

**BEDFORD POLICE**



# Annual Report

## 2013



## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of the Bedford Police Department, are committed to being responsive to our community in the delivery of quality services. Recognizing our responsibility to maintain order, while affording dignity and respect to every individual, our objective is to improve the quality of life through a community partnership, which promotes safe, secure neighborhoods.



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Uniform Police Personnel  
Nancy Hovan

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Chief of Police.....	Kris Nietert
Deputy Chief.....	Martin Stemple
Lieutenants.....	Ron Niemann
Sergeants.....	Rick Suts Ed Mementowski Mike Stask Paul Kellermann Brian Byard
Patrolmen.....	Robert Chase John Pfaff Keith Collins Dean David Eschweiler Dennis J. Bergansky David R. Dickson James Ritter Shawn Klubnik Sean Francis Buck Kidd Jeff Kirkwood Mark Witkiewicz Benjamin Lang Brian Geiger Kevin Webb Stacy Painter Brian Sara Justin Sisak Nick Kehl Val Closs John Lobenthal Sean Allred Ryan Futo
Total Number of Officers.....	31



## 2013 Support Personnel

Nancy Hovan

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Secretary (to the Chief) . . . . .	Nancy Hovan
Full Time Dispatchers (6) . . . . .	Jeff Slezak Jacie Kelly Heidi Derrit Katie Duber Tara Reynolds Melanie Sinkie
Part Time Dispatchers (6). . . . .	Kim Dickson Micki Picha Melissa Kovach Sara Kozlowski * Abby Frejofsky Michelle Cutright
Detective Bureau Secretary . . . . .	Janey Mackiewicz
Juvenile Diversion Coordinator . . . . .	Penny Jarrell
Record Clerk . . . . .	Sara Kozlowski
Part Time Record Clerks . . . . .	Caren Trivett
Full Time Jailer. . . . .	Steve Karhan
Part Time Jailers (3) . . . . .	Chris Carstarphen Robert Webb Chris Hovan
Part Time Animal Warden(3) . . . . .	Steve Fine Robert Kelly Al Benda
Part Time Car Wash. . . . .	Jacob Roberts
International Consultant-Trainer (Part Time) . . .	Ron Borsch

School Crossing Guards (4)

Walter Jones	Glendale/Turney
Steve Senderak	Center Rd.
Paul Flask	Henry/Broadway
Sandy Pocisk	Wheelock/Washington

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Auxiliary Police (19)

Ronald Trivett	Greg Grattino	Tatjana Grizancic
Mike Smith	Joseph Tuma	Les Ashby
Robert Webb*	Angela Porinchak	Rita Malcom
Wayne Witkowski	Chuck Browning	Laura Hovanetz
Daniel Jansky	Deborah Peterson	Connie Ritter
Shawn Francis	Valerie Warren	
Christopher Hovan*	Steve Fine*	

(\* indicates they also hold other duties within the PD)

Total Number of Support Personnel . . . . . 49  
(F/T support 11, P/T support 19, Active Auxiliaries 19)

Total Number of Patrol Personnel . . . . . 31

**Total number of Bedford Police Personnel at the close of 2013. . . 80**  
(42 F/T and 38 P/T)



## Overview

Chief Kris Nietert

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The following report is compiled to give a brief synopsis of the Police Departments activities for 2013. More detailed reports are available from the Division of Police.

**CALLS FOR SERVICE:** CAD Reports are generated to document all Department activity.

2013 - 19,210      2012 - 22,943

**INCIDENT REPORTS:** Incidents Reports are generated to reflect those CAD's that involved a Part I offense, arrest, significant event, or incidents that involved additional follow-up investigation.

2013 - 1469      2012 - 1803

**TRAFFIC CHARGES:** Decreased from 1421 in 2012, to 1139 in 2013

**PARKING CITATIONS:** Decreased from 1027 in 2012, to 759 in 2013

**CRIMINAL CHARGES:** Decreased from 2622 in 2012, to 1957 in 2013

**JAIL BOOKINGS:** Decreased from 1872 in 2012, to 1579 in 2013

**ACCIDENT REPORTS:** Decreased from 254 in 2012, to 243 in 2013

**PART 1 CRIMES:** Decreased from 614 in 2012, to 572 in 2013

CATEGORY	2013	2012
Homicide	0	0
Rape	5	1
Robbery	11	15
Assault	36	64
Burglary	22	35
Thefts	449	470
Auto Theft	49	28
Arson	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>614</b>

We continue to use the criminal nuisance ordinance to hold homeowners accountable for continued police response to their residence. In 2013 sixteen warning letters were sent out to residents and homeowners that violated the ordinance. Twelve residents/homeowners were eventually billed for continued police response to their address.

In 2013, Chief Greg Duber retired. Ptlm. Justine Sisak continues to serve in the Army Reserves.

The Southeast Emergency Communication Center (SECC) was formed with Bedford Hts, Garfield Hts, and Maple Hts. Dispatch consolidation efforts are underway. We hope to see the regional dispatch center operational in 2014.

In 2014, we will align our traffic enforcement goals with the UHHS OVI Task Force traffic enforcement objectives. We hope to reduce Part 1 crimes through a \$6,000 grant we obtained to address auto theft and robbery issues. Sgt. Mementowski and Ptlm. Eschweiler will be retiring this year.

Whatever the challenge, the men and women of the Bedford Police Department will continue to provide quality service to the residents and continue to maintain, and improve, the quality of life within the community.



Animal Control  
Deputy Chief Marty Stemple

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In 2013, The City of Bedford employed three part-time animal wardens, Steve Fine, Robert Kelly, and Al Benda. We provide service to Bedford and Bedford Hts. Mon-Fri 0800-1600 and Sat-Sun 0800-1200, for a total of 48 hours per week. Bedford Hts. pays half of our expenses for this service.

The truck, a 2008 Chevrolet, went into service in October 2008. The truck is equipped with a mobile data terminal, allowing the animal wardens to receive call data and clear calls from the truck.

The animal wardens responded to 1149 calls for service in Bedford. Calls for service included but are not limited to dogs running at large, animal bite reports, vicious dogs, barking dogs, nuisance animals, and requests for animal traps.

Summonses were issued for the following violations in Bedford:

Animal at Large	9
Barking Dog	8
Dangerous/Vicious	6
Cruelty	0
Max Number of Animals	1

The animal wardens provide information to residents regarding nuisance animals to help discourage the presence of these animals at their residence. Traps are available to residents of Bedford and Bedford Hts. Trapped nuisance wildlife cannot be released and must be euthanized to avoid the spread of rabies and other diseases. Skunks, possums, and raccoons are considered nuisance animals. The animal wardens have been trained in techniques to properly euthanize animals and dispose of their carcass.



