



# CITY OF DELRAY BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT



## 2010 ANNUAL REPORT



***Serving with P.R.I.D.E.***  
***Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Diversity, Excellence***





## MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHIEF OF POLICE



Dear Residents, Business Owners and Visitors:

Entering 2011 allows us an opportunity to reflect back upon the many accomplishments we achieved as an agency and community during what has been described as one of the most difficult years in the history of the organization. Understanding the economic challenges facing the nation, state, and city, we, as an agency, are certainly sympathetic to the community we serve, and I, as Chief of Police, recognize that our wonderful employees and volunteers are not immune to those conditions.

As I assured you in 2008 when I was promoted to the position of Chief of Police, this agency was well prepared to meet the challenges that were ahead through our continued, unwavering commitment to community policing, problem solving, and our ongoing partnerships with those we serve. And, as I stated in 2009, our people, our diversity, and our partnerships have been our strength in the past and will continue to be our strength in the future. Maintaining public trust is and will remain paramount, and I will continue to hire and retain only the best individuals, always providing them with opportunities for life-long learning.

Proudly, I report to you that because of our commitment to our core values, along with open communication and community partnerships, we have once again positively impacted the crime rate and improved the quality of life for many of our city residents. Along with these significant achievements we continued to provide quality comprehensive policing services and again created new units and made internal adjustments to meet the needs of our customers. I thank each of you for participating and assisting us in making this great city a safe place for all of our citizens and their families.

I encourage all to support the fine women and men of the Delray Beach Police Department who understand and accept the risk every day that is inherent in the policing profession. They accept this risk to preserve the safety and security of all of us. I ask that you keep them along with all of our brothers and sisters in law enforcement and the United States Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers throughout the year.

Please review and enjoy our annual report and understand this is only a small snapshot of the fine work accomplished by these dedicated individuals. Thank you for your continued support, and thank you for allowing me to be your Police Chief.

Keep safety paramount!

*Anthony W. Strianese*  
Chief of Police







## DELRAY BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOMPLISHMENT HIGHLIGHTS



- ⇒ The agency was re-accredited through the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.
- ⇒ A Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Unit was implemented.
- ⇒ A Crime Suppression Team was created.
- ⇒ The Seacrest Training Facility became operational.
- ⇒ Purchased and deployed 133 new laptops for Community Patrol.
- ⇒ 369 volunteers donated over 40,000 hours of service.
- ⇒ 40+ new Tasers were purchased and issued.
- ⇒ The new Glock firearms, "Generation 4," were purchased and distributed.
- ⇒ The 16th Annual Holiday Toy Drive and Fishing Tournament were successful.
- ⇒ There were numerous green initiatives made throughout the police facility.
- ⇒ Communications personnel handled over 210,000 calls for service for an average of 581 calls per day.
- ⇒ The Front Desk personnel handled over 900 incident reports and processed over 14,000 parking citations.
- ⇒ Agency grant opportunities continue, totaling over 1.8 million dollars.
- ⇒ Officers effected over 2,400 arrests; issued 11,493 citations; and investigated 3,009 traffic crashes.
- ⇒ The Police Department increased its use of crime analysis information, to include daily updates, weekly crime meetings, and full participation in the regional crime meetings.
- ⇒ Members of the Police Department participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run, National Prescription Drugs Drop Off Program, Law Enforcement Memorial Day, Multi-Cultural Festival, Delray Citizens for Delray Police Labor Day Challenge, Paint Up Delray, baseball program, soccer program, neighborhood clean-ups, Delray Youth Summit, and many charity fundraisers.

### MILITARY SERVICE

In 2010, Officer Ryan Lowry and Officer Brittany Brown of the Delray Beach Police Department also served our citizens in active duty military status. Thank you for your service!



*Officer Lowry while on active duty*



*Officer Ryan Lowry & Chief Strianese*



*Officer Brittany Brown*



## OPERATIONS BUREAU COMMUNITY PATROL DIVISION

The Community Patrol Division is comprised of one captain, one lieutenant/executive officer, four lieutenants/shift commanders, one administrative assistant, eleven sergeants, sixty-five officers and two K-9 officers. The Community Patrol Division is committed to providing comprehensive police services to our citizens through community policing partnerships and problem solving initiatives. As the backbone of the agency, members of the Community Patrol Division serve as first responders to critical incidents, conduct initial follow-up, respond to calls for service and enforce criminal statutes and municipal ordinances.

The focus of the Community Patrol Division is to provide protection and security for our community as well as maintaining social order through the enforcement of laws and ordinances. This is accomplished through proactive policing services which include both traditional and nontraditional policing methods, including partnering with members and business owners of the community. This Division is committed to establishing and maintaining an excellent quality of life for our citizens and visitors as well as the businesses and organizations that call Delray Beach home. The officers that comprise the Community Patrol Division carry out their duties proudly and professionally and demonstrate their commitment to public service through their personal integrity.



*Community Patrol  
Officers*



During the year 2010, Community Patrol officers practiced community policing and problem solving in combination with the following traditional enforcement efforts: over 2,000 arrests, 6,694 citations, 9,956 traffic warnings and 33,976 calls for service. Community Patrol officers also conducted 1,425 traffic selectives at locations that have been identified as problematic either by our traffic crash analysis or citizen complaints. DUI Enforcement remains a priority with the Community Patrol Division. One DUI enforcement officer from this division is dedicated to combating this issue and his primary focus is detecting and removing motorists driving under the influence. Our DUI Enforcement Officer made 102 arrests of impaired drivers in 2010 alone.





