

Simsbury Police Department

FY 2016 Budget Workshop

March 7, 2015

Timely Emergency and Non-Emergency Response

2014 Budget Workshop



High Visibility, Accessibility and Involvement



High Visibility



Feel Safe
Promotes Compliance
Deters Crime

Accessibility



Provide Services/Resources
Collect Information

Involvement



**Know people and places within
our community**

Public Needs to Feel Safe



Greenway, Trails and Recreational Areas

Public Needs to Feel Safe



Schools and Public Buildings

Public Needs to Feel Safe



Streets, Neighborhoods and Developments

Public Needs to Feel Safe

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

CCA/DV

[Click Here to Learn the Facts and How to Help](#)



**Residential and Commercial
Security Assessments**



Simsbury Police Department

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July 17, 2014

Chimney Inspection and Repair Scam

Chimney repair and chimney cleaning scams are on the rise. Since most people know nothing about chimneys, this is a particularly easy way for scammers to cheat unsuspecting homeowners. Individuals may receive a phone call from someone identifying themselves as an employee of the Fire Department regarding the dangers of carbon monoxide. The scammer may then offer you a chimney inspection to make sure there are no leaks and the chimney is safe. They may also offer a low price for the inspection and then tell you that you need repairs before you can use the chimney again.

If you suspect that you are the subject of this or a similar scam, take the time to verify the information that you are told. In the town of Simsbury, the Fire Department does not conduct chimney inspections nor do they make cold calls to residents regarding chimney or carbon monoxide dangers. Note the information that the fraudulent caller has provided to you (call identification, call back number, name, address, e-mail, etc.), and call your local police department.

Homes and Businesses

Promotes Compliance

 **Bicycle Helmet Click It**
For An Ice Cream Ticket!



***Good for one ice cream/yogurt treat at locations.
Listed on the back***

Officer's signature

Chief of Police



Promotes Compliance



Deters Crime

High Visibility - To reduce the opportunities to commit certain crimes:

Burglary

Robbery

Theft

Shoplifting

Vandalism

Abduction

**Driving Under the Influence and
Other Dangerous Driving Behavior**

Deters Crime

The certainty of being caught is a vastly more powerful deterrent than the punishment.

Police deter crime by increasing the perception that criminals will be caught and punished.

- 2013 National Institute of Justice – Daniel Nagin (Carnegie Mellon University)

Deters Crime

The police deter crime when they do things that strengthen a criminal's perception of the certainty of being caught. Strategies that use the police as "sentinels," such as hot spots policing, are particularly effective.

Daniel Nagin (Carnegie Mellon University)

- **Officers and Cruisers – Omnipresence**
- **Thorough and aggressive investigations, exhausting all resources and leads**
- **Press Releases**

Press Releases

...increasing the perception that criminals will be caught and punished.

Press Release – Arrest of Fred Mojica

Simsbury, CT November 26, 2014

The Simsbury Police Department responded to a roll-over motor vehicle accident on Hopmeadow Street (Route 10) just south of West Street (Route 167) on November 26, 2014 at 7:36 AM. The operator of the vehicle that rolled over, later identified as Fred Mojica, fled the scene on foot immediately after the crash. Mojica forced entry into an occupied commercial building at 10 Mill Pond Lane by breaking a window, less than one-half a mile from the accident location. Employees in the building were evacuated and Fred Mojica was located hiding in the basement. He was arrested and charged with Burglary 3rd (53a-103), Possession of Drugs (cocaine) and Paraphernalia [21a-279(c) and 21a-267(a)], Criminal Mischief 3rd (53a-117), Interfering With an Officer (53a-167a), Evading Responsibility (14-224) and Unsafe Passing [14-232(b)]. He was released on a \$11,500.00 bond with a court appearance of December 11, 2014 in Enfield Court.



Press Release – Southern Simsbury Residential Burglary Arrests

Simsbury, CT October 27, 2014

The Simsbury Police Department investigated several residential burglaries in the southern section of Simsbury since July 2014. These burglaries occurred on Evans Drive, Climax Road, Femwood Road and Maureen Drive.

On October 27, 2014, the Simsbury Police Department arrested Keith Lauzier (age 27) and Melissa Pistilli (age 27) for these 5 burglaries. They were each held on a court set bond of \$125,000.00 and are scheduled to appear in Enfield Court on October 28, 2014.



Press Releases

...increasing the perception that criminals will be caught and punished.

Simsbury Police Arrests Man In Meth Lab Investigation

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The Simsbury Police Department says it arrested Kenneth A. Brothers, 43, of Simsbury, in connection to a methamphetamine lab investigation.



