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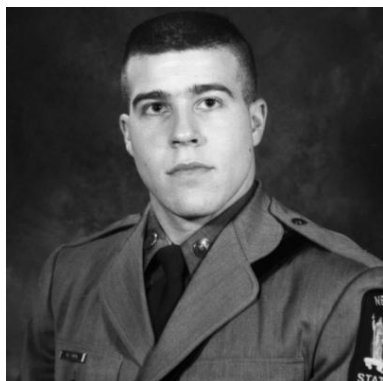
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NEW YORK STATE POLICE WALL OF HONOR

Since 1917, one-hundred and 49 New York State Troopers have given the ultimate sacrifice while serving the people of New York. In 2020, we lost two members in the line of duty.

Ryan D. Fortini – January 1, 2020



On January 1, 2020, Investigator Ryan D. Fortini died from cancer stemming from his assignment to the World Trade Center site, following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. Following the events of 9/11, Investigator Fortini was assigned to aid with the search and recovery efforts in New York City, as part of the New York State Police Detail. Investigator Fortini entered into retirement from the New York State Police on July 15, 2015, because of his worsening illness. Investigator Fortini joined the State Police on November 2, 1998, and was assigned to Troop K and the Community Narcotics Enforcement Team in the Hudson Valley. Investigator Fortini is survived by his fiancé, parents, brother, and sister.

Jennifer M. Czarnecki – December 5, 2020

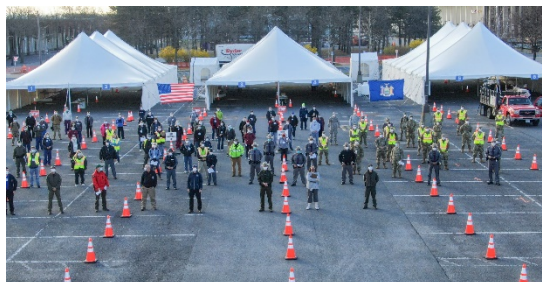


Trooper Jennifer M. Czarnecki died on December 5, 2020, from an illness stemming from her assignment to the World Trade Center site following the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. Following the events of 9/11, Trooper Czarnecki was assigned to aid with the search and recovery efforts in New York City as part of the New York State Police Detail.

Trooper Czarnecki entered into retirement from the New York State Police on November 3, 2020, because of her worsening illness. During her 20 years of service, Trooper Czarnecki was assigned to Troops A and D. Trooper Czarnecki is survived by her husband, mother and brother

COVID-19 RESPONSE

In 2020, the mission of the State Police expanded to assist in the state's COVID-19 response. In March, State Police members started to help with the transport of critical specimens to be tested at labs for COVID-19. Between March and April of 2020. Also, in March, members started to assist at the testing sites. As of 2021, members assisted at 25 testing sites across the state. The mission expanded to assisting the Department of Health at airports, seven in all.



While some members assisted with transports and at the different sites across the state, other Troopers were still on regular patrols, answering calls for service and enforcing the law as we always have. Previous training came in handy for members during the pandemic, as Troopers are trained on how to protect themselves and the public from communicable diseases and practiced

social distancing when possible. Members were supplied with gloves, masks and Tyvek suits, and were instructed to wear masks if they are in close contact with members of the public. State Police members frequently participated in car parades for birthdays or special events within the community and volunteered with food and PPE distribution to the public.

The State Police asked the public for assistance, making sure to advise dispatchers and first responders if they, or any member of their household were experiencing flu-like symptoms, to help first responders can prepare to prevent the spread of any illnesses. Members were supplied with gloves, masks and Tyvek suits, and were instructed to wear masks if they are in close contact with members of the public.



TROOPER RESCUES MOTORIST



After a night of record-breaking snowfall totaling over 45 inches and continuing snow in Tioga County, local law enforcement and troopers had their hands full with a large volume of disabled vehicle complaints and road closures.

Zone Sergeant Jason Cawley started off his shift calling the 911 center asking if there were any people who were disabled and did not have heat. Sergeant Cawley learned that a man had called 911 numerous times after his vehicle went off the roadway and became stuck in the snow. Numerous patrols in the area attempted to locate the driver, to no avail. Sergeant Cawley began to patrol the area where the man's last known location seemed to be. Realizing that the man's vehicle might be camouflaged by what were now seven-foot high snowbanks, Sergeant Cawley began to methodically search a three-mile stretch of the roadway. He climbed snowbanks and uncovered other vehicles off the road, none of which were occupied.

Sergeant Cawley began to search the specific GPS coordinates that was captured by 911 just before the man's phone battery died. He found what he thought was a row of mailboxes and wanted to check if he was in the area of the man's location. To Sergeant Cawley's surprise, while digging through the snow he found a car with the subject who was very cold and could not feel his feet. Sergeant Cawley was in snow as deep as his gun belt and with the help of an unknown passer-by, dug the man out. Sergeant Cawley observed that the man was lethargic, hypothermic, and probably suffering frostbite. Sergeant Cawley did the best he could to warm the victim and transported him to a local fire station that had an ambulance crew on stand-by. The victim, who had a body temperature of 91 degrees and an extremities temperature of 38 degrees was transported to the hospital where he made a full recovery.



LOON LAKE RESCUE



On December 23, 2020, at approximately 11:28 a.m., Steuben County dispatched the State Police to a report of two ice fisherman that had fallen through the ice on Loon Lake, town of Wayland. Trooper Matthew McKinney, SP Wayland, was in the area of the lake when the call was dispatched. When he arrived, Trooper McKinney saw a male subject at an ice shanty on the lake. Trooper McKinney made contact with the man to determine if he is out fishing by himself. He discovered the man's stepfather had fallen through the ice and he was unable to pull him from the water.

Trooper McKinney returned to his troop car and drove to the Laf A Lot Restaurant boat launch to establish a rescue route. Trooper McKinney obtained a life vest from the Laf A Lot Restaurant and the rope from his patrol vehicle.

Trooper Rocky Cerretto, Trooper Jason Allison and Investigator Jeremy Hagadone arrived on scene. Investigator Hagadone obtained a ladder from the restaurant and three lengths of rope were tied together. One end of one rope was tied to the waist of Trooper McKinney, who carried the ladder to keep himself from falling completely through the ice while traveling toward the men. Trooper McKinney ran out of rope but continued another 150 feet to reach the victim. The ladder was placed on the ice next to the man who was pulled from the water and rolled onto the ladder. The ladder was then used as a make-shift stretcher and was pulled from the ice edge.

Fire department personnel were then able to then get the man to land and he was transported by ambulance to Noyes Memorial Hospital for exposure treatment.

BASIC SCHOOL GRADUATION



On March 18, 2020, the class of the 209th session of the Basic School graduated 226 Recruit Troopers.

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. Due to COVID-19, the graduation ceremony was streamed online for family and friends.



ACADEMY

In 2020, the New York State Police Academy and staff continued to provide training resources across a wide range of topics to State Police members, police officers and the criminal justice community, despite restrictions placed on in-person training due to COVID.

The Academy typically hosts several annual training programs, including the Henry Williams Homicide Seminar, which draws an international audience, and the Crimes Against Children Seminar. Both had to be cancelled in 2020 because of COVID restrictions.

Academy staff was able to certify ten members as Principled Police Instructors through a Division of Criminal Justice Services program to advance training on social justice issues. The Academy also partnered with the Department of Justice Valor program to provide executive-level officer wellness training to a group of 50 executives from the NYSP and other agencies, in partnership with Syracuse University.

In 2020, the NYSP BCI training unit trained 32 students in undercover operations, trained 20 members in the PEACE model interview techniques, developed the 2021 winter in-service training package for all members on the topics of Hate Crime Investigations, Implicit Bias, and de-escalation. The BCI unit also trained and certified over 20 members as DCJS general topics instructors. Crisis negotiations was taught to 120 members and 30 members completed polygraph training.

The EMS Office within the New York State Police Academy trained recruits of the 209th session in EMS for Law Enforcement, along with tourniquet application and intranasal Naloxone administration for opiate overdoses. In 2020, the EMS Office certified every sworn member and civilians in CPR/AED, and has nearly completed the transition to upgrade the State Police as an EMS Agency from AEMT to Paramedic to allow a higher level of care and greater treatment capability for the specialized units and special details.

The Forensic, Video Production, Photography and Audio-Visual Support sections, all experienced increases in workload. The section examined 121 cases, including 19 homicides, that included 337 multimedia items. The section provided successful facial and vehicle identifications in 16 cases where no suspects were initially identified and provided on-scene field support in 16 cases and testified in four homicide trials prior to courts closing. The forensic section also provided state of the art photogrammetry testing in seven cases. With this unique form of video analysis, the section can provide scientific opinions in video cases where vehicle speed, suspect height and object size is critical. Forensic multimedia training was also provided on six different occasions at conferences, schools, and seminars across the northeast.

The Video Production Section completed 34 multimedia projects that included 13 full length videos including the 2020 Recruitment campaign, the 209th session of the Basic School graduation video, FIC Evidence Submission training, Firearms Range Safety and web streamed the 209th graduation. The section produced all three winter in-service videos.

The Photography Section completed 51 assignments including major events like 209 graduation, promotional ceremony, funerals, conferences, and press events. The section also completed the 209th Basic School composites and printed 785 photographic prints and 137 foam board/laminated posters.

Finally, even with COVID-19 restrictions, the AV Support Section provided technology assistance to 19 State Police events at the Academy and across the State.

ADMINISTRATION– CJIS AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE UNIT

The New York State Police Criminal Justice Information Services Audit and Compliance Unit assists field personnel by conducting a wide variety of audit, support, and search functions. The unit, located in Division Headquarters, provides support for technologies used by field personnel such as the Integrated Justice Portal. It is responsible to ensure agencies in New York follow security requirements mandated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation by offering support, training, and the completion of triennial system audits. The unit partners with the Division of Criminal Justice Services to represent all users of the Portal in a national governance process to ensure that the system and its functions are in compliance with all security standards.

