

**CITY OF GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
FY 2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

The City of Groton Police Department serves the residents and visitors of the City of Groton with honor, integrity, trust and service. We work closely with other city departments and other state, local and federal law enforcement agencies to provide an effective and coordinated law enforcement response and the investigation and apprehension of offenders. In addition the police department provides a wide spectrum of services to residents including a law enforcement presence in our schools, drug and gang resistance education for our children, child safety seat installation, criminal investigations, motor vehicle enforcement of moving and parking violations, and quality of life investigations. We embrace and apply a Community Policing Model.

The City of Groton Police Department responded to 10,552 calls for service during fiscal year 2018. In addition to criminal complaints and motor vehicle crashes, calls for service include requests for medical assistance, vehicle lockouts, animal complaints, alarms, disturbances, and escorts. Officer initiated activity includes items such as motor vehicle traffic stops and building security checks. Our calls for service are outlined in the following chart.

**ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018**

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Month	<u>Calls for Service</u>	<u>Non-Criminal Investigations</u>	<u>Criminal Investigations</u>	<u>Criminal Arrests</u>	<u>Medical Assists</u>	<u>Motor Vehicle Accidents</u>	<u>Motor Vehicle Stops</u>	<u>MV Citations</u>	<u>MV Warnings</u>	<u>DWI Arrests</u>	<u>Domestic Violence Investigations</u>	<u>Patrol Checks</u>
July	833	50	60	41	68	19	128	63	64	4	18	32
August	795	44	59	25	63	17	111	47	65	3	11	81
September	868	40	48	27	70	9	149	89	63	3	4	173
October	1,202	40	83	45	76	24	107	65	52	3	21	459
November	693	32	38	32	64	6	109	44	69	0	6	149
December	673	29	47	39	61	15	61	29	37	2	11	77
January	752	49	33	45	81	20	93	45	62	1	8	89
February	952	36	30	27	61	16	118	57	65	1	11	359
March	761	37	56	50	73	12	154	86	73	1	23	75
April	1,036	41	52	49	69	15	155	84	74	3	17	350
May	1,027	39	49	57	62	14	204	107	103	3	17	211
June	930	51	46	66	82	22	173	65	110	3	24	100
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10,552</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>1,562</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>2,155</b>

**DEPARTMENT GENERATED REVENUE FY18**

Parking Revenue	<b>\$42,390</b>	House & Machine Licenses	<b>\$70</b>	Copies & Photographs	<b>\$1,530</b>
Peddlers Permits/Licenses	<b>\$3,907</b>	Rooming House Licenses	<b>\$300</b>	Solicitor Permits	<b>\$175</b>
Pistol Permits	<b>\$2,800</b>	Raffle Permits	<b>\$1,248</b>	Misc	<b>\$125</b>
Fingerprints	<b>\$3,020</b>				

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The police department worked with many city agencies and area police departments to provide a safe venue for the Sailfest July fireworks celebration. We are involved with a number of youth oriented initiatives including City Day, the West Side Middle School Fall festival, the City Halloween Party, "Trick or Trunk" at the beach, and the holiday party in December. We do not do this alone. We have many great partners from other city agencies and from the private sector. For example, the Groton Elks Lodge donates bicycle helmets that our officers fit on our children during City Day. The DARE® and GREAT® programs at area elementary schools and at West Side Middle School were coordinated by Officer Scott LeSage, the Department's Youth Officer. Officer LeSage was also the Department's liaison with the multidisciplinary child abuse investigation team dedicated to the safety of our children in the Groton New London region. Officer Bobby Harris completed the training with the Autism and Law Enforcement Education Coalition (ALEC) as instructor (believed to be the first in the State of Connecticut) where he will be able to spread the program and curriculum in our state and region.

The opioid epidemic is still an ongoing concern nationwide. We participate with our partners at Community Speaks Out to assist those struggling with addiction who ask for help in finding treatment following the Gloucester MA model. Our patrol officers are the first line of support for this initiative. We also provide training for our officers in meeting the needs of residents of our city on the autism spectrum and their families. We also participate in the statewide narcotics task force and the regional community enhancement task force where Detectives work in a team approach to target the purveyors of heroin, who negatively impact our community. Our Detective unit works in close partnership with area state, federal and local law enforcement agencies to work other cases that cross-jurisdictional lines with the goal of improving the quality of life in our city.

This fiscal year saw a number of personnel changes: Officers Daniel Hammett and Jean-Philip Precourt were appointed and we hired new dispatcher Marguerite Hummel.

**Our department is committed to preventing and solving crime and improving the quality of life in our community. Our core values are honor, integrity, trust and service. We are a partnership. If you see something, please say something. We are responsible for each other and success is never final. We are committed to a Community Policing Model and care deeply about our citizens and this community.**



Michael J. Spellman  
Chief of Police