received a \$4,000 grant from Pacific Gas and Electric to purchase life-saving trauma kits for every patrol car.



Trauma kits (pictured right), are equipped with necessary medical tools to allow deputies who are first on scene to render first aid until Emergency Medical Services arrive. Every patrol car is outfitted with a trauma kit. Upon receiving the kits, all deputies underwent training to learn how to safely administer life-saving care with the tools provided.



INTRODUCING K9 GUSTO

Every community needs patrol canines. Having canine deputies available to cover as many shifts as possible makes a big difference in public safety.

K9 Gusto joined the HCSO in 2018, thanks in part to an outpouring of community donations. He and his handler Deputy Max Soeth underwent several weeks of training and began working on the streets in November.

Gusto is trained to track and apprehend suspects hiding in buildings and homes, search for narcotics, and keep deputies safe from dangerous subjects. He also assists in deterring criminal behavior just by being present at active crime scenes.



Scan the QR Code with your phone to watch a video about Gusto and Deputy Soeth.



DEU

Drug Enforcement Unit

3.5 Deputies, 1 Supervisor

Investigates illegal cannabis cultivation and processing

78 Operations

226,986 Cannabis plants eradicated

31,547 lb Cannabis bud destroyed

17,367 lb Cannabis shake destroyed

6 Butane Honey Oil labs disrupted

683.22 lb Butane Honey Oil destroyed

\$3,775,927 U.S. Currency seized

16 Arrests

46 Firearms seized

298+ Environmental violations documented

DTF

Drug Task Force

8 Agents, 1 Supervisor

- Humboldt County District Attorney's Office
- Humboldt County Sheriff's Office
- Eureka Police Department
- Arcata Police Department
- Fortuna Police Department
- California Highway Patrol
- Bureau of Land Management

Investigates illegal narcotics activities in Humboldt County

135 Search warrants served

106 Drug-related arrests

45 Firearms seized

ILLEGAL DRUGS SEIZED IN 2018

28.95 lb Methamphetamine

34.44 lb Heroin

3.10 lb Cocaine

333 lb Cannabis

55 g MDMA

173 g Prescription Narcotics

474 g Butane Honey Oil

5.65 lb Concentrated Cannabis

89 g Ketamine



SAFER COMMUNITIES



SWAT
Special Weapons
and Tactics Team

20 Members

- Humboldt County Sheriff's Office
- Eureka Police Department
- Fortuna Police Department



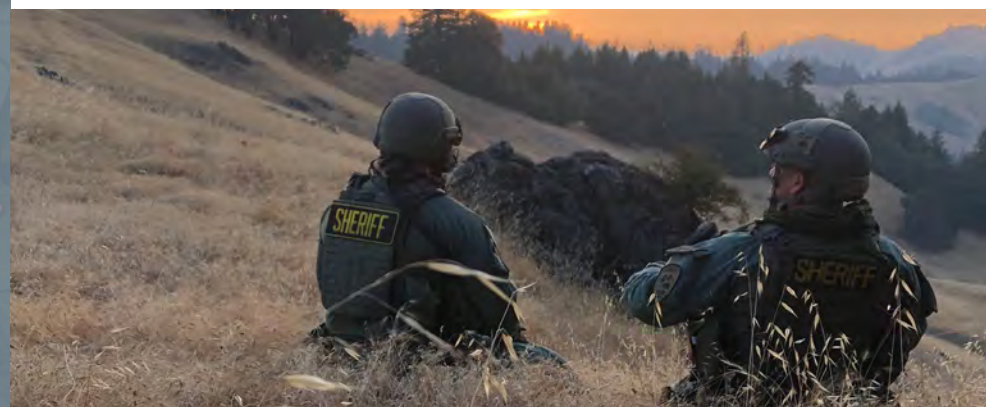
URBAN SHIELD 2018

September 7-9, 2018, our SWAT team attended Urban Shield, a 48-hour, 36-scenario emergency training exercise. The training is hosted annually in Alameda County and allows SWAT teams to practice tactical approaches in situations such as an active shooter in a school or office setting, terrorist acts at harbors, airports and public events, as well as hostage rescue. The SWAT team was one of only 36 teams from across the world invited to attend this training. This year was the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office's first year attending Urban Shield. The training was funded by FEMA.

