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Algonquin Mountain Rescue

On Sunday, December 11, 2016, a 20-year-old male and his 19-year-old girlfriend, both of Niskayuna, NY, embarked on a hike to the summit of Algonquin Mountain in Essex County.

At the summit, the clear blue skies and unlimited visibility quickly changed as the two became enveloped in a snowy fog. Unable to see, they attempted to descend the mountain but became disoriented and left the marked trail. Within minutes, they fell approximately 100' down the back side of the mountain and landed on top of a group of snow covered evergreen trees. Unable to make their way back to the trail, they built a make-shift shelter and waited to be rescued.

NYS Forest Rangers and New York State Police Troop B personnel began search efforts Sunday evening and continued searching Monday.



By Tuesday morning, repeated attempts by State Police Aviation to aid in the search were grounded by high winds and low clouds. Despite the more than challenging conditions, Technical Lieutenant Peter R. McLain and Technical Sergeant Brian D. Rumrill were able to pilot the Division Helicopter to the location of the missing hikers. The couple called out to attract the attention of the aircrew and were heard by Forest Rangers on the ground.

For the next two hours, the crew made more than a dozen attempts to position the aircraft for a hoist rescue. Each time, the cloud cover forced them to retreat. The crew landed to refuel and coordinated their next move with the rescuers on the mountain. Seeing a break in the clouds approaching, T/Lieutenant McLain and T/Sergeant Rumrill took off. With only a 45 to 60 second window, they successfully positioned the helicopter overhead, as DEC Forest Ranger Ian Kerr lowered the hoist cable. Both victims were successfully hoisted into the helicopter and flown directly to the Adirondack Medical Center in Saranac Lake, NY.

After both victims were flown to AMC, the pilots learned of two DEC Rangers who were stranded on the mountain. The Huey located the Rangers and hoisted them to safety as well. They indicated that they were in a very precarious situation and sincerely appreciated not having to spend another night out in the wilderness.



T/Lieutenant Peter R. McLain, Superintendent George P. Beach II, T/Sergeant Brian D. Rumrill

Piloting a helicopter through a hole in the clouds in mountainous terrain is a feat that few pilots could accomplish, let alone even attempt. The success of this mission undoubtedly saved two lives, if not four, and is a testament to the skill of the pilots.

New York State Police Wall of Honor

PAUL R. STUEWER - October 5, 2016

On October 5th, 2016, Investigator Paul R. Stuewer died from cancer stemming from his assignment to the World Trade Center site, following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. In response to the events of 9/11, Investigator Stuewer was assigned to aid with the search and recovery efforts in New York City, as part of the New York State Police Detail. He entered the State Police on September 26, 1990 and served the Division for 26 years. He was last assigned to the Drug Enforcement Task Force in New York City and resided in Poughkeepsie, New York. He is survived by his wife, their children and his parents.



TIMOTHY P. PRATT - October 26, 2016

On October 26th, 2016, at approximately 6:25 am, Trooper Timothy P. Pratt was on-duty and observed a tractor trailer stopped with its four way flashers activated in the median on Ballard Road, Town of Wilton, Saratoga County. Trooper Pratt, a member of the New York State Police Traffic Incident Management Unit, exited his patrol vehicle and approached the tractor trailer. After determining from the operator that he had missed his intended turn, Trooper Pratt assisted the tractor trailer driver with getting safely turned around. As Trooper Pratt was returning to his patrol vehicle, he was struck in the eastbound lane by an eastbound vehicle. Trooper Pratt sustained massive bodily trauma and first aid was initiated at the scene by other members of the New York State Police and Wilton Emergency Squad. Trooper Pratt was initially transported by Wilton EMS to Saratoga Hospital and then flown by the NYSP Aviation Unit to Albany Medical Center, where he ultimately succumbed to his injuries.



BASIC SCHOOL GRADUATION



The New York State Police welcomed 226 new members of the State Police in 2016. Graduation was held for the 204th Session of the Basic School of the New York State Police Academy on October 13, 2016.

The Basic School for New York State Troopers consists of 26 weeks of training. It is one of the most comprehensive law enforcement recruit training programs in the country and is designed to provide newly appointed troopers with the academic foundation, physical fitness and technical skills necessary to perform their complex, varied police duties with professionalism and excellence.

Basic School training is residential; recruits are required to live at the Academy. Class sizes have ranged from 50 to more than 200 recruits, depending upon departmental needs and budgetary considerations. Each student's commitment is constantly tested by the school's demanding and rigorous college-level program.

To graduate a recruit must successfully complete 1,095 hours of training provided by certified law enforcement professionals and members of the New York State Police.

SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE P. BEACH II

George P. Beach II became the 15th Superintendent of the New York State Police on June 9, 2016.

Since 2013, Superintendent Beach served in the State Police as a Lieutenant Colonel, where he supervised, managed and led a uniformed force of 3,200. In this senior role, Superintendent Beach was an executive committee member of the policy development team and a technology working group co-chair. Superintendent Beach also worked closely with the superintendent of State Police and state government officials to coordinate resources, exchange information and manage statewide emergency response efforts.

Previously, Superintendent Beach worked as staff inspector for the New York State Police. From 2007 – 2013, Superintendent Beach managed internal affairs and audits for 1,000 sworn members and civilian staff of the State Police, and served as the reviewing official on evaluations and integrity issues. Superintendent Beach also approved disciplinary actions and provided administrative and budgetary leadership on more than 200 personnel and criminal complaints per year.



Throughout his career, Superintendent Beach has served in a number of roles for the New York State Police, including as commander of Troop T for the New York State Thruway and canal systems. Prior to that, Superintendent Beach was a Captain in both Troop D and Troop F, overseeing 100 sworn members and providing police services to a diverse group of communities in a three-county area running from Kingston to North Syracuse. Superintendent Beach was also a Sergeant, and later Lieutenant, with Troop F from 1987 – 1997.

Superintendent Beach began his career as a firefighter in Irvington, New Jersey at the Municipal Fire Department. He graduated from the New York State Police Academy in 1983 and the FBI National Academy in 1992. Superintendent Beach is a graduate of the University of Idaho and holds a master's degree in Criminal Justice Administration from the State University at Albany New York.

Academy

The New York State Police has a long tradition of providing outstanding training to men and women in the law enforcement profession. The Academy services approximately 14,000 persons a year. While many of these are troopers, including recruits learning the basics and veteran sworn members receiving specialized in-service training, several thousand others come from the criminal justice community. In addition to training State Police personnel, the Academy provides instruction in areas of criminal investigation, forensics and other topical issues to members of other police departments and outside agencies who routinely look to the State Police for assistance.

In 2016, the Academy's main lecture hall went through a complete remodel.

In 2016, the Academy hosted annual training programs including the Henry Williams Homicide Seminar and the Child Abuse and Neglect Seminar.

The Academy hosted the following specialty and in-service training programs in 2016: Leadership Schools for Non Commissioned Officers and Commissioned Officers, Contaminated Crime Scene Schools, Cultural Diversity Training, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis Training, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, Breath Test Operator and Collision Reconstruction.



The New York State Welfare Fraud Training Institute provided training for 120 welfare fraud investigators from across New York, including New York City.

In the fall of 2016, the Academy Firearms Unit facilitated the deployment of 400 more patrol rifles to the field, for a total of 930 rifles deployed. Approximately 70 new members were patrol rifle trained for an approximate total of 600 trained members statewide.

The Academy EMS Unit trained and certified 20 SP Members as Emergency Medical Technicians and another 20 as Advanced EMTs.

Members of the Defensive Tactics Program conducted a Defensive Tactics Instructor Development School. This 96 hour school certified 22 members as New York State Police Defensive Tactics Instructors and Taser Instructors.

The NYSP Field Training Evaluation Program (FTEP) conducted Basic Field Training Officer (FTO) schools in March and October of 2016. More than 90 new FTOs were trained in these schools to join the over 500 FTOs currently in the field statewide.

The BCI Training Unit conducted an NYSP Basic Crisis Negotiator Course to 30 NYSP Members and six members of outside LEA's.

A week long, Narcotic Undercover Operations School was held at SP Latham in April 2016. Thirty-two NYSP Members were trained in the basic skills to conduct undercover operations and investigations.

The BCI Training Unit facilitated two, one day training seminars on Mental Health First Aid presented by the Mental Health Association of NYS at the Academy. Forty-one attendees received training in a five-step action plan to help an individual in crisis receive with the appropriate professional, peer and self-help care.

Aviation Unit

Flights Conducted	2,194
Assists to Law Enforcement	547
Emergency Medical Evacuations	107

The New York State Police Aviation Unit

consists of four stations with the headquarters located in Albany. The other stations are located at Adirondack Regional Airport (Saranac Lake), Stewart International Airport (Newburgh) and Greater Rochester International Airport.

On March 8, 2016, SP Aviation- Albany responded to a vehicle pursuit in the Town of Colonie. The pursuit continued on foot into a high grassy area. A perimeter was established by ground units, while the helicopter hovered low over the area to displace the grass in order to see all the way to the ground. The subject was located lying in a prone position just outside of the perimeter. Aircrew contacted ground units and continued surveillance on the subject, directing ground units to his exact location in order to be taken into custody.

In March 2016, SP Aviation- Saranac Lake conducted two hoist rescues and four located subjects, all of whom would have surely perished due to exposure.

On March 11, 2016, SP Aviation- Albany responded to a foot pursuit of a parole violator and drug dealer. The helicopter surveillance of the area kept the subject pinned down until a State Police K9 could locate him hiding under an oil tank behind a trailer. The pressure from the helicopter gave the K9 time to reacquire the scent that he lost several times due to crossing pavement. The suspect was taken into custody without further incident.