## Auxiliary Police

Sgt. Mike Stask

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The Bedford Auxiliary Police Force has an authorized strength of 30 officers, and currently has 20 officers. The Auxiliaries serve to supplement and support the mission of the Bedford Police Department. They continue to play an instrumental role in addressing complaints regarding juveniles and "Quality of Life" issues.

The Auxiliaries check homes for residents that are on vacation, as well as the vacant and foreclosed homes in the city. The Auxiliaries direct traffic and monitor parking for the various events, and they assist with security for civic events. The Auxiliaries also do "Night Patrol" to increase police visibility.

The Auxiliaries worked a total of 2,617.25 hours in 2013. The Auxiliaries are required to work a minimum of 60 hours per year, 20 hours in the first half of the year and 20 hours in the third and fourth quarters.

The Auxiliaries look forward to 2014 and the challenges to come. They will continue their efforts in helping the citizens feel safe and secure in their neighborhoods.



## Communications

Deputy Chief Marty Stemple

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The communications center consists of two workstations where our dispatchers take telephone and 911 calls, communicate via radio with police, fire, service, and surrounding communities. Independence Communications maintains the Moducomm radio console system.

Along with handling radio and telephone traffic, the communications center also houses the main control panel for the detention facility. The dispatcher also monitors 5 television screens, representing over fifty color cameras throughout the complex.

We share a frequency with Walton Hills and Oakwood Village. Narrow-banding was completed in 2013.

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## Detective Bureau

Detective Sergeant Brian Byard

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The Bedford Police Department Detective Bureau consist of four unit Detectives and one Secretary. Detectives include Detective Sergeant Brian Byard, Detective Dennis Bergansky, Detective Shawn Klubnik and Detective Buck Kidd. Janey Mackiewicz is the Detective Bureau secretary. Also aligned with the Detective Bureau is the School Resource Officer Keith Collins, Seale Narcotics Detective Brian Sara and Juvenile Diversion Coordinator Penny Jarrell. The primary function of the Detective Bureau is to follow-up and investigate a variety of crimes included but not limited to homicides, robberies, burglaries, sexual assaults, thefts, internet crimes and crimes occurring by way of social media.

The Detective Bureau is responsible for maintaining the evidence room, which is assigned to Detective Klubnik. Detectives also are responsible for court appearances as well grand jury testimony involving felony and misdemeanor cases. Detectives work closely with the uniformed patrol officers, victims of crime, and prosecutors to ensure a successful prosecution of the offender(s).

Detectives attend numerous training and schools throughout the year to remain up to date on new crime trends as well as technology advancements. In 2013 heroin continues to be a problem that correlates directly to as much as 75% of secondary crimes of which heroin addicts commit in order to support their habits. These secondary crimes include thefts, burglaries, robberies and bank frauds just to name a few.

Some of the more major cases that were concluded in 2013 are outlined below:

- Felonious Assault involving a male stabbed at North Dale Club apartments. A second male was also shot in retaliation in Oakwood Village. Suspect was apprehended and sentenced to 3 years.
- Armed Robbery at Walmart where a male shoplifter brandished a firearm. After a thorough investigation, the male was identified and arrested.
- Finance manager at Rick Case Automotive who had been skimming money for years was investigated and charged with fourteen counts of grand theft.
- Burglary of a residence on Archer Rd. where the property was tracked to a home in Tennessee after being found for sale on the intranet. Police in

Tennessee assisted and were able to recover the property. One male was charged with the burglary.

- Theft ring involving the passing of counterfeit bank checks in exchange for ATV's/motorcycles on the intranet. A search warrant was executed at a home in Cleveland and several stolen ATV's recovered.
- Unfortunately, Bedford witnessed five traffic fatalities involving two separate motor vehicle accidents. The driver's involved with both accidents were driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol and are awaiting trial and or sentencing. The fatalities included three small children and two adults.

The Detective Bureau also investigated a disturbing number of sexual related crimes that included the rape and extortion of women to gain control over the women as well as molestation of children. In 2013 the bureau investigated multiple cases of females being held against their will by male acquaintances for sexual pleasure and control. These cases are forms of modern day slavery where women were being held for periods of time and eventually released. Most of these cases go unreported since the victims want to put the event behind them and fail to notify authorities.

One particular case reported by Canadian Police, which involved a juvenile victim in Canada who was extorted for years by a Bedford resident who had obtained distasteful photographs of the juvenile. The male was threatening to expose the photos on the web unless the female complied with his demands. The extortion and threats continued for years until being reported. The male was subsequently arrested and charged.

A second case involved a female being held against her will by a male in an apartment. The female eventually managed to utilize social media to enlist help from a friend to call the police. Officer's responded and were able to free the woman. The male was arrested and is awaiting trial.

Bedford Police also closed a Brothel that had been operating for years on the third floor of an office building. The brothel advertised on the internet under the name of Studio 54 girls. After a thorough investigation, search warrants were executed on the business as well as the male running the brothel. Numerous females were arrested as a result along with the male operating the brothel. Most of the women were drug addicted and prostituting as a means of supporting their drug addictions. This is a form of human trafficking where the addiction to the heroin leaves the female trapped where they must sell themselves in order to support their habit. The pimp operating the brothel collects the majority of the proceeds received from the johns leaving the girls with enough money to buy drugs and nothing more.



Bedford City Jail  
Chief Kris Nietert

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The Bedford City Jail is a State approved twelve (12) day holding facility. There are six double occupancy cells, one single occupancy administrative/segregation cell, two holding cells, and one detox cell.

The jail is staffed by one full-time and three part-time corrections officers during the day. During off hours, the jail duties are handled by patrol officers.

Corrections officers are responsible for the booking, processing, care, and release of all persons arrested or sentenced. We do house state sentenced misdemeanors and felons for Cuyahoga County. Corrections officers also handle the WebCheck fingerprinting of job applicants requiring a background check by the State of Ohio.

Cost to feed inmates:

<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
\$23,362.50	\$25,729.25

All meals are provided by Sodexo from U.H.H.S. Bedford Medical Center.