Humboldt County SWAT responds to barricaded suspects who refuse an order to surrender, incidents where hostages are taken, arrests of dangerous persons, and any situation that could enhance the ability to preserve life, maintain social order, and ensure the protection of property.

10 Operations

3,360+ Training hours completed



EOD

Explosive Ordnance Disposal Team

2 Technicians, 2 Assistants

The Sheriff's EOD Team, commonly referred to as "Bomb Squad", responds to all calls involving potential explosives, including suspicious packages, bomb threats, and explosions.

13 EOD Team call outs

9 Suspicious package investigations

528 EOD training hours completed



INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY

In 2018, HCSO purchased two pieces of innovative equipment: Sno-Cat and BearCat. The Sno-Cat is a search and rescue vehicle which allows deputies to traverse all-terrains, making search efforts more effective. The Sno-Cat is utilized primarily by HCSO's Special Services Unit and the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Posse.

The BearCat is an all-terrain armored response vehicle that can be utilized in a variety of life-safety situations, including active assailant incidents, hostage situations, armed or violent suspect apprehension, and search and rescues.



Scan the QR Code
with your phone to
watch a video about
the BearCat





120+

Search warrants served

293+

Cases investigated
(includes all major crimes)

15

Arrests

23

Agency assists

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Criminal Investigations Division works to piece together crime scenes and find justice for victims of major crimes. Investigators are responsible for investigating many different types of crime including:

Arson, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Attempted Homicide, Child Abuse, Elder Abuse, Embezzlement, Home Invasion, Robbery, Homicide, Human Trafficking, Missing Persons, In-Custody Deaths, Sex Offender Monitoring and Enforcement

3 Investigators

3 Rotational Detectives
(3 year assignment)

1 Detective Sergeant

1 Evidence Technician

2018 HIGHLIGHTS:

- In April 2018, a month-long investigation lead to the arrest of a suspect on child molestation charges. At the time of his arrest, investigators served a search warrant, seizing the suspect's computers. A forensic analysis of the computers found thousand of child pornography images. The suspect is now awaiting trial on charges of child molestation and possession of child pornography.
- In August 2018, firefighters discovered two bodies inside a burning vehicle on Briceland Road. Investigators learned the two were homicide victims and quickly worked to identify a suspect. Working together with Chico PD, the suspect was arrested just six days later in Chico. The suspect is now awaiting trial on charges of homicide.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services is the primary local coordination agency for emergencies and disasters affecting residents, public infrastructure, and government operations in the county. OES staff coordinate and participate in emergency planning, response, and recovery under the direction of Sheriff Honsal and in collaboration with local, state, and federal partners.



- 5 Emergency Operating Center activations
- 16 Outreaches
- 8 Grants awarded
- 175+ Training hours



On October 18, 2018, Humboldt County joined millions across the state participating in the Great California ShakeOut earthquake drill. At 10:18 a.m., county residents were encouraged to “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” in observance of the drill. A test of the Humboldt Alert system was also successfully conducted at that time.

**Humboldt
ALERT
SIGN UP!**

We can't alert you if we can't reach you!

www.humboldt.gov/alerts

HUMBOLDT ALERT

Humboldt Alert is a county-wide Emergency Notification System utilized to notify local residents of severe weather, wildfires, flooding, evacuations, and other incidents. Residents must sign up to receive these notifications.

50,400 Registered contact points

5,600 New registrations in 2018

Scan the QR Code with your phone to sign up for Humboldt Alert.





CORONER'S OFFICE

640
Death
Investigations

215
Autopsies

2
Deputy Coroners

1
Deputy Sheriff

1
Coroner Sergeant

24
Volunteers

504
Volunteer Hours

It isn't about death, it's really all about life at the Humboldt County Coroner's Office, according to Autopsy Assistant Coordinator Sandi Case. Case is a seven-year volunteer at the Coroner's Office who oversees the Coroner's Office Autopsy Assistant Program, not only helping during autopsies herself, but also recruiting and scheduling autopsy assistant volunteers.

"The program is really incredible," Deputy Coroner Charles Van Buskirk said. "It provides assistance to the county at no cost, while at the same time providing an invaluable opportunity for our volunteers to learn and gain medical experience."

The Coroner's Office Autopsy Assistant Program began in 2009, allowing volunteers from the community to assist during the autopsy process. Since its inception, the program has trained more than 100 volunteers.