One of the main functions of the Unit is to conduct FBI mandated audits of New York State criminal justice and non-criminal justice agencies with access to the portal, as outlined in the CJIS Security Policy. The New York State Police is the CJIS Systems Agency (CSA) and works with DCJS, and the State ID Bureau, to coordinate the required audits. Approximately 4,000 agencies are audited on their use of the Portal and the policies associated with having access.

The audits are administered electronically by using the CJIS Audit Application. Each year, of the three-year cycle, approximately 1,300 agencies are audited: over 100 agencies each month. Agencies can be assigned from two to six different audits, depending on their use of the portal. Another audit is conducted every two years, to confirm agency contact information. Formal audits are conducted to ensure compliance with applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

The unit handles the NCIC audit, NCIC – Limited Use Audit, IT Security Audit and the Biennial ORI Validation Audit. DCJS Office of Internal Audit handles the CHRI Audit, DMV Photo Audit, Lawman Audit, NDEx Audit and non-criminal justice agency audits.

Additionally, the unit conducts training for agencies with noncompliance issues. Quarterly training assists agencies with understanding the content addressed in the audits. The philosophy of the unit is to train to compliance versus imposing sanctions.

One of the most valuable support functions of the unit would be the Special Computer Application (SCA). SCA searches use several applications to gain valuable information to assist in a variety of investigations. The SCA team searches several restricted databases through the Department of Motor Vehicles, the FBI, the International Justice and Public Safety Network and several internal NYSP applications. In 2020, the SCA team completed 3,354 searches on multiple databases.

July 2020 – The SCA unit was provided with an image of a motor vehicle that had been possibly used by a suspect in an endangering the welfare of a child investigation. After discussion with the investigator, the unit was able to identify the make and model of the vehicle. By searching for that make and model specifically in Saratoga County, the unit was pivotal in assisting the investigator with identifying the correct vehicle which confirmed the suspect in the investigation.

December 2020 – SCA received a request for a search on a partial registration of a red Chevrolet Silverado in a petit larceny investigation. The unit compiled a list of over 200 vehicles matching the criteria. Referencing the information on the lists provided, the requesting agency was able to identify the vehicle. Information from SCA contributed to the arrest of the person responsible for the larceny.

AVIATION UNIT

Flights Conducted	2,036
Assists to Law Enforcement	409
Emergency Medical Evacuations	66

The New York State Police Aviation Unit

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

Aviation-Rochester: On June 7, 2020, Aviation-Rochester and SORT-West were requested for a hoist rescue for an 11-year-old boy who fell into a deep ravine in Wyoming County. Pilots Mr. Christian Koch and T/Sgt. John Kulesa, along with SORT-West members Sgt. Tim Reaska, Trooper Brian Brass, and Trooper Kevin Kline executed the rescue in a challenging location. Sgt. Reaska lowered Trooper Brass down into the 200-foot ravine, a stokes basket extraction was completed and the victim was medevac'd to the Children's Hospital in Buffalo. The flight crew was recognized by the Red Cross of Western NY at their annual Heroes Campaign event on October 15, 2020.

Aviation-Albany: On June 28, 2020, Aviation-Albany pilots Mr. Dylan Maycrink and Sergeant Luis Badillo were dispatched to Greene County to assist Troop F in locating a missing 77-year-old male with Alzheimer's Disease. The subject, missing for several hours, wandered away from his home and into a wooded area. After searching the area for over an hour, a pair of white sneakers were briefly spotted in a heavily wooded area. The pilots circled the aircraft around, and after hovering in the vicinity for several minutes located the subject, who was lying face down. The crew directed ground units to the subject's location.

Aviation-Newburgh: On October 14, 2020, at approximately 9:00pm, Troop K requested the extraction of two stranded hikers on Breakneck Ridge, on the border of Dutchess and Putnam Counties. Pilots T/Sgt John Delsignore and Ms. Stacy Bowe, along with SORT-South members Sgt. Josh Galvin, Sgt. Sean Kelly, Trooper Atiba Celestine, and Trooper Chris Sierra quickly located the hikers with help from their flashlight. Sgt. Galvin and Trooper Celestine were lowered via the hoist to a location above the hikers and determined the best plan would be to bring them up to the insertion point and hoist everyone out. Sgt. Kelly and Trooper Sierra hoisted the hikers into the aircraft and transported them to awaiting emergency medical services on the ground. The crew then returned and extracted Sgt. Galvin and Trooper Celestine without incident.



Aviation-Saranac Lake: On November 24, 2020, Troop B received a request from the NYS Forest Rangers for assistance in locating a missing hiker; a 26-year-old female believed to be in the Allen Mountain/Tahawas Mountain region in Essex County. NYSP Aviation and K9 units were dispatched to assist. Trooper Brandon Zakris, out of Aviation-Saranac Lake, searched the area and performed personnel insertions of Forest Rangers into the austere location. Mr. Dylan Maycrink (Pilot) and Capt. David Kolb (TFO), out of Aviation-Albany, also conducted aerial searches while using the aircraft's FLIR camera system. After two days of searching and several hours of flight time dedicated to aerial search and rescue, the hiker was located in good health on the south side of Allen Mountain. She was flown by Trooper Brandon Zakris to an awaiting ambulance, where she was then transported to a local hospital.

BOMB DISPOSAL UNIT

Total Incidents Handled

401

The State Police Bomb Disposal unit currently has 12 FBI certified bomb technicians and is the most active bomb disposal team in New York State. They are responsible for most of the upstate geographic area and respond to calls for improvised explosive devices, recovered military ordnance, commercial explosives, and suspicious packages. Members are often assigned to high profile events for operational standby and to assist with pre-event security sweeps.

To increase response capability, the Bomb Disposal Unit has acquired small robotic units for examination of suspect packages and improvised explosive devices from a safe distance. This includes both ground-based robots and unmanned aerial systems. This allows technicians to quickly respond to calls with the necessary tools, while increasing their safety. All members have completed internal training based the FBI Tactical Bomb Technician program to work effectively with tactical teams during dynamic, hostile situations.

Four teams based at Albany, Batavia, Montgomery and Oneida are equipped with bomb transport trailers and robots to safely mitigate explosive related incidents. Each technician is equipped with x-ray capability, bomb suits, disruptors and a variety of other tools and render safe items.

April 2020- BDU members responded to a functioning pipe bomb in a pickup truck after a road rage incident on the New York State Thruway. SP Niagara BCI members obtained a search warrant for the suspect's residence in Niagara Falls. Inside, BDU and SORT found improvised explosive devices consisting of propane tanks, pipe bombs and wiring that were strategically placed in each corner of the residence, along with wiring leading from the devices to an unknown destination on the second floor of the building. A multi-agency effort over several days resulted in the removal and subsequent rendering safe of numerous devices without incident.



July and August 2020- BDU was tasked with the destruction of a massive amount of consumer fireworks seized all over NYS. To make this a safer and more efficient process, a metal mesh pen was designed and constructed by BDU to contain everything while the fire consumed the fireworks. Built at a minimal cost, the pen worked successfully and will ensure safe destruction on consumer fireworks in the future.

October 2020- BDU members responded to assist BCI with a post-blast investigation that resulted in serious injury to an adult male. The subject had been experimenting with making improvised explosive devices in his living room when one of his creations went off while he held it in his hand. He received numerous injuries, including the complete loss of one hand. BDU members recovered a wide variety of other improvised explosive devices and supplies during the investigation.

BCI

COMPUTER CRIME UNIT- COMPUTER FORENSIC LABORATORY

The Computer Forensic Laboratory (CFL) is a full-service laboratory dedicated to the collection, preservation and analysis of computers, mobile devices, and various other digital devices. The CFL provides law enforcement agencies in New York State and surrounding states with unsurpassed digital forensic capabilities. In 2020, the CFL analyzed over 144 million megabytes of evidentiary data in all forms of digital evidence, a 10% increase over 2019. The CFL also has been involved in high profile cases, rebuilding damaged cellphones, discovering new forensic artifacts, and accessing data from encrypted devices.

In 2020, the CFL continued to expand its' capabilities in newer encrypted smartphones and passcode locked iOS and Android devices. This area will continue to be a challenge for the CFL and Computer Crimes Unit as encrypted smartphones continue to advance. The CFL trained more members to conduct vehicle forensic examinations, which allows investigators access to information within the infotainment system. This information can provide key insight into the operation of a vehicle prior to, or during an incident.

July 2020 – CFL members were requested to assist in a joint NYSP/FBI child pornography investigation. A damaged hard drive was submitted, and due to the capabilities of the CFL staff and equipment, images of unknown females were located with GPS data. Further investigation yielded possible names and addresses associated with the images. Working with the FBI, two of the unknown females were identified as underage and living in other states. Multiple items were analyzed, including encrypted iTunes backups, an Encrypted MacBook Pro and a password protected iPad. CFL members were able to identify and document multiple unknown and underage children who fell victim to having their sexually explicit images disseminated via the internet.

August 2020 – CFL members were requested to assist in processing a vehicle infotainment system seized as part of a homicide investigation. CFL investigators recovered data that showed the vehicle traveling from the first suspect's house to the house of the second suspect, before arriving at the scene of the homicide. The extracted data showed the vehicle driving by the scene of the crime numerous times before stopping in the area immediately before the homicide occurred. Vehicle door events occurred, showing the suspects entering/exiting the vehicle at the crime scene. Phone Bluetooth connections were also located to assist in placing the suspects in the vehicle during the time in question. This information was crucial in securing an indictment of the suspects.

June 2020 – The FBI and Troop G Computer Crimes Unit assisted the Maine State Police with the investigation of a male suspect from Maine. Troop G CCU created a social media profile posing as an underage female and communicated with the male suspect for several weeks. The male stated he would travel to the Albany area, on two different occasions, to engage in sex with what he believed to be an underage female. Ultimately, he never traveled to New York. However, because of the investigation, search warrants were authorized for the suspect's residence and person. The suspect admitted to engaging in communications with Troop G CCU, possessing child pornography and solicitation of minors over social media to produce child pornography. After further analysis of his electronic devices, the Maine State Police identified a mother who video recorded the sexual abuse of her minor child and shared the videos with the suspect. Troop G CCU's work effectively ended this threat to children by a person who had direct access through his employment, and through his volunteer work with the Boy Scouts organization. More importantly, their work was instrumental in the rescue of a minor child from repeated sexual abuse perpetuated by a mother.