Community Patrol Officers were also instrumental in solving and/or making a significant contribution in many cases that occurred during the year. The following are some of the most noteworthy incidents that took place during the year:



- Officers responded to a call that a male subject became delusional and aggressive at a neighborhood day care center. He had barricaded himself inside with two infants and two toddlers. Officers observed him shaking the infants in their car carriers and made the decision to enter the residence through an unlocked sliding door. A struggle ensued, but the infants were taken from his grip and re-located to a safe area. Ultimately, the subject was secured without injury, the officers were not injured and the kids were all removed safely. Because of the tactical response and actions utilized by the officers involved, they were nominated for the "Officer of the Month" award for this incident.
- Officers were conducting a burglary surveillance from inside a local business. This was in response to five recent vehicle burglaries that occurred over the last two months. Melvin Aldridge was developed as a suspect in the burglaries. During the surveillance Officers observed Melvin Aldridge come into the fenced in compound and begin stealing copper tubing. They set up a perimeter then converged in on Aldridge who attempted to conceal himself in the bushes. Aldridge was taken into custody. Aldridge was interviewed by Detectives and would only confess to this incident. Investigators were able to get a DNA sample from Aldridge, which will be compared to prior incidents. Aldridge was charged with Burglary and Grand Theft and is in jail on \$25,000 bond.
- Dispatch received a call that a car had driven into the lake at the corner of Lake Ida Road and Congress Avenue. Officers arrived almost immediately and jumped in the lake. Upon making contact with the elderly female driver, they found that her leg was lodged under the steering wheel. Because the car was taking on water and sinking fast, they acted quickly to free her leg and pull her to safety. As soon as they rescued the driver, the vehicle went under water.
- The Dunkin Donuts at 4800 West Atlantic Avenue was robbed at gunpoint. The suspect was last seen fleeing the area into Country Club Acres. An officer, who was in the area, parked his car along the roadway with his lights out. He then observed a subject matching the description of the suspect running towards him with something in his hand. The officer took the subject to the ground at gunpoint and he was found to be armed with a handgun and a mask. The victims positively identified the suspect who was later identified as Alan Nissman. Nissman was interviewed and confessed to this robbery and an additional robbery that occurred at Subway a few weeks prior. Nissman's information was passed on to other agencies and Boca Police Department was able to charge Nissman with an additional robbery in their jurisdiction.



During the year, officers employed a variety of proactive measures as a part of their enforcement efforts including utilizing unmarked vehicles to conduct surveillance and patrol areas undetected. They also utilized the ATV to patrol the beach areas and to maintain a presence there as well as in the surrounding areas and parking lots. These proactive efforts combined with traditional policing methods achieved many positive results for the year.

#### Problem Oriented Policing (P.O.P.) Unit

The P.O.P. Unit was organized and implemented in mid-January and consisted of one sergeant and two officers. The primary focus of this new unit was to put the Community Policing concept into practice in those areas that were suffering from higher than normal criminal activity as well as quality of life issues. The unit initially targeted two neighborhoods, Rainberry Woods and the Pompey Park area. Due to manpower issues, it was unknown how long the unit would be in existence; however, it was determined that it was making a positive impact within the assigned communities. Two officers began by going door-to-door and meeting with each and every homeowner in their assigned area. Relationships were forged and trust was established very early on. The P.O.P. Unit partnered with the residents and they came together to address crime and quality of life issues within the communities. A crime analysis was conducted for the areas being worked on by the P.O.P. Unit and the initial statistics indicate a drop of more than 50% in Part I crimes for the first eight months in these locations.

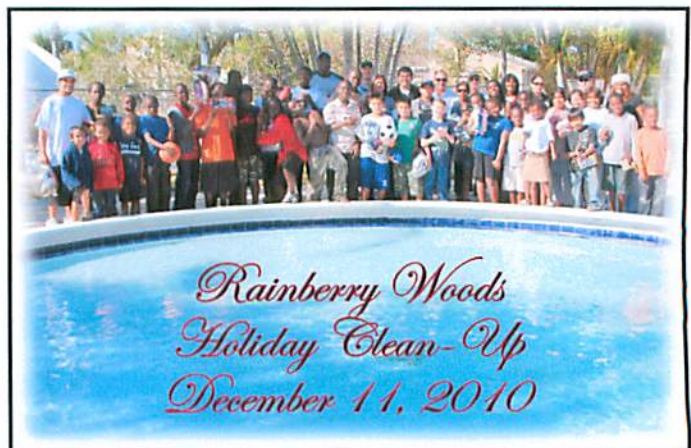
With the success of these two communities, the unit expanded to add the Del-Ida community. Another officer was added to the team and was assigned to this community. The success of the P.O.P. Unit continued with a noticeable crime reduction in each community and many quality of life issues addressed. Although the reduction in crime is apparent, what is also serving as a great benefit is the unit's interaction with our residents. The unit attends HOA meetings monthly where they hear directly from the residents about the issues that they feel are plaguing their community. The unit has organized two neighborhood clean-ups in Rainberry Woods where the residents go out with the officers to clean up debris and trash to help make their neighborhood a much nicer and safer place to live. The most recent clean-up in Rainberry Woods took place in early December and the unit was able to provide Christmas toys for the children in the neighborhood due to generous donations from our citizens.



*Officer Rusczyk at a neighborhood clean-up*



*Sgt. Weatherspoon and Officers Ferreri, Rusczyk, Grammatico, Skeberis, Trapasso and Robertson*



*Rainberry Woods  
Holiday Clean-Up  
December 11, 2010*



By January 2011, the P.O.P. Unit will have grown to a total of six officers and although the Community Patrol Division is very pleased with the initial success of the unit, we plan to include additional communities to our P.O.P. Unit and hope to see crime reduced, relationships with our residents strengthened, and a continued successful partnership with the community we serve.

### Community Involvement

Many officers from Community Patrol participate in various community events and programs throughout the year that enable the officers and residents to interact with each other in a more casual setting. Some officers volunteered time with the Teen Center and the Boys and Girls Club and others took part in community events such as the Youth Summit and the Youth Baseball Camp. Some additional programs and organizations that officers participate in during the year are Community Martial Arts Program, Police Explorer events, and literacy programs at the local elementary schools. Members of the Community Patrol Division also took part in delivering turkeys at Thanksgiving and were very active with the Holiday Toy Drive. Holiday parties and celebrations for needy children and families were organized at places such as the Floranda Mobile Home Park and the domestic violence shelter. Officers continued their involvement with the Kids and Cops Program that has been a long standing and popular activity through our agency.