"We humans are tightly meshed. When someone dies, a huge ripple effect runs through the community," Case said. "The Coroner's Office, like no other office I've ever experienced, understands the effect of death on the living and the importance of helping families through what is arguably the worst times of their lives."



Autopsy Assistant Coordinator Sandi Case receives the HCSO Volunteer of the Year award.

Autopsy assistants are crucial to the autopsy process, assisting the forensic pathologist to prepare the autopsy room, remove and examine organs, complete bookkeeping of items examined and prepare the body for burial or cremation.

"I have such respect for the men I work with. Without exception, they are amazing, kind men who have such integrity, such compassion," Case said. "They take such care to inform families in the kindest possible way. They never seem to lose track of the difficulty, the pain involved."

To find out more about volunteering with the Humboldt County Coroner's Office, call (707) 445-7242.



RIMS

In September 2018, our agency implemented a new records management and computer aided dispatch system. RIMS Records Management and Computer Aided Dispatch System, developed by Sun Ridge Systems, allows the Sheriff's Office to increase efficiency when processing community requests for services.

The system also provides more comprehensive

"LAUNCHING RIMS IS A GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND IS THE NEXT STEP TO CREATING A MORE INFORMED AND INVOLVED COMMUNITY."

- SHERIFF WILLIAM HONSAL

statistical data, allowing deputies to better track and address problematic areas of the county.

Additionally, the Sheriff's Office joins Eureka, Arcata, Fortuna and Humboldt State University Police Departments in using the RIMS system, making agency coordination and cooperation during a large-scale emergency seamless.



159,074

Total phone calls in 2018

27,052

Emergency 9-1-1 calls

65,743+

Total calls for service

Scan the QR Code with your phone to learn how you can become a dispatcher.



COURT PROTECTION / CIVIL DIVISION

Court Protection deputies provide courthouse security, courtroom order and security, protection of the judges, court staff, public and prisoner handling, and movement between the Correctional Facility and nine operating Courts. Meanwhile, civil deputies and staff process and serve all civil process papers.

333,873

People screened entering the courthouse

9,193

Prohibited / illegal items detected and seized during courthouse screening

129

Criminal subpoenas served

335

Temporary restraining orders served

296

Eviction orders enforced



ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control officers respond to all animal-related calls for service and investigate cases of animal abuse and/or neglect. Humboldt County Animal Control also oversees the Humboldt County Animal Shelter, which houses and provides medical care for stray and abandoned animals.

1,571

Total animals processed into the Animal Shelter

556

Pet adoptions

624

Pets returned

\$42,535+

Spent on emergency medical costs out of the Emergency Medical Fund



CUSTODY SERVICES

140

Correctional Deputies,
Medical and Support Staff

398

Average daily inmate
population

9,367

Inmate bookings in 2018

Scan the QR Code
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watch a video about our
Correctional Facility.





CUSTODY SERVICES



LIP SYNC CHALLENGE

During the summer of 2018, law enforcement agencies throughout the nation challenged each other to a friendly lip sync competition. Del Norte County Sheriff's Office challenged our agency. HCSO Correctional Deputies stepped up to the plate, planning and filming their hilarious response.



Scan the QR Code with your phone to watch the HCSO's Lip Sync Challenge.

The Custody Services Bureau's primary function is the care and custody of sentenced and non-sentenced inmates incarcerated in the Humboldt County Correctional Facility (HCCF). The HCCF spans approximately 155,000 square feet on six floors and has a rated capacity of 417 beds. The facility's kitchen serves over 40,000 meals per year and the commercial size laundry operates 24 hours per day. The county contracts with Wellpath for 24 hour on-site medical and dental care. The facility contains a short-term care medical housing unit. Mental health and substance abuse treatment services are provided through the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services.



INNOVATIVE IDEAS

AED ACCESSIBILITY

On October 9, 2018, Correctional Deputy Anthony James noticed an inmate starting to breathe abnormally, appearing to be in distress. James called for medical staff and additional deputies to respond to his location. When medical staff arrived on scene, the inmate appeared to have stopped breathing. Medical staff and correctional deputies began to administer life saving measures. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) were requested.

