

Tioga County Sheriff's Office

2007 Annual Report

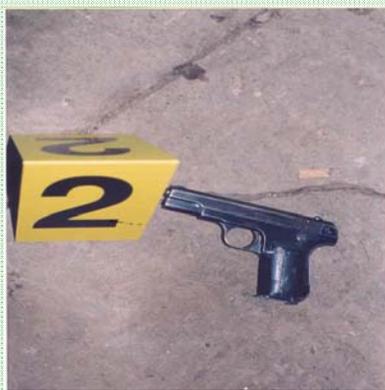


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Sheriff Gary W. Howard

2007 was a very productive year for the men and women of the Tioga County Sheriff's Office. It also marked the end of my first term as your Sheriff. In reflection of the past four years, many changes have occurred in regards to our systems and equipment, while many things have remained stable, such as our manpower levels.

Since taking office in 2004, we have initiated major upgrades to operating systems and have acquired new technologies which have increased our mission effectiveness. We were successful in identifying and obtaining numerous grant funding opportunities which have paid for the majority of these initiatives.

The success of mutual gains negotiating between the Corrections Union, the Sheriff's Deputies Union, and the County Legislature over the last several years has significantly improved the pay structure, making the pay competitive to surrounding agencies. This has stemmed the exit of experienced officers and has kept our staffing numbers relatively constant. This has and will continue to pay huge dividends in the quantity and quality of our work.

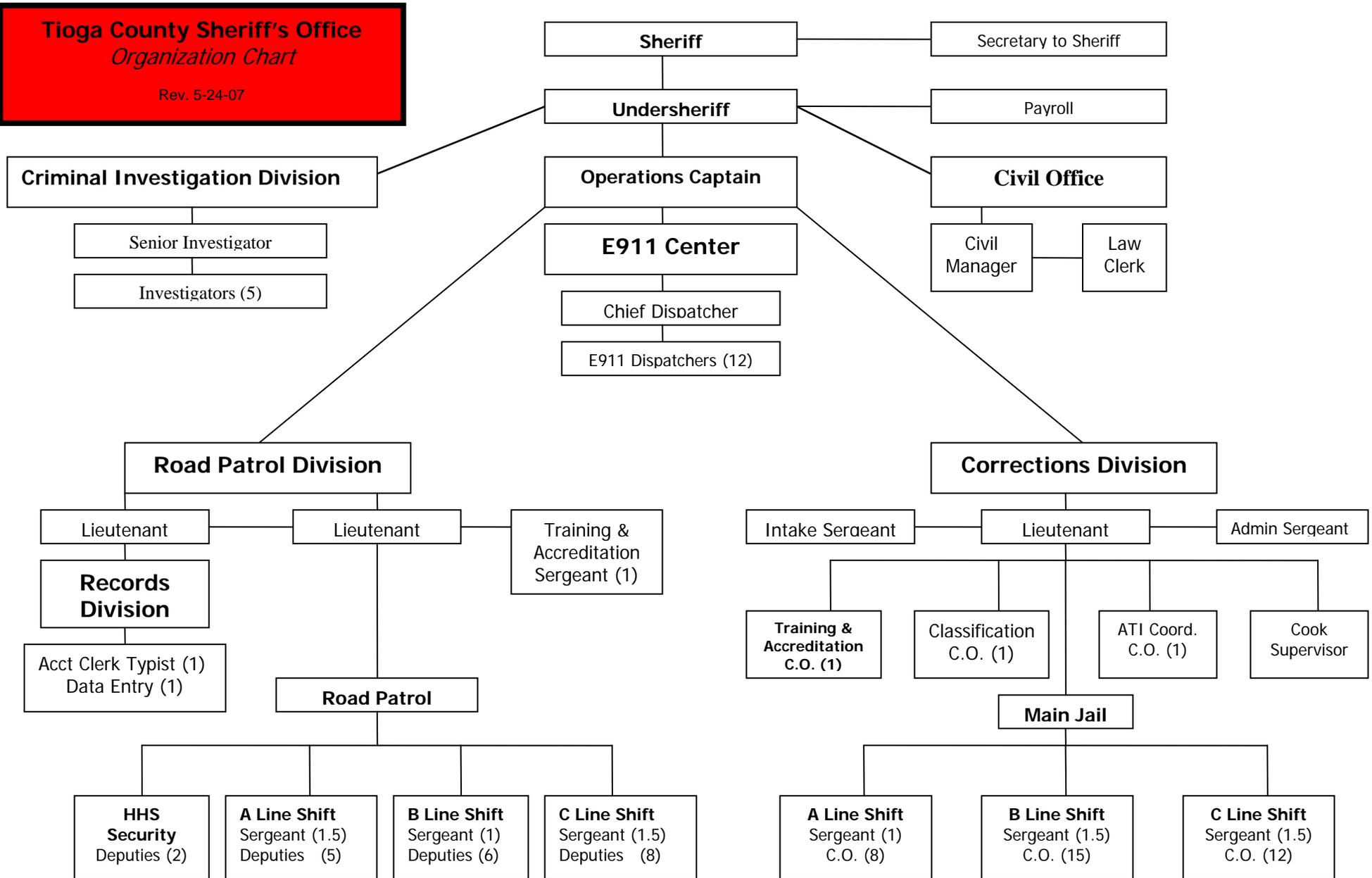
Operational statistics have remained steady throughout the last four years and each individual component of the Sheriff's Office has performed in a professional and effective manner. Most notably was the successful multi-agency drug task force "Operation Lightning Strike", which resulted in the arrest of 56 individuals and the confiscation of drugs, money, and firearms.

In keeping with our goal to provide quality services for the least possible cost to the taxpayer, we have successfully ended each fiscal year under budget, while meeting and in most cases exceeding our revenue commitments, which have totaled more than 3.5 million dollars.

As I begin my second term as Tioga County Sheriff I remain committed to providing professional and effective services to the citizens of Tioga County.

Tioga County Sheriff's Office
Organization Chart

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Staff Officers



Undersheriff Mike Jackson



**Captain of Operations
Paul Rhodes**



**Road Patrol Commander
Lieutenant Rick Travis**



**Senior Investigator
Dan Eiklor**



**Special Operations
Lieutenant Rick Gorman**



**Jail Administrator
Lieutenant Dave Monell**



**Civil Office Manager
Donna Burrell**



**Chief E911 Dispatcher
Steve DuVarney**

Administration

Budget

The 2007 Sheriff's Office budget increased 9.7% from the previous year. Expenditures came in under budget and revenue earnings finished 3% above estimate.

The budget is separated into three operational portions:

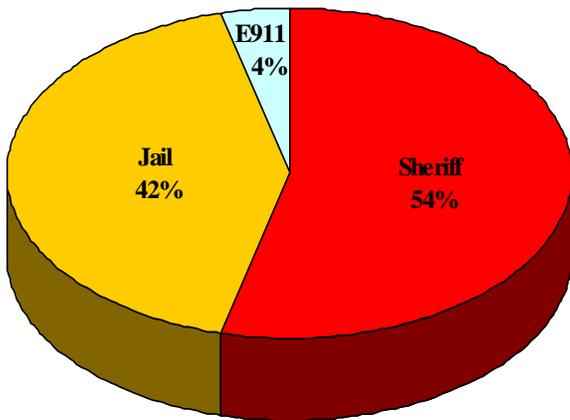
- Sheriff Operations
- Jail Operations
- E911 Operations

Sheriff's Operations - supports Administration, Road Patrol, Criminal Investigations Division, and the Civil Division.

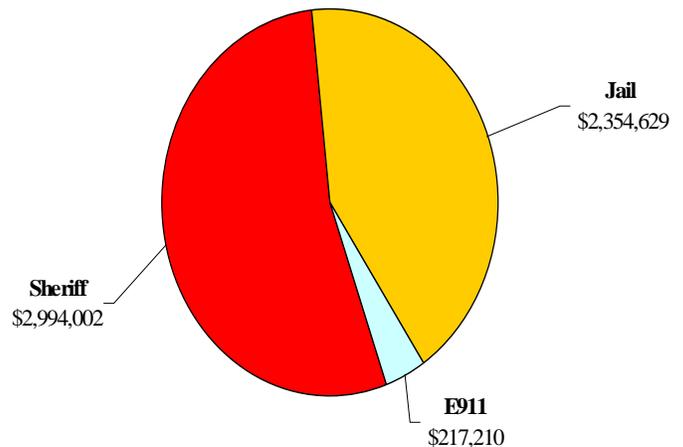
Jail Operations – supports all functions relative to the care of inmates being housed at the jail and the Work Release Program.

E911 Operations – supports the Emergency E911 Communications Center.

