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We must continue to create and nurture community partnerships.
— Sheriff Ty Trenary
When I look back on 2016, I can’t help but see the connection between the work we did and the opioid epidemic. At first glance, it may not seem like addressing a homeless encampment or investigating a stolen vehicle may have much to do with heroin until you dig into the causes of these crimes.

The opioid epidemic is not new to Snohomish County. Ten years ago when I was serving as the Chief of Stanwood, we were beginning to see the effects heroin and abuse of prescription pills were making on our community. High school students were overdosing and dying. Fathers with good jobs were losing everything to feed an addiction. As bad as it was then, I could never have predicted how much worse it was going to get.

Although Snohomish County comprises only 10% of the state’s population, we now account for more than 18% of the heroin-related deaths statewide. From 2011 to 2013, approximately 1 out of every 5 heroin deaths in the state occurred in Snohomish County and in 2013 alone, heroin and prescription opioid overdoses represented two-thirds of the 130 accidental overdose deaths in the county.

When I meet with other sheriffs and police chiefs from around the state and country, I know Snohomish County is not alone in this crisis. Nationwide, opioids (including prescription opioids and heroin) killed more than 33,000 people in 2015, more than any year on record and 91 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose. Some counties in our country are responding to dozens of overdose calls every day.

Today, the opioid epidemic affects almost every aspect of law enforcement and corrections:

- Because a heroin addict is rarely able to hold a steady job, theft becomes one of the easiest options to fund their addiction. Burglary rates in Snohomish County have increased an average of 80% in the past two years and there is a direct correlation between the rise in heroin addiction and the rise in property crimes.

- Our jail’s medical housing unit is designed to hold 24 inmates with moderate to severe medical issues, which could include heroin withdrawal. In 2016, this unit was consistently over capacity – sometimes over 200% capacity – with more inmates than beds. On any given day, more than 90% of these specialty care inmates are on heroin or opioid withdrawal watch and care.

- Nuisance properties – homeless encampments and residences taken over by squatters – continue to spring up all over the county and no community in Snohomish County has been spared. Since 2013, the Sheriff’s Office has identified over 200 of these properties in every beat we patrol and at any one time we have over 70 open nuisance property investigations. Almost all of these properties are home to heroin use and/or house people who resort to theft and burglary to feed a heroin addiction. These properties are a blight in the community, drawing unwanted crime and criminals to neighborhoods.
The list goes on and the battle is seemingly endless. While I do not believe solving the opioid epidemic is something that should be left solely to law enforcement, I have learned there are some strategies and methods that are beginning to make an impact on the problem in Snohomish County.

First, we must continue to create and nurture community partnerships. One service or agency cannot tackle the problem alone, but when we combine forces, we become a force multiplier. Since 2015, our Office of Neighborhoods has been working to address the issues that lead people to homelessness and addiction in the first place. This team goes out into the field to work one-on-one with residents to secure them housing or find them a bed in a detox facility. And they capitalize on the relationships that have already been built with human and social service providers, mental and medical health services, and other community resources to get people the help they need as quickly as possible. Between September 30, 2015 and October 31, 2016 the Office of Neighborhoods secured housing for 57 individuals and detox for 86 people. Of those, 72 who started a detox program successfully completed the program and moved to inpatient drug treatment. The relapse rate for most Snohomish County referrals to detox is around 90% - for the Office of Neighborhoods, it’s 40%.

Second, we must continue to find ways to reduce prescription opioid abuse, which research has shown is one of the leading gateways to a heroin addiction. Three out of four people who use heroin report that their addiction started with abusing prescription opioids. Programs like Drug Take Back are key to getting unwanted medications out of the community to avoid opening the door to future addiction.

Third, we can no longer continue to expect our jail to be the county’s largest de facto detox facility. It was never designed for this purpose and does not have the resources to operate as such. We have to work together with our partners in addiction treatment, human and health services and other service providers to ensure access to prevention services and addiction treatment services. Incarceration is not the answer to drug and/or alcohol addiction.

Finally, big pharmaceutical companies must be held accountable for the path of destruction they’ve created in our communities by marketing heroin’s chemical cousins to millions of unsuspecting Americans. Big Pharma created a nation-wide opiate addiction which directly corresponds to the heroin epidemic and, no coincidence, a steep increase in pharmaceutical corporations’ profits from the sales of opiate-based prescription medicine.

As I’ve said previously on numerous occasions, we cannot arrest our way out of the opioid epidemic. In the end, it is going to take leadership, collaborative partnership building, communication, accountability and trust to overcome Snohomish County’s opioid epidemic and the terrible impact it has on our communities.

Community First.
Sheriff Ty Trenary
2016

JANUARY 14 – The Sheriff’s Office celebrates its 155th Anniversary.

FEBRUARY 2 – Deputy Keith Poteet was patrolling the streets of Snohomish when he was flagged down by a man near the intersection of 88th St SE and 115th Ave SE. The man’s wife was in labor. The baby refused to wait for paramedics and at 11:06 p.m. “Doctor” Poteet helped deliver a healthy baby boy, Case.

MARCH 4 – The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy recognized Snohomish County for innovative efforts to prevent overdose deaths from opioids, most commonly heroin. In 2015, the Sheriff’s Office, partnered with Human Services to receive training in how to administer naloxone, an overdose prevention medication and Snohomish County sheriff’s deputies have saved 10 lives with naloxone. “We have seen firsthand that naloxone is an incredibly powerful tool for our sheriff’s deputies,” said Sheriff Trenary, “especially those who serve remote areas of the county where services are not always quickly available.”