*Left: Holiday Toy Drive*



*Right: Neighborhood Clean-Up*

### K-9 Unit

The Delray Beach's K-9 Unit consists of two officers and two certified police canines. This unit is a valuable law enforcement team who is able to provide effective patrol efforts through the enhanced abilities of the canine. These teams conduct high visibility patrols and perform the traditional activities of law enforcement, but they are also able to supplement the road patrol officers through tracking and locating suspects and evidence under difficult circumstances and apprehending combative and dangerous suspects who would otherwise pose a danger to other officers. The abilities of these teams also extend to the searches and seizures of narcotics and weapons as well.



*Officer Margolis and K-9 Max*





## COMMUNITY RESPONSE DIVISION

The Community Response Division is comprised of one captain, one lieutenant, four sergeants, 18 police officers, a community service supervisor, seven community service officers, a project manager and an administrative assistant.

The Community Response Division includes a variety of functions, including the Atlantic High School Criminal Justice Academy, the Coalition for Community Renewal, community service officers, security at special events, fleet maintenance, the Traffic Unit (including DUI and traffic homicide), the Task Force, the Clean and Safe Program as well as the SWAT Team. The staff assigned to such a unique and diverse division is truly dedicated to providing comprehensive police services.

The focus of the Community Response Division is to forge relationships with the community, address crime and provide a "Clean and Safe" environment for residents, business owners, and visitors to enjoy.

The Community Response Task Force investigates street level narcotics complaints by targeting open air drug sales, through search warrants and buy bust operations.



*Officer Dave Chin*



*Officer Giovanni Millicchio, Detective Gina Gallina, Officer Nicole Lucas and Officer Jeffrey Messer at the National Prescription Drugs Drop Off Program event*



The Clean and Safe Unit is comprised of four officers that are assigned to patrol the entertainment district. This unit embraces the community policing philosophies by addressing issues that arise within their district. Partnerships are forged with business owners, city government, and community organizations to ensure persons visiting our city have a clean and safe environment to live, work, and play in.



*Officer Rachel Van Ness*



### Traffic/Motor Unit

The department's DUI officer, Andrew Collaretti, effected 100 arrests this year, making him eligible for the Governor's Annual DUI Award. The Police Department now deploys five motorcycles to address traffic issues throughout the city. The unit is deployed to problem areas identified through statistical analysis with the intent to reduce the number of traffic crashes. This team also investigates the traffic fatalities that occur within the city.



### Community Service Officers

The Community Service Officers Unit is an eight person team that assists the police officers with their normal responsibilities. The unit investigates traffic crashes, delayed crimes, assists with school crossings, parking enforcement, and special events. This year the community service officers investigated over 1,600 traffic crashes and issued 931 traffic citations and 2,499 parking tickets.

### Special Events

Special events are what make the city of Delray Beach great! The Police Department planned, coordinated and staffed over 60 special events in 2010 - events that require one to two officers to large scale international tennis tournaments. The Delray Beach Police Department is committed to providing a safe environment for all to enjoy.



### The Department's Fleet

The Delray Beach Police Department has over 200 vehicles within its fleet from T-3's and golf-carts to police cars and SWAT vehicles. The Special Operations Section is responsible for maintaining and outfitting all of the department's vehicles with the appropriate equipment needed to provide police services.

### Coalition for Community Renewal (CCR)

The focus for this section is planning, coordinating and developing community-based initiatives to prevent crime in the neighborhoods we serve and to forge relationships with the community. The Annual Youth Crime Prevention Summit in conjunction with the Brandon Flowers Youth Sports Camp was held again this year. The Youth Summit had 1,200 attendees learning life skills and personal health. This year's theme, "Let's Move," was an interactive, full-day event. The Sports Camp featured 15 professional athletes refining the skills of 700 high school athletes reinforcing teamwork, sportsmanship and academics. Also, the Police Department and the CCR continue to support the Delray Youth Vocational Charter School, which provides an academic program to students who require an alternative educational setting.





[Criminal Justice Academy at Atlantic Community High School](#)

The Criminal Justice Academy has a partnership with the Palm Beach County School Board wherein the Police Department and School Board instruct a group of students in the criminal justice process and enlighten the students towards a career in law enforcement. The program builds relationships with the students through mentorship, assistance with academic studies and community service. Currently, there are 175 students enrolled in the Atlantic High School program. The program reinforces the values of studying hard and living a clean life.



[The Delray Beach Police Explorer Program](#)

The Explorer Program, in conjunction with the Boy Scouts of America, has 20 participants, ages 14 through 21, who interact with police officers and learn what it means to be a police officer. This program is under the guidance of Sergeants Jeffrey Rasor and Nicole Guerriero. These highly motivated youth volunteer within our community assisting the police officers with community events and traffic control at special events.

[The Ro-Do-Kai/Community Martial Arts Program](#) has 84 active students. Instruction is provided by Sergeant Adam Rosenthal and Officer Rachel VanNess. The program builds relationships between the students and police officers, fostering an environment for the students to live clean, safe and healthy lives.



[The Fourth Annual Community Baseball Camp](#) was held at Pompey Park. This year, instruction for 60 participants was provided by police officers and former pro-athletes. Youth, ages 6-12, learned teamwork and sharpened their skills during the three day camp.

[The Annual Black History Essay Competition](#) was held again this year at the Delray Beach Full Service Center. School aged children from second grade through high school competed for prizes. Written essays and oral presentations were demonstrated by the students depicting their mentor who assisted with changing history in the black community.





## INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

The Investigative Division is comprised of one captain, three administrative assistants, two lieutenants, five sergeants (one assigned to the Pharmaceutical Task Force), fourteen detectives, six agents (one assigned to the Drug Enforcement Administration), five crime scene investigators, two crime analysts, and two evidence custodians.