2007 Sheriff's Office Budget
(Operational Percentage)

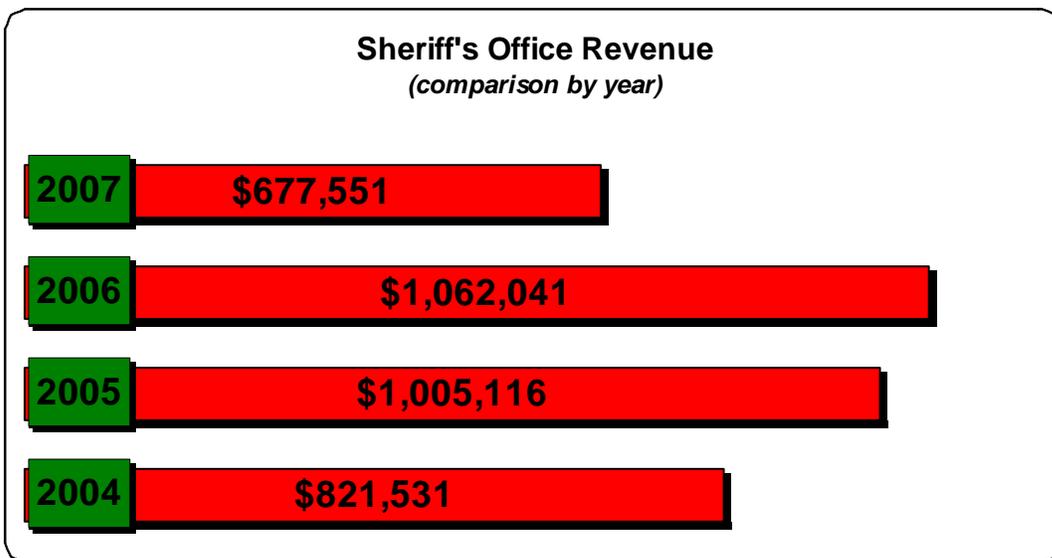
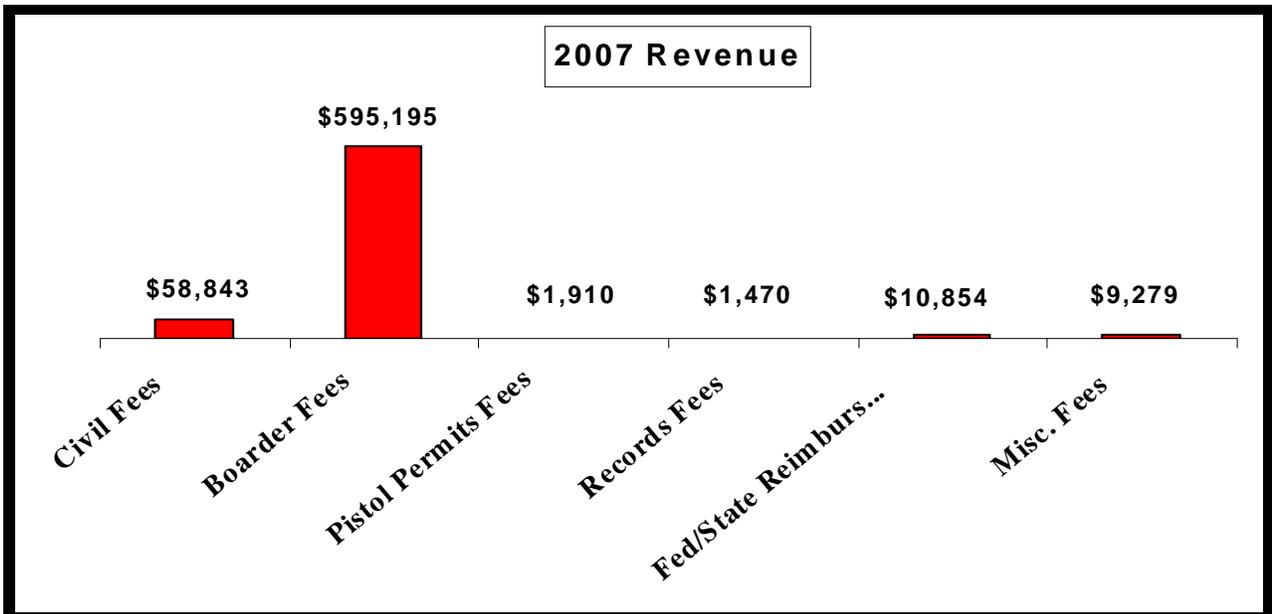


2007 Sheriff's Office Budget
(Operational Totals)



Traditional Sheriff Revenue Streams

- Civil Office fees
- Inmate Boarding fees
- Pistol Permit/Records Fees
- State & Federal School Breakfast and Lunch Program Reimbursements
- Miscellaneous fees



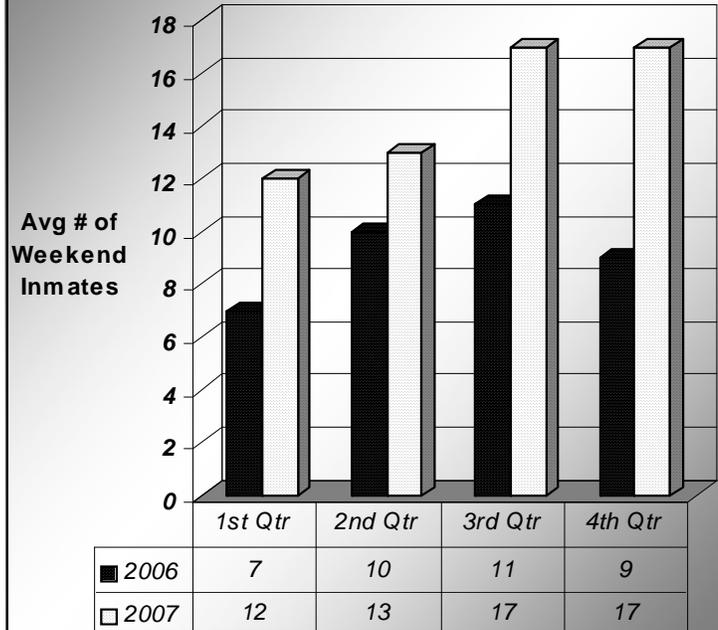
Inmate Boarder Revenues

Revenue production within the Jail is directly related to the number of available beds for boarding federal and other county inmates. Bed space is dictated by two major factors:

- ◆ Average local inmate population
- ◆ Average weekend inmate population

In 2007 the average daily population of local inmates was 64, an increase of 10% from 2006. This increase coupled with an 80% increase in the average weekend inmate population, resulted in a reduction of open bed space for revenue boarding inmates.

Weekend Inmate Commitments



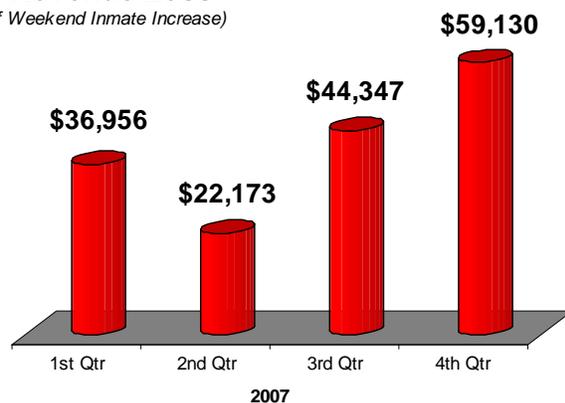
2007 Inmate boarding fees

- ◆ Federal - \$81 per day
- ◆ Parole violators - \$40 per day (rate fixed by state law)
- ◆ State Ready inmate - \$35 per day (rate fixed by state law)
- ◆ Other county inmate - \$80 per day

All medical and pharmaceutical expenses are borne by the host agency.

2007 Revenue Loss

(Impact of Weekend Inmate Increase)



Grants

2007 Grant Awards

<u>Source</u>	<u>Award</u>
NYS Dept. Homeland Security	\$59,100
Governor's Traffic Safety Council	\$ 6,500
NYS STEP Grant (Selective Traffic Enforcement)	\$18,500
U.S. Dept. Homeland Security –CEDAP	\$13,000
Tioga County STOP-DWI	\$37,000

Grant Source	Award Value (4-Year History)
Homeland Security Grants	\$383,100
NYS Selective Traffic Enforcement Grants	\$65,120
NYS Bryne Grants	\$64,999
NYS Legislative Member Grants	\$7,500
NYS Expedited 911 Wireless Grants	\$406,500
STOP DWI Funding	\$218,950
Total	\$1,146,169

Identifying and applying for state and federal grant funding continues to be an integral component in our quest to provide cost effective services.

The primary spending focus for these funding opportunities is geared towards replacing or upgrading existing equipment and information technology systems and to subsidize personnel service costs associated with special enforcement initiatives.

Over the last four years the Sheriff's Office has been successful in obtaining numerous grants, all of which require no matching local funding.

Since 2004 grant funding has provided for the following equipment and upgrades:

- ◆ Patrol car radios and portable radios
- ◆ Emergency Communication Consoles for the E911 Center.
- ◆ Partial funding for patrol vehicles
- ◆ Development of the Sheriff's Office Website
- ◆ Partial funding for Reverse 911 Notification system
- ◆ Pictometry upgrade for Tioga County
- ◆ Audio/Digital Recording equipment
- ◆ Sex Offender tracking and notification system.
- ◆ Backup 911 communication equipment
- ◆ Digital Fingerprint Scanning
- ◆ Emergency Response Team equipment and vehicle
- ◆ RADAR equipment and maintenance
- ◆ DWI testing equipment and maintenance

New Initiatives and Programs



Sheriff's Office Website Goes On-Line

The official website for the Sheriff's Office was completed and went on-line in December of 2007.

TiogaCountysheriff.com was constructed with the help of InCommand Technologies, a website design and e-business solutions company out of Corning, New York. Visitors to the website can view an array of information about Sheriff operations and special programs. Press releases and special advisories are made available to the public and the media, as well as useful links to public safety related websites and organizations.

Funding for the project was received through a state grant.

Reverse 911

Hyper-Reach® (Reverse 911) is a complete emergency notification and voice broadcasting system allowing emergency communications personnel and first responders to deliver a message to the population fast, effectively and affordably.

The system is intended to be used in emergency situations where the broadcasting of emergency instructions to residents can be accomplished quickly and directly to a residents phone; cell phone, TTY, or e-mail. Instructions about evacuations; boil water warnings, as well as other public health information can be issued quickly and effectively.

Funding for this project came from state grants acquired by the Sheriff's Office; Fire Coordinator and the Emergency Management Office.



Offender Watch

In order to maintain awareness of sex offenders living in your neighborhood we have added a Sex Offender Registry to our website.

Offender Watch's integration into a sheriff's website along with community notification, allows a sheriff to keep his community highly informed on sex offenders within the area.

Offender Watch provides the public tools to search and view sex offender data for their neighborhood, in a form they can readily use, such as geographic risk assessment and community email notifications.

Integrated Email Alerts allow citizens the ability to register for automatic email notifications anytime a sex offender registers an address within a 1 mile radius of their home.



The Sheriff's Office continues to be an active partner with the NYS Child Passenger Safety Program.

Through a grant from the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Council, 40 child safety seats were purchased. Tioga County residents can make a reservation to have their child safety seat inspected as well as instructed on the proper method for installing a child safety seat. During these inspections, seats which are deemed unsafe or appear on a factory recall list will be replaced free of charge while quantities last.

The Sheriff's Office has been participating in the program since 1999.

Coming in 2008



Operation Safe Child

Statistics show that 34 percent of parents in the United States do not know their child's exact height, weight and eye color. And, when a child is reported missing, time can be the greatest adversary. Possessing up-to-date photographs and detailed information about a child can prove to be important proactive measures that can greatly assist local law enforcement officials to quickly respond to a child's disappearance.

Using equipment that contains the latest digital fingerprinting technology and high resolution photography capabilities, the Tioga County Sheriff's Office will be able to produce a SAFE CHILD card for parents and guardians.

The cards contain a child's name, biographical information (date of birth, gender, height, weight, hair color, eye color, etc.), and a fingerprint image of both index fingers.

The card can be made in less than two minutes and can be easily carried in a wallet or pocketbook.

In addition to being able to quickly provide important details to police agencies investigating child disappearances, the New York State SAFE CHILD Card will serve as an important tool when used in conjunction with the New York State AMBER Alert and Missing Child Alert programs. These cards will allow essential missing child information to be electronically disseminated, statewide if necessary, within minutes and dramatically increase the possibility of bringing a missing child home unharmed.

This program is funded by the New York State Division of Justice Services and the Missing and Exploited Children Clearinghouse.

(Source: NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services)



TraCS (Traffic and Criminal Software) is a mobile computer technology that enables law enforcement to electronically issue tickets and accident reports. The hardware required to run the TraCS application in a police vehicle includes an in-car computer, a plain paper printer and a 2D barcode scanner (TraCS equipment).