APRIL-JULY – In April, Monique Patenaude and Patrick Shunn, residents of Oso, were reported missing. Over the next days, weeks, and months, the search for the missing married couple turned into a homicide investigation and international manhunt, ending with the arrest of John Reed in July (see page 16).

JUNE 6 – Two men were arrested by Major Crimes detectives for the cold case murder of 31 year-old Jesse Williams near Lake Stickney in 2005. The man who killed Williams was sentenced to 8½ years in prison. “The families of homicide victims deserve to know how and why their loved one died — no matter how much time has passed,” Sheriff Ty Trenary said. “I’m proud of our cold case detectives’ commitment and passion to ensuring justice is served. Often, they are a victim’s only advocate.”

JULY 1 – Major Crimes Detective Brad Pince spent his last day of work at the courthouse to hear the verdict in the retrial of John Alan Whitaker. Det. Pince was one of the lead detectives that investigated Whitaker’s role in the brutal murder of Rachel Burkheimer in 2002. It was one of hundreds of cases he investigated during his 34 year tenure at the Sheriff’s Office. Det. Pince was a tireless advocate for victims and their families.
AUGUST 2 – The Sheriff’s Office hosted six National Nights Out (Sultan, Stanwood, Snohomish, Granite Falls, Gold Bar, and Willis Tucker Park) and attended over a dozen other neighborhood-organized events across the county.

AUGUST 18 – Gavin Mayes was sworn in as Sheriff for the Day. Gavin, who has battled leukemia most of his short life, and his family were escorted to the academy for the swearing in of more than 30 little Chiefs and Sheriffs from agencies across Washington state. Later that month, Olive arrived at the Mayes home. Olive is a golden retriever trained to be a support dog for 7-year-old Gavin and was purchased through donations from the Sheriff’s Office.

SEPTEMBER 1 – Lt. Steve McDonald was appointed as the Chief of the Sultan Police Department and East Precinct Commander and Lt. Norm Link was appointed as the Chief of the Stanwood Police Department.

SEPTEMBER 26 – The Special Investigations Unit, in partnership with the U.S. Marshals Service, arrested eight men in an underage sex sting operation, “Operation Anvil”. The men, who ranged in age from 26 to 60 years-old, all responded to online ads placed by undercover detectives posing as a 15 year-old female. “Protecting our county’s most vulnerable citizens – our children – will always remain our number one public safety priority. Getting these predators off our streets makes our communities safer,” said Sheriff Trenary.

OCTOBER – Sheriff’s Office employees raised more than $4,800 to fight breast cancer for the American Cancer Society. Commissioned staff purchased special edition pink badges and administrative staff wore ribbons and special edition shirts, with all proceeds going to Sheriff Trenary’s “Real Men Wear Pink” campaign.

NOVEMBER 9 – A 33 year old Granite Falls man wanted for assaulting law enforcement with a deadly weapon was captured without incident. His arrest marked the 1,000th capture by the Snohomish County Violent Offender Task Force since the multi-agency fugitive task force was established in January 2013 (see page 14).

NOVEMBER 28 – Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Explorers received the keys to a van generously donated by Roy Robinson Chevrolet-Subaru & RV Center (Marysville).
Crime Statistics for 2015* and 2016  
Data complied from crime reports

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**Violent Crimes:**
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- Domestic Violence
- Robbery

**Property Crimes:**
- Burglary
- Malicious Mischief
- Theft
- Vehicle Theft

**Traffic:**
- Collision
- Traffic
Community Engagement

The South Precinct is located in Mill Creek and serves south Snohomish County, from the City of Everett to the north, the Snohomish River to the east, King County to the south, and Puget Sound to the west. Despite the fact that the South Precinct is responsible for patrolling the smallest area (92 square miles), the precinct has the highest call volume. Deputies serve densely populated residential areas mixed with commercial and industrial properties, as well as some of the busiest roadways in the County.

The South Precinct is home to 94 civilian and Law Enforcement personnel. It houses the Office of Neighborhoods, Precinct Detectives, Patrol Deputies, Civilian Volunteers, and the Operations Commander. The South Precinct is a full-service precinct that offers concealed pistol license application and processing, fingerprinting, and filing crime reports.

2016 was a banner year at the South Precinct for building relationships and engaging with our community. Some of our programs included partnering with teen Ty Eliason to partake in the 22 Pushup Challenge for Veterans. The challenge represents the estimated 22 veterans who take their lives every day. Deputies accepted Ty’s challenge, which was videotaped at the South Precinct and placed on YouTube to bring awareness to the issue and honor those who have served.

We also partnered with SNOPAC to support Clothes for Kids, a fantastic organization that provides low-income students throughout Snohomish County and the North Shore School District with school clothes. Staff raised funds and collected donations to support this worthy cause.

Finally, we worked with the parents of our most vulnerable, our kids, and initiated a “Kids’ Safe” program to teach kids, and their families, to give our community’s kids the tools they need to avoid child luring.

Other community-engagement and relationship-building efforts in 2016 at the South Precinct included:

- In March, deputies responded to a 911 call from out of the area. The caller reported that an iPad had been stolen in Seattle and was being tracked to an address in Bothell. Deputies ran with the information to both recover the victim’s stolen property and identify the suspect who took it. Due to their hard work and diligence, the information they obtained through statements, search warrants and video surveillance culminated in the recovery of the victim’s property, the recovery of a stolen car from Seattle and the arrest of the Seattle burglary suspect.

- South deputies responded to a noise complaint at a local hotel. Most of the time, noise complaints are held at a low priority. On this occasion, a neighborhood was completely distraught over continually running diesel engines in their residential community. Within days, the complaint was resolved and the community members were finally able to sleep peacefully in their homes. Without the commitment to our community by members of the South Precinct, this result could not have been accomplished.