During the week of April 24, 2016, numerous fire-fighting operations were conducted by SP Aviation- Albany, Rochester and Stewart. Hundreds of water buckets were dropped on the over 500 acre fire in Ellenville, NY. On Wednesday, April 27, SP Aviation- Albany and Rochester extracted a volunteer fire fighter from the midst of the fire with extreme dehydration and heat exhaustion. The firefighter was transported and then taken by ground ambulance to a nearby hospital for treatment.



On November 15, 2016, SP Aviation – Saranac Lake, NYS DEC Ranger and SORT departed Saranac Lake Airport for St. Regis Mountain to search for a lost hiker. The hiker was located by the aircrew and SORT was hoisted down and extracted the hiker from his location without serious injury.

Bomb Disposal Unit

Total Incidents Handled

361

The Division Bomb Disposal Unit has 10 members and is responsible for a majority of the upstate area, responding to calls for improvised explosive devices, recovered military ordnance, commercial explosives and fireworks.

The Bomb Disposal Unit currently maintains four facilities located in Albany, Newburgh, Watertown and Batavia. Each facility is equipped with disposal equipment such as disposal trailers, robots and hazardous materials suits. Each bomb technician carries critical first responder equipment with them including X-ray and bomb suits.

Division Bomb Technicians handled 361 incidents during 2016. These calls included 21 commercial explosive recovery and destructions, 33 military ordnance destructions, and 47 recovered fireworks/ destructions totaling thousands of pounds of illegal fireworks destroyed by BDU technicians. The unit also responded to four homemade improvised explosive device calls.

In April 2016, the Bomb Disposal Unit assisted the United States Secret Service with security and bomb sweeps at numerous locations throughout the state for presidential candidate rallies.



BDU member operates robot.

In April 2016, the Bomb Disposal Unit was assigned to assist the Massachusetts State Police with security at the Boston Marathon. NYSP sent bomb technicians with their explosive detection canines to the event.

In May 2016, the Bomb Disposal Unit assisted the Oneida County Sheriff's Department with a bombing at a private residence. The victim picked up a package left at the end of the driveway. As he lifted the package, it exploded and seriously injured him. An investigation showed the victim had threatened to have an Ohio woman arrested for stealing money from his mother. The woman's brother-in-law constructed a bomb containing black powder and gasoline, drove to New York, and placed the device on the victim's property. Three Ohio residents were arrested for the crime and all three plead guilty.



In July 2016, the Bomb Disposal Unit assisted Troop B personnel with the Ironman Triathlon Competition in Lake Placid. This was an international competition involving over 2,000 world class athletes on a 140 mile course spanning 17 hours.

In July 2016, The Bomb Disposal Unit was requested to assist the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at a superfund site. The EPA had discovered cylinders buried underground that they believed contained rocket fuel from decades ago. Bomb Technicians successfully countercharged the items, destroying the contents.

Canine Unit

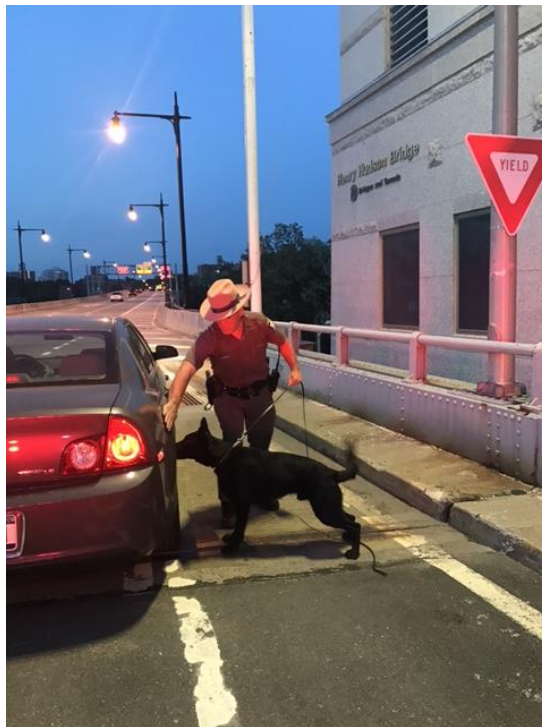
The New York State Police Canine Unit was first organized in 1975 when the Division sent its first three members to the City of Baltimore, Maryland. These three initial canine teams were specifically trained in explosive detection in preparation for the 1976 and 1980 Olympics. All canines are donated through the generosity of breeders, private individuals, and humane societies. State Police canines are named after deceased members killed in the line of duty.

The current strength of the State Police Canine Unit is 103 teams. Of these teams, 99 are full service dogs (patrol trained) with a detection specialty. The remaining four are bloodhounds. There are 61 narcotic detection teams, 26 narcotic teams cross trained for cadaver detection, 38 explosive detection teams and four bloodhound teams. In 2016, the members of the Division Canine Unit responded to 10,618 calls for service.

On January 25, 2016, Trooper Eric Knapp and K-9 Scotty assisted CNET Central and the US Postal Inspector by conducting a canine narcotics sniff of a suspicious package. Scotty alerted to the package and a search warrant was obtained. Inside was \$20,000 of suspected illegal narcotics proceeds wrapped in carbon paper, contained in plastic vacuum sealed packaging, within a metal lock box.

On May 29, 2016, a Correction Officer in Oneida County opened an explosive package sent to his home and was seriously injured. As part of the Oneida County Sheriff's investigation, our canine unit assisted in locating any additional evidence. Troopers Tom Smoulcey, Jeff Kissock and Kylie Black responded with their canine partners. While Trooper Black was working in an area across the street from the explosion, K-9 Rudd alerted approximately 50 feet from the blast location. A small piece of wiring was discovered, which appeared to be part of the explosive device. After three days and heavy rains, Rudd was able to locate a very small piece of important evidence in thick vegetation.

On July 26, 2016, Trooper Eric Buchinsky and K9 Cahill assisted the Columbia County Sheriff's Office and SP Livingston BCI with a search warrant in the Town of Kinderhook. Cahill quickly alerted on a freezer and return vent in the kitchen. A hand search revealed a quantity of LSD ice pops in the freezer. A hand search of the vent revealed a quantity of heroin, cocaine, Xanax, Adderal and a small amount of marihuana in the elbow of the same vent pipe.



Trooper Jason Cole and canine Nate, working at John F. Kennedy International Airport

The Contaminated Crime Scene Emergency Response Team's (CCSERT) four regional teams provide state-level response to actual, suspected or perceived crime scenes in which chemical, biological, explosive, radiological, or nuclear contamination or components may be present. 120 members are all certified Hazardous Material Technicians that can provide emergency response capability to support law enforcement agencies when responding to contaminated crime scenes or hazardous conditions.

The first documented clandestine drug lab involving methamphetamine in New York State was in 1999. During that year, there were a total of four clandestine/drug labs discovered, three of which involved the manufacturing of methamphetamine. The number of clandestine labs/incidents in New York State has continued to increase with the Contaminated Crime Scene Emergency Response Team (CCSERT) handling 429 clandestine labs during 2016.

On January 20, 2016, the CCSERT South team was requested by the New Jersey Field Division of the Drug Enforcement Agency to assist in mitigating a possible Fentanyl lab located in Flushing, Queens. With the New York City Fire Department on scene to provide decontamination, CCSERT members and DEA chemists entered the residence to conduct a search. Numerous items of evidence were secured, including a pill press that tested positive for Fentanyl.



Members of CCSERT South team mitigating a Fentanyl lab in the city of Queens.

On September 2, 2016, the CCSERT Central Team investigated a fatal fire in the village of Homer caused by the explosion of a one pot meth lab. The three story building, which housed a law office, hair salon and apartments, was destroyed. The defendant, on parole for meth manufacturing, was making meth when the one pot exploded. The defendant went to the hospital and said he was burned trying to extinguish a couch fire. During the investigation, the remains of a one pot was found, with skin from the defendant still attached. The defendant was charged with manslaughter 2nd degree and manufacture of methamphetamine 3rd degree.

Computer Crime Unit – Computer Forensic Laboratory (CFL)

The Computer Forensic Laboratory (CFL) is a full service laboratory dedicated to the collection, preservation and analysis of computers and various other digital devices. The CFL provides every law enforcement agency in New York State with state of the art digital forensic capabilities. In 2016, the total amount of evidentiary data analyzed increased by 11% and the total number of cases closed was up 22% as compared to 2015 statistics.

In 2016, the CFL continued to be a national leader in the microchip forensics field by adding In System Programming to its capabilities. Microchip forensics has allowed the CFL to gather valuable evidence from otherwise compromised mobile devices, and accomplish the analysis faster when compared to older methods.

In 2016, the CFL continued to adapt to the ever changing forensic landscape by adding the motor vehicle forensic capability to its arsenal. The ability to communicate with a vehicle, determine locations the vehicle has been, and identify vehicle occupants have proven to be crucial to Homicide and Narcotics Trafficking.

Computer Crime Unit – Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)

The New York State Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (NYS ICAC) is one of 61 ICAC Task Forces nationwide, established to develop and implement effective response strategies to technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation, cyber enticement and internet crimes against children.

The NYS ICAC Task Force was established in 1998 with 38 affiliate agencies representing federal, county, and local law enforcement. Task Force members conduct criminal investigations based on reports from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), public complaints, undercover investigations, and attend community education and public outreach events.

On May 24, 2016, Google reported seven separate reports of possible Possession of an Obscene Sexual Performance by a Child. A background investigation conducted by ICAC Investigators identified a target residence in the Town of Carthage, NY. A search warrant was executed and over 100 images consistent with child pornography were seized. The suspect was interviewed, admitted to trading child pornography and was charged with one count of Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child and one count of Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child.

On September 16, 2016, Chatstep reported possible Possession of an Obscene Sexual Performance of a Child by a suspect. One image of child pornography was reported and an initial investigation by ICAC Investigators identified the target address in Leyden, NY. A search warrant was executed, seizing of hundreds of child pornography images. An interview of the suspect revealed, in addition to trading child pornography, he had been sexually abusing a six-year-old child. The suspect was arrested and charged with Course of Sexual Conduct against a Child in the second degree, Endangering the Welfare of a Child, Promoting Sexual Performance of a Child and Possession of a Sexual Performance of a Child.