While waiting for EMS to arrive, an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) was used on the inmate to establish a heart rhythm. The inmate started to breathe on her own following the use of the AED. EMS arrived on scene and stabilized the inmate. She was then transported to a local hospital for further treatment. Four AEDs were introduced into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility in 2017. All correctional deputies undergo yearly medical training, including training on the use of AEDs, to prepare for situations like this.

An average of 398 inmates are housed daily in the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. Each shift has approximately 19 correctional deputies that are responsible for the care and custody of the inmates. Correctional deputies spend an average of 12 hours per shift directly interacting with inmates. This style of direct supervision, along with their training, allows deputies to discern when inmates may be experiencing distress prior to an incident.

BODY-WORN CAMERA TRIALS



In September of 2018, the Correctional Facility conducted body worn camera pilot program with two vendors in order to evaluate the ease of use, quality of video, and ability to retrieve data from the cameras. Both cameras were worn over a two week period and a meeting was conducted by all staff participating in the trial to evaluate the two cameras. After evaluating the cameras, cost and services offered, Axon was selected for their technology and design of camera placement.

The body-worn camera program implementation includes 14 cameras, necessary accessories, two docking stations for image uploads, and a five-year maintenance and video storage agreement. This project is expected to be completed and functioning in the Correctional Facility in early 2019. By being able to provide video documentation of interactions between staff and inmates, our use of body-worn cameras will help improve safety within the facility.



COFFEE WITH CORRECTIONS

On October 6, 2018, the Humboldt County Correctional Facility hosted the first-ever "Coffee with Corrections". Community members were invited to join jail staff for free coffee and a tour of the facility. Coffee with Corrections gave the community the opportunity to meet our staff in a fun and casual setting. Attendees were able to see what it's like to be an inmate in our facility and learn more about the programs and services provided to offenders.



PROGRAMS-BASED CORRECTIONS

IN-CUSTODY PROGRAMMING

We believe that in order for inmates to be successful after release, they must be given the opportunity to better themselves while in custody. We provide inmates with a variety of opportunities, from college courses and literacy classes to wellness counseling and AA/NA groups, we want to ensure inmates are equipped with the tools they need to stay out of jail for good.

80
Volunteers

14
Programs offered to inmates

254
Inmates completing college courses

2
Inmates receiving a HiSET certification

SHERIFF'S WORK ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM

The Sheriff's Work Alternative Program is an alternative to incarceration for low-risk offenders. Offenders are able to work off their time at either the Sheriff's Wood Lot, Farm, Animal Shelter, or County Garage. This allows the Sheriff to reduce overcrowding inside the jail and it allows individuals to remain productive members of society.

163 SWAP participants

368 SWAP hours served

700 Cords of wood cut

CALTRANS INMATE WORK CREW

In-custody offenders have the opportunity to join the Caltrans inmate work crew. This crew completes various work assignments during the day such as grass mowing, culvert cleaning, small tree work and chipping throughout the county. Crew members gain work experience while serving their time.

704 Work assignments completed

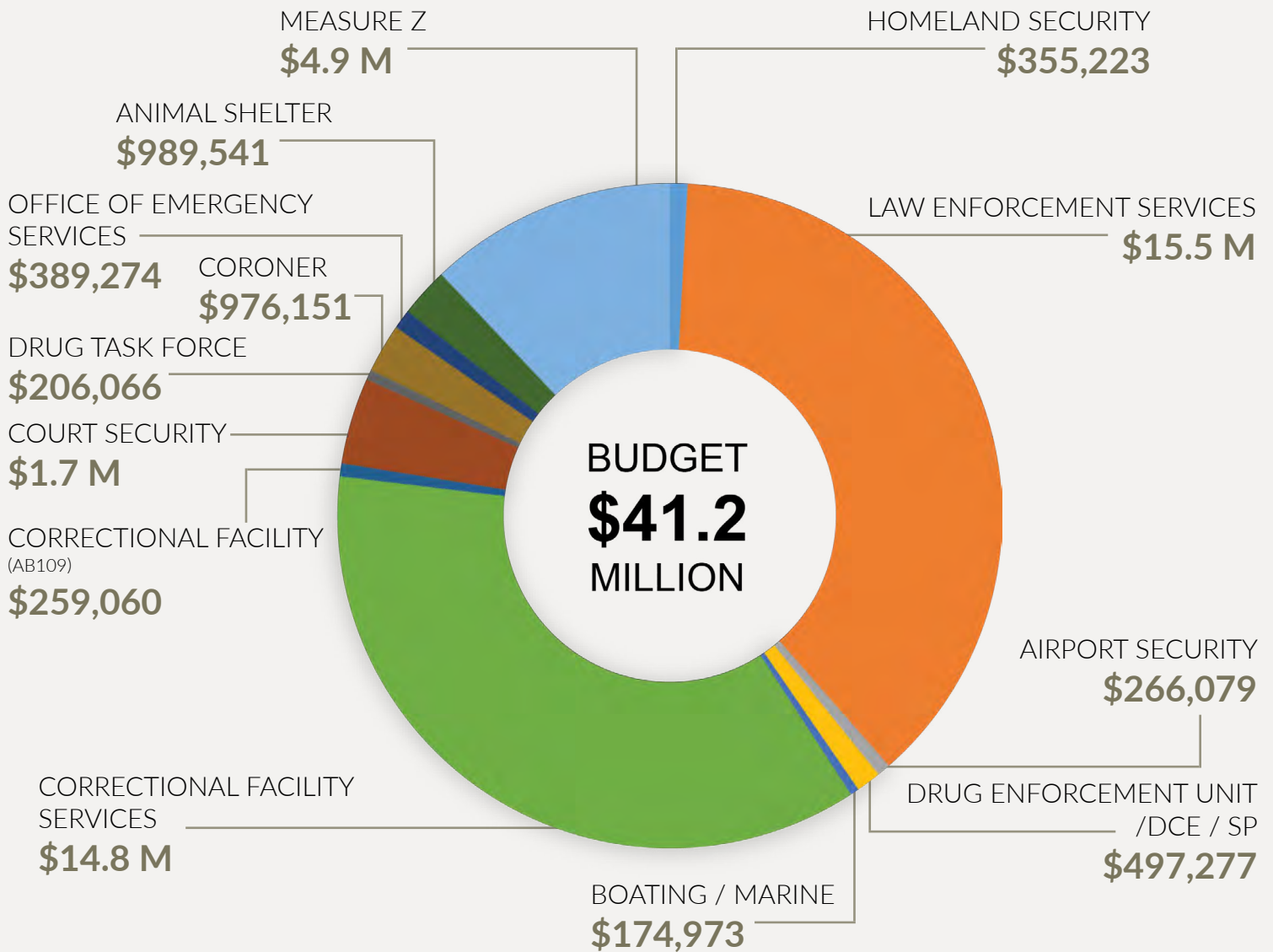


PRODUCING POSITIVITY

The Sheriff's SWAP Farm gives low level offenders the opportunity to work off their sentence on the farm, rather than serving time in our Correctional Facility. The program builds character and teaches participants new skills that they can use in the future. At the farm we raise pigs, which are then sold to local FFA students or used to provide fresh meat for our Correctional Facility. We also have a growing herd of cattle, a few horses, and a flourishing vegetable garden that supplies our Correctional Facility with fresh produce throughout the year. This year, the farm produced an abundance of pumpkins. Extra pumpkins were donated to several local programs, including Worthington School for their annual Fall Family Night.



FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY



MEASURE Z

On November 6, 2018, Humboldt County residents voted to approve Measure O, a county-wide half-cent sales tax renewal to fund public safety and essential services. Measure O is a continuation of Measure Z, which was passed by voters in November 2014. Measure O currently funds 42 positions within the Sheriff's Office. Through Measure Z, the Sheriff's Office has been able to improve public safety in our rural areas and provide more comprehensive services to all Humboldt County residents. We've been able to re-open our Willow Creek Substation and provide proactive patrols in all areas of the county.