Revenue from housing state sentenced misdemeanors for Cuyahoga County Jail:

<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
\$41,801.35	\$47,062.31



## Juveniles

Penny Jarrell

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### **Juvenile Offenses**

During 2013, the Bedford Police Department made 156 arrests for a total of 197 charges. Of the 197 juveniles charged, 114 were males and 42 were females. There were 16 felonies and 181 misdemeanors.

In 2013, 24 traffic tickets were issued to juveniles. These consisted of moving, non-moving, equipment violations, underage tobacco, and other misc. citations.

Juveniles walking in the street, continues to be an important concern of the residents. They are very appreciative when they see the police handling this problem aggressively.

### **Community Diversion Program**

In 2013, the Bedford Police Department continued control over the Community Diversion Program. This is a program funded through a grant with the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court. The program is designed to deal with juvenile offenders who are arrested for non-violent misdemeanor offenses that would ordinarily go unnoticed and unpunished by an already over-whelmed Juvenile Court system, but are referred to the Community Diversion Program for adjudication and sentencing.

Upon the arrest of a juvenile offender, the paper work is forwarded to the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court Intake Office. The individual is checked for prior arrests. If he/she has not been arrested before and the charges fall within the parameters for Diversion, the file is returned to the department's Juvenile Diversion Coordinator. The Coordinator schedules an interview with the juvenile and his parents/guardians to determine if the juvenile would comply and benefit from the program. The Juvenile Coordinator then determines what sanctions would best suit the individual and charge. The sanctions range from writing an apology letter to doing community service. The juvenile is then scheduled to appear before a volunteer magistrate in our court. The magistrates volunteer their time and meet once a week. Our two magistrates include Bedford Attorney Sherry Pidala and Janice St. John. The magistrate hears the particulars of the case and the recommendations of the program coordinator and determines the sentence for that individual.

Most youths are placed into community service and are required to complete a pre-determined number of community service hours. Auxiliary Officers of the department oversee the community service and transport the youths as needed.

The Community Diversion Program had 19 participants in 2013 and completed 352 hours of community service.

The Bedford Police Department will continue to monitor the juvenile complaints and concerns throughout the city in 2014 and be aggressive in its enforcement.

## **D.A.R.E AND SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**

BY

Ptlm. Keith L. Collins #17

I am starting my ninth year as the school resource officer and my eighteenth year as a DARE officer. Most incidents at Bedford High School have been classroom or school disruptions. The majority of criminal incidents have been petty thefts, in particular thefts of cell phones. I have conducted or presented some information of drug prevention to the health classes, self defense to the girls' gym classes, and fingerprints and DNA to the biology classes. Hopefully in the future I can present other subjects to the math and history classes. Fights, disorderly conduct, and assault incidents are down for the third year in a row. I believe this is due to the diligence of the faculty and staff. It is also due to the climate, atmosphere, and student expectations presented by the head/building principal.

D.A.R.E. returned to Carywood Intermediate School this past school year. Five classes of twenty five to thirty fourth graders were presented the "new" "Keepin it REAL elementary curriculum. Approximately 150 students participated in this new program. It was welcomed back by the teachers and principal.

This will also be the last year D.A.R.E. will be presented at Holy Spirit Academy as they will be closing at the end of this school year. Over the last five years approximately 130 students have participated in the program.

I am proud and thankful for the support of the city administration, school administration, my supervisors at the police department, and parents who have supported these program and my efforts in providing for their students. Both programs are an asset to our community and have been for a long time. Continued support and education will allow these programs to continue in the future.



Vehicle Fleet  
Chief Kris Nietert

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The Bedford Police Departments Vehicle fleet consists of 21 vehicles, 8 marked patrol vehicles, 1 marked Auxiliary car, 3 unmarked detective vehicles, 3 administration vehicles, 1 school car, 1 transport van, 1 animal control vehicle, a U.S. Army surplus Humvee, a U.S. Army surplus M113A2 armored personnel carrier, and a Navistar (International) truck tractor and 25 ton trailer to tow the M113A2. We also have an enclosed trailer and a trailer mounted generator. In 2014, we are purchasing two new Ford vehicles.

Maintenance and fuel costs were as follows:

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Miles Driven	224,483	246,611
Gallons of Gas	24,221	23,837
Maintenance Costs	\$32,584.72	\$30,129.25
Gas Costs	\$77,036.73	\$77,140.85
Total Cost	\$109,621.45	\$107,270.10

# SOUTHEAST AREA LAW ENFORCEMENT

*Dedicated to Community Protection*

*Federal No. 34-1199591*

*Bedford-Bedford Hts-Garfield Hts-Maple Hts-Oakwood Village-Solon-Walton Hills*



January 29, 2014

To: SEALE Chiefs  
From: Sgt. D. Welch  
Re: 2013 SNTF Annual Report

Dear Sirs,

The SEALE Narcotics Task Force (SNTF) is a multi-jurisdictional drug task force that consists of seven cities within southeast Cuyahoga County. These cities include Maple Heights, Garfield Heights, Bedford Heights, Bedford, Solon, Walton Hills and Oakwood. The SNTF focuses on the identification, arrest and prosecution of street to mid level traffickers, and on occasion, upper level drug trafficking operations. The SNTF coverage area is comprised of over 100,000 residents, and the number rises significantly during the day due to commuters. The SNTF offices are located in the Bedford Police Department, and its daily operations are overseen by Chief Richard Maracz of the Maple Heights Police Department and Chief Kris Neitert of the Bedford Police Department, with Chief Robert Sackett of the Garfield Heights Police Department being the director of operations. The Task Force has been in existence for nearly 25 years, and receives great support from its residents and contributing agencies.

The primary role of the SNTF is to investigate drug related cases, particularly trafficking offenses, within the SEALE community, as well as act as a liaison between other agencies. The SNTF continues to work with the Cleveland PD, Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office, HIDTA, NOLET, and the USPS, amongst others.

The SNTF routinely passes along info from confidential informants and investigations to other agencies in an attempt to further investigations, including non-drug related crimes. The SNTF has always viewed information sharing and cooperation as a top priority, being that criminals do not follow jurisdictional boundaries. By maintaining these relationships, the unit's success will continue.

The SNTF collects an enormous amount of information from residents, informants, and LEOs that is reviewed, analyzed, and stored within a computer database. This info is used to formulate an effective plan that may include short term approaches, such as directed patrols or "buy-bust" type operations, or a more intense and involved approach such as surveillance, undercover/controlled buys, and, ultimately, arrest/search warrants. These approaches involve the use of covert video/audio recorders, GPS locators, and external hidden cameras, and allow the unit to ultimately find where the traffickers are hiding their assets and narcotics. Traffickers are routinely changing their tactics, and in turn, the SNTF will continue to evolve and adapt to these changes. The primary goal of the SNTF is to completely dismantle narcotic trafficking organizations from the bottom to the top. These proven techniques have been used by the SNTF in the past, and will continue to employ them.