Cybertips®	2,778
Cases	1,903
Subpoenas	366
Arrests	81
Nationally Registered ISP	1,348

On September 16, 2016, Google reported possible Possession of an Obscene Sexual Performance of a Child by a suspect. One image of child pornography was reported and ICAC Investigators identified the target address in Chateaugay, NY. A search warrant was executed and the suspect admitted to his role in sharing child pornography. The interview revealed the suspect had secretly recorded a 13-year-old victim using the bathroom in various stages of undress. The suspect was arrested for Possession of a Sexual Performance by a Child, Promotion of a Sexual Performance by a Child, Unlawful Surveillance and Endangering the Welfare of a Child.

On October 5, 2016, Google reported possible Possession of an Obscene Sexual Performance of a Child by a suspect. ICAC Investigators conducted an initial investigation and identified the target address in Whitesboro, NY. A search warrant was executed seizing additional images of child pornography and electronic devices. The suspect, a Level 3 registered sexual offender who was recently released from prison, was arrested for three counts of Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child.

Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit (CSAVU)

The New York State Police Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit was created in 2015 from the Enough is Enough legislation. The mission of CSAVU is to reduce the incidence and facilitate the reporting of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking on college and university campuses, through a prevention education campaign, a response training program, and by providing support and assistance to students, faculty and staff, university police, campus safety, local law enforcement, and victim advocates. CSAVU members act as a liaison between the New York State Police and college and university communities in New York State. The unit consists of administrative and support staff located in Albany, and 11 Senior Investigators regionally located throughout New York State.

Since its inception, the Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit has visited almost every college and university campus in New York State, conducted more than 235 educational presentations, and participated in nearly 90 training events. In 2016, the unit had also investigated or assisted in the investigations of over 75 college sexual assault cases, resulting in 17 arrests.



Members of the Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit.

The Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit has held regional training conferences in Syracuse, Schenectady and Buffalo, as well as a week-long training conference in Albany. Additional trainings are scheduled for 2017, including law enforcement specific trainings and multi-day summer events for college and university staff, campus and local police, victim advocates and other stakeholders.

In April 2016, members of the CSAVU responded to a report of a sexual assault involving a college student leaving campus to travel home during a school break. CSAVU handled the investigation culminating in the arrest of a fellow student for Sexual Abuse in the first degree for forcibly subjecting the victim to sexual contact.

In October 2016, CSAVU responded to a reported rape of a student on a campus. The victim was reluctant to involve law enforcement, but was encouraged to contact the regional CSAVU member by a victim advocate and a medical professional. The encouragement was a consequence of the significant relationships built by members of the unit. CSAVU coordinated the investigation, identified the perpetrator, obtained a confession, and arrested him for Rape in the first degree and Criminal Sexual Act in the first degree.

Forensic Investigation Support Services (FISS)

The Forensic Investigation Support Services (FISS) consists of four units of expertise; the Special Victims Unit (SVU); the New York State Violent Crime Analysis Program (NYS ViCAP); the Medico-Legal Investigations Unit (MIU); and the Cold Case Unit. FISS members provide investigative support, training, and resources to law enforcement and social service agencies toward the prevention, investigation and prosecution of crimes against children, sexual offenses, domestic violence, homicide and other violent crimes. FISS staff consists of a Senior Investigator, five Investigators, a Program Research Specialist II, a Forensic Doctor (DDS) and a Cold Case Consultant.

Staff from the SVU conduct statewide law enforcement training at the New York State Police Academy and at local LE academies. SVU also hosts annual training seminars for law enforcement and social service agencies from across the state, as well as from around the world. SVU plans and administers the Division's annual Crimes Against Children Seminar (CAC) and the Colonel Henry F. Williams Homicide Seminar (HFW). The HFW Seminar attracted 240 representatives from over 90 agencies across the United States, Canada, Estonia, Germany, Latvia and Lithuania in 2016.

Staff from the SVU also manage New York State's AMBER Alert Program and have the responsibility of activating the system in child abduction cases that meet strict activation criteria. Since the program's inception in 2002, there were 72 AMBER alert activations involving 88 children. In 2016, there were five AMBER Alert activations issued, and 51 additional requests that either did not meet the criteria and/or the child was found before the activation.

On August 26, 2016, the Pennsylvania State Police requested a NYS Amber Alert activation for a three-year-old child who was taken by her father under circumstances that placed the child's life in imminent danger. The father was headed to New York City with the child. A NYS Amber Alert was activated and the child was safely recovered as a direct result of the alert.

Staff from the SVU also manage the intake, analysis, and dissemination of statewide child abuse hotline reports involving law enforcement only cases (Law Enforcement Referrals – "LERs"). In 2016, there were 6,281 LER's, with 1,262 of those matching prior history ("hits"). The "hit" information is intelligence that was disseminated to law enforcement.

The Medico-Legal Investigations Unit (MIU) supports field investigations by supplying forensic expertise to law enforcement agencies investigating homicides, suspicious deaths, skeletal remains, and assaults. The unit has a significant training role during the annual HFW Seminar. Presenters at the seminar include unit personnel and their professional colleagues from across the United States who share their expertise and significant case studies.

A Consultant (Retired NYSP Senior Investigator) staffs the Cold Case Unit and is dedicated to thoroughly reviewing unsolved violent felony cases in an effort: to identify evidence that may have probative value being analyzed with the latest forensic technologies; to identify leads that may require further investigation; and to develop case data profiles for comparison to other cases. In 2016, nine cold cases were extensively reviewed with case recommendations provided to the requesting Troop.

The NYS ViCAP Unit serves as a liaison for all New York State law enforcement agencies. ViCAP uses multiple search methods to look for case similarities and comparisons to provide previous undetected links between cases. In 2016, 242 cases involving sexual assault, homicide, abduction, unidentified and missing persons were entered and analyzed for comparison in ViCAP.

CNET

The New York State Police has five regional Community Narcotics Enforcement Teams (CNET) deployed across the state to help local police with areas impacted by drug trafficking and related street crimes.

Arrests	821
Undercover Purchases	879
Guns Seized	237
Vehicles Seized	34
Currency Seized	\$1,434,879

In October 2016, members of CNET Western, acting on information from a Troop E traffic stop, executed several search warrants related to possible marihuana trafficking in the Webster, NY area. CNET made one arrest and seized approximately 54 pounds of marihuana, unregistered handguns and approximately \$58,000.

In June 2016, CNET Central partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Oneida County Sheriff's Department to investigate a cocaine trafficking organization in Utica, NY. The investigation identified co-conspirators in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Texas who were transporting the cocaine to the Utica area for distribution. In September 2016, search warrants were executed which resulted in the seizure of 10 kilos of cocaine, over \$70,000 cash and the arrest of nine defendants on federal drug trafficking charges.

In late 2015, CNET Capital and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) conducted an investigation into a heroin distribution case that caused the September 2014 death of a 19-year-old female in the city of Schenectady, NY. A suspect was overheard speaking about the death of the teen, initially investigated as an unattended death. Investigators from CNET Capital contacted the FBI and the United States Attorney's Office in an effort to seek federal prosecution if the sale could be proven. In January 2016, the suspect was interviewed by the FBI and admitted to providing heroin to the teen that ultimately caused her death. On June 29, 2016, CNET Capital assisted the FBI SWAT Team with an arrest warrant for the suspect in the city of Albany, NY. He was ultimately charged with possession of a controlled substance, heroin, with intent to distribute, which carries a 10 year minimum in Federal Prison. This suspect also had an extensive criminal record and is a high ranking Bloods gang member; as a result he is facing a 20-year federal minimum sentence.

In August 2015, CNET Campbell Hall received information regarding the distribution of heroin in the city of Newburgh. An investigation commenced involving multiple undercover heroin buys from the main source, or one of his 20 co-conspirators. The heroin being distributed was found to be laced with Fentanyl. On April 11, 2016, as a result of the undercover purchases and working in conjunction with the city of Newburgh Police Department, probable cause was developed to initiate an investigation with the Orange County District Attorney's Office. This led to the identification of the 20 co-conspirators, as well as two of the main sources of supply located in Bronx, NY and Paterson, NJ. On June 7, 2016, CNET Campbell Hall, along with federal and local law enforcement agencies, executed six search warrants and arrested the main source of supply from Newburgh and 20 of his co-conspirators. The arrests led to seizures of heroin, vehicles and US currency.

In May 2016, CNET Southern Tier, working in conjunction with members of the Drug Enforcement Agency and local law enforcement agencies, initiated an investigation into the distribution of heroin in the Chemung County area. The investigation revealed that Fentanyl was being added to the heroin. As least three known customers of the organization died after overdosing from this heroin. The six month investigation resulted in the arrest of eight subjects on federal charges of intent to distribute and firearms possession.

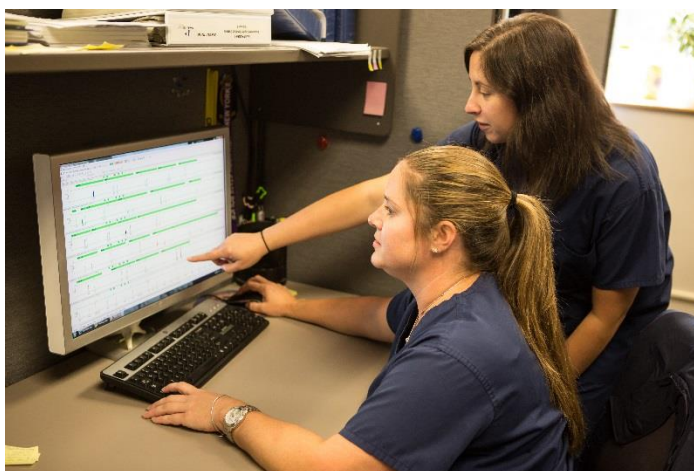
Crime Lab

The NYSP's Crime Laboratory System (CLS) provides statewide support to all state criminal justice agencies with state-of-the-art forensic analytical and

investigative capabilities and expert testimony related to the investigation and resolution of criminal matters. The System has four laboratories located across the state. Together the laboratories provide forensic analysis in Biological Sciences (Serology and DNA identity testing), Drug Chemistry, Latent Fingerprint Identification, Firearms Identification, Trace Evidence and Toxicology. The laboratory system operation is supported by personnel in Evidence Receiving, Quality Assurance and Facilities Management.