- South deputies responded to a burglary and one of the suspects jumped out of the back window and fled on foot. A neighbor saw the incident and chased the suspect, tackling him as he tried to climb a fence. This gave south deputies the opportunity to catch up and make the arrest. The citizen was awarded a Certificate of Merit. Without our community partnerships, the apprehension of this dangerous felon would not have occurred.

As a member of this community, it is extremely important to me that our precinct keeps “Community First” and reflects the values and needs of the neighborhoods we serve.

— South Precinct Commander Lt. Scott Robertson
Partnerships That Work

Law enforcement services for the City of Snohomish are provided in partnership with the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office. This service is provided as part of a stand-alone contract, which allows the city to maintain its own department identity, backed up by the vast resources of the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office. The City of Snohomish became a law enforcement partner with the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office in 2012.

The Snohomish Police Department is led by a lieutenant who serves as the contract police chief, four patrol sergeants, one administrative sergeant, eight patrol deputies, one K9 team, one school resource deputy, two detectives, and four volunteer crime prevention officers. There are also two record specialists at the police department who provide full police services to residents of the City of Snohomish; to include fingerprinting services for employment and concealed weapon permits.

The City of Snohomish is host to a number of large community events. In early spring the Antique Motorcycle Show rolls into town with custom motorcycles of all kinds on display for all to see.

During the warmer summer months the city plays host to the largest annual youth outdoor soccer tournament in the region in their city.

The three day event, known as Big Foot, draws participants from as far away as Vancouver, BC. Perhaps the most enjoyable event the city hosts is the annual Kla-Ha-Ya Days festival. This week long community event provides entertainment to young and old with activities for all. The city closes out the year every September with their annual classic car show. This very popular event is an opportunity for classic car enthusiasts to showcase their classic car one last time before winter arrives.

— Snohomish Police Chief Lt. John Flood
A “Community First” Clean Up

In 2016, East County, including the contract cities of Sultan, Gold Bar, and Index, fully adopted our “Community First” mission and focused on the quality of life for the residents in the Sky Valley. We placed an importance on nuisance houses as well as removing impaired drivers, outstanding warrants, and guns from our streets.

Through a great partnership with the Snohomish Regional Drug and Gang Task Force, we were able to identify, contact, and clean up many drug/nuisance properties in East County. The partnership with the task force, as well as with the Snohomish County Violent Offender Task Force, Snohomish County Code Enforcement, the Snohomish Health District, and Snohomish County Human Services, helped us identify and target specific properties.

Gold Bar Police Chief Sgt. Dave Casey was instrumental in addressing a specific problem house where squatters, transients, and criminals were creating an unlivable community. He was awarded a 2016 Citizen Commendation for his efforts and empathy by the residents of that city.

The effects of heroin have made a terrible impact on our East County communities. In 2016, several of our law enforcement personnel saved the lives of residents who had overdosed on opioids – most likely heroin – by administering naloxone. Our property crimes detective spent much of the year investigating crimes driven by the perpetrator’s need to feed a heroin habit by resorting to mail and vehicle theft, burglary, and identify theft.

In 2016 East County deputies made 213 warrant arrest/DUI/weapon recoveries. Of those 55 were felony level warrants, 95 were misdemeanor warrants, 8 guns were taken off the streets, and 54 impaired drivers arrested.

— East Precinct Commander Lt. Steve McDonald
Serving Unincorporated North County

The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office North Precinct serves the residents and businesses of unincorporated north county, covering over 750 square miles with a population of 500,000 people.

To accomplish our agency’s mission there are 40 commissioned, non-commissioned and volunteer staff assigned to the precinct. The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Snohomish County Detachment, Snohomish County Violent Offenders Task Force, North County Property Crimes Unit, School Resource Unit and the Sheriff’s Office Volunteer Coordinator are housed in the precinct or are under the command of the Precinct Commander. In 2016 the North Precinct became a full service precinct processing reports, fingerprinting, and processing concealed weapons permits.

Partnering with the Snohomish County Regional Drug and Gang Task Force, North Precinct patrol contacted 47 nuisance properties and 20 of these were closed down in 2016. One property was a residence that had no power, no sewer, or water, was rat-infested and had up to 15 people living there. Working with the bank and property owner, trespassers were evicted and the house was boarded up to be sold. We were able to work with the owner of another house in the Marysville area that also had no running water, no electricity, and had several derelict vehicles parked on the property. In collaboration with the owner, PUD, Public Works, and the water district, we cleared out the vehicles, restored the power and water services, and the owner was able to remain in the house.

The North Precinct Property Crimes Unit investigated 268 cases that included theft, burglary, identity theft, fraud, possession of stolen property, and theft of firearms. Of these cases 250 lead to the arrest of suspects and 208 charges were filed.

In addition to crime fighting, the precinct is involved with the community both on- and off-duty. Professionally the staff is involved with every school district within our area of operations, interacting with school district staff and students. Among our staff we have high school, college, and youth soccer, lacrosse, baseball, softball, basketball, coaches, and referees.

The staff at the North Precinct are not just first responders, but part of the community we serve. We are residents, parents, teachers, neighbors, coaches, and friends. The North Precinct and its staff will always strive to provide a safe community through dedicated and professional service for all communities.

— North Precinct Commander Lt. Rodney Rochon
Extraordinary Level Community Service

Law enforcement services for the City of Stanwood are provided in partnership with the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office. This service is provided as part of a stand-alone contract, which allows the city to maintain its own department identity, backed up by the vast resources of the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office. The City of Stanwood is one of the longest tenured contract cities with the Sheriff’s Office, starting as a contract city back in 1999.