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.

Staff from the SVU conduct law enforcement training at the New York State Police Academy and local academies. SVU also hosts annual training seminars for law enforcement and social service agencies from across the state and around the world. SVU plans and administers the annual Crimes Against Children Seminar (CAC) and the Colonel Henry F. Williams Homicide Seminar (HFW). With the onset of the COVID pandemic, and after much consideration, neither seminar was held in 2020. Additionally, the cold case consultant was not allowed to continue cold case reviews due to the effects of the pandemic.

The SVU also manages New York State's AMBER Alert Program, activating the system in child abduction cases that meet strict activation criteria. Since the program's inception in 2002, the SVU has activated the AMBER Alert system 98 times for cases involving 119 missing children. In 2020, the AMBER Alert system was activated six times involving nine missing children. The AMBER Alert played a direct role in the recovery of six of the nine children. Notable cases for 2020 include:

On May 8, 2020, New York State Police – Clifton Park requested an AMBER Alert activation for a 10-year-old victim after the child was taken by the non-custodial father during a violent domestic and burglary. Both suspect and child located walking in the city of Albany by a bystander who had seen the alert and reported to the police.

On October 28, 2020, Orleans County Sheriff's Office requested an AMBER Alert activation for a two-month-old child who was abducted by his non-custodial 15-year-old mother. An investigation revealed the non-custodial mother and her boyfriend had been involved in a violent domestic the previous evening and the boyfriend had been arrested and escaped custody. Four days later, the mother and child went missing from the maternal grandmother's house. The child was recovered after the abductors gave the child to a family member. That family member was located attempting to gain custody in Family Court upon activation of the AMBER alert.

On November 5, 2020, Binghamton Police Department requested an AMBER Alert activation for eight-year-old twins. An investigation showed the biological mother had custody removed from her in California, and appeared in Binghamton at the father's residence, taking the children when a family member was distracted. AMBER Alert activated in New York and Pennsylvania. The abducting parent turned the children into authorities in Maryland when she received the Pennsylvania Alert traveling on I-81.

The Special Victims Unit participates in many multi-disciplinary working groups and advisory boards related to combatting child abuse, elder abuse, sex and human trafficking and sexual offenses. This includes the New York State Children's Justice Task Force, the New York State Child Fatality Protocol Review Committee, Interagency Task Force on Human Trafficking and ITF Youth Trafficking Subcommittee, the New York State Coalition on Elder Abuse Advisory Board, the DCJS Cold Case review panel and the Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. This year has been a challenge as all agencies have moved to virtual meetings. The NYSP SVU continues to partner with all agencies and work in conjunction through the pandemic.

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.

Cybertips®	8,218
Cases	6,355
Subpoenas	2,171
Arrests	191

The NYS ICAC Task Force was established in 1998 and has dozens of 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 and undercover investigations. In addition to the criminal investigations, members of the task force provide training to law enforcement, prosecutors, and the public.

January 2020 – The ICAC received and vetted 46 different CyberTip reports submitted by Facebook that led to one suspect. ICAC provided their investigative findings to Troop E Computer Crimes Unit who executed a search warrant at a residence in Rochester, NY. A cellular phone belonging to a 26-year-old male resident was seized and found to contain videos of child sexual exploitation. The male suspect was subsequently arrested and charged with Possession of a Sexual Performance by a Child.

April 2020 - The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force received a CyberTip reporting a 10-year-old female was having sexual contact and exchanging illicit images via Facebook with the victim's mother's boyfriend. Investigator Melanie Dale, Troop H – SIU/ICAC identified all the parties involved using exigent requests, and provided this information to Troop E investigators, who within hours, executed a search warrant at the residence. The investigation determined that the victim was raped several times by the mother's boyfriend and sexual abused by her mom. The victim's mother and her boyfriend were charged with Course of Sexual Conduct Against a Minor 1st and the boyfriend was also charged with Rape 1st Degree.

August 2020 – An ICAC investigator started a proactive online, peer-to-peer investigation resulting in obtaining direct downloads of child pornography images and videos from an IP address in the Halfmoon, New York area. A search warrant at the subscriber's address resulted in the seizure of a computer that contained several images/videos of child sexual exploitation material. The male suspect and sole occupant of the residence was arrested and charged with Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child and Possessing a Sexual Performance by a Child.

September 2020 – A joint investigation conducted by ICAC, Homeland Security Investigations and Troop G members led to the arrest of man for sexual abuse. It was determined that the suspect was posting illicit photographs of the victim online. A subsequent search warrant at the suspect's residence resulted in the seizure of electronic devices which contained numerous child pornography images and a video file of the suspect engaging in a sexual act with the victim. The suspect was charged federally with Sexual Exploitation of a Minor, Transportation of Child Pornography and Possession of Child Pornography and sentenced to 80 years in prison.

CANINE UNIT

The New York State Police Canine Unit was first organized in 1975 when the Division sent its first three members for training with the Baltimore Police Department in Maryland. These three initial canine teams were specifically trained in explosive detection in preparation for the 1976 and 1980 Olympics. State Police canines are named after deceased members.

There are currently 98 working canines in the unit. The teams include 42 explosives detection canines with 12 handlers assigned to the Division Bomb Disposal Unit, 54 narcotics detection teams with 27 cross-trained for cadaver detection. There are also four Division bloodhounds which are utilized solely for the tracking persons. In 2020, State Police canines were involved 7,128 events including but not limited to; searches for missing people, searching for evidence and drugs and apprehending criminal suspects.

June 2020 - Trooper Bruce Shive and Canine Clark, Troop C – VGNET conducted a vehicle stop on I-81 South in the Town of Kirkwood. A positive canine alert resulted in the seizure of approximately 10 oz Crystal Methamphetamine, scale, a loaded 9mm handgun and almost \$2,000 cash.



June 2020 - Trooper Craig Thornhill and Canine Stanley, conducted a search for a missing, possibly suicidal, 15-year-old that left their home the previous night. Trooper Thornhill started a trail with Stanley approximately 1/2 block north of the teen's home. They searched through the playground area and into the woods where the missing subject was located, unconscious from being in the severe heat for 13 hours. He slowly came to after Stanley identified him by putting paws on his chest.

September 2020 - Trooper Darrell Denning and Canine Kin, Troop C- Otsego IP assisted BCI and Major Crimes with a missing persons investigation in the Town of Preston. A cadaver search was requested for wooded areas surrounding the property including several acres of state land. Canine Kin, who is trained in detecting human remains, alerted to a

marshy area that included a muddy depression filled with water several feet deep. A search in the area resulted in the discovery of human bones of the suspected missing person.



October 2020- Trooper Mark Bender was monitoring the radio when he heard a report of shots fired involving a pursuit and a foot chase in the city of Syracuse. Syracuse Police had located the suspect and then asked Trooper Bender to assist with his K9 partner, Ada, in locating the gun. Trooper Bender advised Syracuse PD he had a narcotics K9 and an explosives K9 would be the first choice for locating a gun. After determining that there were no explosives K9s available in the county, Trooper Bender conducted a canine article search for the gun. Within minutes, K9 Ada located the recent human odor on a silver revolver found in the thick weeds.



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 who can provide emergency response capability to support law enforcement agencies when responding to contaminated crime scenes or hazardous conditions. In addition, teams are regularly called upon by other law enforcement agencies for their expertise in responding to and mitigating clandestine drug laboratories. These clan labs include, but are not limited to, methamphetamine, fentanyl, steroids and ecstasy (MDMA).



February 2020- Albany Police and Fire Departments asked the State Police for assistance with a suspicious object located outside a strip-mall shopping center on Western Avenue near the State University of Albany. The object was a metal, cylindrical container with no markings on it. Members of the State Police Bomb Disposal Unit x-rayed the object and determined the object had no components of an improvised explosive device. However, the x-ray determined the cylinder did contain either a thick liquid or powder contents. With no markings on the cylinder and its unusual appearance, the cylinder still had to be treated as a potentially hazardous substance. The CCSERT was called in to safely open the cylinder and determine if the contents were hazardous. The investigation revealed the container was an insulated bottle of tomato soup. Despite the non-hazardous conclusion of the incident, it demonstrates the great lengths taken to ensure public safety.

COMMUNICATIONS

The NYSP Communications section is responsible for the management and support of the Division's statewide network of telephone, radio systems and related technologies and services used to support the activities of sworn staff and civilian personnel. The Communications Section is also tasked with providing communication capabilities at temporary emergency command post locations on a 24/7 basis. The Division operates 15 dispatch centers across the state, with certain locations serving as either a primary or secondary public safety answering point for E-911 and/or W-911 calls for service.

Radio Services Unit

The Radio Services Unit is responsible for the management of the agency's radio system and supporting infrastructure across the state. The unit also supports a fleet of Mobile Command Vehicles and deployable equipment available to respond to critical incidents and special details. The vehicles, operated by trained technical support staff, provide incident commanders with portable telephone, radio, data, video and satellite connectivity in a mobile office environment. Communications supported more than 70 Mobile Command activations in 2020, covering 235 days-including nearly 100 days dedicated to supporting communications operations at COVID-19 test sites.

Telephone Services Unit

The Telephone Services Unit is responsible for providing 24/7 support to the Division's voice telecommunications networks, serving hundreds of State Police facilities and special operations statewide. The Unit provides direct support and management of dispatch facilities and special operations while serving in a support role for locations served by NYS ITS.

