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2016 ANNUAL REPORT





Sheriff K. P. Gibson



Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office 2016 Staff



ACADIA PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

K.P. GIBSON

Sheriff and Ex-Officio Tax Collector

I would like to thank you the citizens of Acadia Parish for allowing me to serve as your sheriff. It is an honor that I hold with the highest regard. Our team at the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office has worked hard to make the changes that you desire. We are one team with one goal and that goal is to serve you to the best of our ability.

Our focus from day one has been to increase the enforcement divisions within the department starting with patrol. Since July, we have created 12 new positions in the enforcement divisions. We have hired the majority of these deputies and we continue their training to prepare them for serving our public. Our goal is to have these new deputies ready for service during the next few months.

We have replaced an aging and costly fleet of patrol units with new units and new equipment to keep them on the road where they belong. We have addressed minimum staffing for all divisions to be accountable for your money. This has allowed us to move funding to areas of enforcement without additional cost to you, the tax payer of our parish.

We will continue to grow in an effort to provide you with professionally trained deputies who will do everything possible to serve our parish and our citizens.

The 2016 Annual Report has been formatted to provide you with information on the operations of your Sheriff's Office. A brief synopsis is provided on the functions of the various divisions / units within the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office.

If there is anything our department or I can do, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely, K.P. Gibson Sheriff, Acadia Parish

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ENFORCEMENT DIVISIONS

PATROL DIVISION

With a commitment to increase patrol services, we have added an additional 12 deputies to the patrol division at no extra cost to our citizens. Just over half of these deputies have been assigned to their duties as the remaining are in the process of completing their academy and field training program. Since July of 2016, response times to calls have been reduced from an average of 47 minutes

to an average of 28 minutes per call. This number will improve as deputies are assigned upon completion of training. Deputies responded to 13,433 calls for service, with 1,315 arrests being made by patrol deputies. Reserve deputies have volunteered 5,730 hours of service to our citizens. Patrol deputies cover over 657 square miles within Acadia Parish.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION (CID)

CID has handled 758 investigations during 2016 with 566 people arrested in connection with these investigations. CID has a clearance rate of approximately 28% which is above average for local law enforcement. Investigators also recovered \$121,901 in stolen property during the year as part of their efforts. CID is made up of 4 investigators and two clerical deputies.



The Narcotics Unit is assigned under CID. As a parish, we are seeing continual illegal usage of marijuana and cocaine, with a major increase in Methamphetamine abuse. Our deputies have worked 181 cases in 2016 with 147 arrests being made as a result of these investigations. Agents have also seized over \$10,000 in property and cash directly attributed to narcotics investigations.

911 CENTER

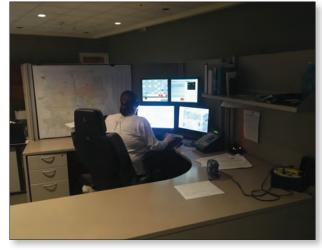
Calls received for law enforcement and fire service are received through the Acadia Parish 911 Center. This center is operated by a staff of 12 dedicated deputies who during 2016 received 49,326 calls for service within Acadia Parish. The 911 Center dispatches for 5 law enforcement agencies and 17 fire departments within the parish. During the flood of 2016, they received and dispatched over 5,000 calls in a 72 hour period.



SWAT Team Briefing



Illegal Drugs



Communications Deputy

CORRECTIONS DIVISION

JAIL

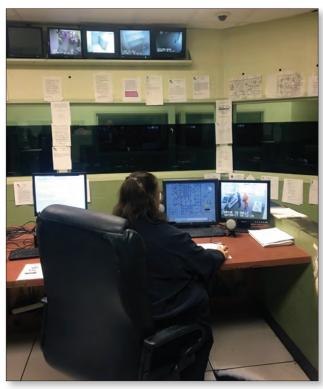
With a capacity of 190 beds, the Acadia Parish Jail remains as a focal point for operations within the department. Over 2,700 people were processed into our facility in 2016 from all agencies within the parish. The responsibilities of the jail personnel are greater than just guarding inmates. We have the responsibility to assure proper bonding requirements, prepare meals for inmates, access and provide medical needs, schedule court attendance and monitor visitation for inmates. We currently have the highest count ever of violent offenders within our facility.