The police department is staffed by a lieutenant, who serves as the contract police chief, two sergeants, and six patrol deputies. The patrol staff is supplemented by one detective and a school resource officer who works out of Stanwood High School. Patrol services are supported by two record specialists who provide full police services to the City of Stanwood residents; including fingerprinting services for employment and concealed weapon permits.

The Stanwood Police Department prides itself on the extraordinary level of community service it provides to city residents. The Stanwood Police Department is one of the few departments where commissioned law enforcement officers still perform vehicle lockouts and vacation home checks. The yearly National Night Out Against Crime event in August is sponsored by many local businesses and over a thousand residents attend this event every year. The police department partners with the community to provide neighborhood watch consulting and bike rodeos for children. We also actively engage and keep our community informed with Facebook and Twitter and publish a weekly crime blotter online.

Although the police department responded to thousands of 911 calls throughout the year, none was more impactful than the Stanwood Senior Center fire response by Sgt. Jess Sanders and Dep. Tracy Peckham. Sgt. Sanders and Dep. Peckham successfully made entry into a smoke filled senior center before the fire department arrived; kicking open resident apartment doors and evacuating senior residents. For their efforts, they were honored with the prestigious Snohomish County Red Cross Hero Award (see page 23) and the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Distinguished Service Medal for their actions that day.

— Stanwood Police Chief Lt. Norm Link
Proactive Policing

The City of Granite Falls began contracting with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services in 2014. Granite Falls has a population of 5,000 full-time residents and several commercial businesses in the city that increase the population during normal business hours by approximately 300 people. With the expanses of Forest Service lands at our back door, and access to the Mountain Loop Highway, the many recreational activities these areas offer bring increased presence and traffic to the area.

Starting in 2015 and continuing through 2016, several issues were identified that were directly impacting the quality of life in Granite Falls. As in many other parts of the county and state, homeless encampments and squatters on nuisance properties began to spring up. Also, because of the city’s location, the transient population grew, and with it came an increase in drug-related activity and crime. The Granite Falls Police Department partnered with the community to address the issues in several ways, including:

“BROKEN WINDOWS”-STYLE POLICING

Designed to partner police, residents, and businesses to report minor issues, this policing style promotes community activism and involvement, as well as identifies those responsible to divert them towards productive activities. Partnerships with local businesses were forged to identify problem areas and ensure that incidents were being reported to police. In partnership with Public Works, residents, businesses and the Sheriff’s Office Office of Neighborhoods identified nuisance properties and homeless encampments. Routine police patrols of these areas were initiated and, once identified, services were offered to its residents and they were advised that the camps would be closed. Once residents had re-located, the properties would be cleaned up. This policy reduced the incidents involving homeless population, allowing freeing up of deputies to return to traditional policing.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Granite Falls Police Department reached out to the community to offer this program to assist in identifying and reporting of suspicious persons and vehicles. Engaging the community to further crime prevention efforts and assist with the apprehension of individuals involved in property crimes has made the community safer.

COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF

Coffee with the Granite Falls Police Chief is a monthly community event that provided an opportunity to identify other areas or programs that could be leveraged to address issues occurring in the city.

COUNCIL REPORTING

Reports are made to the council on a monthly basis to ensure open communication and dialogue.

These programs have had an immediate and lasting effect on the quality of life in the City of Granite Falls for its citizens and has a crime reducing effect overall. It is one example of many where partnerships with the community have increased the effectiveness of law enforcement efforts.

— Granite Falls Police Chief Sgt. Christopher Ferreira
Office of Professional Accountability

The Office of Professional Accountability investigates allegations of employee misconduct through internal investigations and reviews personnel complaints. OPA also provides annual overall review and periodic analysis of traffic pursuits, vehicle accidents, and use of force by Sheriff’s Office personnel.

DEFINITIONS OF INVESTIGATION DISPOSITIONS

Every personnel complaint and/or internal investigation must have a Finding, which is defined as a conclusion reached with respect to each allegation after completion of the investigation. Findings must be one of the following:

UNFOUNDED
The complainant admits to making a false allegation, the accused employee was not involved in the incident, or the incident did not occur.

EXONERATED
The incident occurred, however, the employee’s actions were justified, lawful, and proper.

NON-SUSTAINED
A. Cleared: There is sufficient evidence to prove the allegation is false or it is not supported by the facts.
B. Inconclusive: There is insufficient evidence to either prove or disprove the allegation.
C. The investigation revealed that the employee committed a violation(s) other than the original allegations(s). A new allegation would be alleged and a finding made.

SUSTAINED
The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence to indicate that the employee committed one or more of the alleged acts.

UNDETERMINED
This may involve but is not limited to the following:
A. The complainant withdraws the complaint;
B. The complainant cannot be located;
C. The complainant is uncooperative;
D. The accused member separates from the Office before the conclusion of the investigation.

 Violent Offender Task Force

The Snohomish County Violent Offender Task Force was formed in 2013 and includes Snohomish County deputies, US Marshal Service, Dept. of Corrections, Everett Police, Mukilteo Police, Lake Stevens Police, and Arlington Police. In 2016 the Task Force continued its legacy of solid investigative and apprehension work, focusing on fugitives who target the vulnerable as well as violent felons.

The arrest on November 8th of a Granite Falls man wanted for assaulting law enforcement with a deadly weapon marked the Task Force’s 1,000th capture. Since they started, they’ve recovered almost 200 firearms from dangerous felons.
On October 29, the Special Investigations Unit responded to a home invasion rape and robbery in the Silver Lake area. The suspect had forced the victim into her house, assaulted her at gunpoint, stole her backpack with her wallet and other belongings, and fled. Detectives interviewed the victim and arranged a medical examination, while other detectives canvassed the neighborhood and processed the crime scene. The suspect description included that he had been wearing a cast on his right arm. Detectives noticed that the school across the street from the victim’s residence had surveillance cameras. The school district was contacted and video was recovered from the time of the assault. A silhouette of the suspect could be seen hiding by a bush in front of the victim’s house and then rushing to the front door from behind the victim.