The SNTF is comprised of 4 full time detectives, compared to having only two in the past. This allows the unit to have a greater impact on the community, including responding to complaints and solidifying the already good relationship it has with residents in the area. The SNTF continues to rely on larger task forces that have the resources to further

investigations started by the unit. The SNTF continues to take an aggressive and proactive approach regarding those that violate state drug laws, which includes continuing the current investigative process the unit employs, as well as participating in town hall style meetings in the SEALE community.

The SNTF has maintained a solid track record with prosecutions and producing solid cases, as well as having the support and respect of LEOs and residents. A vital resource used by the SNTF is funding through grants. Each participating city contributes with administrative, equipment, and other related costs, and the Drug Law Enforcement Grant funding will be used to help these communities absorb the cost of the Task Force. Funding for the SNTF will allow it to continue to combat the drug problems in the area, including conducting investigations, prosecuting traffickers, being involved with community programs, training, and is critical to the Task Force's success.

The following is a year-end statistical report of the SNTF for 2013:

<u>Grants Received</u>	
JAG BYRNE	\$38,799.88
ODLEF	\$127,445.77
<u>Cases</u>	
	<u>2013</u>
Filed Cases	105
Invest Cases	20
<u>Search Warrants</u>	75
<u>Money Seized</u>	\$167,421.61
<u>Auction Check</u>	\$71.28
<u>Money Spent on Controlled Buys</u>	\$19,444
<u>Seized Property</u>	
Guns	43
Vehicles	8
<u>Drugs Seized</u>	
Powder Cocaine	924.8 Grams
Crack Cocaine	257.9 Grams
Heroin	217.0 Grams
Marijuana	75.28 Pounds
Marijuana Plants	80
Bath Salts	1 Gram
Xanax	42 Pills
Suboxone	91 Strips
Codiene	180 Pills
Hydrocodone	22 Pills
Oxycodone	236 Pills
Oxymorphone	42 Pills
Steroids	206 Grams

The following list is a sample of the SNTF cases investigated in 2013:

### **January**

SNTF detectives were conducting a drug investigation in Maple Heights when they observed an apparent drug transaction take place between two males. One of the males then placed a bag into the trunk of the vehicle. A traffic stop was conducted and the occupants refused a consent search of the trunk. A K-9 unit gave positive indication of narcotics in the trunk of the vehicle. Detectives located approximately eight pounds of marijuana and \$1072. Both parties were charged.

### **February**

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from a male residing in Bedford Heights. A search warrant was executed on the male's apartment. Detectives located twenty eights wax bindles of heroin, a 9mm handgun, four cell phones, approximately 1.25 pounds of marijuana and \$552. The male was arrested for drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from another Bedford Heights male. A search warrant was executed on this male's residence. Detectives located the arrested the suspect and located approximately 4 grams of heroin, scales, phones, and \$4057. The male was arrested for drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives were investigating a drug sales complaint in Garfield Heights. Detectives were able to identify the heroin dealer and his residence in Garfield Heights. Detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from this male. A search warrant was conducted on this residence. Detectives located \$4483, scales, phones and an assault type rifle. The male was arrested for drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from a Cleveland man. Detectives arrested the suspect who was in possession of approximately 17 grams of heroin and \$3,055. During a search of the man's residence, detectives located misc. drug paraphernalia, phones, \$1,000 and a 9mm handgun.

### **March**

SNTF detectives assisted The SPAN Drug Task Force with controlled purchases of heroin. Detectives arrested the suspect, who was on federal parole for drug trafficking. Detectives executed a search warrant in Bedford. Detectives located two loaded handguns and an assault rifle. Detectives then found 124 grams of cocaine, 65 grams of heroin, a vial of pcp and 41 prescription pills. This search warrant led to a search of a Garfield Heights residence. A male was arrested and detectives located a handgun and \$2300.

SNTF detectives received information of drug activity in Cleveland. While receiving this information, detectives observed an apparent drug transaction and a male was arrested. Detectives located 9 grams of crack cocaine, scales, and approximately two pounds of marijuana. The suspect then gave a consent to search at his residence. Detectives then located items to ship and package marijuana and \$20,258.

SNTF, CCSO Narcotics Unit, Cleveland Police Narcotics Unit and the Portage County Drug Task Force had all received information of a local Cleveland family drug trafficking enterprise. The family was known to sell narcotics in Garfield Heights, Maple Heights, Bedford and Bedford Heights. SNTF detectives began making controlled purchases of heroin from a member of this family. These controlled purchases led to a search warrant in Cleveland. Detectives arrested the suspect and executed the warrant. Detectives located about 27 grams of heroin, scales, phones, packaging materials, a loaded handgun and \$325. Detectives then located a stolen handgun in a vehicle. This male was arrested for drug trafficking. While out of jail on bond, this male continued to sell or deliver heroin. Detectives arrested and executed another search warrant at this male's home. This arrest led detectives to another family member that was supplying the heroin. Detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from this male. Detectives arrested this family member, executed another search warrant. This male plead guilty to drug trafficking and received a five year prison sentence.

### **April**

SNTF detectives made numerous controlled purchases from a Garfield Heights man. Detectives lured the suspect to a Maple Heights location. The male arrived with the intent of selling heroin. The suspect then fled on foot from detective. After a short foot pursuit, the male was placed under arrest for drug trafficking. A search of the male's auto revealed approximately 21.5 grams of heroin, \$800 and two loaded handguns. One of these guns were found to be stolen. SNTF detectives received information that a heroin dealer was selling heroin on a street in Maple Heights. Detectives set up surveillance on the area and observed this male make a transaction with a Maple Heights resident. Detectives identified the dealer. Detectives again set up surveillance and observed another transaction. Detectives arrested the drug dealer and heroin addict.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from a Garfield Heights man. Detectives followed the suspect to and from these purchases. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the male's residence. Detectives located evidence of drug trafficking and seized his automobile. The male was charged with drug trafficking and forfeited the auto to SNTF.

SNTF detectives received information that a Caryl Ave., Bedford resident was operating a marijuana cultivation operation and sales and or possession of anabolic steroids. Detectives conducted a trash pull and located evidence of marijuana. A search warrant was obtained and executed. Detectives located a thirty plant marijuana grow operation in the basement.