The Investigative Division is divided into two sections: The Criminal Investigations Section and the Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Section. The primary function of the Criminal Investigations Section is to conduct follow-up investigations of reported crimes (i.e., murder, robbery, burglary, fraud, auto-theft, etc.). These investigations consist of interviewing suspects, victims and witnesses; analyzing information for validity, reliability and accuracy; and compiling a comprehensive and factual case file to be presented in court. The primary function of the Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Section is to combat the supply of drugs that continues to impact our community. This section accomplishes this by preventing, reducing, and controlling crime by decreasing the supply of drugs and by lessening the profitability of those persons supplying the drugs.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

#### Violent Crimes Unit

In August 2010, this year's most highly profiled investigation occurred involving the premature death of a young toddler. Through investigation, the detectives learned that the victim was picked up from her home, driven to the day care center and left in the day care van for over six hours. After detectives conducted multiple interviews with the driver of the van and witnesses, they developed probable cause for the driver of the van. During a meeting with the State Attorney's Office, it was decided to charge the driver of the van with Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child through Culpable Negligence. Further investigation revealed that the day care center's director checked off on administrative paperwork indicating the victim had eaten twice during the day of her death. Subsequently, the director was arrested for Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child through Culpable Negligence. The team effort put into this case by all agencies involved was outstanding.



#### Auto Theft Unit

In June 2010, unknown suspects set fire to three vehicles (two Bentley's and one Aston Martin) totaling \$300,000 in damages. Investigative leads included video surveillance and a cell phone dropped at the scene. Detectives linked one suspect, a prior disgruntled customer, with the suspect that was captured on surveillance video committing the arson. Subpoenaed phone records indicated that the arson suspect and the disgruntled customer held numerous cell phone conversations just prior to the arson. Working with our Crime Analysis Unit, investigators confirmed the identity of the suspect on his Facebook page and matched it with the video in the surveillance as well as his Florida Driver's License. The two suspects in this case were charged with Arson.



### Special Victims Unit

In March 2010, four teens skipped classes at Atlantic High School and went to an abandoned residence to play cards. Later, two men joined them and the event turned into an armed violent confrontation. Graphic sex related crimes against children, robbery, kidnapping and a host of other criminal offenses were committed. Investigative leads, numerous subpoenas, search warrants and court orders were issued which led to the arrest of two male suspects. This was a collaborative effort between the PBSO DNA Lab, the Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office. If not for the collaborative effort by the detectives and these agencies, a conclusion to this case may not have been attained.



### White Collar Unit

An investigation that included account analysis of subpoenaed bank records and interviews revealed a Ponzi-type scheme perpetrated by the defendant, who solicited approximately \$1.8 million dollars under false pretenses, failing to invest the funds as promised that were instead misappropriated for the defendant's own benefit. Ninety-one private citizens gave the defendant's realty company large sums of money, totaling \$1,832,280.96, for real estate investments. The defendant misrepresented to investors that their money was needed by the defendant's real estate clients for down payments (20% of the purchase price) to avoid paying PMI (Private Mortgage Insurance), deposit money or money towards closing costs. The defendant explained to investors that once the sale transacted, the homeowner would obtain a line of credit or second mortgage to repay the loan to the defendant's realty company. The defendant would then repay the private citizens as stipulated in the promissory notes she issued to all investors for every loan. The promissory notes all have the same format, but differ in terms relative to interest and origination/processing fees. The investigation revealed



the investor's money was never invested or repaid with funds derived from lines of credit obtained by homebuyers. The defendant paid returns to investors out of the principal received from other, different investors. The defendant was arrested and charged with Aggravated White Collar Crime, Organized Scheme to Defraud in excess of \$50,000, Grand Theft over \$100,000 (3 counts), Grand Theft more than \$20,000 less than \$100,000 (25 counts), Grand Theft more than \$300 less than \$5,000 and Money Laundering over \$100,000. The defendant is currently in the PBCJ awaiting trial.

### Crimes Against Property Unit

In October 2010, the Police Department responded to a local church in reference to a burglary. Through investigation, the church music director was developed as a suspect and subsequently interviewed by detectives. During the interview, the suspect stated, "Upon moments of weakness and depression he stole the money, approximately \$300.00" from the church. The suspect also stated that later that evening, he went into the church's office and stole an additional \$750 in cash and \$2,535 in checks from the church safe. The suspect stated he was "mortified about his actions and asked for prayer." The suspect was charged with Grand Theft.





## VICE, INTELLIGENCE AND NARCOTICS

During 2010, the Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Section investigated 44 cases that led to 86 arrests. During these investigations, agents executed six search warrants and seized \$409,948.62 U.S. currency.

During the year, the Vice, Intelligence and Narcotics Section was assigned to work three separate Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force investigations. Agents secured 21 Federal indictments and seized varying amounts of narcotics, firearms and vehicles.

- ⇒ Operation "Thundercats" involved an investigation of a multi-kilogram cocaine distribution organization that started in 2009 and concluded with three arrests and the seizure of sixteen kilograms of cocaine and \$660,000 in U.S. currency. In 2010, an additional five individuals were arrested and federally indicted, and five kilograms of cocaine and \$31,000 in U.S. currency were seized.
- ⇒ Operation "Second Chance" involved a heroin distribution organization with direct ties to Columbia. As of this date, agents have made twenty-one arrests and seized five kilograms of heroin, cocaine, and \$38,000 in U.S. currency.
- ⇒ Operation "Dirty Doves" involved a heroin distribution organization. This investigation led to the arrest of twenty individuals and the seizure of \$300,000 in U.S. currency, 24 firearms, six vehicles, one vessel, 7.5 kilograms of cocaine, 56 grams of crack cocaine and numerous other items.
- ⇒ Agents also worked directly with Immigration and Customs Enforcement regarding a human/narcotics smuggling case. This investigation resulted in the arrest of five individuals and the seizure of 740 pounds of marijuana, a 45-foot sport fishing boat, one handgun and \$45,000 in U.S. currency.



*Seized U.S.  
currency  
and drugs*





## SUPPORT BUREAU

The Support Bureau is comprised of one assistant chief, one captain, one administrative assistant, the Communications Section, Training/Recruiting Section, Police Information Specialists to include Front Desk, Records Management and Data Entry. Additionally, the Police Department's Volunteer Program, Police Information Officer/Community Affairs, Information/Technology, Accreditation and Facility Maintenance are all entities of the Support Bureau.