Special Projects

Division Communications, in concert with the New York State Department of Transportation and the New York State Thruway Authority continues development of a new, single, statewide Computer Aided Dispatch system. Computer Aided Dispatch will provide greater situational awareness, improve response times and promote interoperability. The new system will replace the three current systems and is scalable to accommodate additional public safety state agencies. Network connectivity supporting the new CAD system is being designed by NYS ITS.

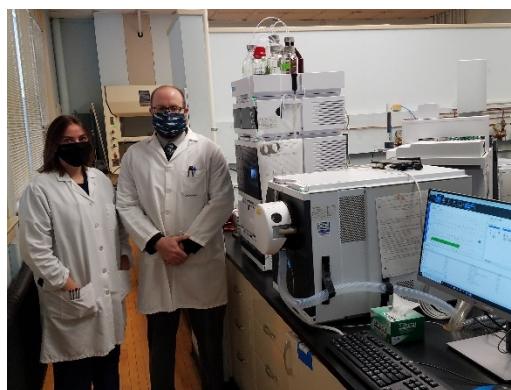
CRIME LAB

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 CLS has four laboratories located across the state.

Forensic Investigation Center Cases	7,033
Mid-Hudson Regional Lab Cases	2,432
Southern Tier Regional Lab Cases	1,157
Western Regional Lab Cases	1,559

March 2020 – Seized Drug Section - A legal change in the definition of marihuana was instituted, excluding hemp as defined in §505 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law. This required the development of a semi-quantitative technique that yields the amount of THC in the plant. Marihuana and hemp are identical in appearance and are differentiated based upon the concentration of Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) found in plant material. This required the Seized Drug section to research, validate, and institute an analytical method that allowed for the reporting of marihuana. This initiative was spearheaded by selected scientists at our NYSP Western Satellite Crime Laboratory (WSCL) using our newly acquired Agilent Liquid Chromatography – Mass Spectrometry system (LC/MS). The LC/MS instrument was purchased with equitable share funding. The new method for analyzing and reporting of marihuana went online in September 2020, exclusively at the WSCL in Olean, NY.



September 2020 - Biological Science Section - An arrest was made in a 1984 homicide case, based on an investigative lead generated through a Familial Search of DNA evidence collected from the body of the teenage victim. Since March of 2018, staff in the Biological Science section at the FIC have completed 15 Familial Searches. The Familial Search team and NYS DNA Databank staff continue to dedicate resources and expertise in conducting and improving the Familial Search process.

In 2020, Biological Science staff continued to explore and work towards implementation of new DNA technology, including Next Generation Sequencing, Rapid DNA and Probabilistic Genotyping. Next Generation Sequencing instruments simultaneously generate traditional DNA profiles, as well as analyze new DNA information, including biogeographical ancestry and DNA phenotype markers. Rapid DNA Instruments can produce a full DNA profile in approximately 1 ½ hours. FIC Bioscience staff have designed a pilot assessment of Rapid DNA for victim/mass disaster identification using bone, tissue and teeth as well as known family reference samples. Probabilistic Genotyping Software will assist with interpretation of complex DNA mixtures, providing quicker, more discriminating and reproducible interpretation of DNA mixture profiles found on crime scene evidence.

MOBILE FIELD UNIT

The Mobile Field Unit (MFU) is comprised of Troopers from multiple Troops statewide with specialized training in civil disorder control. MFU members are also trained in techniques to extract protestors from specially designed protestor devices, prevent the protestors from being arrested once a protest has been declared non-peaceful or creates a danger to persons and property.



May – December 2020 – The death of George Floyd on May 25, 2020 resulted in nationwide protests and impacted several areas of New York State. Starting with the weekend of May 29, 2020 through the end of 2020 the MFU responded to nearly every major city within New York State to assist in either protecting New Yorkers' First Amendment rights to freedom of speech and assemble peaceably, or to restore order when some demonstrations turned violent. All five MFU platoons had several deployments during this timeframe with sustained deployments occurring in Rochester, Buffalo and Albany.

When combined with SORT and BDU, the MFU became a highly capable force at restoring order and quickly became the most requested asset within the State Police.

June 2020 – The New York State Police and West Point Military Academy have a long-standing partnership of providing security for large events at the Academy. On June 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump gave the commencement address for the graduating class of 2020. With the political climate and the high probability of protests, West Point requested the presence of the MFU be staged in the event protests did occur. The MFU was not needed to restore order, however their presence showed the high regard partner agencies have for the MFU and their capabilities.

NYSIC/JTTF

Requests for Investigative Assistance 19,623

Intelligence Bulletins Disseminated 513

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.

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 to support the NYSIC mission. They are supported by the Counter Terrorism Intelligence Unit and the Crime Analysis Center liaison members stationed throughout the state. The members of these units work to advance the effectiveness and efficiency of New York State law enforcement agencies' operations and services by acting as a centralized intelligence resource base. This is accomplished through the collection and dissemination of both criminal and terrorism related information.

The Joint Terrorism Task Force, JTTF, is a multi-jurisdictional task force managed by the FBI and includes other federal and state and local law enforcement partners. Together they act as an integrated force to combat terrorism on a national and international scale. NYSP has a strong presence on the task force and are assigned to the JTTF in NYC, Albany and Buffalo.

August 2020 - CIU received a request for License Plate Reader assistance with a missing juvenile from Schenectady County, NY. An alert was established for the license plate of the suspect's vehicle, which was identified as operating on the NYS Thruway in Schenectady County. The vehicle was located, the suspect was arrested, and the missing juvenile located in good health.

September 2020 – CTIU Central was supporting SP Capital with the identification of subjects involved in the damage to the Governor's Mansion during a protest following the press release regarding the Breonna Taylor case. During this protest, projectiles were thrown at the Governor's Mansion causing property damage. CTIU Central was provided surveillance images of those involved. Through working knowledge gained from ongoing monitoring of protests for violence, comparison of clothing worn by the subjects who attended prior protests and comparison of surveillance images to open source social media postings, CTIU Central was able to successfully identify the subjects responsible for the damage which lead to arrests for reckless endangerment to property.

November 2020 - State Police in Marcy were dispatched to a murder at the Red Carpet Inn in the city of Rome. An investigation revealed an unknown subject shot and killed a 28-year-old male staying in the motel. Video footage from the motel was secured and a copy was sent to the for possible facial recognition. This recognition, together with independent identification by other law enforcement members, further solidified the identity of one of the suspects. During the course of the investigation, it was learned there were multiple suspects involved. The main suspect was located in jail on a parole violation, pending additional charges related to the homicide. Two other suspects have also been identified with charges pending.

OEM

Training Exercises	78
Emergency Operations Center Activations	63
Field Deployments	99

The New York State Police Office of Emergency Management (OEM),

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.

In addition to training and preparedness activities, Division Members assigned to Emergency Management were involved in the following major events:

OEM personnel were heavily engaged in New York State's COVID-19 response. Members detailed to the State Incident Management Team (IMT) deployed for several months in support of COVID-19 testing/sampling, while numerous members worked extended hours at multiple testing facilities throughout the state.

While managing the challenges of the pandemic response, OEM members were also involved in the response to 495 protests occurring from May to December 2020. OEM personnel coordinated logistical support, secured equipment and supplies, and supported planning and execution of daily operations to restore and maintain order in every Troop and in every major city of New York State.

Many of the annual scheduled events that DSP OEM personnel participate in were cancelled in 2020. However, DSP Liaison personnel continued to support routine planned events and respond to incidents as they occurred in 2020 including:

Routine planned events:

- Presidential visits to West Point
- New York State Air Show in Orange County
- A Professional Golfing Association event in Westchester County.

Planned responses to anticipated weather phenomenon:

- January to March 2020, seasonal ice jam monitoring and reporting along the major rivers in upstate New York.
- April to July 2020, saw the preparation and response to seasonal Lake Ontario Flooding.

Emergent/pop-up significant weather events in New York State:

February 2020- Warren and Saratoga County snow and ice storm caused numerous power outages.

- August 2020- response to Tropical Storm Isaias in the eastern half of New York, with widespread power outages and flooding prompting a disaster declaration.
- October 2020- A windstorm resulting in over 120 damaging wind reports across eastern New York and western New England. Microbursts were confirmed by storm surveys in Root, Pittstown, and Johnsonville, NY, with estimated wind speeds of 80, 90, and 100 mph, respectively. In addition, a brief EF0 tornado occurred in Canajoharie, NY. Power outages spanned several days in the hardest hit areas.
- December 2020- Snowstorms resulted in a paralyzing 40 plus inches of snow in the Southern Tier and portions of eastern New York State.

PSB

The Professional Standards Bureau (PSB) has a wide range of responsibilities that further the mission of Division. It is divided into two sections: An investigative section and an audit section.

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 2020, the PSB Investigative Section conducted 384 investigations with the final determination as follows:

FINAL DETERMINATION	NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS
CLOSED BY INVESTIGATION	111
FOUNDED	120
UNFOUNDED	61
UNSUBSTANTIATED	16
PENDING	76
TOTAL	384

PSB staff also respond to critical incidents with troop and field command supervisory personnel. 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 2020, the PSB Audit Section conducted 30 Division-level audits and 4 Quality Control 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 2020, the PSB Audit Section conducted a total of 1,644 urine tests and 180 hair tests broken down as follows:

Tests Administered	Urine Tests	Hair Tests
Member Random Drug Tests	1,494	30
Probationary Trooper Tests	150	150
Recruit Trooper Tests*	0	0
Total	1,644	180

*There were no new Basic School classes conducted in 2020

UNDERWATER RECOVERY TEAM

The New York State Police Underwater Recovery Team (URT) 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 URT is also the largest in the country and regularly provides specialized services to communities and law enforcement agencies across the state and the Northeast. Eight team leaders are full time, while the remainder of the team are part time divers who perform regular patrol and investigative duties when not assigned to a dive operation. With a statewide fleet of 34 boats, including nine airboats, nine inflatable swift water boats, and underwater electronic search equipment, the team can respond to boat accidents, drownings, flood emergencies, swift water rescues and other water related emergencies.