With this equipment, Sheriff's patrols will be able to electronically streamline tickets and accident data from their patrol vehicle to DMV and on to the local courts.

NYS DCJS is funding the costs of equipment and supplies.

Law Enforcement Operations

Road Patrol

The Road Patrol Division operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Their jurisdiction includes all of Tioga County, which covers 524 sq miles with 1,089 miles of highway.

Division Overview

Manpower

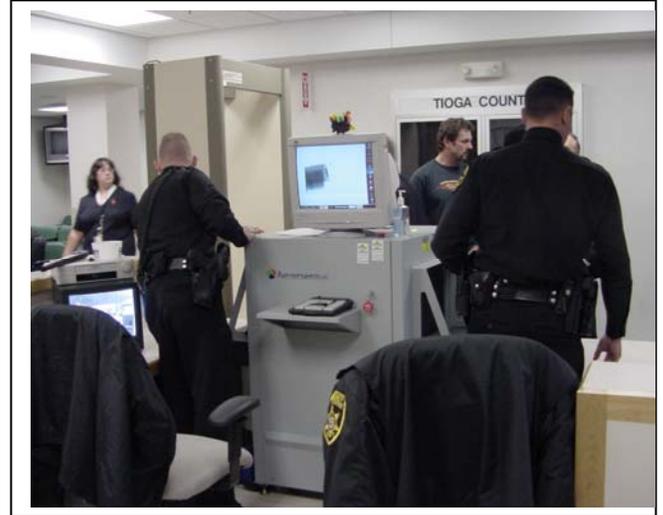
2-Lieutenants
4-Sergeants
21- Deputy Sheriffs

Deployment

B-Line Shift (7am-3pm)
C-Line Shift (3pm-11pm)
A-Line Shift (11pm-7am)

General Duties

- Traffic Enforcement
- Crime Prevention and Criminal apprehension
- Accident Investigation
- Prisoner transports
- Service of Civil Processes
- County Building Security



Deputies screen visitors to the H.H.S. Building

H.H.S. Building Security

The Road Patrol Division also operates a two-man security post at the new Health and Human Services Building.

The H.H.S building houses the Department of Social Services; Public Health Department; Mental Hygiene Department, and; Tioga Employment Center.

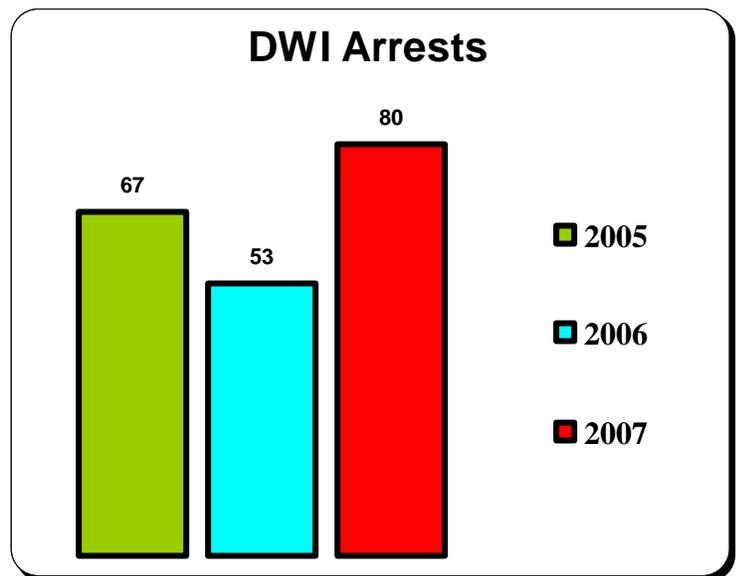
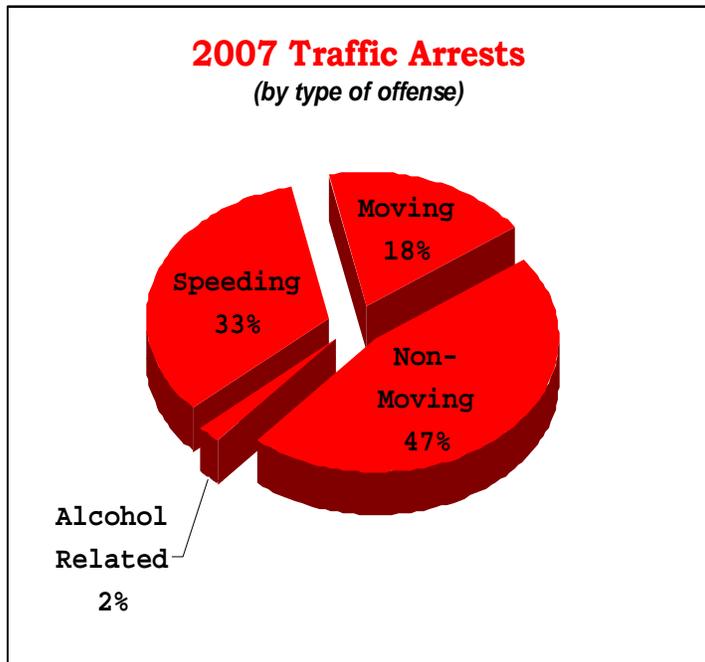
The post is manned during normal business hours and is outfitted with a walk through metal detector and an X-Ray machine for checking hand baggage, parcels, and other containers.

Personnel funding for this post is reimbursed by New York State.

2007 Patrol Statistics

Vehicle and Traffic Law Arrests			
Municipality	2006	2007	% (+ -)
Town of Barton	386	610	58%
Town of Berkshire	31	35	13%
Town of Candor	583	712	22%
Town of Newark Valley	487	707	45%
Town of Nichols	205	221	8%
Town of Owego	1,522	1,794	18%
Town of Richford	46	83	80%
Town of Spencer	70	99	41%
Town of Tioga	588	730	24%
Village of Candor	70	124	77%
Village of Owego	228	291	28%
Village of Spencer	23	21	-9%
Village of Waverly	22	44	100%
Yearly Totals	4,261	5,471	28%

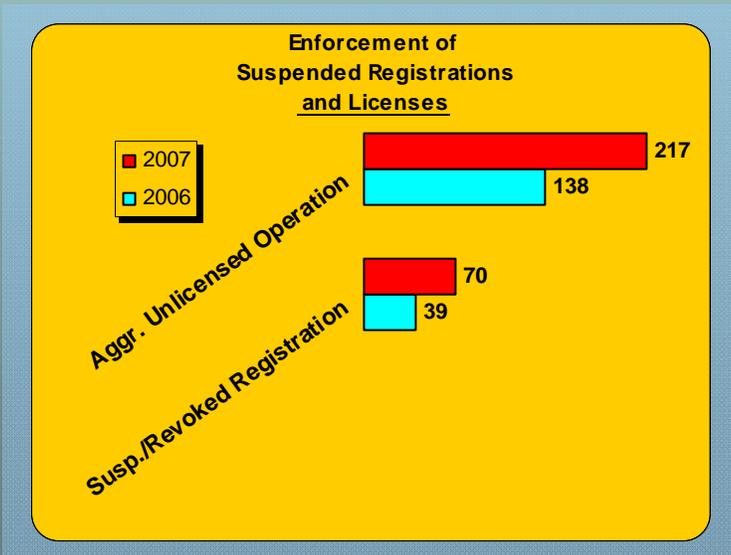
Calls-for-Service			
Municipality	2006	2007	% (+ -)
Town of Barton	2,016	2,333	16%
Town of Berkshire	259	251	-3%
Town of Candor	1,807	2,126	18%
Town of Newark Valley	1,066	1,463	37%
Town of Nichols	1,335	1,534	15%
Town of Owego	7,543	8,544	13%
Town of Richford	442	487	10%
Town of Spencer	549	711	30%
Town of Tioga	2,126	2,383	12%
Village of Candor	293	288	-2%
Village of Newark Valley	407	336	-17%
Village of Nichols	149	194	30%
Village of Owego	1,719	2,044	19%
Village of Spencer	210	200	-5%
Village of Waverly	375	584	56%
Yearly Totals	20,296	23,478	16%



New Law Enforcement Tool

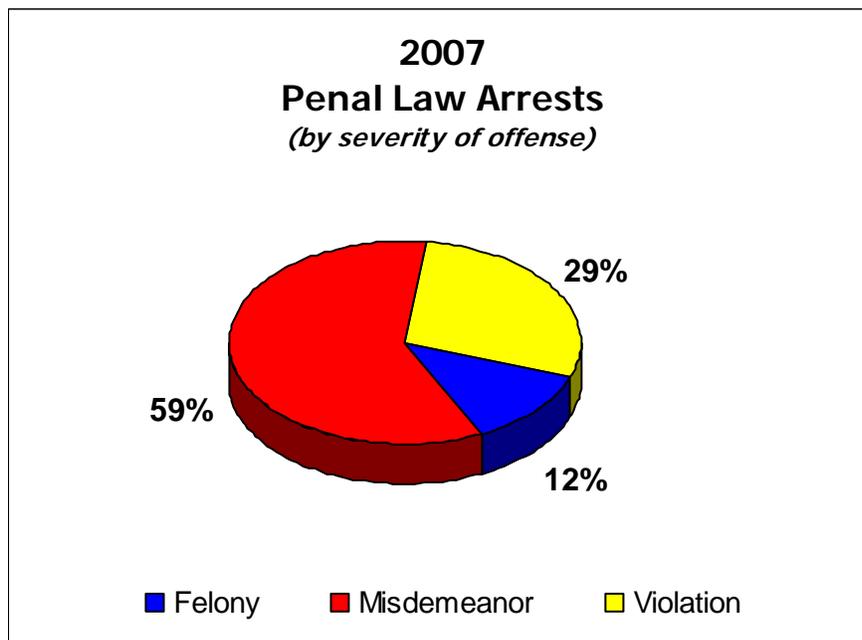
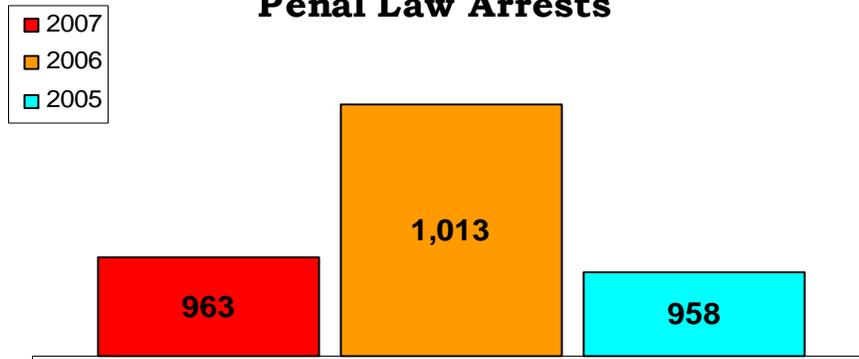
A new piece of equipment was deployed this year to help detect unlicensed, suspended, and revoked drivers. A License Plate Scanner was acquired in late fall of 2006 from the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services. The equipment was installed on one of our patrol vehicles and went into full operation in January of 2007. License Plate Reading (LPR) Technology uses specialized cameras and computers to quickly capture large numbers of photographs of license plates, convert them to text, and compare them quickly to a DMV database which is uploaded daily. Mobile license plate reading systems are designed to allow officers to patrol at normal speeds while the system reads every license plate they come in contact with and alerts them if there is a match to a "hot list" meaning that the registration is suspended or revoked or that the car is stolen or is being sought for other reasons.

