

Essex County Sheriff's Office



2022 Annual Report

Sheriff David Reynolds
Undersheriff Thomas Murphy II
Major Michael Blaise, Chief Deputy
Major Peter Feeley, Jail Administrator



The Sheriff's Office is responsible for numerous functions throughout the county and is broken into three categories: the county jail, civil office, and road patrol.

The County Jail is a required function by New York State and is regulated by the New York State Commission of Corrections. Accredited by the NYS Sheriff's Association.

The Civil Office is also required by law, processing evictions, orders of protection, as well as property and income executions.

The Road Patrol division of the Sheriff's Office is the most visible, deputies are out in the communities responding to emergency calls and providing support for community functions.

Mission

To create a living and evolving culture where the Sheriff's Office and the community we serve will develop the best version of themselves

Purpose

Maintain a safe and secure correctional facility, ensuring proper care, supervision and discipline for all individuals held in the custody of the Sheriff.

To properly receive and execute any and all legal civil processes referred to the Sheriff.

Maintain peace and order in the County by protecting personal safety, property and in general assisting citizens in need.



Tenets for Success

INTEGRITY

Sworn and non-sworn, are responsible for their own actions and the actions of their brethren. Always do what is right, with commitment to your convictions while standing tall.

SERVICE

Ensure everyone by our actions that they feel revered and listened to in their time of need or concern. Find your purpose in the service of others.

EXCELLENCE

A goal to strive for and a commitment to never stop until it is achieved. Ordinary is not an option.

TEAMWORK

The ability to work together for a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishment towards organizational objectives, it is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results

ESSEX COUNTY
SHERIFF

Retirements

Deputy Robert Rice



Deputy Rice served with the United States Marine Corps

Upon returning to Essex County Deputy Rice joined the Sheriff's Office in 2003.

Served as a DARE Officer in the county schools, as well as becoming a local expert in animal cruelty cases.

Deputy Matthew Braunius

Deputy Braunius started as a Deputy Sheriff in Hamilton County before transferring to the Essex County Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Braunus served as an evidence technician, as well as a School Resource Officer.