Detectives also seized twenty liquid vials of steroids, \$17908 and a handgun.

## May

SNTF detectives along with the US Postal Service Inspectors made a controlled delivery of oxycontin tablets that were mailed from Florida to a Solon address. The box was delivered and then opened by the resident. Detectives then executed a search warrant and recovered the pills. While conducting the search warrant, detectives recovered a large cache of weapons including six handguns and three rifles. Detectives also located a computer that was tracking the delivery of the package containing the prescription pills. The male was charged with aggravated drug possession. SNTF detectives made a controlled purchase of heroin. Detectives stopped the vehicle and found it to be operated by male having an open drug trafficking case with SNTF. Detectives observed a large bag of crack cocaine on the driver's armrest and recovered a small bag of marijuana. The suspect plead guilty to aggravated drug trafficking and possession and received a three year prison sentence.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchased of heroin in Garfield Heights and Bedford from three different family members. Detectives set up surveillance and arrested the three suspects at a residence in Bedford. Detectives then executed a search warrant on the residence and recovered heroin, an elaborate video surveillance system and a handgun. All three males were charged with aggravated drug trafficking.

## June

SNTF detectives conducted a buy-bust operation on male selling heroin in Maple and Garfield Heights. The suspect was apprehended in a Maple Heights business parking lot. The suspect was found to be in possession of approximately 7.5 grams of heroin, scales and cell phones. He was charged with aggravated drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from an East Cleveland man. On the last purchase, Detectives stopped the suspect and recovered the police buy money and arrested the suspect. Detectives seized his 2005 Jeep and are seeking forfeiture through Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court

SNTF detectives received numerous complaints of possible drug activity in the area of McCracken/E. 113 St. in Garfield Heights. Detectives identified a male selling heroin. Detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from the male. This male had a previous aggravated drug trafficking charge with the SNTF. Detectives arrested this male coming from The Garfield Heights Municipal Court. The male was charged with drug trafficking.

## July

SNTF detectives received information that a Raymond Ave, Maple Heights male was selling crack cocaine and heroin in the Northfield Road area. Detectives were familiar with the suspect as he was arrested by the SNTF in 2012. Detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from the male. Detective along with the SEALE Swat Team executed a search warrant on the suspect's Maple Heights residence. Detectives located baggies of crack cocaine and heroin on a window ledge in a bedroom where children were sleeping. Detectives charged the male and female residing in the home with the children. The SNTF is seeking forfeiture on his 2005 Chevy that he used to deliver the narcotics.

SNTF detectives made controlled purchases of heroin from a Cleveland man. Detectives obtained a search warrant for his residence. SNTF detectives along with Cleveland Narcotics and Swat Unit executed the search warrant. Detectives located evidence of drug trafficking including a large TV/camera surveillance system. Numerous parties were arrested with outstanding arrest warrants.

## August

SNTF detectives received information from different sources that a Solon male was selling marijuana. Detectives made a controlled purchase of marijuana from this male and followed him back to his residence. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the Solon home. Detectives executed the search warrant and found the male in his bedroom and placed him under arrest. Detectives located approximately one half pound of marijuana, an assault type rifle and \$11,165. The male was charged with aggravated drug trafficking and items were forfeited to the SNTF.

SNTF Detectives received information of a male selling crack cocaine in the area of a Bedford liquor establishment. Detectives made controlled purchases of crack cocaine from this male. A search warrant was obtained for his Cleveland residence. Detectives set up surveillance and arrested the male as he left his home. The male was found to possess two baggies of crack cocaine. Detectives executed the search warrant and found a baggie of cocaine, cell phones, a handgun and other drug trafficking paraphernalia. He was charged with drug trafficking.

## September

SNTF detectives learned of a male selling heroin and crack cocaine in Garfield Heights and Cleveland. Detectives made controlled purchases of heroin and crack cocaine from this male. Detectives identified this male and learned he resided in a downtown Cleveland condo. Detectives set up surveillance and arrested this male as he left his residence. A search warrant was executed at this residence along with another house he used to process and sell drugs from. Detectives located currency, a handgun cell phones and crack cocaine processing instruments. The male was charged with aggravated drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives along with US Postal Service Inspectors made a controlled delivery of cocaine to a home in Solon. The male placed the package into his auto and left the area. Detectives followed the auto and eventually stopped the male. Detectives then made a controlled delivery of the cocaine package to the intended suspect. Once this suspect accepted the package, detectives stopped the suspect auto and recovered the cocaine. Two males were arrested and one was charged with cocaine possession with a major drug offender spec.

### **October**

SNTF detectives learned that two Bedford Heights males were selling cocaine from their apartment building. Detectives made controlled purchases of cocaine from the males. A search warrant was obtained. Detectives executed the search warrant and arrested the males. During the search, Detectives observed two small children living in the apartment. Detectives located approximately 25 grams of cocaine, cell phones, scales, and baggies. Both males charged with aggravated drug trafficking with juvenile specs.

SNTF detectives learned of a male selling a large amount of cocaine and heroin in the Bedford Heights area. Detectives made several controlled purchase from this suspect. Detective obtained and executed a search warrant on this male's residence. Detectives arrested the suspect and another male in the residence for drug trafficking. Detectives located a large amount of narcotics including cocaine, heroin, crack cocaine, prescription pills and marijuana. Detectives also seized drug paraphernalia and approx. \$2100.

SNTF detectives received information on a male selling crack cocaine in the Bedford Heights and Warrensville Heights areas. Detective made controlled purchases of crack cocaine from the suspect. Detectives arrested the suspect leaving his residence and executed a search warrant. The male was found to be in possession of crack cocaine and money and cell phones. The male was charged with aggravated drug trafficking.

### **November**

SNTF detectives learned of a Cleveland man selling a large amount of cocaine. The male was identified and several controlled purchase of cocaine were made. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the residence. The male was located and arrested. Detectives executed the search warrant and located approximately a quarter of a kilo of cocaine, a handgun, a rifle, a security system cameras and monitor, scales and other drug trafficking tools. The male was charged with aggravated drug trafficking with a major drug offender spec.

SNTF detectives learned of suspected drug activity at a Garfield Heights home. Detectives set up surveillance and observed the activities. Three males were arrested while they were in possession of large amounts of marijuana. A search warrant on the residence was executed and detectives located several pounds of marijuana and additional drug trafficking evidence. The three males were charged with drug trafficking and possession.