Throughout 2019, the NYSP URT conducted 270 recovery and training missions with over 1,200 dives. Divers statewide recovered 29 victims, 18 pieces of evidence, four vehicles, 12 weapons. Ten community service initiatives were also conducted. On 41 occasions, the NYSP URT assisted outside agencies with underwater recoveries.



May 2020- Troop E Underwater Recovery Team (URT) members assisted the Yates County Sheriff's Department with the recovery of a 27-year-old man canoeing across Seneca Lake with a friend when the vessel capsized. Both men were fully clothed and neither wearing life jackets. One of the two men was successfully pulled from the water nearly six hours later suffering from hypothermia. Search efforts continued in the following days for the second man. After almost one month, utilizing Side Scan SONAR, URT located the body of the second soul at a depth of 571 feet. With Troop D's Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), members were able to retrieve the body to a depth to assist the ROV with a complete and successful recovery of the

drowning victim. The recovery from 570' was the deepest recovery in the history of NYSP URT.

July 2020- While conducting SONAR training in the Hudson River in the city of Poughkeepsie, divers from Troop F and K located a submerged vehicle. They worked to identify the vehicle, and determined it was possibly associated with a missing person from 2008. The vehicle was recovered from the Hudson River and processed by the NYSP Forensic Identification Unit, who human skeletal remains, clothing, and a wallet with the missing person's ID.

October 2020- Troop E URT was requested to conduct a search of the Seneca River for a male homicide victim dumped into the river. The victim was located at the bottom of a 20' concrete wall along a set of railroad tracks with cinder blocks tied to his body. The CSX Railroad was conducting a bridge inspection with a boat equipped with a boom. After the victim was secured in a body bag, the bag was attached to the boom and raised to the top of the concrete wall. The investigation lead URT to two locations; searching for the victim's cell phone and the gun used to kill him. URT Members located the cell phone using underwater metal detectors. Extensive dive operations were then conducted at a separate location where divers located the gun.

October 2019 – Troop D URT assisted with flooding in Herkimer County. Members recovered one drowning victim swept away in flood waters and rescued four residents trapped in their residence. URT Members were also staged at numerous locations throughout the state for a swift-water rescue response.

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	218
Currency Seized	\$8,453,384
Vehicles Seized	11
Firearms Seized	42
Stolen Vehicles Recovered	84

January 2020 – Members of SIU Rochester and Troop E VGNET began an investigation into a male subject from Elmira, NY for allegations of human trafficking and narcotics sales. The subject was released from prison in 2013 following a conviction for prior narcotics trafficking, and was implicated in the 1980 shooting death of NYSP Investigator Robert Van Hall. The investigation resulted in a 34-count indictment against the suspect and four other co-conspirators, one of whom is an attorney and Steuben County Legislator. They face charges for Sex Trafficking, Enterprise Corruption, Criminal Possession & Sale of a Controlled Substance, Promoting Prostitution, Conspiracy.

January 2020 - Members of SIU – Money Laundering Unit, who are federally deputized by the DEA, and DEA Group D-43, were provided with information a previously encountered money launderer was looking to launder a large sum of narcotics proceeds. The suspect was observed leaving his Wharton, New Jersey building carrying a weighted duffel bag. He was approached by MLU investigators and during the field interview, consent to search his bag was granted which contained approximately \$200,000 in cash. The suspect also consented to searching his apartment and another “stash house” resulting in the total seizure of approximately \$1.1 million dollars in cash. In 2020, the MLU was responsible for the seizure of \$6,699,072 as a result of their investigations into money laundering organizations.

February 2020 –SIU Albany assisted the Troy Police Department with the death of a six-year-old boy who, according to the family, had drowned in the bathtub. Autopsy findings were inconsistent with drowning and showed the victim died of hypothermia. After an extensive investigation and electronic surveillance, it was learned that the victim’s mother’s boyfriend placed the child outside in freezing temperature as punishment for wetting his bed. The boyfriend was subsequently charged with Murder 2nd Degree.

March 2020 – A joint investigation by SIU Valhalla, FBI, US Food and Drug Administration and the New York City Police Department led to the arrest of eight suspects on federal charges of Conspiracy and Drug Adulteration and Misbranding in connection with a horse doping investigation. The NYS Gaming Commission reported allegations to SIU that several New York-based veterinarians were injecting thoroughbred horses with performance enhancing drugs. The investigation expanded nationwide, resulting in the FBI arresting 21 additional suspects and executing search warrants at 24 different locations throughout the United States.

December 2020 – A joint, long term investigation conducted by SIU - Financial Crimes Unit and the NYS Attorney General’s Office led to the arrest of a Saratoga Springs contractor for defrauding homebuyers, business owners, a financial lender and the beneficiary of a special needs trust, out of more than \$1 million dollars. The suspect diverted monies intended for projects for personal use, and laundered the funds through two construction companies he owned and operated. The suspect ultimately plead guilty to Money Laundering in the Second Degree and Scheme to Defraud in the First Degree.

SORT

The Special Operations Response Team (SORT) 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.

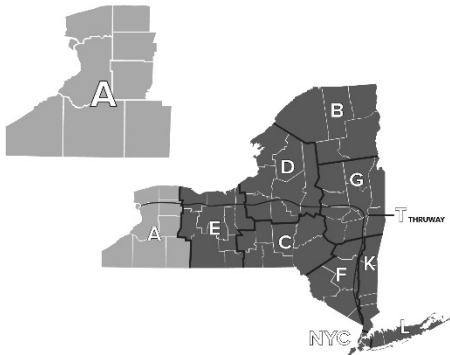
The Special Operations Response Team was created in 1980 to provide a tactical response element for the Winter Olympics in Lake Placid. There are currently five regional teams: Capital, North Central, South Central, South and West. The teams are a full-time asset, providing their specialized services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

- Counter Terrorism Operations
- Disaster Relief Operations
- Hostage Rescue
- Clandestine Labs
- High Risk/Violent Felony Arrests
- Manhunts/ Searches
- High Angle Rope Rescue
- Event Security
- Barricaded Suspects
- High Risk Dignitary Protection

January 2020 – SORT South Central responded to assist with an armed barricaded subject in the town of Deposit. The subject, a burglary suspect, had access to firearms, had been using methamphetamine and was expressing homicidal and suicidal thoughts. After several hours, negotiators developed a rapport with the suspect, but it deteriorated, and he went back inside the home. Troopers and SORT were in place, watching the residence, and negotiators were moved into the SORT Bearcat for safety. The Bearcat was used to illuminate the home and its PA system was used to communicate, but the suspect continued to break windows and fired two shots at the vehicle from inside, hitting the Bearcat. Approximately six hours after the incident began, the suspect suddenly emerged from home armed with a rifle and handgun, aiming toward police and was shot and killed. After determining the suspect was no longer a threat, SORT entered the home, secured the suspect, and cleared the residence.

June 2020- SORT West was deployed with the Mobile Field Unit to the City of Buffalo to protect citizens and property from civil disorder in the city. Protestors were engaged in violent actions against State Police and Buffalo Police when a vehicle drove through the police line, striking and seriously injuring a State Trooper and Buffalo Police Officer. Trooper Brian J. Brass, along with Trooper Joshua A. Jones, responded to the deadly vehicular assault preventing the escape of the assailant and vehicle. Trooper Brass, along with Trooper Shaun P. Fallon, then turned to their training as Emergency Medical Technicians and rendered medical aid to the injured Trooper and Police Officer to stabilize them for transport to the hospital.

TROOP A



Arrests	4,361
Calls for Service	54,069
Accidents	4,619
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	79,332
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,439
Move Over Tickets	421

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

March 2020 - On November 7, 2019, the Federal Credit Union in Clarence was robbed by armed, masked subjects. For the next several months, SP Clarence BCI, Troop A VCIT and an analyst from SIU pieced together information and connected two other credit union robberies in Western New York to the same suspects. In March 2020, Troop A BCI, with the assistance of SORT-West, the FBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office, arrested two suspects. A third suspect was also arrested, and all are facing federal charges for stealing over \$400,000 from credit unions in Western New York.



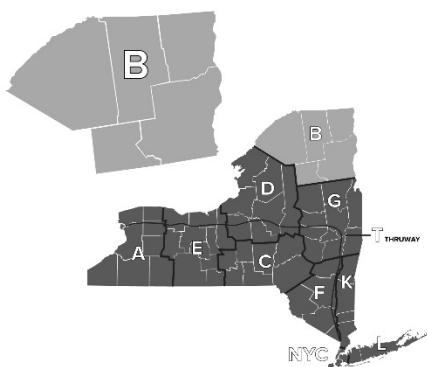
Credit Union Suspects Arrested

March 2020 - SP Amity and Machias BCI started a criminal investigation into the discovery of an unidentified body wrapped in garbage bags near the shore of the Genesee River. The investigation revealed the 23-year-old victim was lured to an apartment in the village of Wellsville the night prior, bound to a chair, brutally beaten and cut with a knife. After several hours, the victim was wrapped, then driven to the river and dumped into the water. Eight suspects, including two juveniles, were charged.

April 2020 – On April 12, State Police begin an investigation after a male subject was shot and killed in his driveway in the town of Lockport. Over the next 24 hours, witnesses were identified and interviewed, with all information pointing to one suspect as the shooter. The suspect was arrested on April 17 in Rochester.

April 2020 - On April 24, 2020, SP Amity troopers investigated a check the welfare complaint for a woman residing in the town of Allen. Troopers interviewed the husband at the residence noticing inconsistencies. After obtaining verbal consent to check the property, one of the members located the dismembered female body. The husband provided a voluntary and detailed video confession to BCI personnel at SP Amity.

TROOP B



Arrests	3,981
Calls for Service	35,456
Accidents	4,944
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	56,566
Distracted Driving Tickets	995
Move Over Tickets	404

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

April 2020- SP Malone responded to a report of an armed home invasion. Four individuals entered with guns and attacked and injured the victim. They left with approximately \$13,000 cash, firearms illegal drugs. The suspects were identified and arrested, resulting in charges of Robbery 1st degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd degree, among numerous other charges.