Brothers is charged with manufacturing and sale of restricted substances, possession of drug paraphernalia in a drug factory situation, possession with intent to sell (meth), possession of a controlled substance (meth), possession of greater than four ounces of marijuana, possession of narcotics (heroin), possession with intent to sell hallucinogenic substance (marijuana and meth), possession of drug paraphernalia, criminal possession of a firearm and reckless endangerment in the first degree.

The Statewide Narcotics Task Force and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection assisted with the search, collection and testing of evidence.

Accessibility

The Simsbury Police Department provides a multitude of public safety services through community-style policing.

To accomplish this, the public needs to be able to reach out to us and we need to reach out to the public.

Facebook Page and Website Page

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Simsbury, CT Police Department
Government Organization

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Chief of Police Peter N. Ingvertsen
Captain Nick Boulter
Lieutenant Fred Sfodaskalakis

VIDEO

PHOTO

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Get Connected. Get Answers.

534 people reached

Simsbury, CT Police Department
January 26 at 11:43am

Click here for warming center information <http://www.simsbury-ct.gov/.../news/simsbury-opens-warming-ce...>

WARMING CENTER INFORMATION

307 people reached

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Officer Tracy Dunne - American Red Cross Hero

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

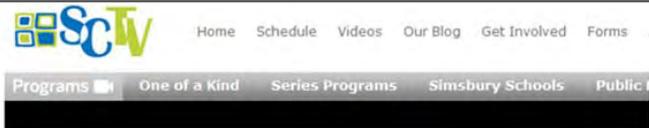
- Number Your House and Property Stuff-A-Cruiser 2014
- Homicide Investigation Update November 24, 2014
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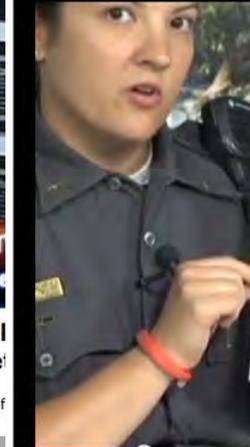
Headlines

Lisa Karim, Melissa
Headlines Simsbury



Board of Selectmen Special Meeting

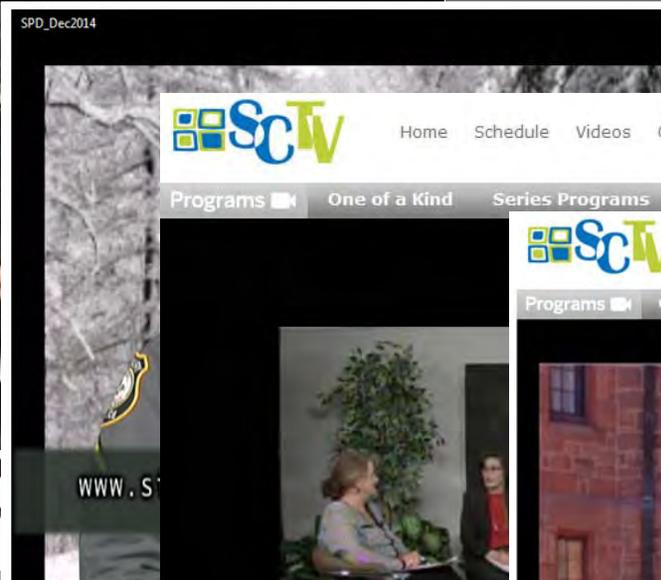
Simsbury CT Board of
Selectmen Meeting
10, 2014



Handicapped Parking

with Vic Bible - Aging & Disability
Services

Published on Jun 30, 2014



Headlines December

Includes Tom Roy,
Holiday Greetings



Headlines Simsbury with Karen Handville November 3, 2014

Junior Police and Citizen Police Academies



Accessibility

We need to be able to spend the appropriate amount of time in order to provide a variety of services:

Assessment of needs

Investigate

Recover stolen property

Problem resolution

Proper and thorough documentation

Provide advice

Coordinate other services (Social Services, utilities, counseling/bereavement, etc.)

Gather Information

This accessibility needs to be throughout the Department.

School Resource Officers



Accessibility – Teachers, Staff, Students and their Families

Communications



911 for Emergencies, Routine Calls, In Person at Dispatch Window and in the Community

Patrol Officers



Shop With A Cop Dec 2014



Bowling With Badges May 2014



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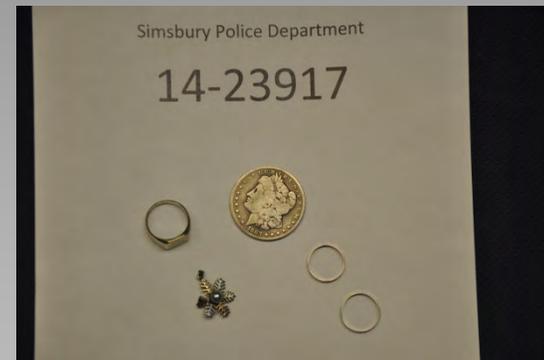
Administration



Detectives

Investigations that are very time consuming, complex and often involve other agencies.