### **December**

SNTF detectives obtained information on two males residing in Garfield Heights that were selling heroin. Detectives made several controlled purchases of heroin from the males. Detectives executed a search warrant and arrested on of the males at the residence. Detectives found narcotics and additional drug trafficking evidence. Both males have been charged with drug trafficking.

SNTF detectives learned of a Bedford man selling cocaine and prescription pills. Detectives made controlled purchases from the male and a search warrant was obtained. Detectives arrested the male and located a large amount of currency, cocaine, pills along with handguns and rifles.

The SNTF Unit while continue to pursue, arrest and prosecute those individuals involved in drug trafficking in our SEALE communities.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Det. Brian Sara

## BEDFORD

Calls for Service: 01/01/2013 Through 12/31/2013

911 EMERGENCY	110
AGG BURGLARY	2
AGG MENACING	2
AGG ROBBERY	3
ALARM TEST	7
ALARMS	542
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	1149
ASSAULT	36
ASSIST FIRE DEPARTMENT	53
ASSIST OTHER DEPARTMENTS	325
ASSIST RESCUE SQUAD	79
ATT AUTO THEFT	9
ATT B&E	3
ATT BURGLARY	2
ATT SUICIDE	4
ATT THEFT	6
AUTO THEFT	49
B&E	33
BAD CHECKS	34
BAR CHECK	2
BOMB THREAT	1
BUILDING CODE/ZONING VIOLA	40
BURGLARY	20
BUSINESS CHECK	8
BUSINESS COMPLAINT	9
CAPIAS/WARRANT ON FILE	457
CAPIAS/WARRANT-COURT RECAL	4
CHILD/FAMILY SERVICES INFO	2
CITIZEN COMPLAINT	1
CIVIL MATTER	130
CO CALL	30
COMMUNITY POLICING ACTIVIT	24
CONSERVATION	1
COPS/CRIME PREV PRESENTATI	5
COUNTERFEITING	8
COURT ASSIGNMENT	3
CRIMINAL DAMAGING	21
CRIMINAL NUISANCE BILLING	12
CRIMINAL NUISANCE WARNING	16

CURFEW	2
DEBRIS ON STREET	62
DEPARTMENT INFORMATION	531
DEPT-COMPUTER MAINT	39
DEPT-EQUIP MAINT	60
DEPT-LOST PROPERTY	7
DEPT-PROP DAMAGE	31
DEPT-VEH MAINT	82
DISABLED VEHICLE	336
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	43
DISPATCH RELIEF	1
DISTURBANCE	446
DOA AND BODY FOUND	20
DOMESTIC DISPUTE	235
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	33
DRUG ABUSE	7
DUS	7
DUTY INJURY	8
ENDANGERING CHILD	1
ERRANDS-CITY BUSINESS	20
ESCORT	12
FALSIFICATION	2
FIRE ALARM	76
FIRE DEPT - MUTUAL AID	161
FIRE DEPT - NO PD RESPONSE	112
FIRE/SMOKE/OPEN BURNING	34
FIREWORKS	27
FLEEING & ELUDING	1
FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION	192
FOLLOW UP NEEDED	2
FORGERY	1
FOUND PERSON	1
FOUND PROPERTY	114
FRAUD	56
GENERAL ASSISTANCE	67
GRAFFITI	3
GYM ON-DUTY	1881
HARASS PH CALLS	85
HARASSMENT	74
HOUSE VACANT	3
IDENTITY THEFT	16
IN-SERVICE TRAINING-FD	2
IN-SERVICE TRAINING-PD	151

INDECENT EXPOSURE	2
JAIL CHECK	3
JUVENILE(S)	361
LIQUOR VIOLATION	1
LITTERING	7
LITTERING FROM MV	1
LOCK-OUT HOME	13
LOCK-OUT VEHICLE	641
LOST PROPERTY	55
LOST/STOLEN LIC PLTS	36
LUNCH/OFFICER	238
MENACING	14
MISCELLANEOUS	11
MISSING JUVENILE	40
MISSING JUVENILE RETURNED	6
MISSING PERSON	11
MVA FATAL OH-1	2
MVA HIT SKIP	34
MVA INJURY OH-1	47
MVA LOCAL	307
MVA OH-1	172
MVA PEDESTRIAN OH-1	9
NEIGHBOR TROUBLE	82
NOISE	295
NOTIFICATION	35
OBSTRUCT JUSTICE	1
ON STATION	6
OPEN BUILDING	98
OVI / ALCOHOL	5
PARKING COMPLAINT / VIOLAT	186
PEACE OFFICER	81
PERSONAL WELFARE	312
POSS OF MARIJUANA	7
PRISONER CARE	85
PRISONER TRANSPORT	31
PROPERTY DAMAGE - CRIMINAL	67
PROPERTY DAMAGE - NON CRIM	97
PSYCHIATRIC SITUATION	46
RAILROAD CROSSING	31
RANGE TRAINING	67
RAPE	5
RECOVERED PROPERTY	5
RECOVERED STOLEN AUTO	21

REPOSSESSED VEHICLE	144
RESCUE SQUAD-NO PD RESPO	1416
ROBBERY	8
SCHOOL GUARD DETAIL	12
SENTENCED PRISONER	1
SERVICE DEPARTMENT	64
SEX OFFENSE	5
SEXUAL ASSAULT	2
SNOW/ICE COMPLAINTS	16
SOLICITOR	23
SPECIAL ATTENTION	186
SUICIDE	1
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	339
SUSPICIOUS PACKAGE	6
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	359
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	409
SWAT CALLOUT	2
TARGET ENFORCEMENT	650
THEFT	181
THEFT EMPLOYEE/INTERNAL	6
THEFT FROM AUTO-PERSONNAL	46
THEFT FROM AUTO-VEHICLE PA	15
THEFT FROM BUSINESS PROPER	1
THEFT FROM RESIDENTIAL PRO	8
THEFT-BICYCLE	23
THEFT-SHOPLIFTING	169
TRAFFIC ALTERCATION	22
TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS	193
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	11
TRAFFIC STOP	2495
TRANSP BY POLICE	8
TRASH OUT EARLY	37
TRASH OUT/CANS NOT REMOVED	1
TRESPASSING	23
TROUBLE W/CUSTOMER	32
UNAUTH USE MV	14
UNWANTED GUEST	35
UTILITIES-PUBLIC	150
UTILITIES-SERVICE DEPT	58
VANDALISM	17
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE/WASH	51
VIOLATION OF PROTECTION OR	9
WALKING IN ROADWAY	14