Evidence collected by Providence Hospital, as well as at/from the crime scene, was sent to the Washington State Crime Lab for examination. WSP Supervising Forensic Scientist Lisa Collins made the case a priority and quickly developed a DNA profile.

Four days later, Forensic Scientist Kristina Hoffman found a match to a CODIS profile and a suspect was identified. CODIS staff worked to confirm the hit and notified SIU as soon as possible. That night, the Snohomish County Violent Offender Task Force responded to the Everett address where the suspect was living and placed him under arrest. The suspect still had a cast on his right arm and, during a search, detectives recovered the victim’s wallet and ID. He was booked on burglary, unlawful imprisonment, and sexual assault charges and held on $1 million bail.

“This arrest was the result of good police work and great partnerships,” said Sheriff Ty Trenary. “The WSP Marysville DNA lab, the WSP Criminal Records Division and CODIS made sure this case was expedited, ensuring that we could get this dangerous predator off the street as quickly as possible.”
In April 2016, Monique Patenaude and Patrick Shunn, residents of Oso, were reported missing. During the subsequent investigation, detectives became increasingly concerned that one of the couple’s neighbors, John Reed, may have been involved in their disappearance. Over the next few days, weeks, and months, the search for the missing married couple turned into a homicide investigation and international manhunt.

On April 14, Major Crimes Unit detectives began a search of the couple’s home and surrounding area. With the help of Search and Rescue, they located the couple’s vehicles. On April 15, detectives were back on the mountain where the vehicles had been located and processed the area for evidence. Investigators spent the next three days processing three other scenes and evidence led investigators to believe that Pat and Monique were deceased. Probable cause was developed to arrest John Reed and his brother, Tony. It was believed that after the brothers had killed Pat and Monique, they fled Washington via Ellensburg, where their parents lived, and crossed the border into Mexico.

On April 20, with help from the Violent Offender Task Force, detectives served warrants on various properties in Ellensburg, developing leads on where John and Tony Reed might have fled and gathered more evidence related to the couple’s disappearance.

Throughout April and into May detectives continued to work with Search and Rescue to locate Patrick and Monique believing that their bodies were hidden somewhere north of Oso. Volunteers from the Mantracking Team, Swiftwater Rescue Team, multiple Ground Search Teams, Canine Teams, Equine Response Team, the Electric Bike Team, the Operations Support Unit, and the Air Support Unit searched from the air, on land and in the water. They worked in a variety of terrain, including heavy timber, waterways and many, many miles of logging roads recovering critical items of evidence, including the hidden, dumped vehicles belonging to the victims. In all, volunteers gave more than 3,000 hours of search time.

Major Crimes detectives continued to work with task force and US Marshals to track down John and Tony Reed. The continuous pressure on the Reed brothers (including the arrest of their parents for helping them elude police) led to Tony Reed turning himself in at the US/Mexican border.

On May 23, detectives had Tony Reed show where he and John had buried Pat and Monique. The Major Crimes Unit, with the help of Sgt. Wikstrom and Sgt. Fenter, spent the next two days processing the remote burial site, finally ending the search for Patrick and Monique. Meanwhile, Sgt. Rogers and the task force kept the pressure on John Reed, including distributing bulletins in California and Mexico with a reward offer.

For three solid months, the determination of the Major Crimes team and Violent Offender Task Force to bring a killer to justice never wavered. And their persistence paid off. On July 22, 2016, John Reed was apprehended in Mexico by local authorities and eventually brought back to Snohomish County to be booked into jail. He is currently awaiting trial for two counts of 1st degree murder.
Motors Unit
The mission of the Motorcycle Unit is to provide quality, professional, regional traffic enforcement services, and to tailor it to the needs of individual communities to improve public safety. Motor units handle traffic complaints, provide escorts, patrol high traffic roads in urban areas and conduct special event traffic control. In 2016, the unit hosted the annual North American Motor Officers Association Conference.

Region 1 SWAT
The Region 1 SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) team is made up of 36 officers and deputies from the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office and the Everett Police Department. Any SWAT callout may require between 2-36 members to be dispatched depending on the circumstances of each individual situation.

Training Unit
The Chip Payne Training Center, where the range is located, sees about 400 Sheriff’s Office employees a month, including law enforcement and corrections deputies, as well as including police officers from several other Snohomish County agencies. The Training Unit ensures all Sheriff’s Office personnel stay up-to-date in techniques and procedures in all areas related to staff and community safety, including emergency vehicle operation, use-of-force, firearms, defensive tactics, and more.

Marine Unit
The mission of the Marine Unit is to respond to incidents on or near our county’s lakes, rivers, shoreline and waterways. Deputies investigate boat collisions and accidents, and also work to promote boater safety and education. From promoting use of life jacket lockers to “BUI” emphasis patrols (boating under the influence), the idea is to make the public aware of the potential dangers of being out on the water. The unit is home to the Dive Team, comprised of nine trained divers equipped to conduct dive rescue missions in just about any type of conditions.