When a target plate is located the Deputy in the vehicle is notified with a message that is specific to the plate. The identification of stolen vehicles, stolen license plates, and wanted and missing persons has been the primary focus of the use of this equipment. But, in addition to it being used for traffic enforcement, this equipment is also capable of being a useful tool when an AMBER Alert is issued. Plate information related to the AMBER Alert is sent statewide and entered into the license plate readers. Instantaneously, the officer will be alerted if the plate has been detected by the license plate reader which provides date, time, and location. If not detected, the license plate reader provides that extra set of eyes when observing traffic during the AMBER Alert.



Remington ELSAG Mobile License Plate Reader 900 Laptop

Road Patrol Penal Law Arrests



2007 Calls for Service

Abandoned Vehicle	10	Issuing a Bad Check	20
ABC Law	50	Juvenile Transport	22
Accident Investigation - Miscellaneous	20	K9 Call	22
Accidental Shooting	1	K9 Demonstration	1
Administrative Investigation	7	Landlord/Tennant Dispute	24
AED Call	10	Larceny Investigations	311
Aggravated Harassment	207	Lecture	50
Agriculture and Markets Law Investigation	8	Loitering	1
Animal complaints	480	Lost Property	64
Arson Investigation	6	Loud Party-Noise Complaint	120
Assault	39	Menacing	10
Assist other Agencies	160	Mental Health Arrest	8
Assist other Police Agency	305	Mental Subject	91
Assist the Public	2,330	Mental Transport	22
Attempted Burglary	2	Meth Lab Investigation	1
Attempted Larceny	4	Miscellaneous Complaint	2,136
Attempted Sexual Misconduct	1	Missing Persons Investigations	53
Attempted Suicide	2	Motorist Assist	11
Background Investigations	343	Motor Vehicle Accident Investigations	1,204
Bail Jumping	2	Nuisance Weapon Investigation	24
Bomb Threat	1	Obstructing Administration	15
Burglary	87	Offering a False Instrument	4
Check 911 Hang-up Call	1,576	Order of Protections	3
Check Bank Alarm	9	Overdose - Poisoning	2
Check Burglary Alarm	416	Parking Violations	32
Check Dangerous Condition	440	Pistol Permit Investigation	71
Check Disabled Vehicle	276	Possession of Stolen Property	9
Check on Intoxicated Individuals	11	Prisoner Transport	1,078
Check Other Alarm	58	Promoting Prison Contraband	1
Check Welfare	358	Property/House Check	126
Child Abuse	1	Prowler	1
Civil Evictions	29	PSE Test	13
Civil Matters	130	Public Annoyance	104
Civil Services	1,178	Public Lewdness	4
Code Enforcement	2	RADAR Trailer Deployment	4
Confidential Investigation	2	Railroad complaints	9
Confiscated Property	1	Rape	9
Criminal Contempt	10	Reckless Endangerment	4
Criminal Facilitation	1	Recovered Stolen Property	20
Criminal Impersonation	10	Report of a Traffic Violation	198
Criminal Mischief	270	Repossession	79
Criminal Nuisance	3	Resisting Arrest	10
Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance	84	Robbery	1
Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument	2	Runaway Child	44
Criminal Possession of a Weapon	8	Scheme to Defraud	1
Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance	8	Search Warrant	6
Criminal Sale of a Firearm	2	Sex Offender Registration	140
Criminal Trespass	16	Sex Offender Registration Act Violation	13
Custodial Interference	1	Sexual Abuse	28
Destruction of Evidence/Weapons	11	Sexual Misconduct	12
Disorderly Conduct	22	Sodomy	8
Disturbance	256	Stalking	3
DMV Revocations and Suspensions	274	Subpoena Service	97
Domestic Violence	120	Suicide	1
DWI Investigations	75	Summons Service	3
Endangering the Welfare of a Child	58	Suspicious Condition Investigation	747
Environmental Conservation Investigation	37	Theft of Services	11
Escorts	331	Traffic Problem	36
Falsely Reporting an Incident	3	Trespass	41
Family Court Matter	58	Unattended Death Investigation	35
Family Court Paper Service	187	Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	13
Fire Investigation	3	Unlaw Manufacturing of Drugs	1
Forcible Touching	5	Unlawful Imprisonment	2
Forgery	5	Unlawfully Dealing with a Child	22
Found Property	69	Unlawfully Dealing with Fireworks	22
Fraud	70	Unlawfully Fleeing Police	4
Fugitive from Justice	9	Unlawfully Growing Marihuana	6
Grand Larceny	10	Vehicle and Traffic Stops	5,854
Growing Marihuana	1	Vehicle Fire	10
Harassment	267	Violation of an Order of Protection	27
Identity Theft	22	Warrant Arrest	179
Investigate Gunshots	42		

Criminal Investigation Division



Loaded firearm found at the scene of a homicide



Investigators remove Anhydrous Ammonia, as part of a homicide investigation

The Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is staffed by seasoned officers who have been promoted from the road patrol and have received specialized training in conducting criminal investigations for serious crimes.

Division Overview

Manpower

1-Senior Investigator
4-Investigators
1-Evidence Tech/Investigator

Deployment

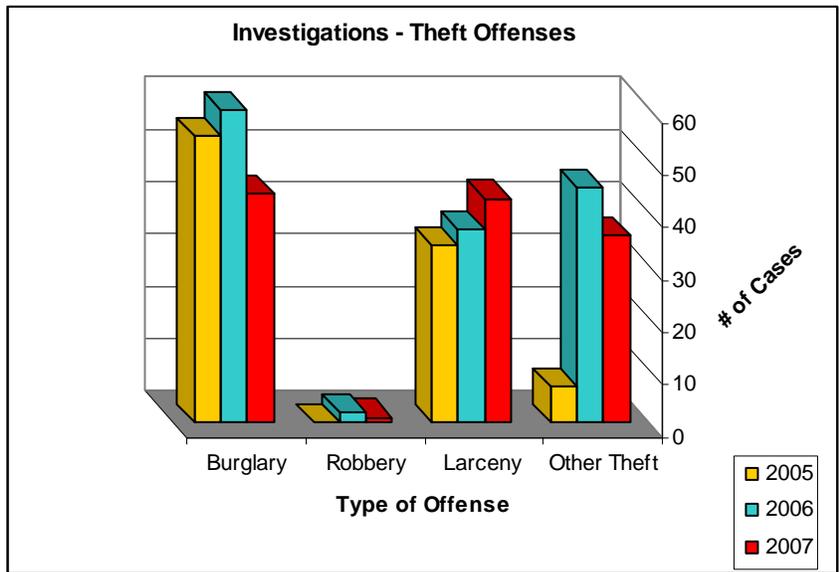
B-Line Shift (8am-4pm)
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*One investigator is continuously on call.

General Duties

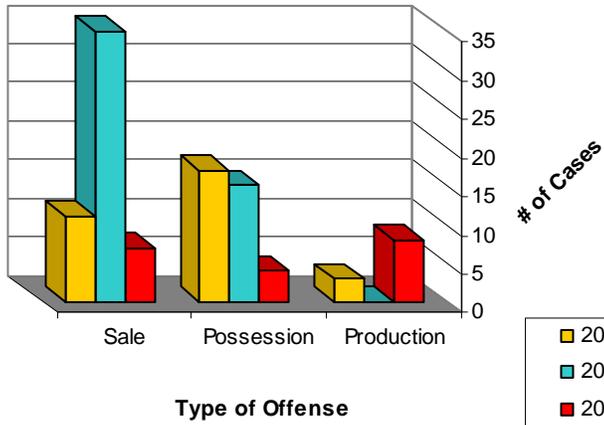
- Investigation of all serious crimes and death scenes
- Criminal identification, apprehension, and prosecution
- Crime scene ID and management
- Evidence and Property management
- Conduct background investigations
- Manage Sex Offender Registration program.

2007 Criminal Investigation Caseload

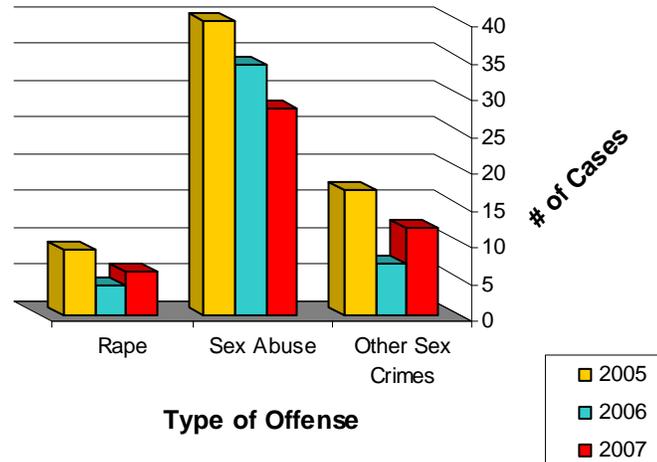
Case Type		Case Type	
Administrative Investigation	2	Fraud	1
Aggravated Harassment	4	Grand Larceny	29
Arson	4	Larceny	6
Assault	2	Lectures	9
Assistance	13	Meth Lab Investigation	1
Background Investigation	16	Missing Persons	1
Bad Checks	20	Nuisance Weapon Investigation	18
Burglary	44	Pistol Permit Revocation	2
Confidential Informant	1	Psychological Stress Evaluation	12
Criminal Possession Forged Instrument	2	Rape	6
Criminal Possession of Marihuana	2	Recovered Stolen Property	8
Criminal Contempt	1	Robbery	1
Criminal Impersonation	1	Scheme to Defraud	1
Criminal Mischief	6	Search Warrant	6
Criminal Possession Stolen Property	3	Sexual Abuse	28
Criminal Possession of a Weapon	1	Sexual Misconduct	5
Criminal Possession of Controlled Substance	1	Sex Offender Registration Act	149
Criminal Sale of a Controlled Substance	3	Sodomy	2
Criminal Sale of a Firearm	1	Stalking	1
Criminal Sale of Marihuana	4	Suicide	1
Criminal Sexual Act	2	Suspicious Condition	10
Endangering the Welfare of a Minor	4	Unattended Death	1
Fire Investigation	1	Unlawfully Growing Marihuana	5
Forcible Touching	3	Unlawfully Manufacturing Drugs	2
Forgery	4	Unlawful Possession of Marihuana	2
Found Property	1	Warrant Arrests	8



Investigations - Controlled Substances



Investigations - Sex Offenses



2007 Headline Cases

Apalachin Pharmacy Robbery

Investigators arrested a 24 year old Apalachin man on June 26th, and charged him for the June 11th armed robbery of a pharmacy located on Rt 434 in Apalachin.