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3

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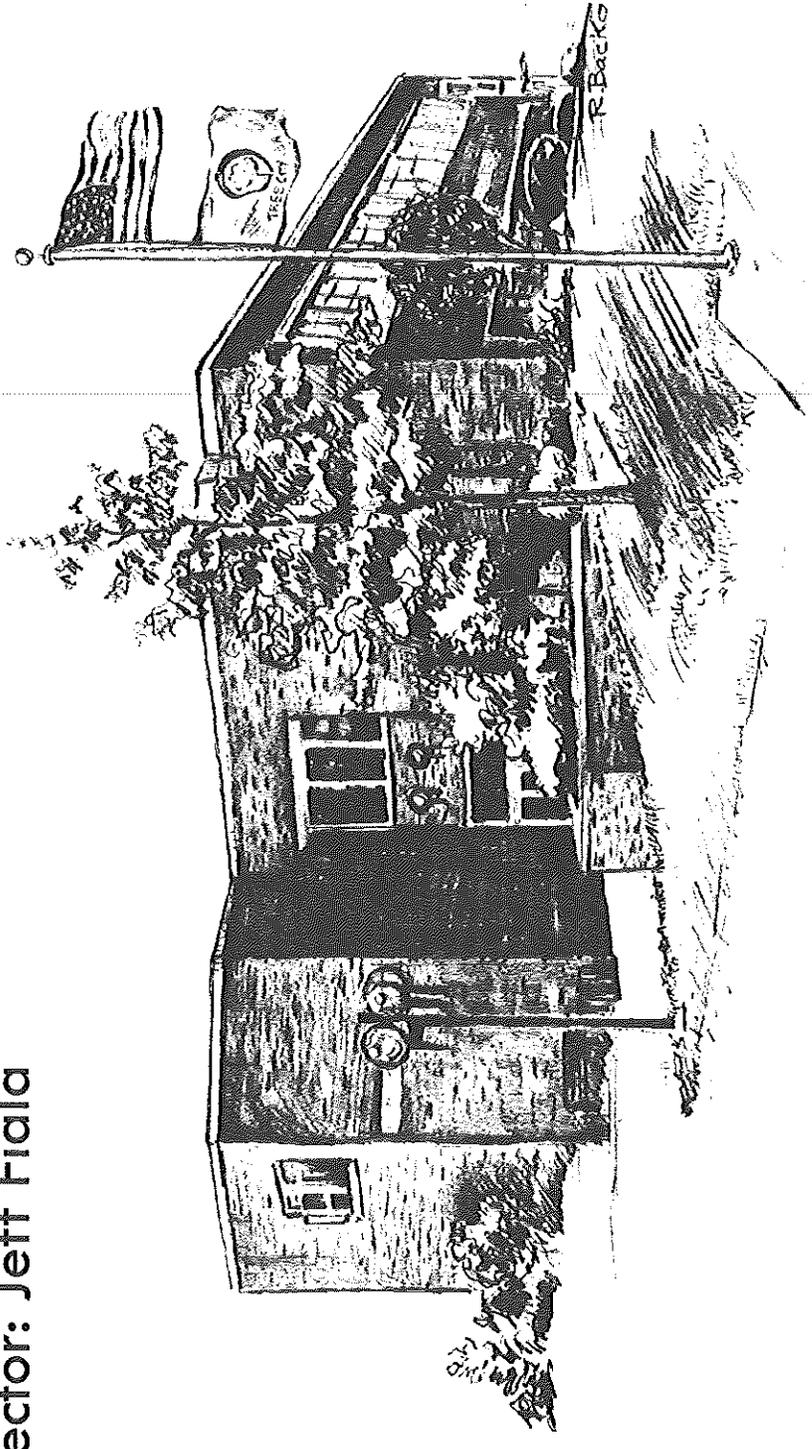
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# RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Director: Randy Lewis  
Assistant Director: Jeff Fiala





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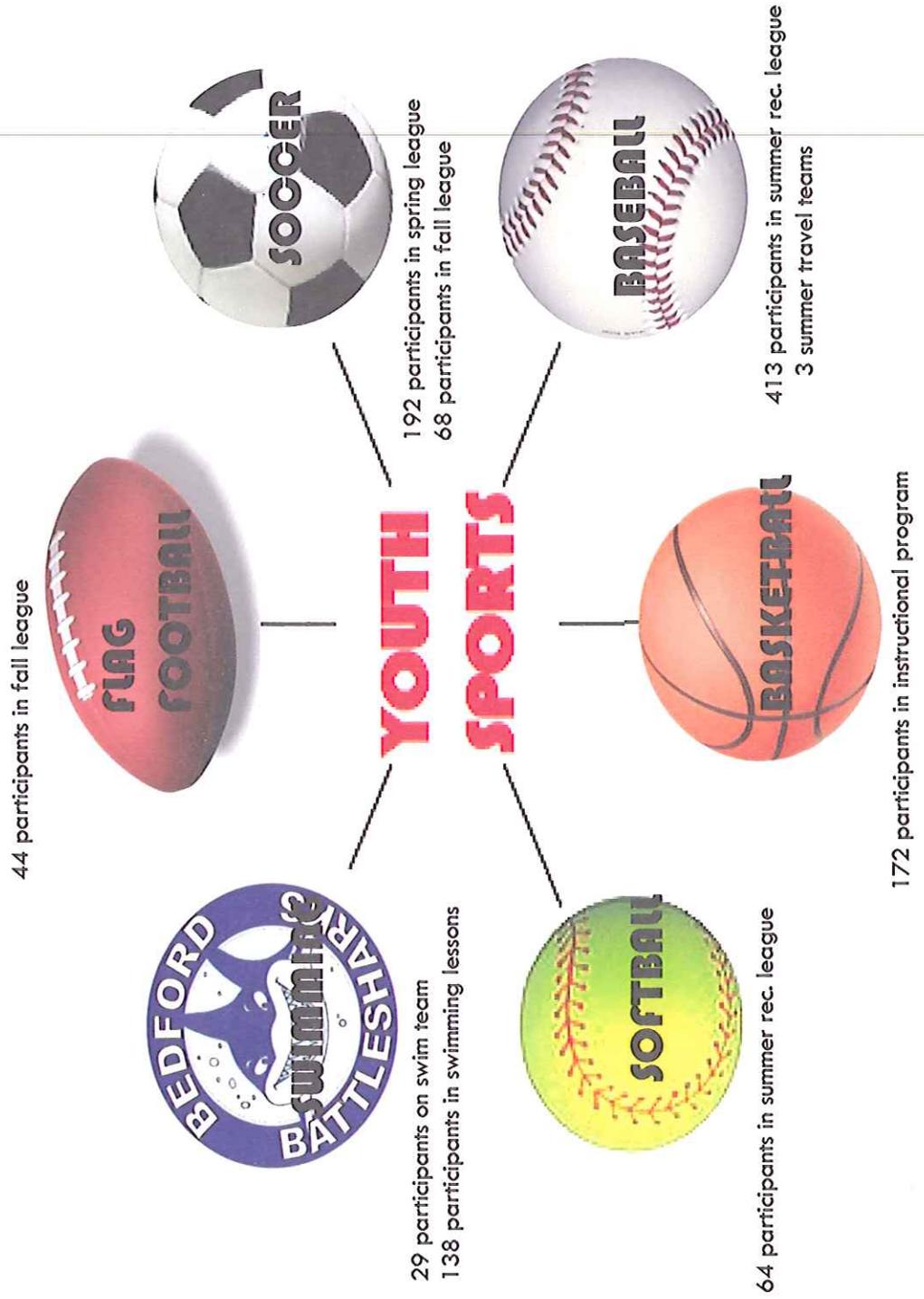
## Special Events