Search and Rescue
One of our agency’s most visible units is Search and Rescue. With more than 200 volunteers working in the areas of helicopter rescue, backcountry search, swift water rescue, and more, the unit is a key component to providing service to the more inaccessible areas in our county. They also assist with regional law enforcement, search and rescue, fire and emergency response, and aerial support. This can include helping deputies on the ground locate a suspect during a pursuit to rescuing victims in difficult terrain.
Office of Neighborhoods

The Office of Neighborhoods was created in 2015 and tasked with creating a roadmap to help Snohomish County residents get into housing, drug treatment, and other services through a collaboration between law enforcement and human services. This team has worked tirelessly to develop relationships with providers, clients, charities, government agencies, and residents to find new, creative ways to help people to seek help and avoid repeated incarceration. Their efforts have produced tremendous results.

In one year, the team secured housing for 57 individuals and secured detox for 86 people. Of those, 72 who started a detox program successfully completed the program and moved to inpatient drug treatment. The relapse rate for most Snohomish County referrals to detox is around 90% - for the Office of Neighborhoods, it’s 40%. The unit also helped 60 people obtain identification cards, arranged for chemical dependency assessments of 67 people, and signed up 33 more for medical insurance.

Transit Police Unit

The Transit Police Unit is responsible for policing all passenger buses and trains within Snohomish County. This includes Community Transit Commuter, Sound Transit, and the Sounder. The mission of the unit is to deter and enforce criminal laws and provide counter terrorism on buses, trains, park and rides, park and pools (vanpools), and transit centers. The Transit Police Unit strives to provide a safe environment for residents using the various transit systems in Snohomish County. The unit also provides security for visiting dignitaries and special events.

Courthouse Security Unit

The Courthouse and Campus Security Unit is responsible for planning, managing, and providing security and access control for campus buildings, as well as Denney Juvenile Justice Center, outlying District Courts and other county facilities. The Security Unit is staffed by specially-commissioned Marshals, a Security Support Specialist, and a Sergeant, along with a large number of contracted security staff. They are essential in providing safety and security to the public, and to staff in the various county buildings.

Honor Guard

The Mission of the Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Honor Guard Unit is to provide the Sheriff’s Office with a specially-trained team that is the formal representative of the Sheriff. Our Honor Guard represents this agency during the most solemn of times, including ceremonial and public events, public service funerals, and memorials.

In 2016, the Honor Guard participated in several fallen officer funerals, including those of the officers slain in Dallas, Texas and Tacoma Police Officer Reginald “Jake” Gutierrez.
Drug and Gang Task Force

The mission of the Snohomish Regional Drug and Gang Task Force is to target drug trafficking organizations and street gangs involved in drug activity in an effort to reduce availability and trafficking in Washington State and Snohomish County, improving the quality of life in our communities. The Task Force also addresses nuisance properties by partnering with the Snohomish Health District, County Code Enforcement, the Fire Marshal, Office of Neighborhoods, and often other law enforcement agencies.

Explorers

The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office offers two different Explorer Programs for Snohomish County residents ages 14-21.

The Explorer Search and Rescue Unit supports the Snohomish County Volunteer Search and Rescue mission ‘That others may live’ by searching for and rescuing lost and injured people, while providing the training and experience necessary to make each individual a skilled and effective member of the Search and Rescue team.

On the law enforcement side, Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Explorer Post #207 is a career orientation program that provides hands-on experience for those interested in a career in law enforcement. Many deputies and police officers got their start as an explorer.

K-9

The K-9 Unit is responsible for providing protection and backup to patrol units and for locating people and/or items at or near a crime scene. The unit consists of Sgt. Fortney (unit supervisor), Deputy Gibson (K-9 Jack), Deputy McCullar (K-9 Luuk), Deputy Wallin (K-9 Ronin), and Deputy Boice (K-9 Ace). All deputies and their dogs are trained and certified under WAC and WASPC standards.

Paine Field Detail

The Paine Field Policing Detail is assigned under contract to provide law enforcement service to Snohomish County Airport at Paine Field. The Unit has a primary responsibility to investigate law enforcement incidents and crimes occurring within the boundaries of the county airport.
Module Operations
All jail housing units are operated in a humane, safe, and secure manner under the Principles of Direct Supervision. A direct supervision jail effectively controls inmate behavior through a combination of architectural design, classification (e.g. housing assignments), inmate ground rules, and custody deputy assignments to the modules. Module deputies bear a large part of the responsibility by overseeing and caring for inmates in the jail and deputies are also responsible for orienting inmates to their rights and the rules of the facility.

Booking Unit
The Booking Unit is where all inmates start their time at the Snohomish County jail. When deputies or officers bring in inmates from arresting agencies, they are patted down and any weapons or contraband removed. Their property is logged and stored and then inmates are medically evaluated, fingerprinted, photographed, and temporarily housed in a cell until assigned to a housing module.

Release Unit
The final stop of an inmate’s incarceration is the Release Unit and deputies here work hard to get people processed and back out in the world as quickly as possible. In the matter of a few minutes of coming to the Release Unit, inmates return their uniform and bedding, receive the property they came in with (including clothes and cash), sign out, and are buzzed out through the door from the jail.
Transport Unit
The jail’s Transport Unit oversees the secure escort of inmates from modules to court hearings, medical appointments, work detail, and much more. It’s a complex task when you consider that every one of the 800+ inmates will need to be transported at some time during their stay and each poses their own individual security and safety challenges.

Control Room Unit
The focus of the Central Control Room is to monitor access in and out of all rooms in the secured part of the facility. Control Room officers use a screen with a map of the jail to lock and unlock doors. They’re the voice over the intercom when people show up to the outside entrance for self-commitment. They deal with emergencies such as inmate fights. In those cases, control room officers lock down the doors and help direct staff to the right place. As the eyes and ears of the facility they play a crucial role in inmate and staff safety.