The suspect is accused of entering the pharmacy brandishing a handgun and demanding methadone from the pharmacist. He then fled the scene on foot with the methadone. No one was injured.

Arsonist are Apprehended

Two Waverly, N.Y. residents were arrested in connection with a string of fires that occurred in the Town of Barton during the month of December 2007.

The two men, who are brothers, were charged with four counts of arson in the third degree. All counts are class C felonies, and were levied following an extensive investigation of four fires which destroyed a log cabin, two vacant buildings, and a vacant house. Both suspects were remanded to jail.

Meth Lab Busted

A 47 year old Spencer, New York man is charged with second degree criminal possession of a controlled substance after investigators executed a search warrant at his residence on Dawson Hill Road, in the Town of Spencer.

Investigators recovered meth, marihuana, several firearms, and other contraband from the residence.

Bus Garage Burglary Solved

Four Owego Free Academy students were arrested on Burglary and Criminal Mischief charges for breaking into the School Bus Garage and damaging buses.

Damage estimates range between \$17,000 and \$20,000.

Emergency 911 Communications Center

The Emergency E911 Center is the sole PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) for all of Tioga County and serves as the communications hub for all emergency services.

The center has earned and currently holds an accreditation through the New York State Sheriff's Association.

Division Overview

Manpower

1-Chief Dispatcher
13-E911 Dispatchers

Deployment

B-Line Shift (7am-3pm)
C-Line Shift (3pm-11pm)
A-Line Shift (11pm-7am)

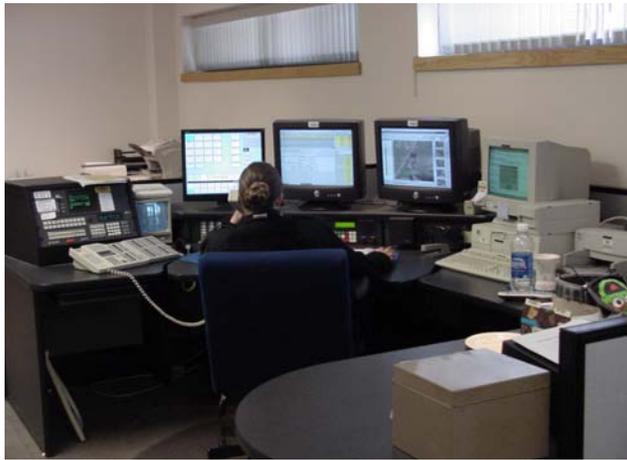
General Duties

- E911 PSAP (Primary Answering Point)
- Public Safety emergency response dispatching
- Law Enforcement call taking and dispatching
- Information retrieval from public safety data banks and DMV
- Law Enforcement database inputs

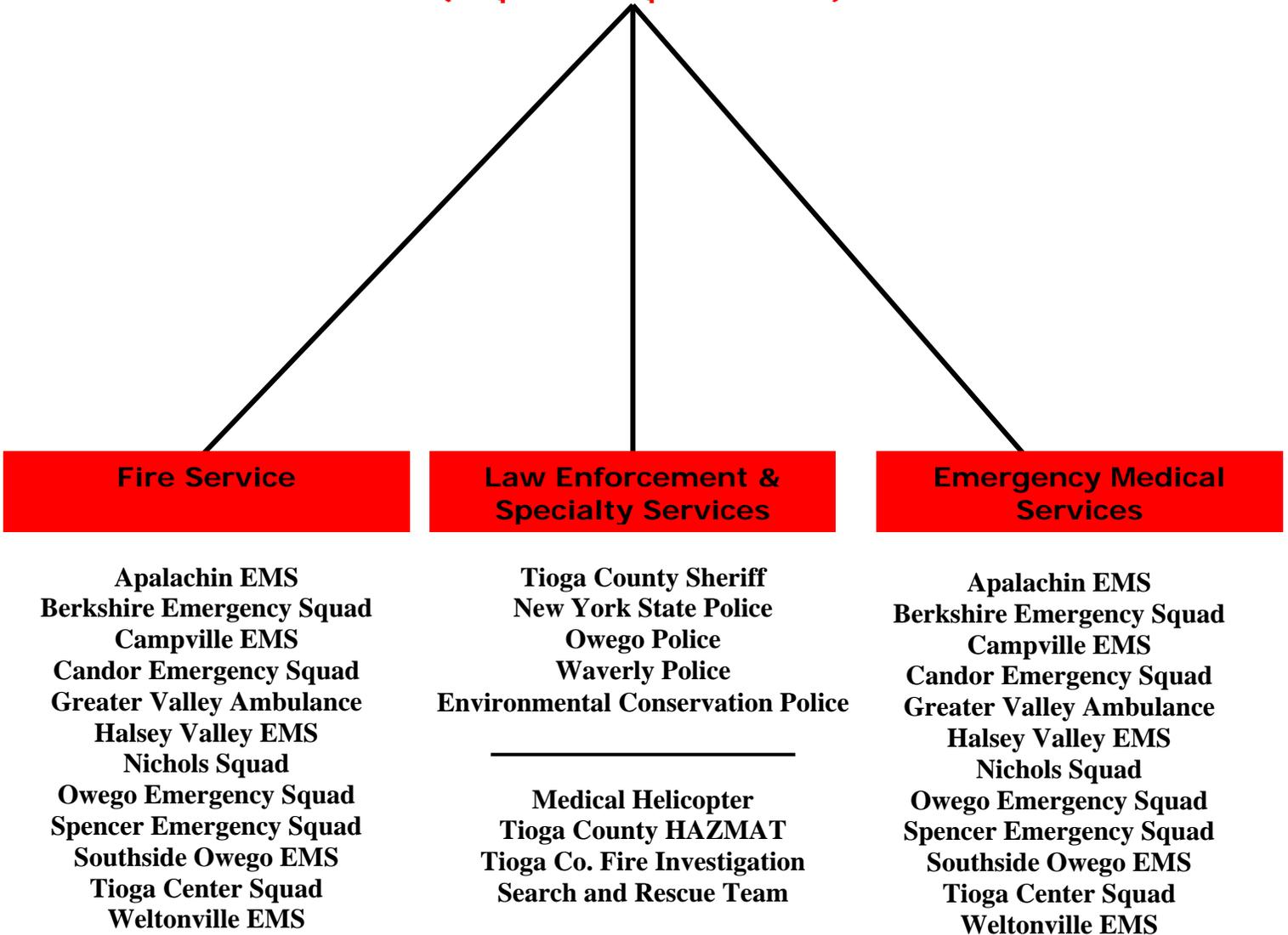


Police





**Sheriff's E911
Emergency Communications Center
(Dispatch Responsibilities)**

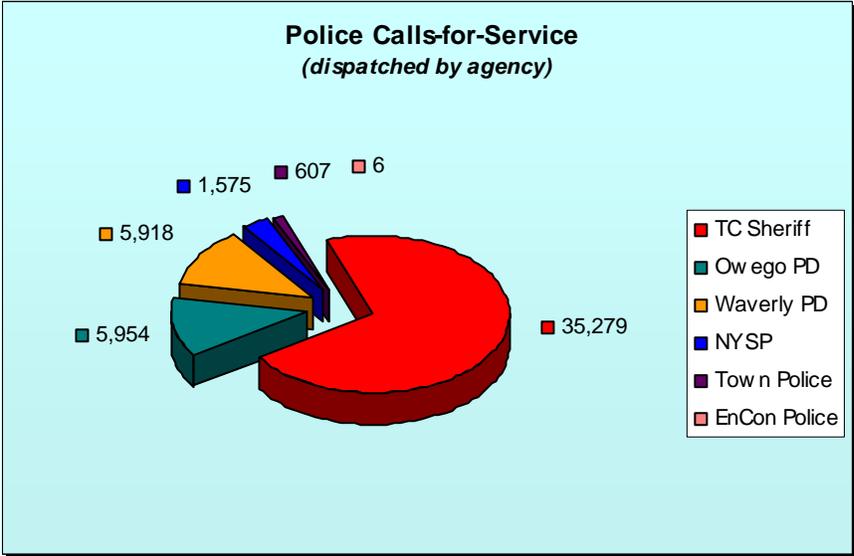


2007 Statistics

Phone Calls Received.....	390,881
Calls for Service.....	56,586
E911 Calls	13,960
Radio Transmissions.....	345,315
Teletypes	4,566
Warrants Processed.....	245

Fire & EMS Calls (Dispatched by agency)

Apalachin Fire/EMS	665	Southside Fire/EMS	96
Bershire Fire	94	Spencer Fire	277
Berkshire Ambulance	566	Spencer Emergency Squad	267
Campville Fire/EMS	364	Tioga Center Fire/EMS	258
Candor Fire	104	Waverly Fire	174
Candor Ambulance	498	Weltonville Fire/EMS	94
Halsey Valley Fire/EMS	51	Lockwood Fire/EMS	75
Newark Valley Fire	95	Greater Valley Ambulance	1,194
Nichols Fire/EMS	303	Medical Helicopter	19
Owego Fire/EMS	1,932	TC Search and Rescue	5
Richford Fire/EMS	76	TC Fire Investigation Team	32
Hazardous Material Team	8		



Corrections Division

The Corrections Division is the largest component of the Sheriff's Office. In New York State each county Sheriff is mandated by law to operate a Jail. Operations continue around the clock each day of the year. All operations are strictly governed and inspected by the New York State Commission of Corrections.

The Tioga County jail is a maximum security facility authorized to hold 104 inmates. The facility houses both male and female inmates age 16 or older. In addition to housing local prisoners the Jail is authorized to house inmates from other counties as well as Federal Inmates, Illegal Aliens, NYS Parole Violators, Military Prisoners, and civil confinement prisoners.