Forensic Investigation Center Cases	6,660
Mid-Hudson Regional Lab Cases	3,266
Southern Tier Regional Lab Cases	1,341
Western Regional Lab Cases	1,046

In early winter of 2015, State Police divers recovered the body of a missing 21-year-old woman stuffed in a suitcase and submerged in the Hudson River in downtown Albany. Video surveillance of a riverfront area in Troy showed an unidentified man dragging a large suitcase down to the river several weeks prior. Examining evidence recovered from the suitcase, a forensic scientist quickly issued two serology reports, including analyses on 76 items. Another forensic scientist analyzed 38 items and recovered an unknown male DNA profile from the victim's body, even after being underwater for over a month. The unknown DNA sample was entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS), resulting in a match to the victim's step-father, a registered sex offender. Scientists were able to report DNA matches between the suspect and 13 separate DNA profiles recovered from evidence on the victim's body. Aided by the determined search efforts of SP divers and modern scientific support from FIC staff, prosecutors charged the subject with murder, strangulation, and concealment of a human corpse.



Forensic Scientist III Allison P. Sage (sitting) and Forensic Scientist III Michelle A. Adams (standing) examine DNA profiles generated from convicted offender samples for quality and acceptability.

The NY State Police Mid-Hudson Satellite Crime Laboratory assisted a regional drug task force in their work to take down of heroin distribution ring in the city of Newburgh. One analyst performed work on 28 controlled substance cases that occurred over an eight month period. Juries found three guilty that included the leader of the heroin distribution ring, a delivery man who brought drugs to the area and the owner of an area business. The three men received close to 20 years of jail time and extensive probation periods following.

In July of 2016, a powerboat on Lake George drove over another boat and left the scene. An eight-year-old girl was killed and her mother injured. The family was on vacation from California. Toxicology testing was conducted as part of this investigation. The defendant has been indicted on various charges including vehicular manslaughter and boating while ability impaired by alcohol and drugs.

NYSIC

The New York State Intelligence Center (NYSIC), is the officially designated

fusion center for New York State. Since its opening in 2003, the New York State Intelligence Center has promoted timely and accurate information exchange among New York law enforcement agencies at the local, state, and federal level.

Requests for Investigative Assistance	10,095
Intelligence Bulletins Disseminated	467

The NYSIC, a multi-agency, all-crimes fusion center identifies, prevents, and protects New York against emerging domestic and international terrorist and criminal threats through information collection, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence. The NYSIC provides investigative and analytic resources, subject matter expertise, and information in an effort to detect, prevent and respond to both criminal and terrorist activity.

The NYSIC is comprised of two separate sections, the Counter Terrorism Center and Criminal Intelligence Section, that work together seamlessly to support the NYSIC Mission.

In April 2016, NYSIC expanded its Field Intelligence Officer program with the addition of crucial partners, Jail Intelligence Officers, following an intensive three-day intelligence conference. The NYSIC now has the capability to efficiently and effectively share valuable intelligence with all county, state and federal correctional facilities within NY.

In May 2016, NYSIC's Gang Intelligence Unit provided investigative assistance to the FBI Safe Streets Task Force using facial recognition technology. A possible match was identified, and the subsequent investigation developed corroborating evidence leading to the positive identification and arrest of an illegal firearms trafficker.

In May 2016 the NYSIC Mobile Intelligence Team, while providing on-site investigative support to a CNET investigation, utilized multiple databases and investigative resources to accurately locate and arrest one of their targets who had left the state and was misleading investigators as to their whereabouts.

In August 2016, the NYSIC Counter Terrorism Intelligence Unit (CTIU) – South assisted the NYSP Special Victims Unit with an investigation into the abduction of a three-year-old child. The Investigator, assigned to the NYSP-NYPD-Counterterrorism Division Interagency Intelligence Team (NYPD-CTD), conferred with NYPD and determined the suspect vehicle passed over the George Washington Bridge and through the Queens-Midtown tunnel. NYPD was immediately notified of the vehicle's travel pattern and the child was recovered safely.

In November 2016, NYSIC forwarded an intelligence bulletin to partner agencies regarding a woman wanted for murder in Hawaii. NYSIC Investigators also conducted database checks and developed several possible leads as to the subject's whereabouts in New York State. These leads were forwarded to NYSP and Albany Police, and the subject was located in the city of Albany. After a brief pursuit, she was taken into custody to await extradition to Hawaii.

In November 2016, members of Troop F BCI were investigating a shooting at the 21B Sports Bar. During this shooting, several victims were struck by gun fire and a mass of people fled the area. NYSIC became involved in the investigation to help identify possible participants involved. The Gang Intelligence Unit had been monitoring Bloods Street gang activity in the Capital District and identified some of the individuals present. The GIU was able to provide case investigators with timelines and updates located on social media to help disqualify some of the alibi stories provided by the suspects. The GIU also reviewed jail calls from some of the fellow gang members who were incarcerated at the time of the shooting and identified several calls where intimate details were discussed regarding the shooting. This information was relayed to the case team and provided a clear picture of the events that took place at the bar during the early morning hours.

OEM

The New York State Police Office of Emergency Management, works in collaboration with New York State

OEM staff and liaisons with federal, state, and local partners to enhance emergency preparedness and response capabilities throughout the State. The OEM enables the Governor and senior staff to formulate the appropriate level of State support and response during disasters and emergencies.

Training Exercises	117
Emergency Operations Center Activations	35
Field Deployments	54

During 2016, the Members of the OEM Detail collectively assisted 284 times with the development of plans or by assisting in planning efforts.

On September 16, 2016, NYSP OEM participated in a United Nations General Assembly evacuation drill. The drill consisted of role players from New York State OEM, United States Department of State, United Nations Department of Safety and Security, United States Secret Service, United States Coast Guard and United States Department of Health and Human Services. The drill began with a mock evacuation of dignitaries at the United Nations, who boarded coast guard vessels and were transported to a Coast Guard Station in New Jersey where decontamination tents were in place to treat hypothetically biologically exposed participants.

On February 5, 2016, NYSP OEM responded to a collapsed crane at Worth Street in Lower Manhattan. The crane, which was being used to position HVAC equipment on a nearby building, suddenly collapsed while being lowered due to increased winds. The collapse destroyed a block of parked vehicles and caused one fatality. An OEM Lieutenant served as a liaison between the NYC and NYS Offices of Emergency Management.

On September 21, 2016, New York State Police - Troop B hosted a multi-agency, full scale, active shooter/mass casualty incident exercise at the former Chateaugay Correctional Facility in Chateaugay, NY.

The exercise was designed and directed by the OEM Lieutenant with the assistance of a handpicked exercise design team. The exercise included an active shooter scenario, hostage taking and an improvised explosive device on facility grounds. More than 100 members of Troop B, as well as officers from six federal, state and local law enforcement agencies participated. In addition, local Fire/EMS Departments, the Franklin and Clinton County Offices of Emergency Services, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Alice Hyde Medical Center and a dozen citizen actor volunteers also participated.



Crane collapse at Worth Street

PSB

The Professional Standards Bureau (PSB), formerly the Internal Affairs Bureau, has a wide range of responsibilities that further the mission of Division. It is divided into two sections: An investigative section that oversees investigations into allegations of misconduct by Division employees and an audit section that manages the Division's audit and inspection processes.

Investigative Section

One of the primary responsibilities of the PSB is to ensure the prompt and thorough investigation of allegations of misconduct by NYSP employees. In 2016, the PSB Investigative Section conducted 498 investigations with the final determination as follows:

FINAL DETERMINATION	NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS
CLOSED BY INVESTIGATION	117
FOUNDED	181
UNFOUNDED	126
UNSUBSTANTIATED	74
TOTAL	498

PSB staff also must respond to critical incidents with troop and field command supervisory personnel throughout the year. A critical incident is defined as any action by a sworn member that results in serious physical injury or death to another person or member.

Audit Section

The internal audit process is considered an essential tool for government accountability. The current internal audit process allows us to comply with the mandates of the Internal Control Act by obtaining, analyzing and evaluating information concerning the operations, administration and management of any troop, zone, station, detail or section. This process helps identify strengths and weaknesses, and leads to instructions, recommendations, and/or suggestions to improve Division's performance. In 2016, the PSB Audit Section conducted 29 Division-level audits.

To maximize the success of our zero tolerance policy regarding illegal drug use and drug/substance abuse, the Division randomly screens all sworn members using urinalysis and hair testing methods. The Division's testing standards have been designed to ensure the member's personal confidentiality and dignity is maintained, while simultaneously safeguarding the screening process. In 2016, the PSB Audit Section conducted a total of 1,900 urine tests and 706 hair tests broken down as follows:

Tests Administered	Urine Tests	Hair Tests
Member Random Drug Tests	1211	17
Probationary Trooper Tests	234	234
Recruit Trooper Tests	455	455
Total	1900	706

PSB (continued)

Surveys

The NYSP administers several types of citizen satisfaction surveys on a regular basis. During Division-level audits, PSB staff members perform telephone and personal surveys with internal and external customers. In addition, PSB has managed a mail survey program since April 1999.