The year 2010 proved to be an active and successful time for the Support Bureau. The installation of new carpet and flooring and interior painting, in addition to the renovation of the break room and patio areas were completed. A computerized, energy efficient thermostat system was implemented. A new file storage system was constructed in the Police Information Services Section and records storage room. The Public Safety Software project progressed as the request for purchase for OSSI/SunGard was finalized. OSSI servers were installed and the configuration of CAD (computer aided dispatch) and RMS (records management system) was initiated.

### COMMUNITY AFFAIRS/PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

The Community Affairs/Public Information Office (PIO) facilitates all Kids and Cops activities which includes coordination of the Department's Literacy Program at all public elementary schools in Delray Beach, the Atlantic High School College Scholarship Program, the Delray Jaycees College Scholarship Program, the Annual Baseball Camp, the yearly Easter Egg Hunt, along with all of the fun, yet educational, field trips we take with local elementary and middle schools. In 2010 there were 14 separate \$500.00 scholarships awarded to Atlantic High School students. Approximately 60 youths participated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Baseball Camp. An average of 35 students participated in each Kids and Cops trip this year. The Community Affairs/Public Information Officer coordinated activities including the Annual Fishing Tournament which raised over \$12,000.00 to fund the Holiday Toy Drive. This year's Holiday Toy Drive reached approximately 2,000 children from Delray Beach and surrounding areas. The D.A.R.E. Program was taught in four public elementary schools.

The Police Information Officer responded to several major cases this year including homicides and the unfortunate death of a two year old child. In addition, the P.I.O. provided media releases for Missing/Endangered/Silver Alert cases and traffic fatality cases.



*Holiday Toy Drive*



*Baseball Camp*



## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Information Technology (I.T.) Section was heavily involved in the finalization and procurement of a contract with our new public safety software vendor, SunGard OSSI. This software will replace our current Computer Aided Dispatch, Records Management and Mobile software. The implementation process has started and we are scheduled to go live with most aspects of this software by the end of June 2011. I.T. staff also deployed 133 new laptops in the field for use by all road patrol officers. The new in-car video solution, Arbitrator, was implemented and 10 new camera systems are in use by road patrol. The I.T. Unit also implemented [www.crimereports.com](http://www.crimereports.com). This website allows citizens to check crime statistics for the city of Delray Beach.



## VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

Our volunteer group led by Volunteer Majors Martin Tencer and Bernard Zaretsky provide assistance to all facets of the Police Department, which includes our Citizens on Patrol (C.O.P.), Downtown Roving Patrols, Homeland Security, Haitian Patrol, and Parking Enforcement. In addition, Volunteer Disaster Response Team, Volunteer Support Services, Elder Affairs Group, Quartermaster Division, Volunteer Assistance Fund, Training Division and the Support Services greeting citizens as they enter our facility and assisting crime victims. This year, both Volunteer Majors participated in three statewide discussion groups which addressed the challenges of sponsoring citizen police academies on a limited budget. They also attended several community meetings assisting neighborhoods in coordinating volunteer neighborhood patrols and are working on several new communities that have shown an interest in joining our C.O.P. Program.



The Police Department hosted two Citizen Police Academies this year (one in English and one in Creole) as well as a Senior Citizen Police Academy, continuing to educate our public and create ambassadors for the Police Department.

The amount of volunteer hours dedicated to our department this year was 41,547. Sixty-five new volunteers entered our program this year, bringing our program to 368 total volunteers.



## TRAINING/RECRUITMENT UNIT

The Training/Recruitment Unit consists of one sergeant, two officers and one administrative assistant. During 2010, the employees attended over 11,867 hours of training for a total cost of \$97,728.85. Recruitment for police officers is an ongoing process for the unit. Eighteen new police officers were hired with six (33.33%) being in a minority classification. Six civilians were hired for positions throughout the agency (community service officer, evidence custodian, part-time crime scene investigator and crime analysis). The Training Unit facilitated the purchase of new Tasers for patrol officers; 115 new Tasers were issued. The Training Unit facilitated the purchase of 179 new "Generation 4" Glock pistols for the entire department. Additions to the Seacrest Training Facility continued with the installation of two driving simulators. The Seacrest Training Facility has hosted several outside training classes to include: Background Investigations, ASP Instructor, Ethics with Barry Krischer, Taser Instructor and Courtroom Testimony to name a few. Outside training and meetings for citizens are also held at this site to include Rape, Aggression, Defense classes, Rotary Club and Police Advisory Board meetings. Aside from these tasks the Training Unit is responsible for reviewing the department's General Orders and recommending changes to keep us current with case law and recommended procedural changes within the law enforcement community. Additionally, the Training Unit coordinated mandatory FDLE training and ensured that members of the agency maintained active certifications.



*Left: Sergeant Crane-Baker during a training session*



*Right: Seacrest Training Facility*

## COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

- ⇒ The Communications Center received 47,154 emergency (E911) calls and handled an additional 162,988 non-emergency lines (in and out).
- ⇒ A total of 125,646 events were entered into the Police Department's Computer Aided Dispatch system.
- ⇒ The Communications Center dispatched 86,217 calls for service.
- ⇒ Communications Specialists have complied with approximately 577 public and internal records requests of our telephone and radio recordings.



*Communications Center Personnel*





## ACCREDITATION

In fiscal year 2009-10, the Delray Beach Police Department completed its last of three re-accreditation years, had Mock and On-site Assessments, and met the requirements of its second re-accreditation to receive its recognition through the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation on October 14, 2010. This office also reviewed and revised 65 documents for electronic distribution through the PowerDMS software; and coordinated, managed, and conducted Federal and State reporting for seven department stimulus and non-stimulus grants totaling over 1.8 million dollars."