TRANSPORTATION UNIT

As a division of corrections, the transportation unit is responsible for transport of inmates / arrestees to court, medical facilities including mental health facilities via Order of Protective Custody and retrieving arrestees for our parish who have been arrested in another jurisdiction. Over 1,200 inmates were transported by this unit in 2016 with 58,325 miles of travel.

SEX OFFENDERS UNIT

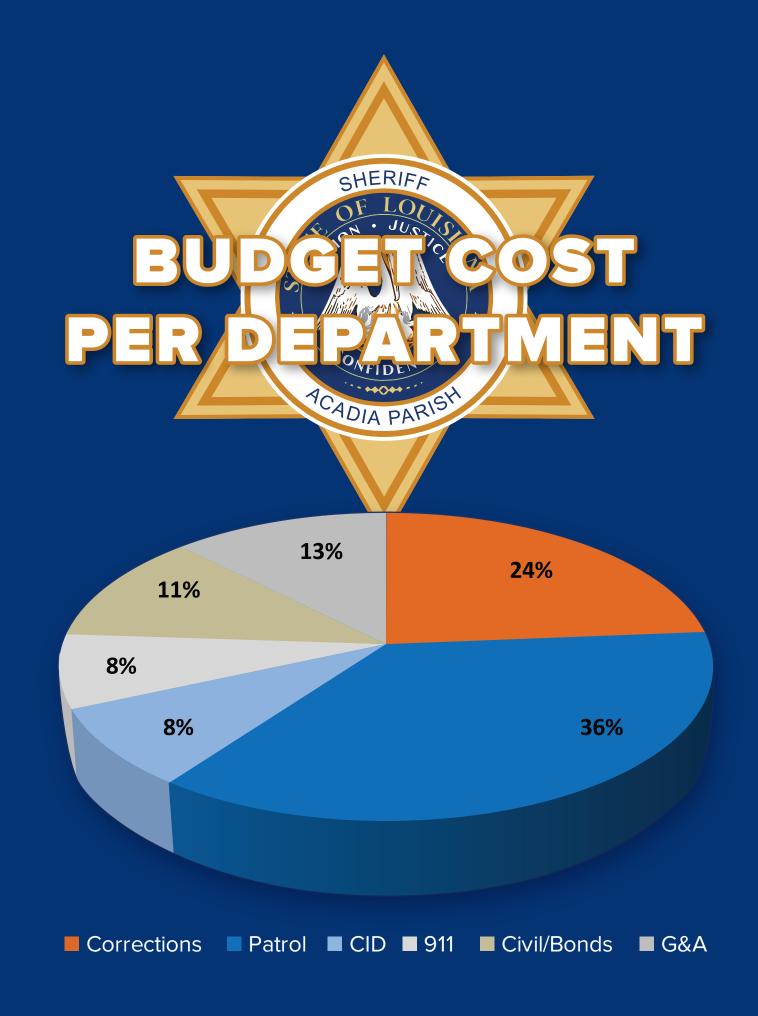
With over 230 registered sex offenders in Acadia Parish, it is our responsibility to assure that convicted sex offenders register and are in compliance with state laws. Reviews are completed on a monthly basis or according to the offender's requirements. Residents are urged to contact our office if a sex offender is believed to be in violation of their requirements. To see if an offender lives in your area, go to our website (www.apso.org) and click on the sex offender tab and follow the directions.