*Thank you and
enjoy your retirement*

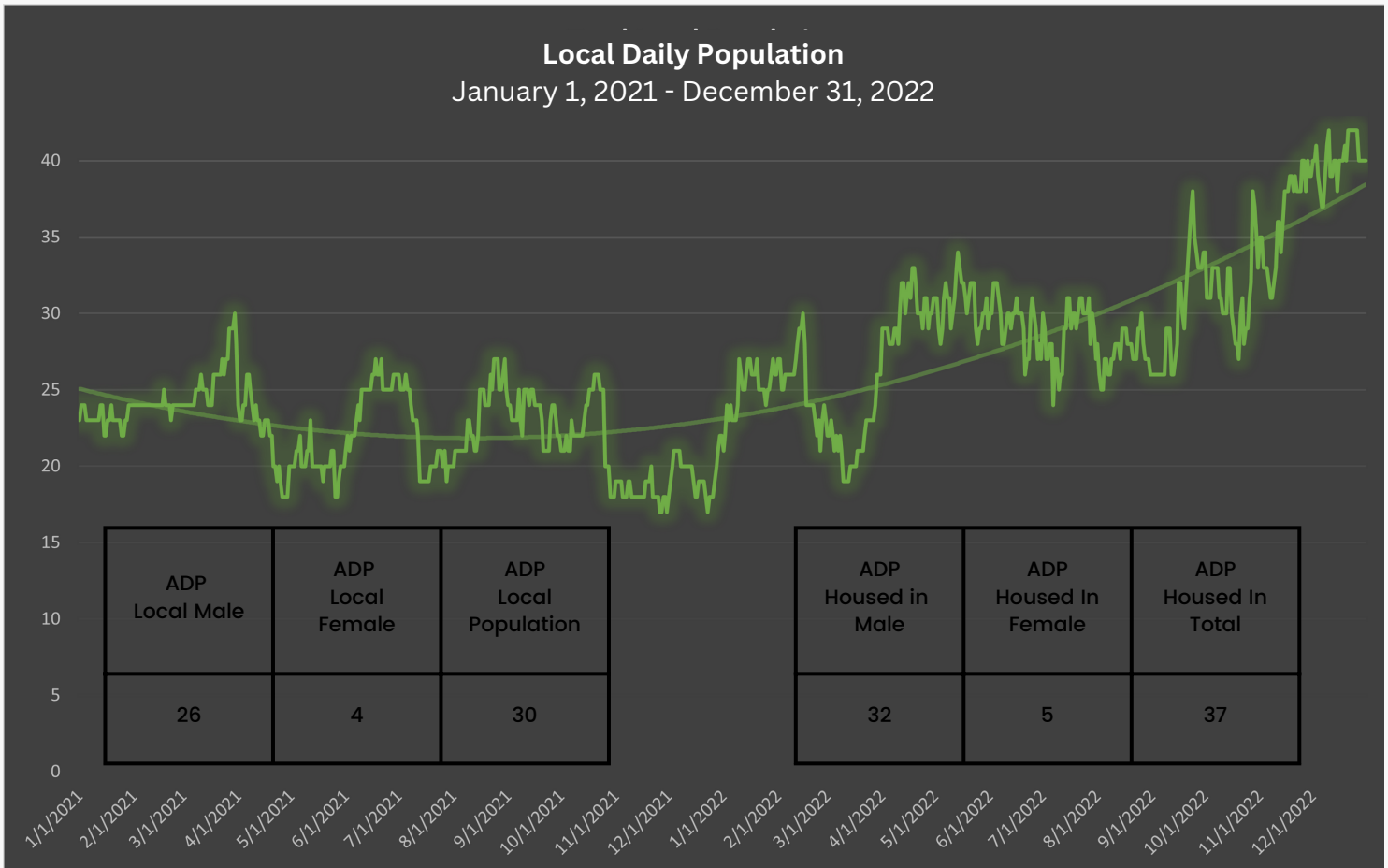


County Jail >>>

NYSSA Accredited Jail

Operated by sixty-nine dedicated staff members, not including the programs provided to help with reintegration back into our communities.

Average Daily Local Population 30	Average Daily Population 67	Bookings 301
January 1, 2022 Local Population 21	Average Daily Boarded In 38	Releases 279
December 31, 2022 Local Population 40	Just under \$1.3 million generated. \$200,000.00 more than anticipated.	Pre-Arrest Holds 35





County Jail >>>

Numerous factors are taken in to account when managing the inmate population. The State Commission of Correction is the oversight agency, which ensures the Sheriff's Office is following the Minimum Standards. These standards are used to create policy and procedure, creating a safe and secure environment.

Inmate Transports 436	Miles Traveled for Inmate Transports 41,892	Meals Served: 70,477
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Disciplinary Hearings 70	Formal Hearings 10 Plea Bargainings 60	Disciplinary Hearing Fees \$845.00
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Grievances 182	175 resolved in house 7 sent to the Citizen Review Board in Albany.	2 Denied by CRB 5 Still pending decision
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Video Visitation 11,769 Completed	Contact Visitation 460 Completed	Phone Calls Completed to Friends and Family 57,301
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20 Inmates placed on a Constant Watch Due to Risk of Self Harm.

For an average of 2.35 Days

32 Inmates placed in segregated confinement

For an average of 2.75 days





County Jail >>>

Inmate Programs

The average length of stay for a local inmate in 2022, 31 Days.

This allows for service providers to meet with inmates, giving them an opportunity for a better life.

Mental Health Association In Essex County (MHA)

A caseworker meets weekly with the inmate population, to discuss their plans for when they are released from the jail.

185 Face to Face Meetings, creating a smoother transition for inmates once released from jail.

Medical Services Provided

Inmates Seen By Medical Providers
546

Inmates Taken for
Emergency Medical Care
12

Inmates Receiving Medically Assisted
Treatment (MAT) for Addiction
125

St. Joseph's Addiction Treatment and Recovery

One on One Counseling Sessions
202

Group Session Attendance
918

Intake Screenings
115

Referrals Made
125

Essex County Mental Health

Staff members meet with inmates on a regular basis, plus provide on-call crisis counseling.

Inmates Seen By Mental Health
192



County Jail >>>

Inmate Programs

Education is the Key to Success.

Using this motto, and in cooperation with Champlain Valley Educational Services CV-TEC, the Essex County Jail has been able to development a successful education program.

<p>Eligible Incarcerated Youth</p> <p>Anyone under the age of 21, who does not possess a High School Diploma or Equivalency must attend educational services.</p>	<p>Total Eligible Youth Participates</p> <p>4</p>
<p>Adults make up most of the education program.</p> <p>Total Participation in Educational Programs</p> <p>73</p> <p>A 33% increase over 2021</p>	
<p>High School Diploma Equivalency Certificates Awarded</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Nineteen different life skills course are offered, these are family oriented, as well as work force readiness</p> <p>Hours of Program Education Provided</p> <p>3242</p>

Civil Division

To serve and execute the various legal processes issued not only by and for the several non-criminal courts of the state and its subdivisions, but also for the legal community and the general public. Departmental and divisional policies and procedures are consistent with New York State and court case law. Also in cooperation with IDENTGO and DCJS, provide electronic fingerprinting for all non-criminal transactions.

