





# MOUNT VERNON-LISBON POLICE DEPARTMENT

2024 Annual Report

### **CHIEF'S MESSAGE**

On behalf of the Mount Vernon-Lisbon Police Department, I would like to present our 2024 Annual Report. My name is Doug Shannon, and it is my honor to serve as Chief of Police for the Cities of Mount Vernon and Lisbon. I have dedicated the past 35 years of my life to law enforcement, serving our community. As Police Chief I am committed to work with the community to address public safety concerns and ensure our community remains a vibrant and safe place for all who visit, pass through, and make this community their home.



## GOVERNMENT

Mount Vernon

Mayor: Tom Wieseler

Councilperson: Scott Rose, Stephanie West, Craig Engel, Mark Andresen, Paul Tuerler

City Administrator: Chris Nosbisch

Lisbon

Mayor: Doug O'Connor

Councilperson: John Bardsley, Kevin Steele, Nathan Smith, Mike Williams, and Rick Scott.

City Administrator: Brandon Siggins



## POLICE ADVISORY BOARD

Members: Brandon Siggins, Chris Nosbisch, Kevin Steele, Jake Krob, Scott Rose

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mount Vernon - Lisbon Police Departments primary mission is the preservation of life and property, to protect the rights of all persons, maintain peace and order, the prevention and detection of crime, and the enforcement of State law and local ordinances. To accomplish this mission, members of the Mount Vernon - Lisbon Police Department are bestowed the necessary legal authority by the community we serve. The foundation of our mission is based upon our commitment to justice, equality, compassion, courtesy, dedication and professional service to others.

To ensure success in this mission, members of the Mount Vernon - Lisbon Police Department shall maintain the trust, confidence, and respect of the community we serve, by continuing to educate ourselves and our community for evolving needs and trends, having empathy for others, having strength (both physically and mentally) to meet and overcome challenges, demonstrating our commitment to providing the highest level of excellence and professional service, recognizing the need for all members to exhibit organizationally expected behavior and are willing to accept personal responsibility, while being accountable to all members of the Mount Vernon - Lisbon Police Department and the community we serve.

## VALUES

Our values are characteristics of qualities of worth. They are non-negotiable. Although we may need to balance them, we will never ignore them for the sake of expediency or personal preference. We hold out values constantly before us to teach and remind us and the community we serve of our ideals. They are the foundation upon which our policies, goals and operations are built.

In fulfilling our mission, we need the support of the citizens, elected representatives, and city officials in order to ensure the quality of service our values commit us to providing.



## DAILY LOG RECORDS

Theft	43	Parking Violation	206	Suspicious Vehicle	160
Burglary	9	Juvenile	178	Animal	137
Assault	35	Alarm/Open Door	125	Disturbance	265
Criminal Mischief	4	Felony Arrests	8	Investigative Time	598 hours
Vehicle Collisions	88	Misdemeanor Arrests	45	Administrative Time	2,960 hours
Public Assist	4,736	OWI Arrests	19	Cornell Related	104
Warnings	987	Towed Vehicles	15	Medical	137 hours
Citations	154	Assisted Agency	389	Lisbon	4,189 hours

Officers had 6,368 call for service in 2024 (5,982 in 2023). Of these calls, 2,425 were dispatched (2,185 in 2023) and 3,943 were observed trip (3,797 in 2023). The department completed 335 incident reports. Of the incident reports, 8 were agency assists, 96 were Lisbon and 231 were Mount Vernon.

\*Lisbon Note- Chief Shannon's time for council meetings, case reviews, etc. nor Administrative Assistant Tasha Whitman's time is included.

# **CRIMES AGAINST PEOPLE**

This table includes those offenses reported to MVLPD for investigation. It is important to mention that police officers responded to numerous other disturbances involving assaults of some type. However, no charges were filed at the victim's request, or the parties were gone prior to officer arrival.

Assault Type	2020	2021*	2022	2023	2024
Harassment	10	1	8	13	10
Simple Assault	9	4	2	7	6
Aggravated Assault	4	5	4	4	6
Court Order Violations	6	1	3	2	9
Child Endangerment	0	2	3	1	1
Interference W/O Acts	0	6	1	2	2
Simple Assault-DA	1	6	4	6	8
Domestic-with Injury	3	3	5	8	10
Statutory Rape	1	0	1	0	3
Sexual Abuse	4	1	5	3	1
Robbery	0	1	0	0	0
Extortion	0	1	0	1	0
Total	38	31	36	47	56

## **PROPERTY CRIME**

Crime	2020	2021*	2022	2023	2024
Burglary	1	0	7	4	10
Counterfeit/Forgery	0	3	1	3	4
Theft from vehicle	1	7	1	0	1
Theft from building	0	4	8	8	6
Identity theft/Fraud	11	6	23	14	8
Stolen Vehicle	4	4	1	3	3
Shoplifting	2	6	1	0	1
Miscellaneous Theft	14	18	14	3	7
Total	34	48	56	35	39