May 2020– SP Lewis troopers responded to a Moriah residence where a woman received a threat from an estranged boyfriend. The suspect attempted to run over both troopers. After crashing into patrol cars multiple times and jumping an embankment to run them over, troopers fired at the suspect. The troopers sustained minor injuries. The suspect was treated for multiple gunshot wounds, released, and charged with Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd degree, and two counts each of Attempted Assault 1st degree, Criminal Contempt 2nd degree, Criminal Mischief 2nd degree, and Reckless Endangerment 2nd degree.



December 2020- SP Tupper Lake troopers responded to assist the Tupper Lake Police with a man with a gun, impaired by drugs. The suspect had fired several rounds at a hardware store. The man was located and arrested after he attempted to escape by changing his clothing and hiding the firearm.

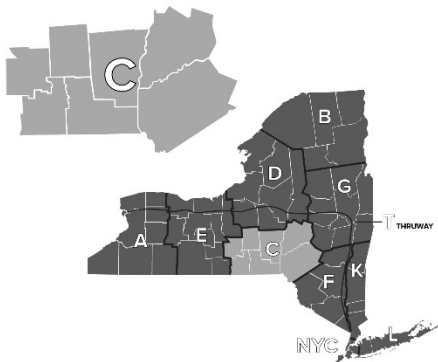
September 2020– A husband and wife in their 70s were kidnapped from their Moira home in the middle of the night by a Quebec-based organized crime group. The group believed the couple's grandson stole 50 kilograms of cocaine. The couple were transported to Quebec, Canada

by their kidnappers. Coordination between Canadian and American law enforcement resulted in the couple being rescued two days later, unharmed. Five suspects were arrested in Canada on kidnapping charges, and two subjects were arrested in New York and charged by the FBI.

October 2020– While conducting a commercial vehicle checkpoint at the Massena Port of Entry, troopers encountered a commercial vehicle operating as a courier. After a thorough inspection, 98 kilograms of cocaine were found concealed within the cargo, unbeknownst to the operator.



TROOP C



Arrests	2,994
Calls for Service	47,320
Accidents	5,337
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	67,806
Distracted Driving Tickets	1,551
Move Over Tickets	1,319

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

April 2020 – SP Oneonta arrested two suspects after a night-long crime spree that included robbing four gas stations and burglarizing two local businesses in Otsego County. During one of the robberies, a clerk was stabbed with a knife. Investigators, troopers and the city of Oneonta Police Department worked together to apprehend the two men. They were charged with four counts of Robbery 1st degree, three counts of Burglary 3rd degree and one count of Assault 2nd degree.

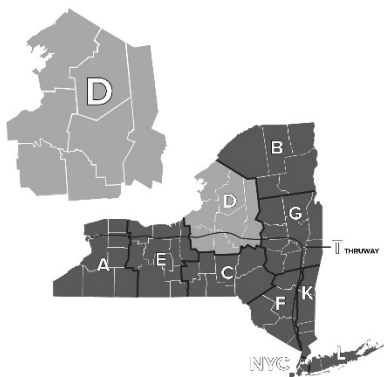
June 2020 – Troop C Violent Gangs and Narcotics Enforcement Team started a six-month investigation into the distribution of crystal Methamphetamine in the Broome County area. Through a traffic stop, search warrant execution and working with US Postal Service Inspectors, \$30,000 destined for California, approximately three pounds of crystal meth, approximately 40 grams of heroin, two 9mm semi-automatic handguns, an AR-15 rifle with a 10" barrel and approximately \$111,000 in cash, were seized. The suspect was arrested on federal charges related to the Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine.

July 2020 –SP Ithaca troopers and investigators responded to a report of a home invasion in the town of Enfield, Tompkins County. An investigation revealed the homeowner woke up to his home being burglarized. The homeowner retrieved his rifle and came face to face with a man in his kitchen, armed with a shotgun, and a second outside the house with a crossbow. The homeowner told them to leave, when they did not, he shot them. The suspects fled to a waiting vehicle. Investigators learned the two men were taken by a woman to a hospital over the state line in Pennsylvania. Both men and the female were charged with Burglary 1st degree.

August 2020 – SP Binghamton troopers responded to a fatal shooting in Conklin, Broome County. One woman was killed, the other had a hand injury after being shot in their apartment parking lot. The injured woman was able to identify the suspect as a man in an on and off again relationship with one of the victims. Police were given a description and the suspect was stopped by Binghamton Police. Investigators learned the suspect disposed of the gun used in the shooting and devised a search plan. A magazine was located by a member of the Broome County Police Academy, and the pistol was located by Trooper Chris May and his K9 partner Mattie. The suspect was charged with Murder 2nd degree and Attempted Murder 2nd degree.

November 2020 – Troop C Violent Gangs and Narcotics Enforcement Team, SORT and troopers executed a search warrant in the town of Smithville which resulted in the discovery and seizure of approximately 13 ounces of crystal methamphetamine, approximately eight pounds of marihuana, approximately two grams of heroin, approximately \$1,255 cash, digital scales, packaging materials, one handgun and four long guns. The case will be prosecuted federally.

TROOP D



Arrests	5,216
Calls for Service	82,306
Accidents	7,379
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	90,473
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,931
Move Over Tickets	668

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

January 2020– Trooper Andrew J. Skerpon, SP Lysander, received a call for an infant choking in the town of Clay. Trooper Skerpon arrived within minutes and performed the Heimlich maneuver on the 1-month old child, saving the infant's life. The child will celebrate her first birthday on December 13.

March 2020– SP Elbridge troopers responded to a report of a robbery in the Village of Elbridge. The male victim said his phone was taken while a knife was held to his chest. Camillus Police stopped the suspect vehicle, and all four suspects were interviewed. The knife and stolen cell phone were located in the vehicle. Investigators from Troop D, along with Major Crimes, assisted with interviews. Three of the four suspects were charged with Robbery 1st and several other charges.

March 2020– Trooper Eric W. Bird, SP Sullivan, and Trooper Kylie R. Black, SP Hastings (K9) assisted the Madison County Sheriff's office with the tracking and arrest of a man after a domestic incident. The male subject went to an acquaintance's home and hid under the porch with a large kitchen knife. A victim's family member went to walk the dog when the man attacked him from behind, and repeatedly stabbed him. During the attack, another family member came to help and was also stabbed. The man then fled. Troopers Bird and Black, along with deputies, focused their search and located the male in a wooded area near the scene. He was charged with two counts of attempted murder and other charges.

August 2020– SP Oneida conducted a homicide investigation in Oneida Castle. A 21-year-old male was found dead lying on the floor of his home. Investigators determined after an argument between the victim and a male occurred upstairs, a witness saw a man running from the home and leaving in a dark-colored SUV. With a license plate number from the witness, investigators tracked the suspect's vehicle to the Rochester area. Two men were ultimately charged with Murder 2nd degree.



September 2020– Troop D Major Crimes Unit investigated a reported home invasion in the town of Webb, Herkimer County. The investigation determined a fight between three individuals occurred outside the residence. During the altercation, the resident shot two individuals with a handgun in his driveway. A 43-year old Rochester man was arrested on murder charges.

November 2020– SP Remsen responded to a local gun shop for a reported burglary in progress. Due to the quick response of Trooper Kenneth H. Roberts and Trooper Lance S. Roczen, two men were located at the business. After attempting to run, the two men were apprehended by the troopers. An investigation revealed the two men were also linked to other gun store burglaries.

TROOP E



Arrests	4,451
Calls for Service	64,359
Accidents	6,614
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	82,168
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,177
Move Over Tickets	572

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

May 2020– Troopers Nicholas Marinaro, and Andrew M. Rotko, SP Auburn, responded to a man locked in a basement with a knife in the town of Fleming. The male was barricaded for about 12 hours and started multiple fires while state police were inside attempting negotiations. SORT entered the basement and the man resisted arrest even when bean bag rounds were deployed. He was arrested after a SORT K9 was sent in. He faced multiple charges including Arson 2nd degree and Menacing 2nd degree,

October 2020– Trooper Andrew D. Penczek, SP Auburn, responded to the town of Aurelius to assist the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office with a court order for the removal of weapons. A man exited the home, stabbed a deputy, then barricaded himself. Trooper Penczek placed a tourniquet on the deputy and he was transported to the hospital for life-saving medical care. Trooper Penczek remained at the scene and directed responding patrols on how to safely approach and set up a perimeter. Negotiators responded and eventually the man surrendered peacefully.

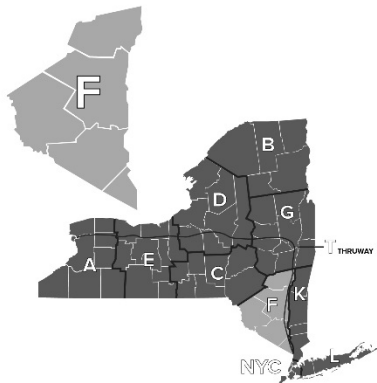
October 2020– Troopers and the BCI responded to a report of a home invasion robbery in the town of Pultney. A woman reported masked men broke into the residence and shot her husband. A perimeter consisting of NYSP members and the Steuben County Sheriff's Department was established and police searched for the suspects. As the investigation continued, the wife's story began to unravel and she admitted to killing her husband as he sat in his recliner.

November 2020– An inmate at the Willard Correctional Facility in Seneca County escaped from custody. A large response of uniform and BCI personnel responded to the scene and assisted in setting up a perimeter and establishing a command post. NYSP worked with a large contingent of NYS DOCCS officers and other state, county, and local agencies. During the search, NYSP specialized units and personnel from Troops C, D, and H assisted. The man was taken into custody 74 hours later by a Trooper, after a witness saw him walking about 25 miles from where he escaped.

November 2020– Uniform and BCI members responded to assist the Waterloo Police Department with a homicide, and a suspect was quickly identified. Within hours, the Geneva Police Department responded to an armed and barricaded person and identified the person as the suspect in the Waterloo homicide. The suspect was taken into custody in possession of the weapon believed to have been used in the homicide. Troop E FIU responded and processed the scene. The suspect was charged with Murder 2nd degree.