Summons Served for 2022

507

Summons (Generic)

156

Family Court Papers

214

Warrant of Eviction

62

Miscellaneous

75

Total Money Handled

\$455,637.17

Finacial Breakdown for 2022

Mileage Fees

\$20,003.64

Poundage Fees

\$19,621.24

Filing Fees

\$10,593.00

Levy Fees

\$1,140.00

Service Fees

\$17,049.00

Bail Paid

\$48,778.00



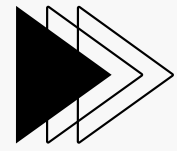
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COUNTY _____ ACTION-LAW _____

**EVICTION
NOTICE**



Patrol Division



The patrol division of the Essex County Sheriff's Office consists of sworn police officers. Some of the deputy sheriffs have been trained as EMTs and assist the local ambulance squads of Essex County. All deputy sheriffs have training in first aid and CPR/AEDs.

The deputies assigned to patrol enforce the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law, Penal Law and other laws of New York State. Deputies also investigate Motor Vehicle Accidents.

Dispatched Responses

5,083

Incidents Reported

1,429

Arrests Made

242

**Vehicle & Traffic Law
Tickets Issued**

532



**Driving While
Intoxicated (DWI)
Arrests**

9

**Emergency Medical
Responses**

288

**Traffic Crashes
Investigated**

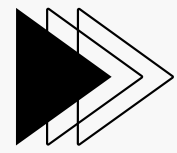
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Patrol Miles

227,047



Patrol Division



The patrol division of the Essex County Sheriff's Office also utilizes Project Lifesaver and Boat Patrol to maintain a safe community.

Sex Offender Management is also a key component of the patrol division.



Project Lifesaver

13 Active Clients

Provides a piece of mind to caregivers of people who have a tendency to wander, but may forget where they are going or how to get home



Sex Offender Management

The Sheriff's Office monitors 137 Sex Offenders within Essex County.

91 Sex Offender Registration Updates were made
18 Investigations made for failure to register
7 Arrests made for failure to register or updated as required



Boat Patrol

220 hours were spent on Essex County waterways.

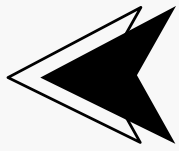
During this time, sheriff deputies assisted in 3 search and rescue missions. As well as assisting 7 vessels on the water.



Law Enforcement Mental Health Referral System

Deputies referred 62 individuals.

This program has been developed by mental health agencies within the county to create a realtime referral system. Giving them the help they need, rather than become part of the criminal justice system.



Training



TRAINING		
Training is a critical component to Success		
Training leads to a safer work environment in the jail. Training allows road patrols to better serve the county.		
Jail	Road	Total
2787 Hours	1127 Hours	3914 Hours



Prescription Medication Takeback



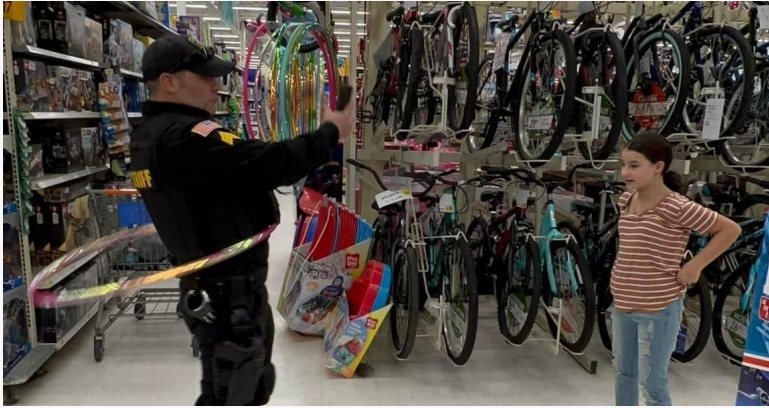
A secure dropbox was added in 2022 to the Public Safety Lobby.

At no cost to the County, 45.5 pounds of unwanted prescription medication was properly disposed over and destoried.

Community Involvement

Throughout the year the Sheriff's Office receives numerous requests to provide traffic control or just be present at an event in the county.

The highlight of the year was the 2nd Annual Shop with a Cop Program.



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