Division Overview

Manpower

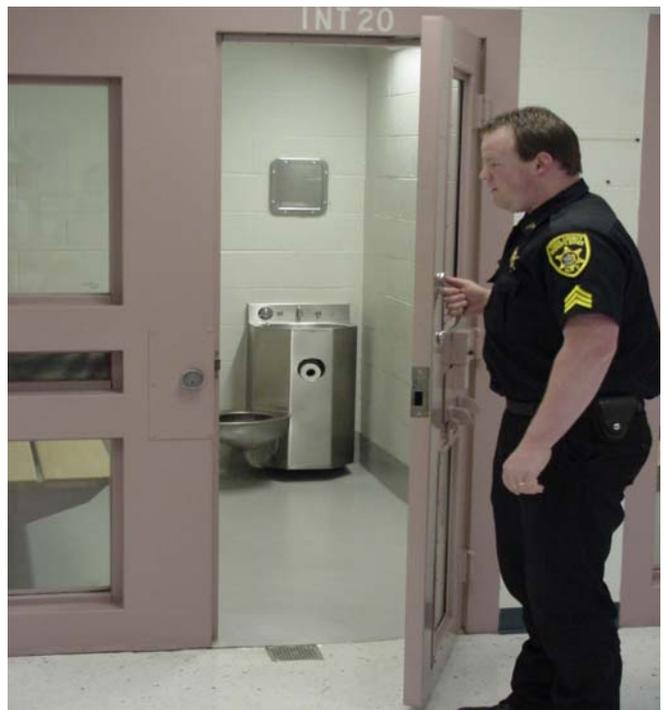
1-Lieutenant (Jail Administrator)
6- Sergeants
1-Cook Manger
37-Correction Officers
13-(Part Time Correction Officers)

Deployment

B-Line Shift (7am-3pm)
C-Line Shift (3pm-11pm)
A-Line Shift (11pm-7am)

General Duties

- Provide Security for inmates & staff
- Arrest/Inmate Processing
- Provide for everyday needs of inmates
- Coordinate& supervise Weekend Work Program

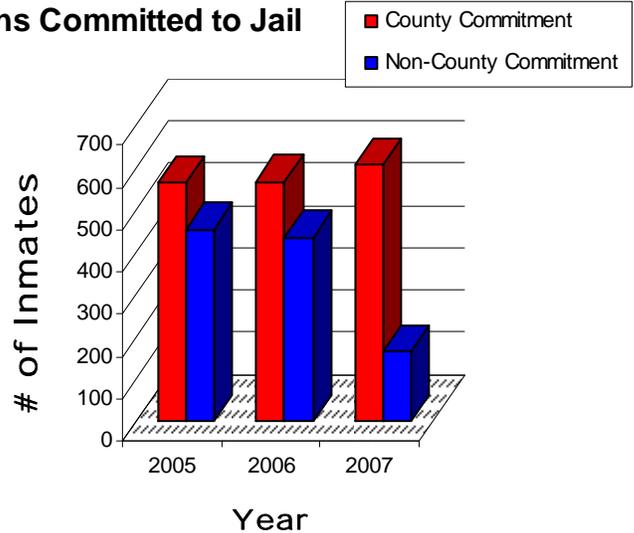


In 2007 the number of inmates processed during the year was 770. This represents a decrease of 23% compared to 2006.

Of the 770 inmates processed, 605 were committed by courts within Tioga County, accounting for 79% of the jail's population. This represents a 22.5% increase over 2006.

The 2007 average daily inmate population was 81, a decrease of 8% compared to 2006.

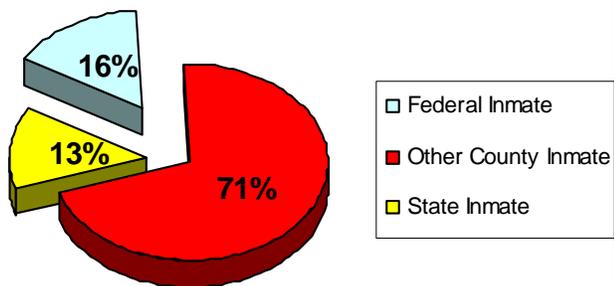
Persons Committed to Jail



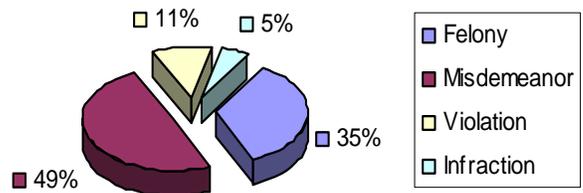
2007 Inmate Population – Daily Average Breakdown

Male Inmates	Female Inmates	Total Inmates	Federal Inmates	Board In Inmates	Local Inmates	Weekend Inmates
68	14	81	11	6	64	14

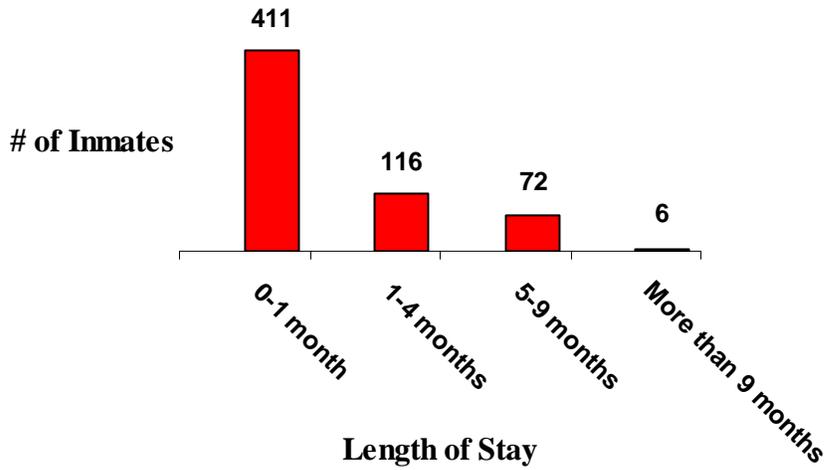
2007 Inmate Borders



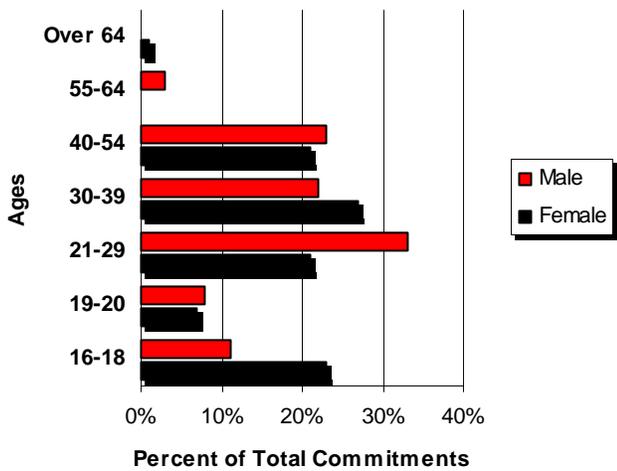
2007 Local Inmate Commitments (Seriousness of Crime)



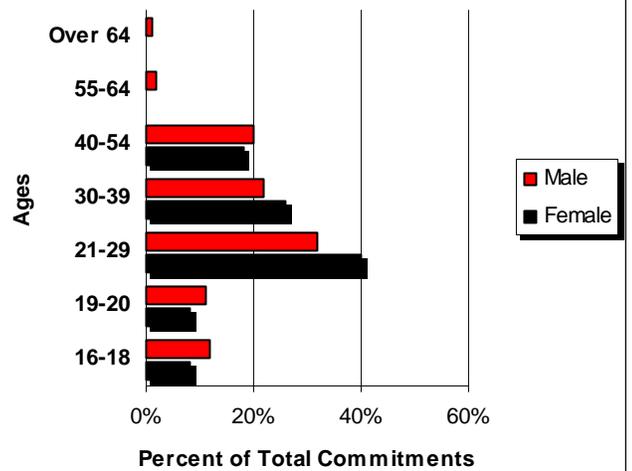
2007 Local Inmates - Length of Stay



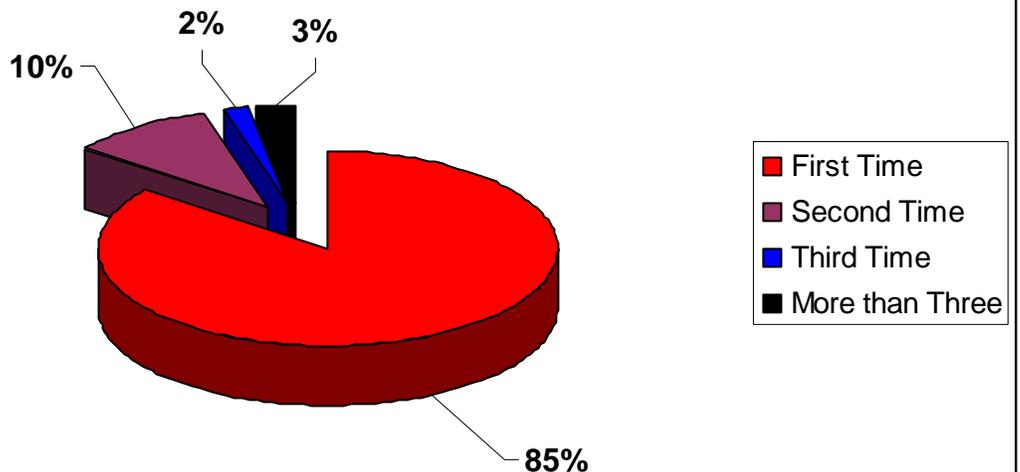
2006 Local Inmates (Comparison by Age)



2007 Local Inmates (Comparison by Age)



2007 Jail Commitment Recidivism



Correctional Services

Inmate Medical

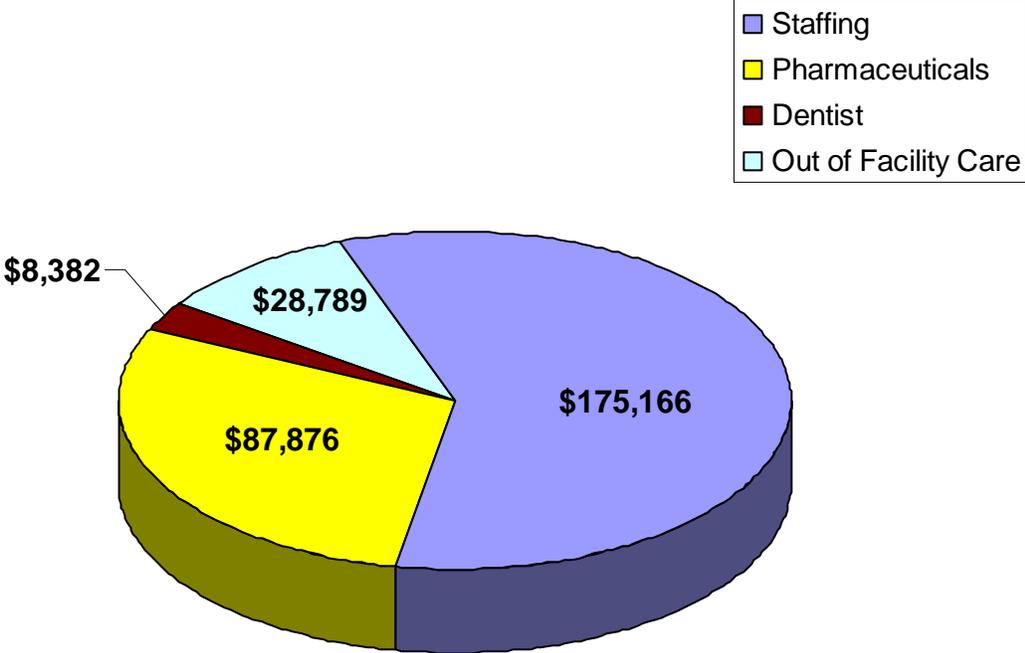
The Elmira Family Practice contracted again with the Sheriff's Office to provide medical care for the inmates. To meet NYS Minimum Standards, the jail was staffed by a registered nurse 6 days of the week, with 2 Doctor visits each week.