Early Intervention Program

The Early Intervention Program (EIP) is a progressive, remedial program, conducted under the oversight of the Chief Inspector. It is a two-phase process, designed to identify Members who demonstrate a pattern of conduct in need of improvement. The program provides support to Members in the form of counseling, re-training, re-orientation, or increased supervision. The EIP provides these resources with the intent to prevent minor professional or personnel issues from becoming a larger concern.

SIU

The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) conducts and supports investigations requiring specialized investigative techniques, including surveillance (physical and electronic), undercover operations, and the use of informants; these investigations are often long term and multi-jurisdictional.

Felony Charges	676
Currency Seized	\$13,450,353
Vehicles Seized	34
Firearms Seized	49
Felony Charges	676

In January 2016, the Auto Theft Unit-Valhalla began assisting police departments with an investigation into car thieves who had stolen over 150 cars in New York and Connecticut. Use of GPS tracking devices, surveillance of the subjects and analysis of phone records led to the recovery of many of the vehicles. Several of the suspects were arrested and the rash of vehicle thefts in the area ceased.

In October 2016, SIU-Utica, the Utica Police Department and the Oneida County District Attorney's Office concluded a five month investigation into narcotics trafficking by a local street gang who made violent threats against law enforcement. One street had been overtaken by this gang and was used to overtly sell narcotics. With the assistance of NYSP SORT and Troop D, search warrants were executed at eight locations, resulting in the seizure of one handgun, several ounces of heroin and crack cocaine, three vehicles, and over \$40,000. Eight defendants were arrested.

In April 2016, SIU-Albany was assigned to investigate a fraudulent deed scam. The target was submitting fraudulent "Quit Claim" deeds on vacant properties to make it appear as though he owned, or had interest in said properties. The subject would advertise the properties for rent and the tenants would pay the first month's rent and a security deposit. Several properties were sold outright or an agreement was made to rent, then tenants could purchase the property. The estimated loss was in excess of \$100,000. The defendant was arrested for 57 Felony counts in five counties in the Capital District.

In October 2013, SIU-Buffalo received information from the FBI in Philadelphia, PA relative to individuals targeting stores in New York and surrounding states in a forged check scheme and the theft of over one million dollars in merchandise. The suspect would set up fraudulent commercial accounts with counterfeit checks and make large purchases. The suspect was identified in June 2016, a criminal complaint was filed in federal court and an arrest warrant was issued. The suspect was arrested and charged.

In January 2016, SIU-Rochester, in conjunction with CNET Southern, targeted a meth production/distribution network in Schuyler County. After extensive surveillance, 23 suspects had been identified as users, suppliers of raw materials, or manufacturers of meth. All were charged with Conspiracy 2nd degree (B Felony). In May 2016, the NYSP Special Operations Response Team assisted with the execution of search warrants, one of which involved an active methamphetamine lab, requiring the evacuation of the entire street, response from the local fire department hazmat unit and the State Police – Contaminated Crime Scene Emergency Response Team. A search warrant by the Schuyler County Sheriff's Department at another residence resulted in a second active meth lab. The subsequent roundup of defendants involved SIU, CNET and Troop E.

SORT

The Special Operations Response Team supports the New York State Police with a tactical response to critical events and other specialized assignments within the state of New York. SORT duties include operations involving, counter terrorism, disaster relief, hostage rescue, clandestine labs, high risk/violent felony arrests, searching for escapees and wanted persons, searching for lost or injured hikers, civil disturbance, high angle rope rescue, tactical patrol, barricaded persons, and high-risk dignitary protection and escort.

The Special Operations Response Team was created in 1980 to provide a tactical response element for the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid. There are currently five regional teams: Capital, Central, North, South and West. The Teams are a full time asset providing their specialized services to communities and law enforcement agencies across the state. Each Troop also has .308 Riflemen who are available to work with the SORT in certain critical incidents. In addition to the .308 Riflemen each Troop also has enhanced canine handlers who are cross trained to assist SORT in a variety of situations along with their canine partners.

In March 2016, operators from three of the five teams assisted CNET - Campbell Hall, with several search warrants for sale/distribution/possession of illegal narcotics. The execution of these search warrants resulted in the apprehension of 29 suspects and a large amount of illegal narcotics.

In June 2016, SORT executed a search warrant for CNET Southern Tier in the City of Oneonta. The search warrant was the result of an investigation into the sale/distribution of Heroin. The warrant execution resulted in the seizure of 110 bags of Heroin, an indoor marihuana grow operation and multiple weapons.

In December 2016, SORT assisted Troop G BCI, Troop K BCI and Troop NYC in an identity theft case that revolved around a deceased Trooper. An exhaustive investigation revealed the suspect in New York City had used the deceased Trooper's information to purchase several thousand dollars of items from various retailers. After the execution of two search warrants, the suspect was located and taken into custody without incident. One of the items recovered was a forged Florida Driver's License with a photo of the suspect and the deceased Trooper's name.

Underwater Recovery Team (URT)

The New York State Police Underwater Recovery Team is the oldest public safety dive team in the United States. Operating since 1932, its 65 members are spread out over eight Troops in upstate New York. The NYSP Dive Team is also the largest in the country and regularly provides specialized services to communities and law enforcement agencies across the state and the Northeast.

NYSP divers perform regular patrol and administrative duties when not assigned to a dive operation. With its arsenal of 22 boats, including four airboats, and a multitude of underwater electronic search equipment, the team can respond to boat accidents, drowning, flood emergencies, swift water rescues, and other water related emergencies.

On February 23, 2016, the Troop D Dive Team was requested by the Syracuse Police Department to assist with locating the subject of an AMBER Alert. The 21-month-old victim/child was last seen on February 20 with her father, who was later apprehended and claimed responsibility for the child's death. Police learned through interviews the child's remains were disposed of in a creek in the Inner Harbor. Troop D members located the child, placed the remains in a body/evidence recovery bag while still underwater, and removed it from the scene, preserving all evidence. Also recovered by the team was a homemade kayak type raft, a pocket knife and bone fragments.

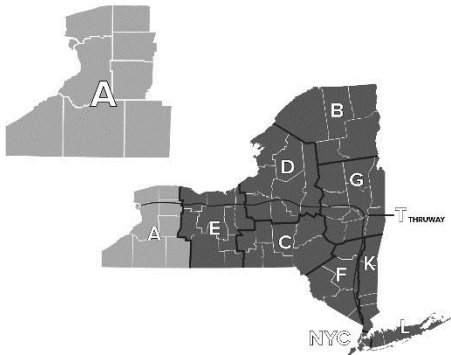
On March 12, 2016, at approximately 5:00 am, a tug boat, hip towing a barge southbound on the Hudson River, slammed sideways into a stationary crane barge at the site of the new Tappan Zee Bridge construction site. The impact tore into the crew compartment of the boat, causing it to sink 15 to 20 minutes later. One of the three crew members aboard managed to escape the wreckage, only to drown at the surface after being pushed underwater by the strong outgoing tidal current. The Troop K Underwater Recovery Team was requested and responded. The team evaluated the scene by first obtaining a side scan SONAR image of the wreck. It was determined the boat sat upright on the bottom, the interior was able to be accessed, and a dive plan was developed. The crew compartment of the boat was successfully penetrated by NYSP divers using surface supplied air systems and helmets. All three victims were located and recovered.



NYSP URT preparing to dive at the wreck of the tugboat.

On December 29, 2016, a small private jet with six passengers aboard crashed in Lake Erie shortly after takeoff from a Cleveland, Ohio airport. On January 2, 2017, the New York State Police URT was requested to assist with the search in Lake Erie, just offshore from Cleveland Harbor. Troop E and A URT members conducted side scan SONAR for two days, locating some of the wreckage. The team also aided to the organization of the search efforts and directed the deployment and operation of SONAR by other agencies. The aircraft was located and raised by commercial salvage divers.

Troop A



Arrests	5,577
Calls for Service	60,706
Vehicle Crashes	5,169
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	93,577
Distracted Driving Tickets	3,629
Move Over Tickets	439

Troop A serves Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming Counties in the western portion of New York State.

On April 16, 2016, Troopers stopped a vehicle with tinted windows on Niagara Street in the City of Buffalo. The operator had a suspended license and a warrant in the City of Buffalo. During the inventory, Troopers located a loaded Smith and Wesson M-15 .223 rifle, an additional magazine containing 28 rounds, body armor and a small amount of marijuana. The subject was charged with Criminal Possession of Weapon Second Degree, Criminal Use of a Firearm Second Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon Third Degree and Unlawful Possession of Marihuana.

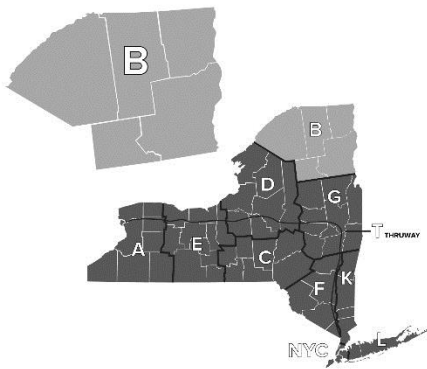
On September 4, 2016, SP Clarence patrols responded to a report of a robbery and shooting at the Zoe Restaurant on Transit Road in Clarence. The owner and his wife were leaving with the day's receipts when an unknown assailant demanded the money, shot the owner twice and attempted to shoot his wife. On November 5, 2016, the suspect was arrested and charged with two counts of first degree attempted murder, first-degree robbery, first degree assault, and second degree criminal possession of a weapon.



SP Clarence responds to robbery and shooting at the Zoe Restaurant.

On November 4, 2016, SP Lockport was dispatched to Cammaratas Restaurant in the town of Lockport after an 87-year-old female was forcibly knocked to the ground and her purse taken. The next night, SP responded back to the restaurant for another robbery in progress. Troopers arrived and took the suspect, who had been pinned down by three witnesses, into custody. The suspect admitted to both robberies and was charged with Robbery 1st and 3rd degree.

Troop B



Arrests	5,894
Calls for Service	34,385
Vehicle Crashes	5,911
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	63,564
Distracted Driving Tickets	1,525
Move Over Tickets	407

Troop B serves counties in the northern portion of New York State including Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, St. Lawrence counties.

In January 2016, members of Troop B assigned to Pennsylvania Station in New York City were on foot patrol when a woman started yelling for police assistance. The members entered the subway, vaulting over turnstiles, and found two plainclothes NYPD officers fighting with two males. One of the men had struck one of the officers on the head with a pipe. The Troop B members took them into custody. Both faced charges including Assault 2nd Degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd Degree and Resisting Arrest. Both were also charged with Violation of Parole.

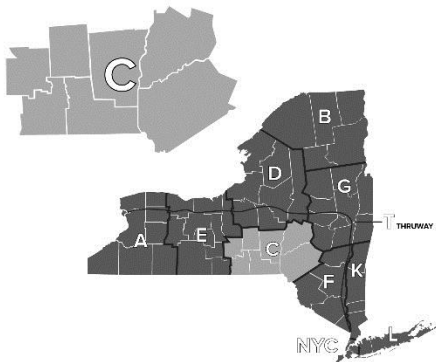
In March 2016, State Police received an electronic tip regarding a suspicious male loitering around the bus station in Plattsburgh. The tip stated the male had been overheard having a telephone conversation that appeared drug-related. An investigator and K9 handler from the Troop B Narcotics Unit responded and after a thorough interview, approximately 450 bags of heroin were located. The male was arrested for Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd Degree.

In October 2016, a masked man and woman, along with their get-away driver, robbed four St. Lawrence County businesses and perpetrated a home invasion at gunpoint. The crimes were all committed within a week and a half, with three of the robberies on the same night. SP Canton investigators worked long hours along with the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Department and the Ogdensburg Police Department to quickly bring the trio to justice.

In January 2016, SP Massena BCI received a complaint involving a malnourished 5-year-old male at the Canton-Potsdam Hospital Emergency Room, brought there by Child Protective Services. After a lengthy investigation, it was determined the 42-year-old girlfriend of the child's father was intentionally withholding food from the child. The child was restrained to his bed at night, so he could not get any food himself. The child's 30-year-old father was aware of the situation, but did nothing about it. The two were indicted by a Grand Jury for Attempted Murder 2nd Degree and Assault 2nd Degree. The child made a full recovery.

In December 2016, the Troop B Narcotics Enforcement Unit (NEU), in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, (RCMP) identified a Canadian cocaine drug trafficking organization. The trafficking organization was transporting large quantities of cocaine through the United States, from the southern border, to the Akwesasne Mohawk Reservation, and into Canada. Troop B NEU and the DEA coordinated with DEA Houston and DEA Los Angeles. This led to the seizure of 508 pounds of cocaine and multiple arrests in the United States and Canada.

Troop C



Arrests	4,063
Calls for Service	48,827
Vehicle Crashes	6,275
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	69,954
Distracted Driving Tickets	1,420
Move Over Tickets	1,351

Troop C serves Broome, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Otsego, Tioga, and Tompkins Counties.

In February 2016, SP Margaretville and the Delaware County Sheriff's Office responded to residential burglaries in the towns of Delhi, Andes and Middletown. The suspects targeted unoccupied seasonal homes, stealing hunting equipment, fishing equipment, tools, guns, ammunition, liquor, and electronics. Potential suspects were identified and law enforcement responded to the property to interview the four suspects. Within minutes, each admitted their roles in the burglaries. Consent to search the property was granted and several hundred stolen items were recovered. Charges filed against the suspects included Burglary 2nd degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd and 4th degree.

In February 2016, SP Ithaca, responded for a theft complaint in the parking lot of the Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport. The complainant stated he parked and locked his vehicle in the long-term lot and returned to find all four windows in his car open, along with drugs and pornography in his car. He wished to turn over the property, as it was not his, and he did not know why it was in his vehicle. The items were secured as evidence. The male complainant believed his ex-wife was trying to get him in trouble to regain custody of their daughter. A video of the airport parking lot was obtained, as well as a recording of an anonymous call reporting a car with drugs inside. The complainant was able to listen to the recorded call and identify the voice as his ex-wife's husband and video surveillance revealed a vehicle consistent with one driven by the ex-wife. After a lengthy and extremely detailed investigation, the current husband was charged with Tampering with Physical Evidence and Perjury 1st Degree for false testimony in Family Court.

In April 2016, SP Richfield Springs received a complaint from a distraught mother and father who stated their 16-year-old daughter was missing. The daughter went to use the restroom at church and never returned. After the service, the mother received a text message from her daughter saying she was going on a vacation. Troopers began contacting the girl's friends. The girl's boyfriend revealed he was going to rendezvous with the missing girl on the campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey. The troopers contacted Rutgers, along with Amtrak and numerous bus companies. Amtrak Police confirmed the missing girl was on a southbound train and expected to arrive at Penn Station in New York City. Troopers in New York City met the train and took the girl into custody as a runaway. She was safely returned to her family.

In December 2016, Ithaca BCI and FIU assisted Ithaca Police Department with a homicide in the parking lot of the Ithaca Walmart. As a result of interagency cooperation, a lone male suspect was taken into custody after a brief standoff and was charged with Murder 2nd Degree. The male gunman discharged one round from a rifle at the victim who was exiting the Walmart store, whom the shooter believed to be Donald Trump. After he was spotted fleeing from the Walmart shooting, the male suspect fired a shot at Tompkins County Sheriff Office Deputies who attempted to apprehend him. As a result, the suspect was additionally charged with Reckless Endangerment in the 2nd Degree and Menacing a Police Officer.

Troop D



Arrests	6,836
Calls for Service	87,978
Vehicle Crashes	9,479
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	98,441
Distracted Driving Tickets	3,966
Move Over Tickets	897

Troop D serves Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, and Oswego Counties.

On October 31, 2016, SP North Syracuse responded to call involving a 14-year-old being followed and approached by a man in a vehicle while she was walking to the school bus stop. Troopers obtained a detailed vehicle and operator description and began checking the area. The description was also broadcast to all law enforcement agencies and aired on the local news and social media. Shortly after, a suspect was identified and admitted to following and approaching school aged females in the early morning hours over the course of several weeks. The suspect was charged with Endangering the Welfare of a Child and remanded to jail.

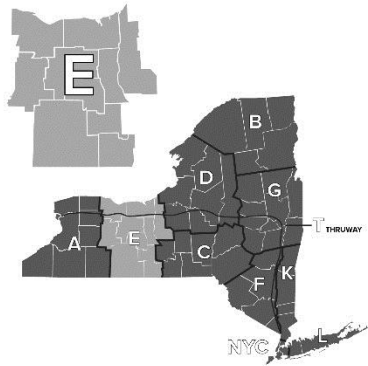
In June 2016, Trooper Shaun R. Smith, SP Pulaski, was off-duty and swimming laps at the Northwest Family YMCA in Lysander when a 12-year-old Baldwinsville boy went into cardiac arrest in the pool. Trooper Smith saw that the boy's face was blue and began CPR, while a lifeguard retrieved an AED and contacted Onondaga County 911. Together, he and the lifeguard continued CPR and applied the AED to the boy. The boy then began to take labored breaths on his own. Subsequently, the boy was taken to Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse, where he regained consciousness.



Senator John DeFrancisco and Trooper Shaun R. Smith

On November 11, 2016, SP Pulaski responded to North Jefferson Street in the Village of Pulaski for an 18-month-old boy who had fallen and became stuck at the bottom of a 6-foot ventilation shaft. A Trooper removed her duty belt and was able to fit herself into the entrance of the ventilation shaft. She lowered herself head first, with the assistance of the fire and EMS personnel, and was able to reach the child. She picked up the boy and both were pulled from the ventilation shaft by the other first responders at the scene. The boy was not injured.

Troop E



Arrests	6,184
Calls for Service	77,946
Vehicle Crashes	8,549
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	117,314
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,285
Move Over Tickets	970

Troop E serves Cayuga, Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, and Yates Counties.

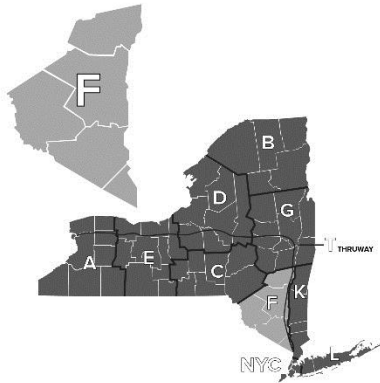
In March, 2016, SP Geneseo was dispatched to a dog bite complaint. During the interview, members smelled unburned marihuana and the owner would only be interviewed on the back porch. BCI was contacted and began monitoring electricity usage and marihuana clippings were found during trash pick-up. A search warrant was executed and a grow operation was uncovered yielding 259 marijuana plants, 16.2 pounds of dried marihuana, 842 grams of THC oil, 517 grams of cannabis candy and chocolate, 180 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, five grams of crack cocaine, firearms and over \$23,000 cash.

In August 2016, SP Wolcott responded to the report of an individual who had fallen over a cliff at the Chimney Bluffs State Park. Troopers located the victim on a ledge approximately 15 feet below the cliff's edge, and 200 feet above the ground below. Utilizing the rope from a Troop car and military training, a member lowered himself down to the victim, assessed the victim's injuries and radioed for assistance. The victim was safely extricated.

On February 15, 2016, SP Wayland responded to a house fire, the investigation revealing the 60-year-old resident of the home was deceased inside. Troop E BCI, Uniform, VCIT, CCU, and FIU personnel assisted with the investigation, and a 43-year-old male and his 37-year-old wife were developed as suspects. The suspects were reportedly friends of the deceased, but provided conflicting accounts of events surrounding the fire. Initially arrested for Falsifying Business Records 1st degree for providing false information in initial depositions, evidence found linked the two suspects to setting fire while the victim was inside. The female suspect was re-interviewed and implicated both in the intentional burning of the residence for monetary gain. Following a Grand Jury, they were charged with Arson 1st, Murder 2nd, Attempted Insurance Fraud 2nd, and Conspiracy 4th. The male suspect was also charged with Murder 1st degree.

On December 9, 2016, SP Bath received a report that a 17-year-old female high school student had been solicited by a Navy Recruiter to kill his wife. The student stated she met the recruiter on Facebook in August 2016, exchanging messages regarding the possibility of joining the Navy. The student said about two weeks prior, the recruiter solicited her to kill his wife in exchange for \$10,000 of the wife's \$100,000 life insurance policy. The recruiter re-contacted the student by Snapchat, inquiring about the plot. A controlled conversation was initiated, with the recruiter providing additional details, a photograph of his wife, her employment, and her schedule. The suspect was taken into custody and provided a full confession. The suspect was charged with Conspiracy 2nd for conspiring with another to commit the crime of Murder 2nd. Following the suspect's arrest, information was obtained regarding another person whom the suspect had asked to murder his wife. The suspect was charged with an additional count of Conspiracy 2nd degree.

Troop F



Arrests	11,234
Calls for Service	79,386
Vehicle Crashes	6,949
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	112,067
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,028
Move Over Tickets	1,565

Troop F serves Greene, Orange, Rockland, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties.

On January 1, 2016, Troop F FIU members responded to Paddock Drive in the Town of Crawford to assist SP Middletown BCI with processing the scene of a stabbing. An investigation revealed a fight broke out at a New Year's Eve party. The victim, Justin Speights, attempted to break up a fight and was stabbed by an unknown subject. Speights later succumbed to his injuries. Over the next week, search warrants were executed in the village of Spring Valley and the state of New Jersey. The investigation lead to the arrest of a suspect who was sentenced to five to 15 years for Manslaughter 2nd Degree.



Suspect arrested in death of Justin Speights

On April 12, 2016, SP Catskill BCI responded to a reported home invasion on Pavilion Court, Catskill, NY. The victim heard someone at the door and was met by three masked men, at least one armed with a handgun. Investigators viewed security footage at a nearby Walmart showing four subjects, three of which were wearing the same clothing described by the victim, and two vehicles they drove to the store just before the time of the robbery. The video lead to a NYS parole officer calling to report one suspect was under his supervision and was wearing an ankle bracelet. Catskill BCI members interviewed the parolee, who confessed to the crime and identified two of the other three perpetrators. The three were arrested for Burglary 1st degree and are awaiting trial.

On December 19, 2016, the Troop F FIU was requested to assist with the suspicious disappearance of four subjects from the Chester area. Investigators assisted the FBI Evidence Response Team members with processing the Liquid Lounge in Chester, the last place the missing subjects were seen. Collision Reconstruction members performed 3D mapping of the entire interior of the lounge. On December 20, 2016, FIU members responded to 419 Old Mt. Road in Otisville, NY, believed to be where the missing subjects were buried. Hand excavation and documentation of the area led to the recovery of the bodies of all four missing subjects. The criminal investigation and the recovery of the missing subjects led to the arrest of Nicholas Tartaglione for four counts of Murder.

Troop G



Arrests	9,439
Calls for Service	67,656
Vehicle Crashes	9,034
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	107,896
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,846
Move Over Tickets	913

Troop G serves Albany, Fulton, Hamilton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, and Washington Counties.

In January 2016, Troopers were dispatched to a report of a home invasion in the Town of Edinburg in Saratoga County. The homeowner had been confronted by four masked individuals with a baseball bat who forced him into a room and then made off with a safe containing cash and jewelry. An investigation was conducted by uniform and BCI members and resulted in the suspects being arrested and charged with Burglary in the 1st degree.

In June 2016, troopers responded to a report of two vehicles on fire and possible shots fired in Duanesburg. SORT responded to assist in a possible active shooter incident. With a perimeter established, members located the victim who stated multiple individuals with assault style weapons approached him twice while he was dumping refuse on his property and made threats to harm him if he did not stop. At one point they fired a single round over his head, putting him face down in the dirt and set his vehicles on fire. Following an investigation, two suspects were arrested for Arson, Reckless Endangerment, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon.

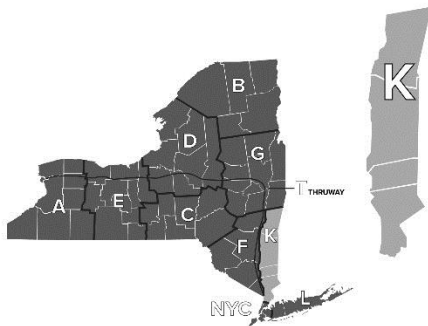


Members of Troop G volunteer with Habitat for Humanity

In August 2016, a Trooper standing on a dam utilized his Taser from a height of 15 feet above and a distance of 45 feet away on a suicidal subject who was running from the trooper along the spillway below and towards a cliff. Both prongs made contact and stopped the man from jumping off the cliff below, enabling him to get the help needed.

In December 2016, SP members assisted in the rescue of a 12-year-old boy buried in a snowbank for at least three hours. The Village of Greenwich Police Department initially received the report of two missing boys. The investigation lead law enforcement to believe the boys were inadvertently buried alive in large snow piles where the DPW Department was dumping snow. Feverishly digging with hands and shovels in the compacted snow, rescuers were able to find both boys, one deceased. It is estimated seven tons of snow was moved in 20 minutes time by the rescuers, and their actions likely saved one life.

Troop K



Arrests	5,438
Calls for Service	69,147
Vehicle Crashes	8,299
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	98,600
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,896
Move Over Tickets	1,917

Troop K serves Columbia, Dutchess, Putnam, and Westchester Counties.

On January 13, 2016, a 65-year-old man became unresponsive during a Kinderhook Village Board meeting. Realizing it was near shift change for the

Troopers who share office space inside the village hall, a quick thinking clerk knocked on their office door to report the emergency. Troopers immediately rendered first aid to the man who was not breathing, with no discernable pulse. Troopers began chest compressions and applied an Automated External Defibrillator to re-establish a pulse. He is expected to make a full recovery.

On November 1, 2016, SP New Lebanon stopped an out of state vehicle for an unrestrained operator. The Troopers detected an odor of marihuana and a probable cause search was conducted. The Troopers found 20 grams of marihuana, along with wax, hashish, MDMA and an unknown white power. The male operator was arrested on multiple drug charges.

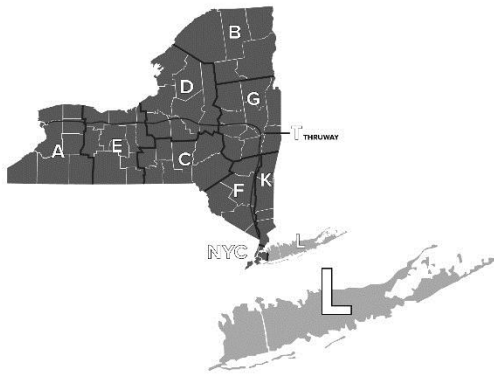
In March of 2016, Trooper Christopher Liebler, of SP East Fishkill, observed a vehicle pull into a U-turn on Interstate 84. He was advised by the driver, that his wife was in labor. Trooper Liebler notified Putnam County 911 and requested EMS. Trooper Liebler assisted in the birth of the baby girl, who was named Emma. The infant was wrapped in a towel and placed on the female's chest to await EMS.

In December of 2016, a 32-year-old tow truck driver was killed on I-95 by a hit & run driver while assisting a disabled motorist. Troop K BCI in Hawthorne were left with only a few small pieces of broken plastic left at the scene from the suspect vehicle's right side-view mirror. The Troop K Major Crimes Unit was able to determine the specific type of plastic from the mirror fragments and identify the manufacturers. State Police obtained a long list of customer replacement mirror sales and located the suspect driver in New York City. The driver charged with the felony crime of Leaving the Scene of a Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident.



In January of 2016, State Police in Somers were dispatched to Somers High School for a criminal mischief complaint. Upon arrival, State Police found over \$29,000 in damage to 43 school buses. Following a lengthy investigation conducted, it was determined that the slashed bus tires & shattered bus windows was caused by two 18-year-old students who were subsequently charged with felony criminal mischief.

Troop L



Arrests	1,071
Calls for Service	25,890
Vehicle Crashes	8,320
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	68,340
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,524
Move Over Tickets	344

Troop L serves Nassau and Suffolk counties on Long Island.

In August 2016, the Barclays Golf Tournament, held at Bethpage Black, was the first of four PGA Tour playoff events, featuring the top 125 rated PGA golfers. For more than 12 months, Troop L worked to ensure site security including traffic management, communications, emergency services, as well as counter-terrorism strategies. Approximately 40,000 people attended the event each day. Supervisors and Troopers were responsible for the safety of all attendees, golfers, support personnel and the surrounding community. Troopers manned fixed and roving posts on the golf course, as well as on the roadways surrounding the area.



Troop L Members at the 2016 Barclays Tournament

The Commission on Presidential Debates sponsored the first of three Presidential Debates, at Hofstra University, on September 26, 2016, from 9:00PM to 10:30PM. Approximately 1,600 people attended the debate, along with 5,200 media personnel in and around the debate site. Supervisors and Troopers worked with several law enforcement agencies to maintain safety during the event. State Police members were deployed utilizing bicycle and foot patrols, canine teams, as well as the State Police Mobile Field Unit observation of the university grounds.

