

LPD Quarterly Newsletter

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Lowell Police Department is to continue building and maintaining strong partnerships with the diverse communities of the city of Lowell. We strive to work with our community to reduce the incidence and fear of crime, and to ensure public safety. We will do this while working to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Lowell.

The Lowell Police Department is committed to the ideals of Community Policing. Those ideals are evident in programs such as the Citizens Police Academy, the Summer Student Police Academy, and the Citizen Advisory Committee. The Department's core values are integrity, respect, accountability, community, sanctity of life, and knowledge. Patrols are assigned by geographic sector, encouraging officers to become intimately associated with neighborhoods and their residents, better enabling them to fight and prevent crime.

Highlights

- ◆ 27 officers from 15 law enforcement agencies graduated from the Lowell Police Academy.
- ◆ LPD Officers participated in the No Shave November campaign.
- ◆ The LPD hosted its sixth annual toy drive.
- ◆ Merry Mack returned to the department.

Crime Statistics for October 1st—December 31st, 2021*

Crime	2020	2021	% Change
Aggravated Assault	42	59	40%
Aggravated Assault - Domestic	34	32	-6%
Burglary	48	52	8%
Car Break-ins	117	120	3%
Disorderly	23	35	52%
Robbery	11	17	55%
Shoplifting	39	27	-31%
Vandalism	124	143	15%
Total	438	485	11%

Firearms	2021
Recovered	59
Surrendered	498*
Total	557

The LPD took 557 firearms off the streets between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

*467 were accounted for from one household after the resident passed away.

* Statistics are subject to change due to ongoing investigations.

Lowell Police Academy Graduation

The LPD would like to congratulate the 27 officers that graduated from the Lowell Police Academy on October 29th after completing an intense 24 week program focusing on 21st century policing. After graduating from the academy, Officer K. Krug, Officer D. Poitras, Officer A. Ruiz, and Officer B. Sheehan of the LPD began the Field Training Officer (FTO) Program. They are expected to complete the program in early 2022.



No Shave November

Throughout the month of November, LPD officers participated in the No Shave November campaign. Police officers that make a donation to a charity during the campaign period are allowed to grow facial hair for one month. This year the department decided to donate to Make-A-Wish Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which grants wishes to youth with critical illnesses. LPD officers were able to raise \$7,150 for the foundation.

Toy Drive

The Lowell Police Department collected new, unwrapped toys during the holiday season and collaborated with Lowell Public School Social Workers to distribute the gifts to children in need. The LPD would like to thank the individuals and organizations that donated toys. The 2021 Toy Drive was a huge success!



Elf on the Shelf

After making an early appearance in September to remind residence about the importance of locking car and house doors at night, Merry Mack continued working with the LPD throughout December. Merry Mack was assigned to Operation Christmas and focused on the toy drive. He also worked with junior investigators to solve a case involving stolen hot chocolate. Merry Mack enjoyed his time at the LPD and is looking forward to visiting again in 2022!



Happy Holidays from the LPD!