Inmate Accounts
More than $30 million a year in bonds, bail, work release payments and other inmate funds pass through this unit each year. In 2016, the unit processed over $760K for the inmate commissary alone, a system where inmates can purchase extra items during their stay. The most commonly purchased commissary item is food. In addition to managing money, Inmate Account staff manages each inmate file. Files include all of the inmate’s personal information, charging documents, warrants, a list of their property processed at booking, records for court and more. This file will follow them throughout their stay at the jail and a new one is made every time someone is booked.

Visitation Unit
Staff within the Visitation Unit ensure that inmates are allowed contact with family and friends (after their initial court appearance) via a video connection in the reception area of the jail. This unit is also responsible for overseeing professional visits to inmates, including defense attorneys.

Classification Unit
The Classification Unit is responsible for properly classifying and housing inmates within the facility to help ensure the safety and security of staff and other inmates. The unit is also responsible for administering inmate disciplinary processes, counseling inmates with personal issues, coordinating special phone calls, administering the handling of grievances, and coordinating the educational/self-help programs and church services for inmates.

Stores Unit
The Stores Unit orders, delivers, and monitors supplies for the jail. Staff provide service seven days a week to their jail colleagues, delivering everything from medical supplies to postage. Their customers range from administrative staff to an inmate in 5 North. Supply delivery is a crucial function in a corrections facility.
Civil, Records and Public Disclosure Units

The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office Civil Unit processes and serves a wide range of court documents filed in Washington and other states, including eviction, enforcement of court orders and sales of real and personal property. Records Unit staff are tasked with processing and tracking, among other things, the thousands of crime and incident reports created by the agency each year. They also process gun purchase paperwork and concealed pistol license applications. The Sheriff’s Office Public Disclosure Unit staff oversee the agency’s compliance with applicable public disclosure laws, ensuring the transparency of county government.

Civil Unit Services
Represents a total of 5,673 documents served in 2016

- Restitution
- DV Protection Orders
- Harassment Protection Orders
- No Contact Orders
- Other Protection and Restraining Orders
- Civil Bench Warrants
- Other
- Order For Sale Of Real Property
- Deeds

Public Disclosure Requests Received by Year

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Evidence Unit

With more than 150,000 items in the care of the Evidence Unit, the team is responsible for collecting, inventorying and keeping track of each item from the largest (a house porch) to the tiniest (DNA samples). The unit handles all of the agency’s evidence, as well as evidence for the county Fire Marshal and Medical Examiner, and stores items found on county property. They also help reunite victims of crime with lost or stolen items, such as family jewelry stolen in a burglary.
2015 and 2016 Budget Comparison

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2016 Budget Program

2016 Corrections Budget by Program

2016 Law Enforcement Budget by Program
RED CROSS HONORS LIFE-SAVING DEPUTIES AND OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOODS

Sgt. Jess Sanders and Deputy Tracy Peckham received 2016 Snohomish County Red Cross Hero Awards for kicking down doors and helping residents to safety during a fire at the Stanwood Community and Senior Center. The Office of Neighborhoods was also honored at the event, held December 8, receiving the “Humanitarian Award” for their work with the homeless.

OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOODS RECEIVES HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD

The Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office of Neighborhoods homeless outreach unit received the 2016 Human Rights Law Award from the Snohomish County Human Rights Commission. The award was in recognition of the unit’s extraordinary contribution in furthering the dignity and rights of Snohomish County’s homeless, addicted, and mentally ill.

The Snohomish County Human Rights Commission presented the award on International Human Rights Day at the 1st Annual Snohomish County Human Rights Awards Ceremony on December 10.
SHERIFF’S AWARD
• 2016 Snohomish County Violent Offender Task Force
• Deputy Jon Barnett and Deputy Jeff Howerton

PURPLE HEART
• Corrections Deputy Samuel Chen

CITIZEN MEDAL OF VALOR
• Darrell Fortin
• Nicholas Ulacia

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL
• Deputy Evan Tweedt, Deputy David Bennett
• Sgt. Jess Sanders, Deputy Tracy Peckham

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL
• Sgt. Daniel Johnson, Deputy Ian Whipple, Deputy Chris Veentjer, Gene Bishop
• Sgt. Marcus Dill
• Deputy Ryan Phillips
• Deputy US Marshal Rob Gerg

SGT. JOHN TAYLOR SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR
Sgt. Ian Edwards

PATROL DEPUTY OF THE YEAR
Deputy Mathew Boice

CORRECTIONS DEPUTY OF THE YEAR
Corrections Deputy Brittani Gilfeather

DEPUTY JOE WARD DETECTIVE OF THE YEAR
Detective Nicole Richardson

CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR
Law Enforcement Technician Susan Martinez

CLARENCE ROBERTSON RESERVE DEPUTY OF THE YEAR
Reserve Deputy Craig O’Neill

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
Judy and Jack Odell

EXPLORER OF THE YEAR
Explorer Tanner Hedlund
CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