*Chief Anthony Strianese, Accreditation Manager Maria Marino-Bollan, Lieutenant Rachel Saunders, Sergeant Nicole Guerriero and Officer Stephanie Kearney accepting the Certificate of Re-Accreditation from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.*

## POLICE INFORMATION SERVICES

The Police Information Services Section includes Front Desk, Records Management and Data Entry. These units are supervised by two individuals and are responsible for filing all police reports written by officers, all collections of fees, cash seizures and fines instituted by the department, as well as validating reports on a monthly basis required by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). Scanning and storage of all files onto the network is an ongoing project. During 2010, approximately 32,096 case files, accidents, supplements and juvenile arrests were scanned into the network. This allows the department to better maintain and produce record requests to citizens and other agencies in an expeditious manner. Front Desk personnel handled 984 reports either by telephone or as a walk-in during 2010. This service allows officers to remain available for more urgent or in-progress calls for service. In compliance with FDLE guidelines, 439 reports were validated this year. We were able to find and correct 11 records, yielding an error rating of 3 percent. A total of 14,468 parking tickets were issued during 2010, payment was received on 10,409 (this may include previous years). Our collection rate for the year averaged 85 percent. Total revenue from paid parking tickets totaled \$369,761.00 during 2010. Data Entry entered 52,452 police reports this year and consolidated 11,087 names, ensuring that the proper data is available to officers/investigators within our network system.

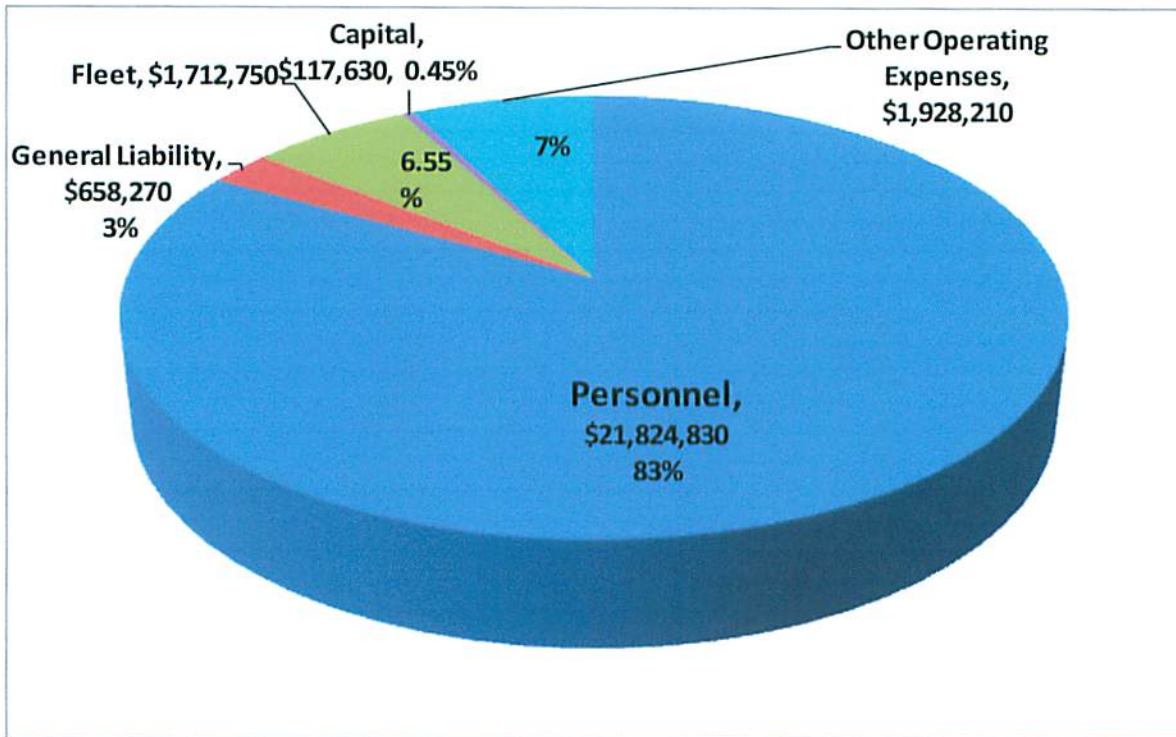
The Uniform Crime Reporting Unit reviewed 10,122 Offense/Arrest and Incident Reports ensuring that they were properly classified and reported to FDLE's Uniform Crime Reporting Committee. The unit has just completed the End of the Year Report for FDLE ensuring our compliance with their standards.

The Alarm Unit made necessary program revisions to accommodate the proposed changes to the City's Alarm Ordinance. The total amount of revenue collected from registered alarm customers in 2010 was \$13,510.00. The total number of customers on Limited Response is 176. During the year 5,563 alarm activations were received which required police response; 3,292 were for false alarms. In 2010 there were 364 alarms identified as unregistered and forwarded to the City's Finance Department for fine collection; of this, \$13,180.00 was collected.





## Delray Beach Police Department Budget Breakdown FY 2010-2011 \$26,241,690



83% - Personnel - Salary, Benefits and Overtime Costs



7% - All other expenses, such as medical, janitorial, contracts, supplies, training, uniforms, equipment, etc.