2020 – The SP Rochester G.I.V.E. (Gun Involved Violence Elimination) detail works with federal and local police to stem the flow of gun violence and related illegal activity in the northeast sector of Rochester. Enforcement efforts resulted in the seizure of 53 illegal guns from their assigned area, along with 169 drug interdiction arrests, 270 Felony arrests, 177 Misdemeanor arrests, and 2,150 traffic tickets.

TROOP F



Arrests	9,883
Calls for Service	83,381
Accidents	6,039
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	108,122
Distracted Driving Tickets	4,330
Move Over Tickets	1,425

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

May 2020- Uniform Zone 2 members, the Troop F Community Stabilization Unit, and Violent Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team were assigned to a detail in the city of Newburgh focusing on high crime areas. Over the course of 30 days, the detail made 72 felony arrests, 139 misdemeanor arrests, 24 DWI arrests and issued more than 1,000 traffic tickets. Police also seized 15 pounds of marijuana, 5,000 packages of heroin, 31 grams of PCP, 200 grams of cocaine, 10 illegal firearms.

Summer/Fall 2020 – Troopers and BCI members performed a multi-agency detail in the city of Kingston to reduce the high volume of crime and build a respectful dialogue. Members met weekly with community leaders and worked to bolster trust between the community and police. During the 12-week operation, the detail made 217 arrests, including 55 felonies and 96 misdemeanors. Police also seized five loaded handguns, along with large quantities of illegal drugs and cash.

August 2020 – The Troop F Violent Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team conducted a joint investigation with the New Jersey State Police Gangs and Organized Crime, North Unit, into possible cocaine trafficking in Walden, NY. In September and October, controlled purchases of cocaine were made in New Jersey with surveillance on targets in New York. A search warrant at the suspect's Walden residence, resulted in the seizure of \$992,271 cash, 1,485 grams of cocaine, 17 pounds of marijuana, 39 grams of MDMA, Oxycodone and Alprazolam and a loaded handgun. A second search warrant on a safe deposit box seized an additional \$195,120. The suspects were charged in New Jersey and extradited to New York and charged. The cash seizure was the largest seizure in Orange County history.



November 4, 2020 – Troopers responded to a 911 call reporting an armed, suicidal 48-year-old man. The first trooper located the man in a wooded area, holding a gun to his head. The trooper was able to verbally de-escalate the situation and take the man into custody for a mental health evaluation. The man later wrote a thank-you letter for the Trooper's professionalism and undoubtedly saving his life.

December 2020 – SP Kingston BCI and Troop F Major Crimes investigated the fatal shooting of a 12-year old female and injury of her 10-year old brother at their home in the city of Kingston. The victims were shot through the exterior walls of their home by a suspect outside, as they sat inside a bedroom. The investigation determined the shooting took place in retaliation for an earlier altercation where the suspect's relative was stabbed. Two suspects were arrested for Murder 2nd degree, Criminal Use of a Firearm 1st degree and Assault 1st degree.

TROOP G



Arrests	9,343
Calls for Service	69,244
Accidents	6,817
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	76,202
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,410
Move Over Tickets	964

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

February 2020- During a traffic stop on I- 87 in the town of Wilton, a trooper noticed multiple hypodermic needles inside the car. A search of the vehicle revealed drug paraphernalia with drug residue. The two Vermont women inside the vehicle were taken into custody and a locked safe was located inside the car. A search warrant was executed on the safe, and it contained approximately 104 grams of fentanyl and 30 bricks of heroin. The women were charged with multiple felonies, and 52,000 lethal doses of fentanyl were kept from making their way into the community.



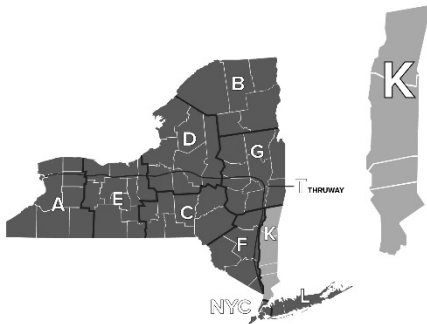
April 2020- State Police responded to the Clearview Motel in South Glens Falls to investigate a fatal stabbing that occurred early that morning. Local law enforcement had arrived and located a deceased 30-year-old man with multiple stab wounds in one of the motel rooms. Uniform and BCI members followed numerous leads and within hours located the suspected killer. The suspect was taken into custody and charged with Murder 2nd degree.

April 2020- Trooper Mark Border, SP Clifton Park, responded to a home for a woman who was in active labor. He found the mother who had just given birth, struggling to hold the newborn baby who wasn't breathing. He helped the child expel fluid built up in her airway, and after a few tense moments, she let out a welcomed cry. Both mother and baby recovered.

June 2020- In the fall of 2019, Troopers were called to State Route 30 in the town of Mayfield and located a 46-year-old woman deceased in a ditch. A preliminary investigation suggested she was the victim of a hit and run motor vehicle accident. Investigators conducted interviews and forensic evidence, eventually being led to a suspect who had left the state immediately after the accident. A warrant was issued and in June 2020 State Police traveled to Pennsylvania following an extradition order to bring him to New York.

August 2020- State Police responded to a fire at a an apartment building in the village of Fultonville. Thirteen people were reported to be inside. Trooper Nicole Claus, SP Fonda, the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and the Burtonsville Fire Department Chief saw fire coming from the back of the building. They discovered three children trapped in a first-floor apartment behind a locked, metal framed, commercial door. Trooper Claus and the other responders began kicking the door. Once breached, there was enough space for the three small children, their father, and family dog to escape. The remaining residents were saved by fire department personnel from a porch roof. Tragically, two people were killed.

TROOP K



Arrests	5,206
Calls for Service	93,786
Accidents	6,160
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	103,192
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,566
Move Over Tickets	1,297

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

March 2020 – Troopers received a report of a large-scale brush fire fed by high winds threatening nearby residential neighborhoods. The State Police, with assistance from the Metropolitan Transit Authority Police, Department of ENCON Forest Rangers, Park Police, Forest Rangers, Fishkill Police and Putnam County Sheriff's Office, responded to the Breakneck Ridge area of the Hudson Highlands State Park to assist local fire departments combating the approximately 150-acre fire.



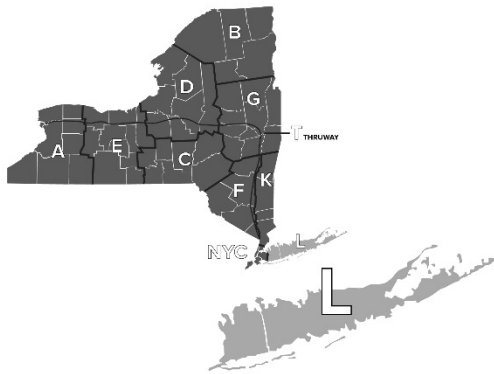
June 2020 - Troop K Major Crimes Unit was asked to assist the New Rochelle Police Department with an officer-involved shooting. Major Crimes completed an extensive investigation, including discovering evidence that overturned a co-conspirator's statements that attempted to falsely incriminate the involved officers. Major Crimes created a clear, accurate and concise picture of events, which were presented to a grand jury and subsequently cleared the officers of any wrongdoing or criminality.

July 2020 - SP New Lebanon troopers attempted to stop a vehicle for speeding on State Route 295 in Chatham. The driver, attempting to flee, drove onto the CSX train tracks and got stuck. Troopers, hearing an approaching train, got the occupants out of the car and away from the tracks seconds before the train struck the vehicle. The occupants were uninjured and arrested for drug possession.

November 2020 –SP Livingston responded to a residence for a woman threatening landscapers working on the property. The first responding Trooper located the woman standing in the driveway. She fired several rounds from a handgun in the direction of his patrol vehicle. Troopers safely rescued all four workers despite the woman firing additional rounds. She was taken into custody and charged with Attempted Murder 1st degree of a Police Officer.

Throughout 2020 Troop K planned for and adapted to changes to allow large scale events like the U.S. Open Championship at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, Westchester County. Originally planned for June 2020, the championship was postponed for three months due to the COVID-19 pandemic response. The U.S. Open was eventually played in September 17-20, 2020, and despite constant challenges, the State Police successfully provided security for the duration of the tournament.

TROOP L



Arrests	934
Calls for Service	26,575
Accidents	6,418
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	70,344
Distracted Driving Tickets	3,151
Move Over Tickets	601

Troop L serves Nassau and Suffolk counties on Long Island.

March 2020– SP Brentwood troopers and investigators responded to a road rage incident with shots fired on the Sagtikos State Parkway. An investigation revealed a female passenger swallowed shattered glass after the side window of her vehicle was shot by the operator of another vehicle. The suspect fled the scene. With only a partial license plate and limited description, investigators were still able to identify a suspect via cell phone records and a positive identification from a photo-array. The man was charged with Assault 2nd Degree, Reckless Endangerment 2nd Degree, Menacing 2nd Degree and Criminal Mischief 4th Degree.

April, June, October 2020 – Three individuals were saved by troopers after they threatened to jump from the Robert Moses Bridge. A member from Traffic Incident Management and members of SP Brentwood responded to three separate incidents along the main span. After speaking with the individuals, and building trust, a woman and two males were pulled or talked back over the bridge railing. The individuals were transported to local hospitals for treatment.

July 2020 – A Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit trooper assigned to assist Park Police at Jones Beach State Park saw a NYS Department of Transportation truck in a wooded area off the Ocean State Parkway. The man could not be extricated from the truck because of heavy brush and trees blocking the doors, but the trooper saw the man was unresponsive and potentially had a heart attack. The Trooper retrieved his AED, entered the truck and administered first aid. The man regained a pulse and with the help of two NYS Parks EMTs, assisted the man with artificial breathing until an ambulance arrived. The man was transported to a local hospital and survived.