- Interviews
- Pawn Shops
- Crime Analysis
- Statements
- Internet Searches
- Crime Scene Processing
- Surveillance
- Search Warrants
- Seizures
- Video Evidence
- Victim Services



Example - Burglaries 2014

Initial Investigation

Secure Scene and Control Persons and Evidence

Identify stolen or damaged property

Identify Points of Entry/Exit

Interview Occupants

Statements

Determination of Crime(s)

Collection of Evidence

Neighborhood Canvass



Example - Burglaries 2014

Follow-Up Investigation

Additional Interviews (Victims/Witnesses)

Neighborhood Canvass Repeated

Process Evidence

Pawn Shops

Surrounding Area Police Departments

“Putting the Puzzle Pieces Together”

Method of Operation

Formulation of Suspects

Evidence to State Lab or other agencies for further processing

Evidence Processing





Example - Burglaries 2014

Saturation Patrol

Marked and unmarked police cars were assigned to saturate the area.

District Officers

Detectives

Community Services Officer

Special Projects Officer

Traffic Enforcement Officer

Animal Control Officer

- Press Release
- Website and Facebook Page
- Stop and Talk in the Neighborhoods
- Offer Home/Residential Security Assessments



Simsbury Police Department



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Press Release – Residential and Commercial Burglaries

Simsbury, CT September 23, 2014

The Simsbury Police Department is currently investigating several residential and commercial burglaries in the southern section of Simsbury. These burglaries have occurred on Lincoln Lane, Harding Drive, Hopmeadow Street, West Mountain Road, Sand Hill Road, Evans Drive and Fernwood Road since July 2014.

Entry was gained into most of the homes through locked basement or first floor windows. Entry was gained into the businesses through forcing ground floor windows.

The Department is also investigating two attempted nighttime burglaries, one on Oak Glen Court and one on Fawnbrook Lane.

Detectives and patrol officers are working with homeowners and neighbors to solve these crimes and to prevent future burglaries. The Department has increased the presence of officers and is working closely with surrounding police departments. If you see anything suspicious, please call the Simsbury Police Department at (860) 658-3100. If you have any information particular to these burglaries, please contact Detective Sergeant Tom Sheehan at (860) 658-3140.

Officers from the Simsbury Police Department can provide anyone with a crime prevention survey of your home or business. To request this service, contact Officer Lauren Devin at (860) 658-3131. For general crime prevention tips visit www.simsbury-ct.gov/police and click the Crime Prevention Tips link on the left side of the page.

Example - Burglaries 2014

Anonymous tips came in
Networking with Other Police Departments
Interviews suspects
Confessions
Stolen Property Recovery Process
Corroborating confessions
Arrest Warrant Applications



**To effectively provide our community
policing style of services, it is imperative
that:**

We are highly visible

We are accessible

We are involved

Non-Governmental Community Leaders and Civic Organizations

- Simsbury Interfaith Clergy
- Simsbury-Granby Rotary Club
- Lion's Club
- Community For Care
- Simsbury Bike Advisory Committee

Special Events



Involvement

- Driver's education
- Attend sports events



Bowling with Badges



Top Dog Contest

Involvement

- Project Lifesaver
- Senior Center
- Youth Advisory Committee
- Cadet/Explorer Program



Officer Phil Program



Project Lifesaver

10. Simsbury, CT

Simsbury, CT is a suburb of Hartford that has been recognized as the 4th best town in Connecticut in which to live. With its own police and fire department, it is a self-sufficient town despite its proximity to the city. Providing the convenience of being within an easy drive to the capital, it allows for a small town feel of security and safety, with its impressively low crime rates.

Population: 23,000

Violent Crimes per 1000: 0.30

Property Crimes per 1000: 7.46

Crime Index: 85

Safer than 85% of US cities



New Programs

Domestic Violence - Lethality Assessment Program

Naloxone/Narcan – due to increase of heroin use

Project Lifesaver – Time consuming in preparation

Communication to public -

Facebook, website, SCTV, Presentations
(Community For Care), Citizen Alerts, media
and public inquiries through e-mail

Calls For Service Stats 2012-2014

There has been an increase in the number of certain services that require significant investigative time and extensive documentation.

Fraud – 70% increase (53 to 90) complex and time consuming investigations

Burglary – 34% increase (26 to 35)

MVA – 12% increase (455 to 508) new state mandated form increases investigative and documenting time

Calls For Service Stats 2012-2014

There has been an increase in other types of calls for service, that do not normally require extensive time or documentation.