**Reported Financial Losses** 



\*Mount Vernon and Lisbon merged into one department

## **PROPERTY CRIME BY TOWN**

Crime	Mount Vernon	Lisbon
Burglary	6	4
Forgery/Counterfeit	3	1
Theft from vehicle	1	0
Theft from building	3	3
Identity theft/Fraud	5	3
Stolen Vehicle	3	0
Shoplifting	1	0
Miscellaneous Theft	7	0
Total	29	11

#### **Reported Financial Losses**



## **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF (VANDALISM)**

Offense	2020	2021*	2022	2023	2024
<b>Criminal Mischief</b>	21	14	17	13	8

- Estimated value of the incidents is \$8,394
- Examples included: broken windows, scratches to vehicles and spray-painted graffiti

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## **DRUG AND ALCOHOL RELATED CRIME**

Charge	2020	2021*	2022	2023	2024
Possession of Controlled Substance (PCS)	9	13	13	12	22
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (PDP)	15	10	16	10	11
Total	24	23	29	22	33

Offense	2020	2021*	2022	2023	2024
OWI	16	15	18	21	19
Liquor Law Violations	7	0	1	4	6
Public Intoxication	0	3	2	2	1
Totals	23	18	21	23	26

## DRUG AND ALCOHOL RELATED CRIME BY TOWN

Charge	<b>Mount Vernon</b>	Lisbon
Possession of Controlled Substance (PCS)	17	5
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (PDP)	8	3
Total	25	8

Offense	<b>Mount Vernon</b>	Lisbon
OWI	14	5
Liquor Law Violations	5	1
Public Intoxication	0	1
Totals	19	7

## ACCIDENTS

Crash Severity	36	Injury Status Summary	13	
Fatal Crash	0	Fatalities	0	
Suspected Serious Injury Crash	0	Suspected serious/incapacitating	0	
Suspected Minor Injury Crash	2	Suspected minor/non-incapacitating		
Possible/Unknown Injury Crash	3	Possible (complaint of pain/injury)		
Property Damage Only	31	Uninjured	0	
		Unknown	0	
		Not Reported	8	
Property/Vehicles/Occupants		Average Severity		
Property Damage Total (dollars):	191,901.00	Fatalities/Fatal Crash:	0.00	
Average (per crash dollars):	5,330.58	Fatalities/Crash:	0.00	
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Total Vehicles:	66.00	Injuries/Crash:	0.14	
	66.00 1.83	Injuries/Crash: Major Injuries/Crash:	0.14 0.00	
Total Vehicles:				

- The most common causes of the accidents were failure to yield, driving too fast for conditions, and animal.
- Most accidents occur 6am -8am then 4pm - 8pm.



#### **NIBRS - NATIONAL INCIDENT-BASED REPORTING SYSTEM**

Offense

Burglary/Breaking & Entering

arceny/Theft Offenses

Destruction Of Property

Counterfeiting/Forgery

Motor Vehicle Theft

Offense	Reported in 2024	Reported in 2023
Murder	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0
Justifiable Homicide	0	0
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:		
Rape	2	2
Sodomy	1	0
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0
Fondling	1	0
Aggravated Assault	16	12
Simple Assault	11	12
Intimidation	10	8
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0
Consensual Sex Offenses:		
Incest	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0
Crimes Against Persons Total	41	34

#### Group A Offense Report

Robbery

Arson

#### Arrest Distribution by Type

Offense	On-View Arrest	Summoned/ Cited	Taken Into Custody	Total
13A - Aggravated Assault			6	6
13B - Simple Assault	1		5	6
13C - Intimidation	1			1
220 - Burglary/Breaking and Entering			1	1
280 - Stolen Property Offenses			1	1
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations		5	5	10
90D - Driving Under the Influence	3		9	12
90Z - All Other Offenses	3	2	1	6
Total	8	7	28	43

#### Group A by Month

Month	2023	2024
Jan	2	9
Feb	7	11
Mar	9	18
Apr	11	17
May	10	18
Jun	19	2
Jul	6	5
Aug	14	14
Sep	5	14
Oct	2	14
Nov	8	4
Dec	11	5
Total	104	131

Fraud Offense	21	15
Embezzlement	0	1
Extortion/Blackmail	0	1
Bribery	0	1
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0
Crimes Against Property Total	56	50
Drug/Narcotic Violations	19	11
Drug Equipment Violations	10	9
Gambling Offenses	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	0
Prostitution	0	0
Weapons Law Violation	3	0
Animal Cruelty	1	0
Crimes Against Society Total	34	20
Total Group "A" Offenses	131	104

Reported

in 2024

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11

Reported

in 2023

12

## SERVICES THE DEPARTMENT PROVIDES

- Fingerprinting
- Golf cart permits: Lisbon 80, Mount Vernon 53
- Medication disposal 200 pounds were collected
- Vehicle Unlocks
- House checks
- Business and school building checks
- Free gunlocks
- Partnership and collaboration with local businesses, Churches, Event Coordinators, Schools, and other community groups on various issues (Active threat response & planning, financial crimes, drug awareness, etc.)
- Assist the Mount Vernon Fire Department, Lisbon Fire Department, and Lisbon-Mount Vernon Ambulance at calls by assisting with traffic control, medical aid, scene safety, and other assistance as requested.
- Respond to medical calls and are the first responders on scene to assist with medical care as needed.
  Officers are trained in CPR, Stop the Bleed, and AED use.