September 2020– SP Riverside responded to a call of a missing elderly female who was suicidal and suffering from schizophrenia. After searching the area of the woman's home, it was suspected she may have jumped or fallen down an extremely steep ocean bluff bordering the Long Island Sound. Using a State Police K9 and drone, troopers spotted the woman's legs sticking out from heavy brush 100 feet below her residence. Three troopers went down the bluff and were able to rescue the woman. She was transported to a local hospital and survived.

November 2020 – SP East Meadow troopers and investigators responded to a wooded area off the Meadowbrook State Parkway where a homeless man was struck in the head with a hatchet. The scene was 700 feet off the parkway, accessible via a narrow foot path. Members from the Troop L Forensic Identification Unit documented two crime scenes using drone and collected evidence, including the hatchet. The Major Case Unit and Violent Gangs Narcotics Enforcement Team assisted, and two men were identified as suspects. The men were charged, including Attempted Murder 2nd Degree, Assault 1st Degree and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th Degree.

TROOP NYC



Arrests	372
Calls for Service	5,560
Accidents	279
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	42,032
Distracted Driving Tickets	1,957
Move Over Tickets	157

Troop NYC serves New York City.

January 2020 – SP Wards Island stopped a car after a notification of a stolen vehicle also wanted by the NYPD in connection with an armed robbery. The suspect was taken to the NYPD for further investigation. The suspect gave the trooper a different name, but his identity revealed

he was an armed robbery suspect. He faced numerous charges including Identity Theft 3rd degree, Criminal Impersonation 2nd degree, and Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 1st degree. The NYPD charged the suspect with multiple armed robberies.

July 2020 – The El Dorado Task Force (EDTF) UC Ops Group investigated a large-scale money laundering organization in Brooklyn. Members of the NYSP conducted undercover meetings with members from the MLO. During the investigation, a key member of the organization was identified as a Chinese National and physical and electronic surveillance identified other members. After a lengthy investigation, the key members were arrested, and \$930,000 cash was seized.

October 2020 – SP Brooklyn Troopers observed a traffic violation at 3rd Avenue and 41st Street. A traffic stop was attempted; but the vehicle continued, coming to an abrupt stop after passing through a red light. The operator and passenger fled on foot. Inside the car was \$10,000 cash along with a NYCannaMeds membership card, with the name and picture of the driver, along with 84 grams of marijuana. A follow-up investigation by an SP Investigator led to arrest of the driver.

December 2020 – Violent Felony Warrant Squad Investigators assigned to the US Marshals NY/NJ Regional Fugitive Task Force attempted to arrest a 35-year-old male, wanted for shooting a Massachusetts Trooper during a traffic stop. Entering the suspect's apartment in the Bronx, the man exited a bedroom and began shooting, wounding two US Marshals. Law enforcement returned fire, striking the subject who died at the scene. Both Marshals survived. A second male subject was arrested on federal charges.

December 2020 – New York Drug Enforcement Task Force (NYDETF) Group T-31, developed information of a possible cocaine mill in Brooklyn, NY. After hours surveilling the premise, a subject left the suspected mill with weighted bags. During a traffic stop, cocaine, four kilograms of Fentanyl, three kilograms of heroin, crack cocaine, two loaded firearms and 8,000 heroin glassines were seized, along with a high-end vehicle. An arrest warrant was executed on the main target who was in possession of crack cocaine. A search warrant at a storage facility was executed and five weapons and high capacity magazines were seized.

December 2020 – Members of SP Manhattan BCI and CTIU South, with intelligence from the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office, conducted a "ghost gun" investigation where illegal weapons and accessories were being transported into New York. After surveillance at a PA gun show, the suspects were arrested in Staten Island in possession of various illegal firearm parts, including high capacity magazines and ammunition.

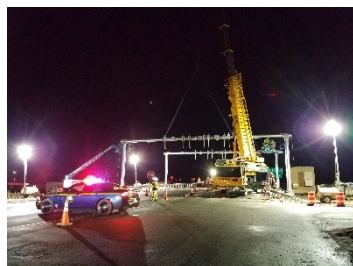
TROOP T

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

Arrests	1,518
Calls for Service	33,636
Accidents	6,778
Total Vehicle and Traffic Tickets	119,731
Distracted Driving Tickets	2,824
Move Over Tickets	2,438

January 2020- SP Albany troopers stopped a vehicle for a traffic infraction in the city of Albany. The operator and passenger were interviewed and gave conflicting accounts as to where their journey started. A probable cause search of the vehicle by a K9 unit led to the discovery of a bag in the front passenger compartment. Troopers found approximately 660 grams of cocaine inside the bag. Troopers also seized marihuana and over \$15,000 cash, and the occupants were arrested on drug charges.

February 2020– SP Buffalo responded to a report of a suicidal subject on I-190 in the city of Buffalo. At the scene, troopers observed a woman sitting on the overpass with her legs hanging toward the road. While one trooper spoke with the woman, another was able to walk behind and pull the subject from the overpass. The troopers' quick response and action possibly prevented a tragedy. The woman was taken for treatment.



During 2020, Zone 2 members from SP Albany, SP Kingston and SP Fultonville provided traffic control and safety while the New York Thruway transitioned to toll-less operation.

May 2020- Troopers conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 87, received conflicting stories from occupants and smelled an odor of marihuana. During a search of the vehicle, a trap was located, and miniature jumper cables were used to open the trap. The Troopers located over five pounds of cocaine located in the hidden compartment. Further investigation and

through contacts with the DEA, revealed one of the defendants was a suspect in a homicide that occurred in the Bronx the previous month. The homicide investigation was then turned over to the DEA.

September 27, 2020 – SP Tarrytown responded to the Governor Mario Cuomo Bridge for a report of a male attempting to climb the fence and jump off the bridge. Troopers located a male who made statements regarding ending his life and admitted to having scaled a wall. With the assistance of a good Samaritan, the Trooper was able to reason with the male and talk him into being treated. The subject was then transported to a local hospital.

October 2020 – Two troopers stopped a motorist on the New York State Thruway in Oneida County for a traffic infraction, who had also been smoking marihuana inside their vehicle. Two kilos of cocaine were seized that were concealed inside two Lucky Charms cereal boxes lying on the rear seat.



November 2020 – A SP Syracuse trooper conducted a routine traffic stop on the New York State Thruway in Oneida County. An investigation revealed the operator did not possess a valid driver's license, was traveling from New York City to Utica, and that he was recently released on parole for Robbery in the 1st degree. A defaced .40 caliber handgun with ammunition, and approx. 2.75 ounces of crack cocaine were seized from the vehicle.

2020 STATISTICS

Uniform Activity	
Uniform Responses	595,692
Uniform Arrests: Total Felony, Misd & Violations	48,259
Vehicle and Traffic Stats	
Traffic Tickets Issued	895,968
Speeding Tickets	331,308
Safety Restraints	43,939
DWI Arrests	10,290
Collision Investigations Conducted	61,384
Collision Result of Distracted Driving	3,033
Collision Result of Alcohol	1,846
Collision Result of Speed	12,366
Fatal Accidents Investigated	224
Distracted Driving Tickets--Cell Phone	10,718
Distracted Driving Tickets--Texting	16,613
Move Over Law Tickets	10,266
Commercial Vehicle Activity	
Vehicles Weighed	67,156
Vehicles Inspected	69,285
Inspection Violations	123,396
A.E.D. / Naloxone	
A.E.D. Usages	390
Field Saves (patient did not live past 5 days)	20
Full Reversals (patient recovered-stable)	89
Naloxone Usage	354
Subjects Responsive after Naloxone Use	318
Aviation	
Exec Transport	107
ENCON	70
Medivac	71
Law Enforcement	409
Emergency Management - Special Operations	
Bomb Disposal Unit Responses	401
Special Operations Response Team Responses	252
SCUBA Unit Responses	270
K9 Unit Responses	7,125
NYSP EM Assist to Locals (SORT/SCUBA/CCERT)	256

2020 STATISTICS (CONTINUED)

Emergency Management - CCSERT	
Clandestine Drug Labs Investigated	261
Presentation/Outside Agency Training	0
Pistol Permit Bureau	
Law Guns Hotline	29,458

Computerized Ballistic Report	
Cartridge Cases Entered	1,442
Cartridge Case Hits	2
VGNET Activity-Gun Investigation Unit Activity	
VGNET Arrests	844
VGNET Weapons Seized	192
Seized Assets - Drug Currency (VGNET)	\$8,286,622
Seized Assets - Drug Vehicles (VGNET)	30
Guns Seized Agency Wide	
Handguns Seized - agency wide	1,732
Long Gun Seized - agency wide	1,511
Assault Weapons Seized - agency wide	111
Total Guns Seized - agency wide	3,354
Computer Crimes Unit (CCU)	
CCU Regional Total	1,767
CCU Regional # Agencies Assisted	419
Computer Forensic Laboratory Cases	
Computer Forensic Laboratory Cases	301
Agency Assists	139
Internet Crimes Against Children Cases	
Internet Crimes Against Children Cases	6,212
ICAC Cybertips from NEMEC	8,262
Violent Crime Investigation Team	
VCIT Control Cases Adopted	48
VCIT Lead NYSP	501
VCIT Lead Non-NYSP Agency	470
Violent Felony Warrant Squad	
State Police warrants	98
Local/Other Agency Warrants	1,249
Out-of-state Warrants	77

2020 STATISTICS (CONTINUED)

NYSIC	
Criminal Gun Clearing House Entries	3,282
Gang/Gang Members Placed in GRIP/VGTOF	1,469
Intelligence Bulletins / Advisories Disseminated	342
NYSIC RFI's (requests for Information)	13,801
Crime Tips, GIVETIP, GUNSNYS	1,116
NYSIC - CTC	
Terrorist Tip Line Calls Received	225
Terrorists Case Investigations	50
CTC RFI's (requests for Information)	677
BCI	
Violent Felony Arrests	1,266
Felony Cases Investigated	18,985