6.55% - Fleet/vehicle replacement fund, maintenance, fuel and leases



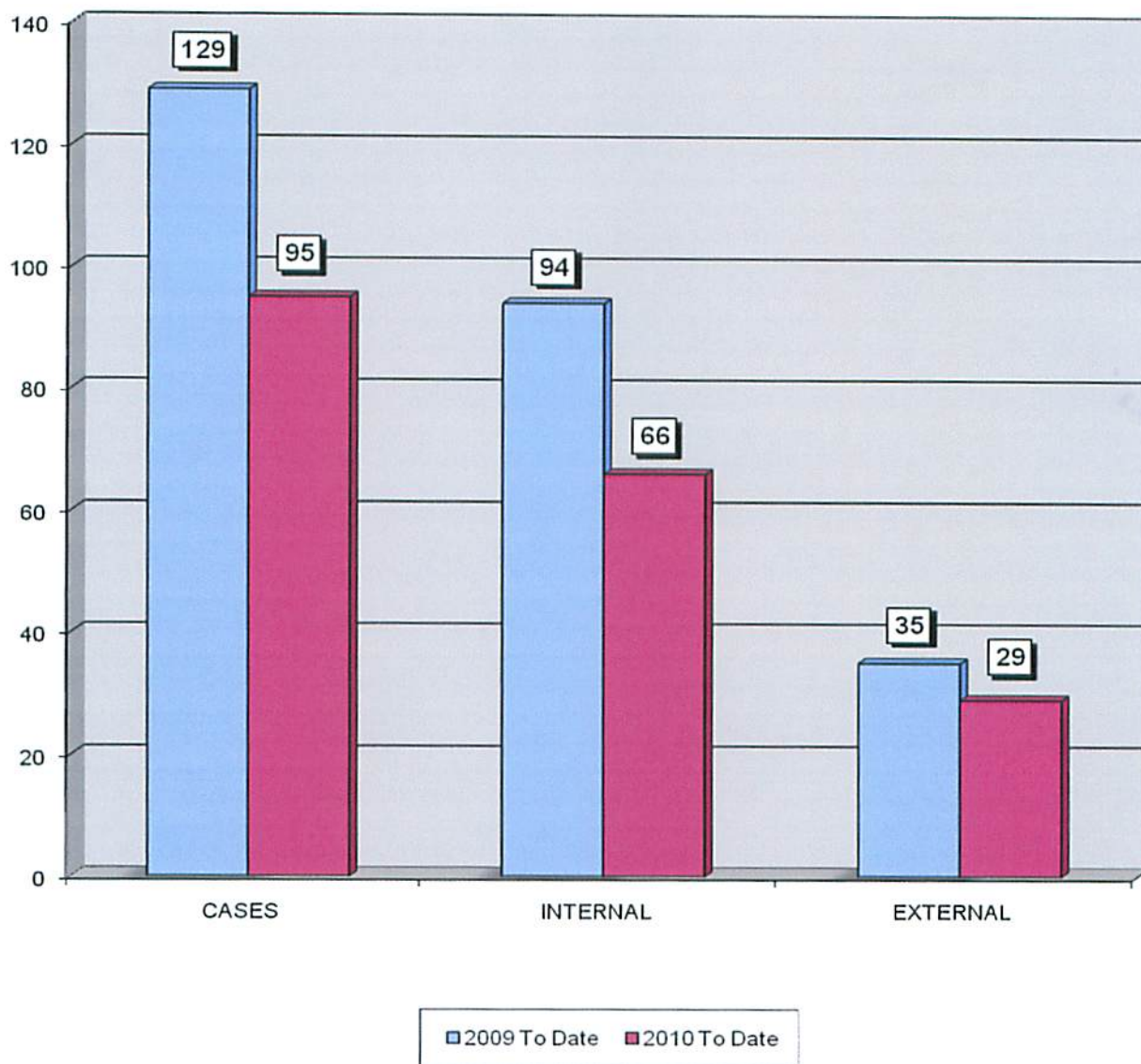
2% - General Liability - Department's share of property and liability insurance



0.45% - Capital assets valued at \$1,000 or more



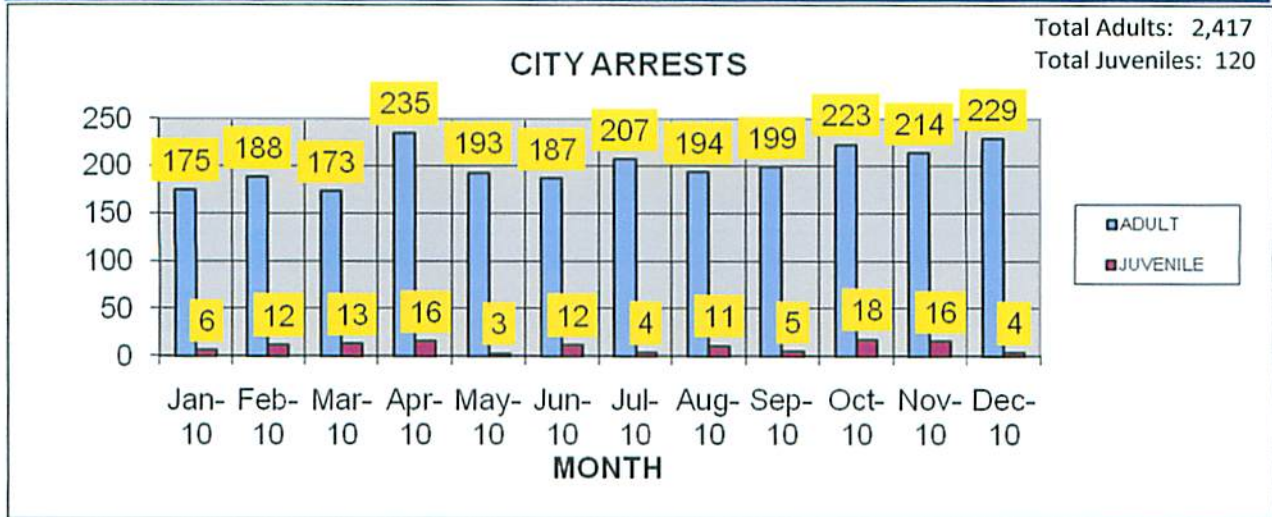
## Department Conduct Investigations 2009 & 2010 Comparison



The two year comparison shows the department internally initiated more than twice the number of investigations as external complaints filed against the department. The complaints range from minor allegations (such as Punctuality, Vehicle Crashes, Failure to Appear in Court and Duty Responsibilities) to more severe allegations (such as Excessive Force and Obedience to Laws, Regulations and Standards).