Vital Statistics

Intake Exams.....	550
Sick Call Exams.....	1,553
Miscellaneous Exams.....	676
Dental Visits.....	50
X-Ray Exams.....	52
Lab Work.....	83
Hospital Visits & Out of Facility Referrals.....	257



2007 Inmate Medical Care Costs (\$300,213)



Educational Services

In cooperation with the Owego-Apalachin Central School District (OACSD), the education program at the Jail continues to provide General Equivalency Diploma instruction for both juveniles and adults. The program is directed by Tom Silvanic, of the OACSD and is funded by New York State through the OASD Incarcerated Youth Program. Inmate Commissary revenues have also subsidized the purchase of instructional materials and equipment.

During the year a total of 25 inmates enrolled in the juvenile GED program, and 4 inmates enrolled in the Adult GED program.

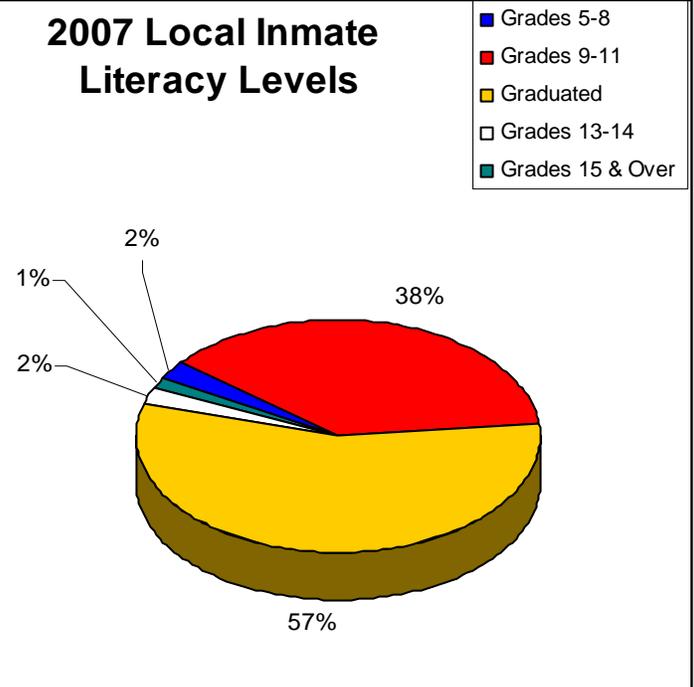
Two juvenile GED examinations were administered, with 5 inmates passing and earning their diploma.

4 inmates took the adult GED examination, with 1 inmate successfully earning his diploma.

A variety of other classes are held for inmates and include such topics as

- Life Skills
- Pre-Employment
- Literacy Skills
- Anger Management
- Drug & Alcohol Awareness
- Parenting Skills

2007 Local Inmate Literacy Levels



Computer stations available for classroom instruction

Law Library

Each county jail in New York State is required to provide inmates with ready access to legal books and related material. The Jail currently maintains an extensive Law Library with nearly 1,000 volumes of law books and legal briefs. Annually, many of these books require updating at a cost of between \$6,000 and \$10,000. These costs continue to be offset by utilizing revenue earned from the inmates' commissary. In 2007, \$11,132 was spent updating the library.



Religious Services

Religious services are provided by a variety of clergy and private citizens who are involved in their respective ministries. Religious preferences vary widely, and if the inmates' preference is a legitimately recognized faith, arrangements are normally made to provide those services.

Local churches and institutional ministries, such as the Golden Key Ministries visit the facility regularly to minister and counsel those inmates who show an interest in attending.

These services and counseling sessions are provided once a week. In 2007 the following ministries provided spiritual counseling and services to the inmate population:

- Gideon's
- St. Patrick's Parish
- 1st Baptist Church-Owego
- First Assembly of God
- Zion Fellowship
- Golden Key Ministry

Inmate Commissary

Jails and Prisons in New York State are permitted to operate an Inmate Commissary, in which inmates may purchase hygiene products, snack foods, soup, coffee, and candy. Pricing for these items are fixed by the facility and allow for the facility to earn a modest profit. Currently, the Sheriff's Office contracts with Swanson, Inc., a Commissary Company to provide goods and services. Once a week inmates who have money in their jail account are allowed to order from a list of items. These items are ordered electronically and delivered weekly.

In 2007 the program generated \$9,027 in revenue. \$6,363 was utilized to defray operating costs directly related to the inmates such as: recreational equipment; Law Library updates; Education supplies; hygiene products, and; various office expenses.

Weekend Work Detail

(Alternatives to Incarceration Program)

The Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Program has been operating in Tioga County since 1986 and provides the criminal courts with a sentencing alternative through the use of community service. In lieu of being sentenced to confinement in jail, non-violent offenders are required to perform community service work. In its infancy the program was also an effective tool in mitigating jail overcrowding.

An integral part of the ATI is the Weekend Work Program which is administered jointly by the Probation Department and the Sheriff's Office. Eligible offenders are identified by the Probation Department and are recommended to the Courts. The Courts sentence the offender to the program for a predetermined amount of time. Once in the program, the offenders report to the Sheriff's Office each Saturday and Sunday to perform their community service work.

Corrections Officer Roy Schriener oversees all work projects and supervises the details. All work performed is for non-profit organizations, local government, and community based volunteer organizations. The work sites and jobs are planned and approved by Sheriff's Office staff.



Weekend workers complete landscaping at the Public Safety Building

2007 Work Accomplishments

☞ *Removed tons of garbage from alongside the following roadways:*

- *Rt 17 Expressway*
- *Rt 17c*
- *Rt 38*
- *Rt 96 and 96B*
- *Rt 434*
- *Day Hollow Rd*
- *Glenmary Drive*
- *Halsey Valley Rd*
- *Montrose Turnpike*
- *Gaskill Rd*

☞ *Performed grounds work at:*

- *Riverside Cemetery (Lounsberry)*
- *Nichols Little League*
- *Tioga Center Little League*
- *Draper Park*
- *Hickories Park*
- *Court House Square*
- *Barton Transfer Station*
- *Tioga County Fair Grounds*
- *Newark Valley Historical Society*
- *Owego Creek in Owego*

☞ *Painted at:*

- *County Court House Gazebo*
- *County Clerks Office*
- *Owego Fire Department*
- *Owego Underpass*

☞ *Snow removal at County parking lots and sidewalks*

☞ *Performed a variety of work at several county owned office buildings*

Civil Office

Under the NYS Constitution, each Sheriff's Office must operate a Civil Office. The Sheriff is a designated enforcement officer of the Supreme Court of New York and is responsible for enforcing lower court mandates.

The Civil Office is responsible for receiving, docketing, and serving civil processes issued by courts within and outside of New York and executing appropriate proofs of service. Their responsibility includes executing court orders, including warrants of eviction, writs of assistance, civil arrest warrants, orders of seizure, orders of attachment, and orders directing the conveyance of real property.

The Civil Office enforces judgments through enforcement of Income and Property Executions; directing the garnishment of wages; Delivery of real property and the sale of real property at public Sheriff's sales. The proceeds of these enforcement procedures are collected and disbursed to the judgment creditors on a monthly basis. Sheriff's fees received for the service and enforcement of civil process and mandates are collected pursuant to law and remitted to the County Treasurer.

Division Overview

Manpower

1-Civil Manager
 1-Civil Law Clerk
 1-Deputy Sheriff
 (Part-Time)

Office Hours – Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Law Clerk Kim Ward works on the civil computer program

Civil Office – Statistical Comparison

Year	Processes	Receipts	Revenue
2005	900	\$337,556	\$50,334
2006	758	\$664,856	\$52,706
2007	594	\$706,327	\$59,024

Civil Office – Executions

Type	Stage 1	Stage 2
Income	282	108
Property	32	0
Other	1	0
Total Served		423

Records

The Records office is responsible for managing all legal documents generated by the Sheriff's Law Enforcement and Corrections operations. In addition to the traditional archival duties, this office interacts with the public and a variety of private and government organizations.

Dissemination of records and information are routinely performed for such agencies as: Insurance Companies; Dept. of Social Services; Dept of Health; U.S. Military; Private Attorneys; local, state and federal courts.

Office Overview

Manpower

1-Account Clerk Typist
1-Data Entry Clerk

Office Hours – Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Records Clerk Kara Drake retrieves a file

Pistol Permits

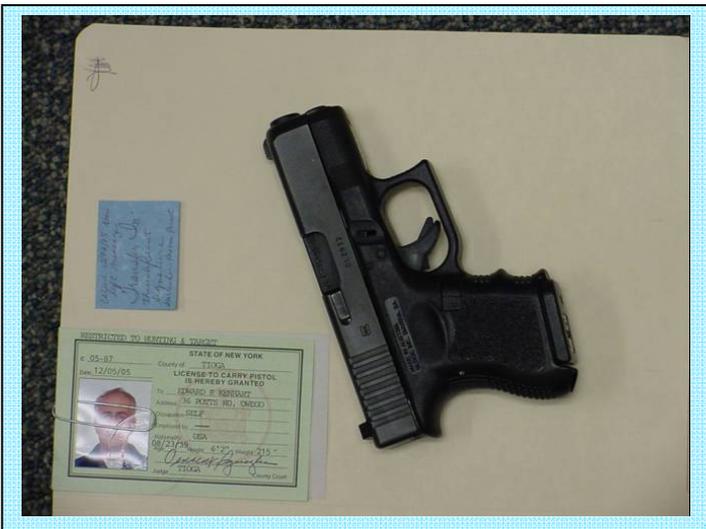
The Sheriff's Office is responsible for processing and managing all Tioga County Pistol Permits, Gun Dealer, and Gun Smith Licenses. The issuing authority for all permits and gun licenses is Tioga County Judge Vincent Sgueglia.

The Sheriff's Office supports Judge Sgueglia by performing all administrative duties and background investigations. The Sheriff has authority to issue an official recommendation for granting or denying a license or a permit. To help defray some of the operating costs in performing these duties, the Sheriff's Office is permitted to charge a predetermined fee for each type of transaction.