## **K9 UNIT**

- Monster and Office Moel met with students at Mount Vernon High School
- Monster and Office Moel attended monthly trainings and completed DLE recertification
- Officer Moel and Monster participated in a joint project with Buchanan County and Iowa State Patrol on April 20
- Deployed 14 times
- Thanks again to all who helped with or participated in the K9 Golf Outing!







## TRAINING

•Officer Gutierrez attended ARIDE training

•Officer Blinks attended Advanced Patrol Tactics

•The department attended Human Trafficking training led by Chains Interrupted

•Officer Blinks and Sergent Daubs attended AWR209 Working with Media training

•Sergeant Daubs and Officer Gutierrez attended the GTSB conference

•Sergeant Daubs participated in US Marshall Task Force - Sex Offender Registration checks and Violation enforcement Project

•Officer Gutierrez attended CTK Interview and Interrogation training

•Officer Gutierrez attended Courtroom Testimony and Demeanor training

•Officer Blinks, Chief Shannon and Sergeant Daubs attended Emergency Operation Center training

•Officer Blinks attended Train the Trainer

•Officer Blinks attended Blue to Gold Mastering Proactive Patrol

•Officer Blinks and Chief Shannon attended THRIVE













### AWARDS AND MILESTONES

- Officer Eicher and Reserve Officer D. Frankfurt were sworn in
- Officer Moel has served with MVLPD for 10 years
- Sergeant Daubs has served with MVLPD for 15 years





### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Officer Ford attended Cornell's annual Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Awareness Event
- The department hosted the Boots and Badges blood drive which collected 32 units which will help up to 128 local patients
- Officers assisted Lisbon High School and Mount Vernon High School with state bound send offs
- DARE at Lisbon Community School District and Mount Vernon Community School District
- Chief Shannon assisted with mock interviews at Kirkwood for the Criminal Justice Students, preparing them for future interviews with departments
- Sergeant Daubs presented on Alcohol Awareness at Lisbon High School
- Chief Shannon, Officer Gehrke and Sergeant Daubs presented Active Threat Training at Lisbon Community School
- Officers participated in multiple DEA Take Bake events
- Sergeant Daubs and Officer Ford attended the WETAP event at Washington Elementary
- Officers provided extra patrol at community events such as Magical Night, Sauerkraut Days and Heritage Days
- Officer Gehrke attended Mount Vernon Middle School career day
- Sergeant Daubs participated in Halloween Town
- Officer Gutierrez and Sergeant Daubs participated in Kirkwood's Career Fair



- The coalition partners with six communities in rural Linn County to provide prevention, education, and awareness efforts as part of the SPF-PFS, STOP Act, MHAT, and CARA Grant Funding. Those communities are: Mount Vernon, Lisbon, Springville, Central City, Alburnett, and Center Point.
- Coalition staff are based out of the Mount Vernon-Lisbon Police Department.
- The Police Department partners with the Coalition by providing school training, attending meetings, monitoring drug disposal boxes, partnering in awareness events and trainings, and collaborating in community training.
- In partnership with the Mount Vernon Lisbon Police Department and the Linn County Sheriff's Office, 421.8 lbs of unused medication have been disposed of due to assistance from coalition funding.
- The Coalition financially supports MVLPD D.A.R.E. program efforts in both Mount Vernon and Lisbon schools.
- The Coalition partnered with the Police Department and Cornell College to host semi-annual awareness events focused on Mental Health, Alcohol, Tobacco/Vaping, Prescription Drug Misuse, and all other substances.
- The Coalition collaborated with the Police Department for multiple community and family events: April DEA Drug Drop Event in Lisbon, August Celebrate Community and Safety Fair in Lisbon, Safety Week at Cornell College, and the October Trunk or Treat DEA Drug Drop Event in Mount Vernon.
- Over 685 people have been trained this year due to funding from the coalition. Those trainings include: Question. Persuade. Refer., Adult Mental Health First Aid, Youth Mental Health First Aid, LivingWorks afeTALK, LivingWorks ASIST, Prime for Life, Motivational Interviewing, Signs of Suicide, and drug-specific education.
- The Coalition provided training on "The Risks of Vaping" to all freshmen attending school at Mount Vernon.
- Over 2,260 service hours for community outreach have been implemented this year.
- Grant funding for the LifeSkills Program has provided training to over 212 middle school students and over 30 high school students at Mount Vernon and Springville schools.
- At Mount Vernon Middle School, 152 students have been trained in Signs of Suicide, a prevention program.
- The coalition hopes to continue and gain new funding opportunities to promote growth and to continue to serve their communities by providing education to as many organizations, schools, youth, and parents as possible, promoting a safer and healthier future for all.



# WE ARE PROUD TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY