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Memorial Day coordination
- Fourth of July participation
- Senior Afternoon at the Races
- Baseball Days
- Progressive Field
- Halloween Party
- Christmas Party





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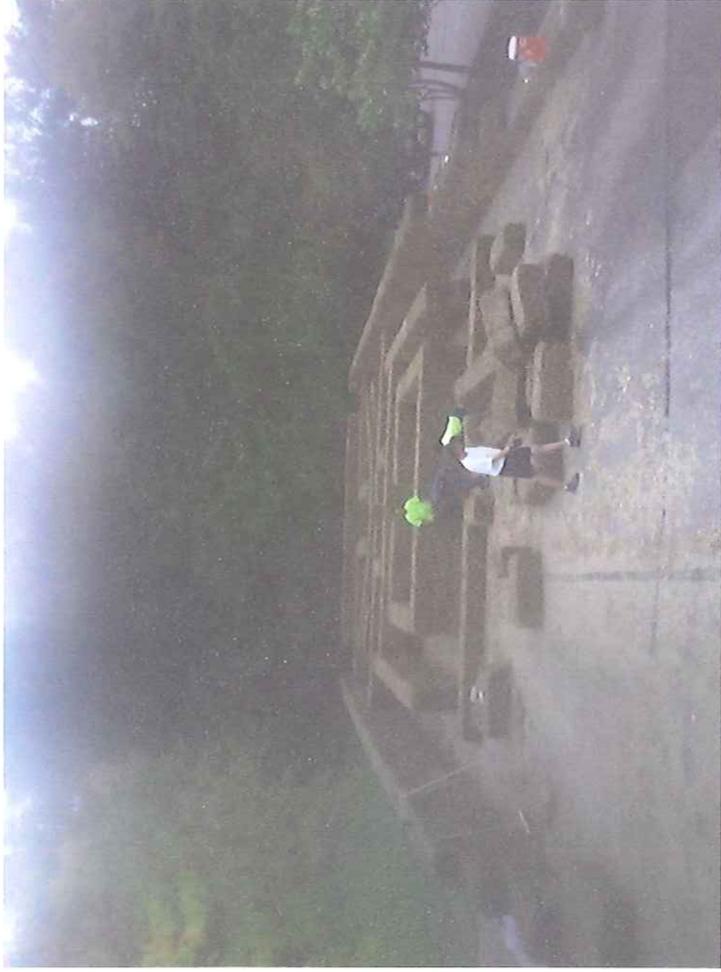
## **Fast Facts & Activities**

- The Recreation Department maintains over 27 acres of property along with the baseball fields at various locations.
- In 2013, over 66,000 people utilized Ellenwood Center with permitted functions; this does not include open gym, or special events/activities.
- More than 30,000 individuals utilized the pavilion with permitted functions (does not include the open to the public uses).
- The Senior Citizen Van provided trips for over 2,700 residents, averaging almost 18 trips a day, and logging over 22,375 miles in 2013.
- The Ellenwood Center was open for activities on 322 of 365 days in 2013, almost 90% of the year.



## RECREATION DEPARTMENT CONT.

### HAY MAZE IN PROGRESS



- The recreation department designed and built with collaboration from other departments a hay maze that was a huge hit with the children at the Harvest Fest.

# Hutchinson Fields

- In the spring of 2013 we refurbished both soccer fields and the flag-football field.
- The fields had topsoil added, reseeded and aerated and there was a weed abatement.

# RECREATION DEPARTMENT CONT.



## Senior Programming

**Senior Van Service** - Our Senior van travels over a thousand miles a month to serve nearly 300 seniors. The van transports to doctors' visits, shopping trips, personal and business appointments and hospital visits.

**Senior Line Dancing** - nearly 30 seniors gather each Monday morning to enjoy some exercise and to socialize. This year the group expanded to Thursday evenings to serve seniors who are still working.

**Senior Chair Aerobics** – nearly 60 seniors have fun shaping up with this low impact exercise class.

**Senior Movie Wednesdays** – 20 seniors gather bi-monthly to enjoy some popcorn and movies from present and past.

**Medicare/Health Insurance Counseling** - through the Ellenwood Center nearly 75 seniors received helpful advise and assistance in choosing medical and health care plans through Medicare and the private sector.



# RECREATION DEPARTMENT CONT.

## Senior Programming Cont.

**Craft Class** – Once a month about 15 seniors get together to create a craft of the month.

**WII Bowling** – Several dozen senior residents have enjoyed participating in our newly-organized WII bowling league this past year at Ellenwood. One senior is currently holding a 241 pin average! Plans are underway to begin play with WII Golf or WII Baseball in the coming year.

**Tax Preparation** – We scheduled over 100 appointments for free AARP tax preparation services offered at Ellenwood. In 2014 Ellenwood will also become an e-filing site.

**Senior Bus Trips** - The seniors group goes on 6 to 8 trips a year with a portion of the trip being subsidized by the city. The go to Indians games, plays, historical sites and many other trips.

**Senior afternoon at the Races** – A special event for all city seniors was well attended. The seniors all had a great time cheering on their horses for prizes.