Type of Transaction	Processed in 2007	Fees Earned
Pistol Permit Application	66	\$750
Pistol Permit Amendment	313	\$939
Pistol Permit Transfer	23	\$115
Duplicate License	15	\$75
Dealer/Gunsmith License Renewal	2	\$2
Total Transactions	419	\$1,881

Pistol Permit Program – Fee Schedule & Breakdown

<u>Transaction Type</u>	<u>Sheriff's Fee</u>	<u>NYS Fee (Fingerprint Search)</u>	<u>FBI Fee (Fingerprint Search)</u>	<u>Total Fee</u>
Pistol Permit	\$10	\$75	\$30.25	\$115.25
Amendment	\$3	0	0	\$3
Duplicate License	\$5	0	0	\$5
Transfers	\$5	0	0	\$5
Gunsmith License	\$10	\$75	\$30.25	\$115.25
Gunsmith Renewal	\$10	0	0	\$10
Gun Dealer License	\$10	\$75	\$30.25	\$115.25
Gun Dealer Renewal	\$10	0	0	\$10



Sheriff Photo Identifications

The Records Office processes Sheriff's photo identification cards. Identification cards are processed upon request for the public.

The ID's are considered valid proof of identity for air line travel and other security purposes.

The fee for a regular ID card is \$10 and \$5 for seniors. During the year the office processed 193 identification cards and earned \$1,890 in revenue.

Freedom of Information Requests

Another important facet of the Records Office is performing records checks for a variety of private and government agencies. Routinely, background checks on individuals are requested by such agencies as: *Department of Social Services*—for adoptions; child placements; foster care; *Hotline investigations*; *U.S. Military*—Security clearances for military and non-military personnel. *Insurance Companies* and; *Private Attorneys and Investigative firms*.

Along with the records checks for background purposes, the Records Office performs inquiries for any records relating to Freedom of Information requests made by the public.

In 2007, the Records Office processed more than 870 requests.

Training

Training is a vital component of the Sheriff's Office mission. With changing trends, expectations, and responsibilities the need to teach new techniques and provide updated information is critical to the safety of the officers as well as the success of the Sheriff's Office.

During the year, Sheriff's personnel attended both "in-house" training such as Firearms Qualifications, Pepper Spray training, and Policy and Procedure reviews, as well as mandated and elective training.



Before: CO Budinger is pepper sprayed



After: Completing decontamination

2007 Training

- ~ Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician
- ~ Corrections Basic Training
- ~ Courtroom Testimony
- ~ Inmate Direct Supervision
- ~ Marine Law Enforcement
- ~ Police K9 Seminar
- ~ Tactical Debriefing for Field Intel
- ~ Aerosol Subject Restraint Course
- ~ Data Master Training
- ~ Commissary Seminar
- ~ Weapons of Mass Destruction
- ~ Crisis Negotiation Course
- ~ DNA Evidence
- ~ NYS Basic E911 Dispatcher Course
- ~ Violence in the Schools & on the Internet
- ~ Candidate Protective Operations
- ~ "Train the Trainer" on Vine Watch

2007 Training

- ~ Computer Training for Civil Divisions
- ~ Crimes against Children
- ~ Clandestine Lab Recertification
- ~ ejusticeNY Training
- ~ Glock Armorer
- ~ Freedom of Information Law training
- ~ Firearms Instructor
- ~ Leadership Tioga
- ~ Officer Survival
- ~ NYSPIN Advisory Committee
- ~ Mandated Reporting Requirements
- ~ Legal Issues for Police Officers
- ~ Risk Management Techniques
- ~ Tactical Team Symposium
- ~ S.E.R.T. Phase I Training
- ~ School Violence & Safety Training
- ~ Interview and Interrogation

Employee Recognition Yearly Awards

The annual awards ceremony was held during the 2nd week of May, to recognize the work and achievements of Sheriff's Office employees. Officers and civilian employees are selected by command staff to receive commendation for outstanding work or achievement during the preceding year. The ceremony is normally held during National Police Week which falls during the week of May 15th each year.



Deputy Sheriff Brett Preshur is awarded the Achievement Medal by Sheriff Howard.



Deputy Frank Lavore is presented with a longevity pin from Legislator Martha Sauerbrey

Employee Recognition

2007 Achievement Awards

911 Dispatcher Shellianna Decker	E.O.Q.(2 nd Quarter)
Sergeant Randy Kipling	E.O.Q.(3 rd Quarter)
Senior Investigator Dan Eiklor	Gallantry Award
Investigator Pat Hogan	Gallantry Award
Investigator Lenny Jackson	Gallantry Award
Investigator Brad Talcott	Gallantry Award
Investigator Tim Jewell	Gallantry Award
Investigator Casey Rhodes	Gallantry Award
Deputy Trevor Yeager	Achievement Medal
Deputy Julie Kipling	Achievement Medal
Brett Preshur	Achievement Medal

*E.O.Q.– Employee of the Quarter

2007 Service Ribbons

Sergeant Caleb Monell	5 Yr Ribbon
Correction Officer Greg Rice	5 Yr Ribbon
Correction Officer Bob Tatich	5 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Bill White	5 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Rich Hallet	10 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Shawn Kemmery	10 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Frank Lavore	10 Yr Ribbon
Sergeant Nate Marsh	10 Yr Ribbon
Cook Manager Jeff Tiffany	10 Yr Ribbon
Civil Law Clerk Kim Ward	10 Yr Ribbon
Sergeant Jessica Williams	10 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Alan Bobier	15 Yr Ribbon
Investigator Tim Jewell	15 Yr Ribbon
Lieutenant Dave Monell	15 Yr Ribbon
Deputy Sheriff Wayne Moulton	15 Yr Ribbon
Sergeant Dennis Spangenburg	15 Yr Ribbon
Sergeant Steve DuVarney	20 Yr Ribbon
Clerk Sue Fortier	20 Yr Ribbon
Correction Officer David Gannon	20 Yr Ribbon
Sergeant Pat Scott	20 Yr Ribbon
Correction Officer Terry Sinsabaugh	20 Yr Ribbon
Investigator Brad Talcott	20 Yr Ribbon

Tioga County Employee of the 2nd Quarter for 2007



The Tioga County Employee Recognition Committee selected Correction Officer Roy Schreiner as the Employee of the 2nd Quarter. The committee meets quarterly to review nominations and interview supervisors of finalists the committee selects.

Roy was selected because of his outstanding work ethic, his positive attitude, and his devotion to his family and the community. The committee awards a \$250 savings bond and a plaque to each quarterly winner. At the end of the year, the committee selects one of the four Quarterly winners as Employee of the Year for Tioga County.

Employee Recognition

Sheriff's Investigator receives Federal Recognition

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) officially recognized a member of the Sheriff's Criminal Investigation Division for efforts in combating drug activity in Tioga County.

The DEA's New York State Office presented Investigator Pat Hogan with a Certificate of Appreciation for his involvement in Operation Lightning Strike. Investigator Hogan served as Tioga County's point man during the five month investigation, which was conducted jointly by the Sheriff's Office, the DEA, and the NY State Police. The investigation resulted in the arrest of 56 individuals and the confiscation of drugs, money, and firearms.

Sheriff Employees are recognized for Years of Service

Four members of the Sheriff's Office were recognized for their years of service during Tioga County's annual Employee Recognition Luncheon, held at the Owego Treadway Inn. Investigator Lenny Jackson, Payroll Clerk Penny Eddy, and Sheriff Gary Howard were each recognized for having served 30 years. Sheriff Howard's Secretary, Diane Rockwell, was recognized for 25 years of Service.

The Luncheon is held each May and is sponsored by the Tioga County Employee Recognition Committee.



Back Row: from L to R: Lenny Jackson; Sheriff Gary Howard; Diane Rockwell; George Graven (DPW).
Front Row: from L to R: Cindy Handbury, Probation Dept., and Penny Eddy.

Special Programs & Community Outreach

NYS Sheriff's Summer Camp Iroquois

The Summer Camp Program, founded in 1977, was established by the Sheriffs in order to aid and enhance the development of the state's youth. Each year, as many as 10 children from Tioga County are selected to participate in the program, with all expenses being paid by the Sheriff's Association. The children are selected with the help and input of area school officials and youth advocates who identify eligible children who they believe will benefit most from the experience.

The program is designed to foster a stronger relationship between the children and law enforcement and to give children, who ordinarily would not have the opportunity, a chance for a summer camp experience.

Located on the shores of Keuka Lake (Yates County), outdoor learning activities, with professional instruction, are the cornerstone of the camp's recreational program. Team sports are also emphasized as a vehicle to reach comradeship and discipline.

Sheriffs' Offices from across the state volunteer Deputy Sheriffs to supplement the professional staff. The deputies spend a great deal of time with the kids, with many of them conducting demonstrations in the fields of archery, boating, water safety, and police dog exercise, to mention only a few.

Deputy Shelly Bogart coordinated our 2007 effort with eight kids from Tioga County in attendance. To help out the campers, the Tioga County Law Enforcement Union purchased and donated new sleeping bags for each of the campers. Deputy Bogart reported that she and campers had a great time and enjoyed the experience immensely.



Deputy Sheriff Shelly Bogart with the kids selected for the 2007 Summer Camp



Photo courtesy of the NYSSA



Photo courtesy of the NYSSA

Neighborhood Watch

In the early 1970's, The National Sheriffs' Association created the model for Neighborhood Watch. The program, which is present in many communities and neighborhoods throughout the nation, is designed to help keep communities safe by getting neighborhoods actively involved in providing information to law enforcement by observing, recognizing, and reporting suspicious or criminal activities.

Several neighborhoods throughout the County have enlisted the help of the Sheriff's Office in learning more about Neighborhood Watch.

Child Fingerprinting

Fingerprinting children has been an ongoing function of the Corrections Division for many years. The program is designed to provide parents with a copy of their children's fingerprints, which may prove helpful in the event their child becomes lost or is reported missing.

Correction Officers are typically assigned to perform this service at the County Fair, Spencer Picnic, and other such festivals, as well as upon request from various civic groups and schools.

Corrections Union Sponsors 3rd Annual Christmas Dinner

The Tioga County Corrections Union held their 3rd Annual Christmas Dinner at the Countryside Community Center in Owego.

The event, which had its inaugural start in 2005, is the brain child of several Corrections Officers who wanted to donate their time and energy to spread Christmas cheer to those who were in need within the community.

Each year the event is co-sponsored by Tioga Opportunities Inc., and is held towards the middle of December. Tioga County Corrections Officers donated, Prepared, and served holiday meals with all the fixings to over 300 attendees.

Santa Claus was also on hand to give out wrapped Christmas gifts to the kids. The presents were donated by the Corrections Union, Lockheed Martin and the Community Bank.



Correction Officer's Cindy Kenyon, Heather Krohmalney, and Sergeant Pat Scott wrap gifts to be handed out the Christmas Dinner.