MEASURE Z IMPROVEMENTS

Filled Positions:

18

Patrol Deputies
(Including supervisors)

9

Correctional Deputies
(Including supervisors)

3

Community Service Officers

3

Support Staff

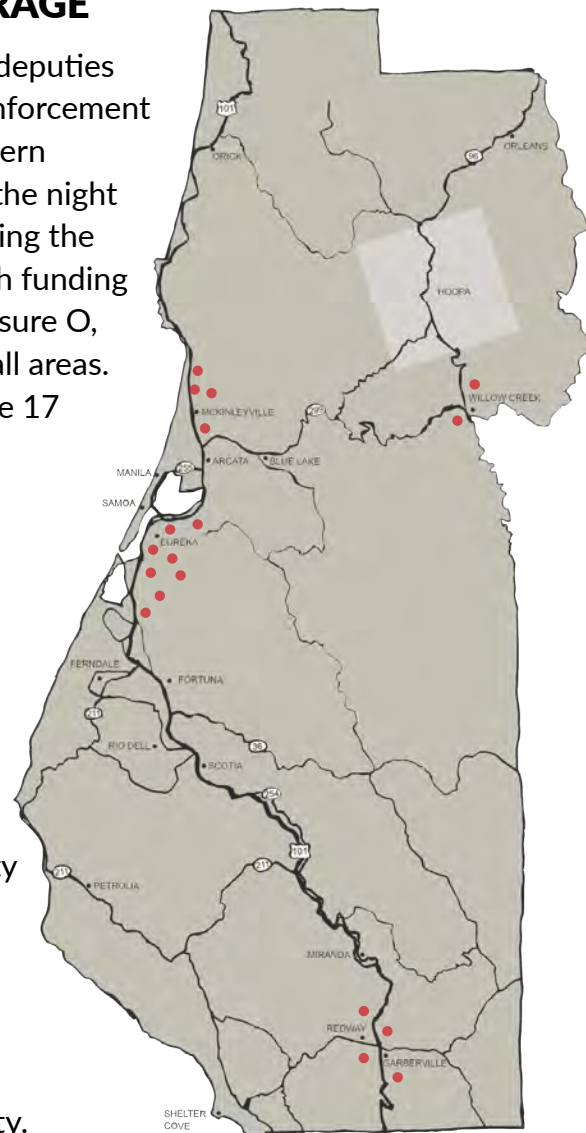
A FOCUS ON SERVICE

Through Measure Z, we've been able to bring back our Community Service Officer program. Community Service Officers (CSO) investigate crimes with no identified suspects and help free up deputies to take emergency calls for service. We also have one CSO dedicated entirely to abandoned vehicle abatement, helping get abandoned vehicles off of our public roadways. CSOs also participate in outreaches at our local schools and in our community.

MEASURE Z NIGHT COVERAGE

Prior to the passage of Measure Z, deputies were unable to provide 24/7 law enforcement services to our Southern and Northern Humboldt areas. During that time, the night shift consisted of 6 deputies patrolling the entire county in 12 hour shifts. With funding from Measure Z, continued by Measure O, we now have 24-hour coverage in all areas. Additionally, overnight we now have 17 deputies patrolling the county in 10 hour shifts.

YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK





IN YOUR COMMUNITY



SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

We believe that in order to create a safer community, we have to do it together. That's why we make connecting with our community a priority. On any given day you will find a deputy at our local schools hanging out with students, on foot patrolling through downtown Garberville, biking down the Hammond Trail, or stopping into a local business to say hi. We're not here to just serve, we're part of the community. On duty or off, we have a personal interest in making Humboldt County a safer and better place to live. Our employees participate in dozens of events across the county every year:

Coffee with a Cop, Read Across America,
Shop with a Cop, Law Enforcement Day,
Lunch on the Lawn, 3 Can Slam,
Neighborhood Watch, Halloween Carnivals,
Neighborhood Watch Block Party, Cub Scouts,
Pony Express Days, Annie and Mary Days,
Trucker's Parade, Fortuna Rodeo Parade,
Ugly Sweater Run, Teen Court, Lemonade Day,
Drug Court, Public Safety Commission,
Coffee with Corrections, Bigfoot Parade,
Pizza with the Police, Redwood Summer Games,
Humboldt County Fair, Reggae on the River,
Bowl for Kids Sake, Strong like a Viking Day,
Guns and Hoses, Mental Health March,
Make a Wish, Rhododendron Parade,
No Shave November, Every 15 Minutes,
National School Breakfast Week.



\$2,935 raised

benefiting at-risk youth in Humboldt County

NO SHAVE NOVEMBER

Throughout the month of November, deputies and staff were given the chance to opt-out of dress code for a donation of \$30 to Humboldt CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), CAST (Child Abuse Services Team) or Wild Souls Ranch. The Sheriff's Office allowed those who donated to grow out their beard or dye their hair and paint their nails blue.





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