Jail Master Control



Sex Offender Mapping



CIVIL DIVISIONS

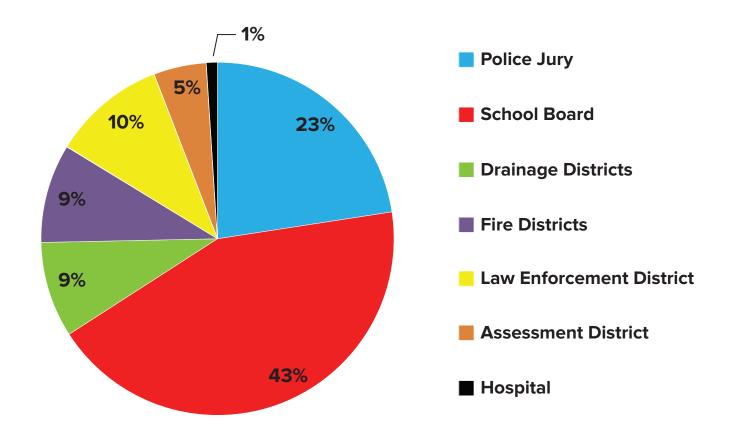
CIVIL DIVISION

This division is responsible for processing legal actions filed in the District Court, collecting garnishments and the seizure and sale of properties. Our Civil Department compiled 185 items for Sheriff's Sales with over 70 properties being sold in 2016. This office was also responsible for collecting over \$3,400,000 in debt recovery and collected garnishments in the amount of \$187.217 in 2016.

TAX COLLECTOR

Ad Valorem Property Tax collection is the responsibility of the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office each year. In 2016, \$29,067,450 was collected and disbursed according to law. This office is also responsible for calculating and disbursing state revenue sharing and the collection of Occupational License fees for the Acadia Parish Police Jury.

TAXING DISTRICTS: WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES



BONDS & WARRANTS

Over 10,000 civil and criminal subpoenas and court orders were issued to be served in 2016. We have 5 deputies assigned to process these court actions by traveling our parish to personally serve the required person. The supervisor of this division, as well as clerical deputies,

have the responsibility of processing warrants, bonds and traffic fines as well as making court appearances for processing court findings. Bailiff duties within the District Court also fall under the responsibilities of this division.

SUPPORT ______UNITS

TRAINING UNIT

Deputies with the Acadia Parish Sheriff's Office received 6,398 hours of training in 2016 as part of our commitment to having properly trained law enforcement personnel serving you. The Field Training Unit has spent 3,168 hours training deputies the proper procedure for patrol services. New trainees must complete three phases of FTO and a certified academy before being released for duty. This training alone can take up to 6 months. Starting in 2017, we have put into place a mandatory in-service training for our POST certified personnel. This 40-hour training is directed at weapons training, physical encounters / use of force, legal updates, mental health issues and more. We have extended an invitation to all local law enforcement agencies within the parish to join us at no cost for this in-service training.



Firearms Training



Investigative Training

SUPPORT UNITS

D.A.R.E. Graduation



D.A.R.E. Essay Writers



COMPLIANCE UNIT

Our number one goal is to serve our citizens in a professional and responsible manner. Our newly created Compliance Unit was created with the goal to identify productivity / service issues within the department. The duties of this unit include following up on calls for service daily, review of response times to calls, public record requests, record retention and policy review. The Compliance Unit is also responsible for community and departmental projects as well as overseeing fleet management for the department.

D.A.R.E

D.A.R.E. dates back to the early 1980's when it was created as a drug resistance program. Since then D.A.R.E. has grown into teaching anti-bullying, alcohol and tobacco resistance, dealing with peer pressure as well as continued lessons on drug resistance. Our agency teaches in 12 different schools within Acadia Parish and continues this effort to educate the youth of our parish on the dangers of addiction and of drug use.

CRIME STOPPERS

Established in 2004, Crime Stoppers of Acadia Parish serves as a tips service allowing people to report information on crimes anonymously. Callers can receive a cash reward if their information leads to the crime being solved. Since its inception, CSAP has paid out over \$50,000 in award money and has received over 10,000 calls with information. Funds to support this program are generated via state law from court cost within all Acadia Parish court systems.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



Richard Wildgame Cookout



Color Run for Cancer



Career Day



Nursing Home Visits



Boy Scouts Visit 911



9/11 Flag Donation



Donation of Surplus Vehicle to lota



Flood 2016



Hunting Guide Pamphlets and Bumper Stickers



Coffee with the Sheriff



ACT Prep



Head Start Visit



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ADMINISTRATION

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Assistant WardenMaster Control	A DIA BAR	(337) 788-8734 (337) 788-8737
	SUPPORT SERVICES	
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