Medical – 8% increase (1419 to 1543)

Car Seat Inspection – 32% increase (72 to 95)

Detective Division Investigations

- Homicide (November 2014)
- Meth Lab (September 2014)
- Drug Related Shooting at Wolcott Woods (May 2014)
- Burglaries (Residential and Commercial)
- Thefts from Motor Vehicles
- Sexual Assault involving Father and Daughter
- Death Investigations (average 12 per year)
- Child Pornography (May 2013)
- Child Abuse
- DCF Investigations (time consuming)
- Serious/Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents (January 2015)

Growth Impacting Police Services

Big Y - (end of 2015 calendar year – Spring 2016)

- Increase in traffic flow
- Addition of traffic light
- Estimated number of employees
- Estimated hours of operation
- MVA (public way and parking lot)
- Criminal Activity (shoplifting, burglary, vandalism)
- Other Services (medicals, lockouts, child/pets in vehicles alone, etc.)
- Over 100 CFS at Stop and Shop in 2014

Growth Impacting Police Services

Cumberland Farms - (FY 2015 -2016)

- Gas, convenience store, outdoor seating and access to the greenway
- Increase in traffic flow
- Open 5 AM to Midnight
- Addition of 4 live/work units and 1 retail unit

Growth Impacting Police Services

CL&P Property-Garden Apartments

- Preliminary approval for 156 apartment units and 25 town houses
- Commercial use (possibly office buildings, small scale retail or small grocer)

Growth Impacting Police Services

Residential Growth (FY 2015 -2016)

- Gristmill – 88 Apartment Units/20 Townhouses
- Ritson Apartments – 24 Apartment Units (50% occupancy)
- MS Housing Complex – 48 Apartments with 24/hr health care for each unit
- Eastpointe at 55 Dorset Xing – 168 Apartment Units

Growth Impacting Police Services

Residential Growth (FY 2015 -2016)

- Meadow Woods – 299 Homes
- Carson Way – 79 Homes
- Webster Bank Property – 38 Apartments

Growth Impacting Police Services

Residential Growth (FY 2017 -2020)

- Powder Forest – 224 Apartment Units/48 Townhouses (FY17-18)
- Powder Forest PAD (Behind Simsbury Inn) 272 Units

Growth Impacting Police Services

Residential Growth (FY 2015 -2017)

- Over 1221 residential units
- Average approx. 2-2.5 per household
- Over 2442 - 3052 residents
- Impacts all aspects of police service

National average per household approx. 2.5 (2010 Census)

Proposal for FY2016

Community Policing Requires Time

Increase in lengthy investigations and certain CFS

Increase in the types of services provided

Expected Population Growth

Addition of 2 officers

- Allows for full staffing of the Detective Division
- A Patrol Officer to reduce overtime and need to temporarily remove the Traffic Enforcement Officer.

Proposal for FY2016

- **2 Additional Officers (staggered through year)**
 - 4.83% increase due to recent union wage increases and the additional officers
- **Reduction in Operational Budget (-2.23%)**
 - Contractual Agreements with telephone service and gasoline prices.
- **Conference/Education Fund**
 - Addition to PD Budget (\$24,000.00)
- Overall increase of 4.93% (\$203,076.00), includes IBPO contractual wage increases and additional officers.

Sworn Officers Per Population

Population of 10,000 – 24,999 (FBI 2011)

National Average = 1.9 officers per 1,000 inhabitants

New England = 1.8 officers per 1,000 inhabitants

CT Municipal Average = 1.9 officers per 1,000 inhabitants

Simsbury Average = **1.5** officers per 1,000 inhabitants

Connecticut averages based on Crime in CT report 2013

Population of Simsbury based on sources in respective reports

Crime in CT 23,651

Sworn Officers Per Population

CT Averages based on population of 10,000 – 29,999

CT Municipal Average = 1.9 officers per 1,000 inhabitants

Simsbury Average = **1.5** officers per 1,000 inhabitants
(23,651)

Connecticut averages based on Crime in CT report 2013
Population of Simsbury based on sources in respective reports
Crime in CT 23,651

Sworn Officers Per Population

Town of Simsbury Figures

Simsbury currently has 36 sworn officers

<u>Sworn #</u>	<u>Rate Per 1,000</u>
36-37	1.5
38-40	1.6
41-42	1.7
43-44	1.8
45-47	1.9

Based on Crime in CT 2013 town population data

Anticipated Residential Growth

Sworn# and Rate Per 1,000

<u>Current</u>		<u>Growth</u>	
36-37	1.5	36-37	1.4
38-40	1.6	38-39	1.5
41-42	1.7	40-42	1.6
43-44	1.8	43-44	1.7
45-47	1.9	45-47	1.8

Population 23,651

Population Est. 25,000

Cost per household or taxpayer for Budget increase

- Approximately 8,900+/- households
- Proposed \$203,076.00 budget increase, means
- \$.06/day per household (approximate)