On February 20, 2016, a SP Lake Success member observed a Dodge Caravan pinning a female against a concrete wall of a bridge overpass on the Northern State Parkway in Nassau County. The member was able to de-escalate the domestic incident and free the female victim, while securing the suspect. The woman, who was 14-weeks pregnant, was transported to the hospital with internal injuries and contusions to both of her feet. The male driver was charged with Unlawful Imprisonment 1st Degree, Assault 2nd Degree, and Reckless Endangerment 2nd Degree.

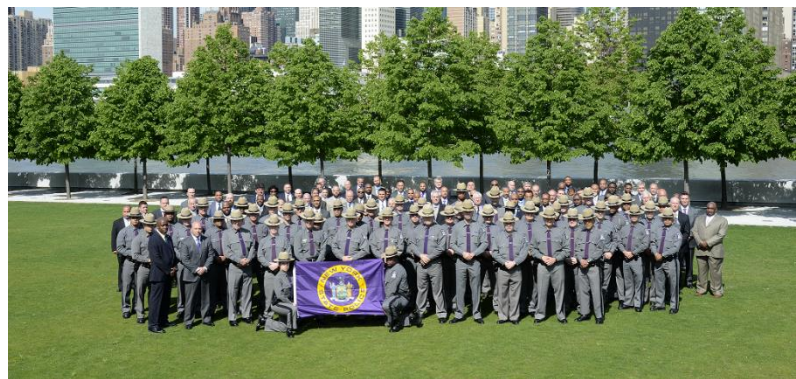
Troop NYC



Arrests	63
Calls for Service	4,552
Vehicle Crashes	54
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	1,692
Distracted Driving Tickets	104
Move Over Tickets	5

Troop NYC serves New York City.

In September 2016, Members assigned to SP Manhattan were informed of an explosion on West 23rd Street between 6th and 7th Avenues in the Chelsea section of Manhattan. Members responded to the area of the explosion to offer State Police assistance to the New York Police City Department. Multiple calls reported a possible secondary improvised explosive device on West 27th Street between 6th and 7th Avenues. Members responded and while checking for anything suspicious, identified an object as a possible IED and quickly secured the scene by stopping traffic, and evacuating all pedestrians from the area. The scene was turned over to NYPD and their Bomb Squad members, who removed what was later confirmed to be an unexploded IED. Subsequent examination of the device yielded critical evidence that was instrumental in the identification of the terrorist responsible for these acts.



Troop NYC Uniform and BCI members at Roosevelt Island Park

In October 2016 – an undercover investigation was conducted by the members in the Queens Criminal Squad after a Craigslist personal ad was located where the suspect requested a “girl for play dates.” The undercover, acting as a 13-year-old girl, received correspondence of cellular phone calls, text messages and photos. After numerous correspondences with the suspect, the suspect requested to meet the undercover. The suspect voluntarily drove to the meeting spot, and was arrested for Attempted Rape 2nd degree, Dissemination of Indecent Material to Minors 1st degree, and Criminal Sexual Act 2nd degree.

In June 2016, the Bronx District Attorney’s office requested assistance regarding the larceny of approximately \$112,000 from a NYS Department of Education Grant designated to a youth club. A female manager was using the stolen funds for personal use. The female defendant was previously honored for her dedication and services in the community. Following an extensive investigation by members of the Bronx Criminal Squad and the Bronx DA office, the defendant was indicted and charged with Grand Larceny 2nd degree and Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 2nd degree.

In July 2016, the New York Drug Enforcement Task Force (NYDETF), Group T-21, arrested one subject and seized approximately \$1.6 million dollars. A defendant, now a cooperating source, advised members of Group T-21 of a New York Based Money Laundering Organization (MLO) laundering narcotic proceeds to South/Central America. As the investigation continued, members learned their suspect recently coordinated and executed money pick-ups in a southern state and was traveling north to New York with the narcotic proceeds. Group T-21 was able intercept the vehicle, arrest the subject and a search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of \$800,000. Additional information lead to a search of a location in Brooklyn and seizure an additional \$800,000.

In July 2016, members of the New York Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Strike Force Group Z-41, directed a defendant, cultivated during their investigation, to order approximately 420 bundles of heroin from a New York City drug organization. This organization is known to operate heroin mills in the NYC area at the direction of a suspect in the Dominican Republic. Through coordination, Z-41 was able to identify the courier vehicle and conduct a traffic stop, which resulted in the seizure of approximately



NY State Police led by Troop NYC Color Guard at 2016 Puerto Rican day Parade.

420 bundles of heroin. The courier cooperated and identified a building in Brooklyn, NY where the heroin was picked up. Agents observed, in plain view, an active heroin mill as well as an indoor marijuana grow operation. A search warrant lead to the arrest of four targets, and the seizure of over one kilogram of heroin, 6.5 kilos of narcotics, 12 lbs. of marijuana, two vehicles and cash.

In August 2016, members of the NYSP Manhattan DA's Squad contacted Troop NYC/VFW members to assist Cook County Illinois Sheriff's Detectives with locating and arresting a homicide suspect. An address was identified within Manhattan as a possible address for the suspect. Troop NYC VFW members conducted several hours of surveillance, as well as other investigatory steps to locate the suspect. A warrant was forwarded to Troop NYC VFW for the arrest of the suspect. Members observed the suspect in a bodega in Manhattan, entered the store, overpowered the suspect and placed him into custody.

Troop T

Troop T serves the New York State Thruway from New York City to Western New York.

Arrests	3,403
Calls for Service	46,014
Vehicle Crashes	10,397
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	149,258
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,800
Move Over Tickets	2,852

In July 2016, SP Tarrytown members responded to a large scale construction crane collapse. A crane completing work on the New NY Bridge collapsed and landed across all seven lanes of the current Tappan Zee Bridge during mid-day traffic. Only minor injuries occurred to a construction worker and a motorist. All traffic lanes were closed for several hours in both directions for removal and repairs to the current bridge.

In October 2016, SP Newburgh responded to a tractor trailer rollover on I-87 in the Town of Woodbury and located the driver inside the cab bleeding profusely from a severed brachial artery in his arm. The Trooper, an EMT, applied a division issued tourniquet to the arm and waited until paramedics arrived. The member not only saved the driver's life, but surgeons were able to replace the artery in order to save his arm.



Troop T members respond to crane collapse on Tappan Zee Bridge.

In June 2016, SP Buffalo conducted a traffic stop of a speeding motorcycle on I-90 in the Town of Dunkirk. The operator was found to be in possession of a metal collapsible baton, a loaded 9mm Taurus handgun, and two 13 round magazines. A gun inquiry revealed the gun was stolen. The vehicle operator was charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 4th degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd degree, and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd degree.

In September 2016, SP Buffalo was dispatched to a report of a road rage incident where a loaded revolver was displayed toward another driver. State Police stopped the suspect vehicle on I-90 in the Town of Lancaster and an interview of the vehicle occupants led to the discovery of two loaded firearms. A gun inquiry revealed one of the guns was stolen. The vehicle operator and his passenger were charged with one count each Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd degree, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd degree, Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 4th degree, and Menacing 2nd degree.

2016 Statistics

Uniform Activity	
Uniform Responses	601,912
Uniform Arrests: Total Felony, Misd. & Violations	58,942
Vehicle and Traffic Stats	
Traffic Tickets Issued	977,083
Speeding Tickets	357,763
Safety Restraints	40,619
DWI Arrests	12,623
Collision Investigations Conducted	77,600
Collision Result of Distracted Driving	5,134
Collision Result of Alcohol	2,163
Collision Result of Speed	15,854
Fatal Accidents Investigated	221
Distracted Driving Tickets--Cell Phone	20,590
Distracted Driving Tickets--Texting	15,433
Move Over Law Tickets	11,660
Commercial Vehicle Activity	
Vehicles Weighed	66,981
Vehicles Inspected	82,146
Inspection Violations	142,747
A.E.D. / Naloxone	
A.E.D. Usages	322
Field Saves (patient did not live past 5 days)	13
Full Reversals (patient recovered-stable)	19
Naloxone Usage	224
Subjects Responsive after Naloxone Use	143
Aviation	
Exec Transport	129
ENCON	143
Medivac	114
Law Enforcement	523
Emergency Management - Special Operations	
Bomb Disposal Unit Responses	475
Special Operations Response Team Responses	343
SCUBA Unit Responses	290
K9 Unit Responses	9,745
NYSP EM Assist to Locals (SORT/SCUBA/CCERT)	489
Emergency Management - CCSERT	

Clandestine Drug Labs Investigated	400
Presentation/Outside Agency Training	35
Pistol Permit Bureau	
Law Guns Hotline	3,400

Computerized Ballistic Report	
Cartridge Cases Entered	963
Cartridge Case Hits	57
CNET Activity-Gun Investigation Unit Activity	
CNET Arrests	1,143
CNET Weapons Seized	473
Seized Assets - Drug Currency (CNET)	\$4,186,398
Seized Assets - Drug Vehicles (CNET)	51
Guns Seized Agency Wide	
Handguns Seized - agency wide	1,098
Long Gun Seized - agency wide	909
Total Guns Seized - agency wide	2,007
Computer Crimes Unit (CCU)	
CCU Regional Total	1,543
CCU Regional # Agencies Assisted	410
Computer Forensic Laboratory Cases	
Computer Forensic Laboratory Cases	178
Agency Assists	91
Internet Crimes Against Children Cases	
Internet Crimes Against Children Cases	1,892
Agencies Assisted	1,957
Violent Crime Investigation Team	
Cases	790
Agencies Assisted	409
Violent Felony Warrant Squad	
State Police warrants	189
Local/Other Agency Warrants	1,355
Out-of-state Warrants	72
NYSIC	
Criminal Gun Clearing House Entries	3,778
Gang/Gang Members Placed in GRIP/VGTOF	1,178
Intelligence Bulletins / Advisories Disseminated	448
Gun Tip Line Calls	9
NYSIC - CTC	
Terrorist Tip Line Calls Received	385
Terrorists Case Investigations	127