## 2010 ARREST STATISTICS



## ARREST DATA

ARREST TYPE/ YEAR	Jan-10	Feb-10	Mar-10	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Jul-10	Aug-10	Sep-10	Oct-10	Nov-10	Dec-10
ADULT	175	188	173	235	193	187	207	194	199	223	214	229
JUVENILE	6	12	13	16	3	12	4	11	5	18	16	4
ADULT:												
FELONY	50	72	53	75	62	43	68	48	58	65	60	61
MISDEMEANOR	86	80	90	106	94	89	86	96	95	94	105	115
CITY ORDINANCE	5	5	3	13	6	14	12	6	6	16	6	10
WARRANT	34	31	27	41	31	41	41	44	40	48	43	43
JUVENILE:												
FELONY	4	4	7	5	3	5	0	1	4	5	5	1
MISDEMEANOR	2	6	4	11	0	7	3	9	1	12	11	3
CITY ORDINANCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
WARRANT	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0



# DEPARTMENT AWARDS

## 2010 OFFICERS OF THE QUARTER

Sergeant Brady Myers  
Officer Kenneth Duarte  
Officer Damien Ferraiolo  
Sergeant Vincent Gray  
Officer Meer Deen  
Officer David Steed

## 2010 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE QUARTER

Crime Scene Investigator Amy Thomson  
Information Specialist Margarita Castillo  
Communications Specialist Amanda Smith  
Information Specialist Rosio Beltran

### Lifesaving Awards

Detective Michael De Bree, Officer Stephanie Kearney,  
Officer Andrew Collaretti, Officer Nicole Lucas and Officer Luis Skeberis

### Chief's Achievement Awards

Police Legal Advisor Catherine M. Kozol  
Administrative Officer Sharon L'Herrou  
Lieutenant John Battiloro and Officer James Finley  
Officers Charles Jeroloman and Gregory Wesner  
Manager Cerina Anderson and Administrative Assistant Beverly Wright  
Volunteers Martin and Elaine Tencer

### Administrative Excellence Award

Officer Adam Whiting

### Unit Citations

**(Honor Guard)** Sergeants John Crane-Baker, Russ Mager and Scott McGuire  
Officers Christine Braswell, Henry Lugo, James Fernandez, Gerardo Riccio,  
Jonathan Rusczyk, Luis Skeberis, Greg Wesner and Adam Whiting

**(Front Desk/Records)** Supervisor Dawn Delaney and Information Specialists Rosio Beltran,  
Barbara Brennen, Stacy Cordoba-Tarantino, Connie Jones, Kathleen Otting,  
Auxiliadora Perdomo, Patricia Rashkind, Tanya Sallette and Ashley Soren

**(Traffic Unit)** Sergeant Richard Jacobson and Officers Richard Bowers,  
Daniel Cramer, James Finley and Justin Reed

**(Community Response Task Force)** Lieutenant Scott Privitera, Sergeant Robert Keating,  
Officers Dave Chin, Meer Deen, Nicole Lucas, Edward McCabe, Daniela Quinn and  
Rodney Stevenson

### Community Service Award

Crime Scene Investigator Carrie Hellenbrecht





*Officers Ferraiolo & Duarte, Chief Strianese & Sgt. Myers*



*Chief Strianese, Sgt. Gray & Lt. Moschette*



*Officer Steed & Chief Strianese*



*Legal Advisor Kozol & Chief Strianese*



*Chief Strianese, CSI Hellenbrecht & Captain Sims*



*Chief Strianese & Administrative Officer L'Herrou*

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*Captain Sims & CSI Thomson*



*Chief Strianese, Specialist Castillo & Assistant Chief Milenkovic*



*Specialist Beltran & Chief Strianese*



# COMMUNITY AWARDS

**Delray Citizens for Delray Police - Officer of the Year**  
Officer Tammy Turberville

**Delray Citizens for Delray Police - Employee of the Year**  
Crime Scene Investigator David Ackerman

**City of Delray Beach SPIRIT Employee of the Year**  
Officer Stephanie Kearney

**City of Delray Beach SPIRIT Employee of the Second Quarter**  
Officer Steven Swanson

**ASIS International Chapter 254 Officer of the Year**  
**Community Policing-Public Sector Interaction**  
Sergeant Andrew Arena

**Distinguished Service Award by the Traffic Safety Committee of the Palm Beaches**  
Officer James K. Finley

**Knowledge is Power Foundation Woman of Excellence Award**  
Manager Cerina Anderson



*Chief Strianese & Officer Kearney*



*Manager Anderson*



*Officer Finley*



*Mr. Don Francisco of Delray Citizens for Delray Police & CSI Ackerman*

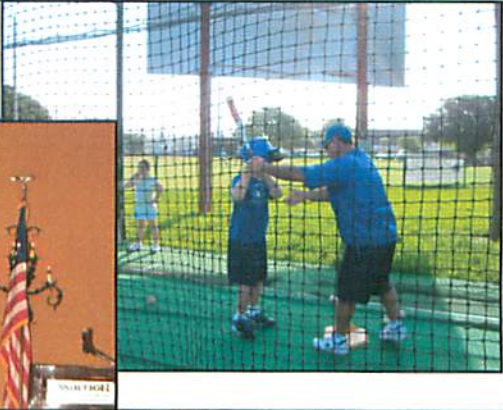


*Mr. Don Francisco & Officer Turberville*





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*Our Vision*

*Our Guiding Principles*

*Our Mission*





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For Emergencies - dial 9-1-1

Non-Emergency - 561-243-7800

Front Desk/General Information - 561-243-7888

Records Section - 561-243-7830

Training and Recruiting - 561-243-7600

Alarm Unit - 561-243-7836

Volunteer Program - 561-243-7879

### CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES

National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial: [www.nleomf.com](http://www.nleomf.com)

Florida Department of Law Enforcement: [www.fdle.state.fl.us](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us)

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles: [www.flhsmv.gov](http://www.flhsmv.gov)

U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration: [www.justice.gov/dea](http://www.justice.gov/dea)

Parents - The Anti-Drug: [www.theantidrug.com](http://www.theantidrug.com)

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### POLICE ADVISORY BOARD

The Police Advisory Board acts as an advisory body to the Chief of Police, City Manager and City Commission on policy and resource issues; serves as a conduit for the community to address their issues and community problems through a cooperative effort; reviews community needs, concerns, expectations and responses relative to police services and community policing; advises the Police Department on and provides support for communication and education between the community and the Police Department. For further information, email: [policeadvisoryboard@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:policeadvisoryboard@mydelraybeach.com).