- Lead LET Brenda Gibbs
- Security Support Specialist Alana Nawa’a
- LES Caitlin Weaver and LES Kristi Irwin
- Counselling Supervisor Kimberly Parker
- Sgt. Jess Geoghan
- Sgt. Matthew Mattson
- Sgt. Mike Martin
- Sgt. Mike Sutherland
- Sgt. Matthew Spano
- Corrections Deputy Patricia Thomas
- Corrections Deputy James Norris
- Deputy Jonathan Krajcar
- Deputy Lucas Robinson
- Deputy Stuart Gort
- Ashely Larson and Kolby Strand
- Isaiah Lee
- Volunteer Kenneth Cowsert
- Deputy Ryan Phillips
- Lt. David Bowman, Sgt. Jeff Stemme, and Deputy Chad Humphreys (Certificate of Merit); Deputy Tim Leo, Deputy Adam Veach, Deputy Dan Uhrich, Deputy Kevin Pelleboer, Deputy Brandon Liukko, Deputy Dan Dusevoir, Detective Steve Martin, Deputy Steve Dosch, Sgt. Jess Sanders, Sgt. Mike Martin (Letters of Commendation)
- Sgt. Ian Huri, Deputy Bud McCurry, Deputy Adam Malaby, LEESWs Jesse Calliham and Lauren Rainbow
- Snohomish County Volunteer Search and Rescue, SAR Sgt. Danny Wikstrom and Sgt. Scot Fenter, Deputy Peter Teske; Major Crimes Unit, Detective David Fontenot, Detective David Bilyeu, Detective Brad Walvatne, Detective Kendra Conley, Detective Tedd Betts, and retired Detective Brad Pince; Violent Offender Task Force, Sgt. Keith Rogers, Detective Jeff Ross, Detective Lucas Robinson, Detective Dave Coleman, Everett Detective Mike Atwood, Mukilteo Detective Andy Illyn, Deputy US Marshal Rob Gerg and Deputy US Marshal Brian Allan; Department of Corrections Officer Mike Woodruff and Officer Scott Lee
LETTER OF COMMENDATION

- LET Cheri King
- LETs Debbie Jones, Gayle Wilkerson-Tiller, Patricia Bornheimer
- LET Terri Funston
- Lead LET Nancy Elmore
- Lead LET Marisa Nishimura
- Transport Coordinator Jane Wolford
- Sgt. Matthew Mattson, Control Room Operators Mary Burrows-Smith, Elizabeth Pollack, and Mishelle McPhail
- Deputy Chris Marino, Deputy Art Wallin
- Detective Eric Fagan
- Detective Jose Vargas
- Deputy Andy Mosalsky
- Detective Bill McCormick
- Cassandra Dailey, Vanessa Brewer (Everett Police Department)
- Sgt. Vince Linnell, Master Patrol Deputy Daniel Johnson, Deputy Mark Stich, Deputy Troy Koster, Deputy Jared Reid, Deputy Tim Leo, Deputy Nathan Alanis
- Citizen Commendation
- Deputy James Gibson, Deputy Josh Hostetter, Deputy Matthew Calnon, Deputy Ryan Boyer, Deputy Bryan Martin
- Deputy Nick Giralmo
- Sgt. David Casey

LIFE SAVING MEDALS & AWARDS

- Corrections Deputy Pavel Ryakhovskiy
- Corrections Deputy Benny Walters
- Deputy Nathan Smith
- Deputy Brandon Liukko and Deputy Nathan Smith
- Deputy Keith Poteet
- Deputy Jeffrey Howerton
- Sgt. Tom Morris
- Michael Holmes
- Deputy Arthur Wallin (Life Saving Medal) and Deputy Dean Peckham, Deputy Chad Daugherty, Deputy Stephen Foote, Deputy Charles Pendergrass, and Deputy Phillip James (Letters of Commendation)
- Para-educator Bradley Hill, Para-educator David Harris, Ms. Tracy Dostert (Lynnwood High School)
## Retirements

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## Years of Service

### 35 YEARS

- Corrections Sgt. Marlene Fritts
- Deputy Dan Vaughn

### 30 YEARS

- Corrections Sgt. Jonathan Bates
- Deputy Edward Covington
- MPD Michael Mansur
- Corrections Deputy Donald Miller
- Corrections Assistant Terri Pilkenton
- Corrections Deputy Julee Raymond
- Corrections Deputy Ken Skay
- Corrections Deputy Jeffrey Smith
- Sgt. Shawn Stich
- Deputy Jose-Angel Vargas
- Corrections Deputy Erik Wold
- Corrections Captain Kevin Young

### 25 YEARS

- Corrections Deputy Charles Carroll
- Corrections Deputy Tammara Engeness
- Lt. John Flood
- Deputy James Gibson
- Corrections Deputy William Hunstiger
- Sgt. Vince Linnell
- Captain Scott Parker
- Deputy Christopher Simpson
- Sgt. Dave Sorenson
- Sheriff Ty Trenary
- Sgt. Daniel Wikstrom
- Corrections Sgt. Daniel Young

### 20 YEARS

- Deputy John Adams
- ECO Karen Adams
- Sgt. Robert Barnett
- Corrections Deputy Jeffrey Carroll
- Corrections Deputy Cheryl Cooper
- Corrections Deputy Robin Cooper

### 20 YEARS continued...

- Deputy Daniel Eakin
- Sgt. Adam Fortney
- Sgt. Donald Hart
- Corrections Deputy Derek Henry
- Deputy Karen Lewis
- Corrections Deputy Scott Maxey
- Sgt. Steven McDonald
- Corrections Deputy Pavel Ryakhovskiy
- Deputy Robert Schweitzer
- Corrections Deputy Douglas Taylor

### 15 YEARS

- Corrections Deputy Jeffrey Avila
- Registered Nurse Supervisor Debbie Bellinger
- Control Room Officer Jamie Downing
- Corrections Deputy John Hatchell
- Accounting Technician Nadia Nikolina
- Registered Nurse Lilian Schedin
- Corrections Deputy Allen Tagimacruz

### 10 YEARS

- Corrections Deputy Boakye Acheampong
- Deputy James Atwood
- Corrections Deputy Christopher Bennett
- Corrections Deputy Clinton Billen
- Corrections Deputy Robert Bisson
- Corrections Assistant Susan Boone
- LET Christina Braden
- Deputy Bryan Brittingham
- Deputy Zachery Brown
- Corrections Deputy Wendy Cerfas
- Corrections Deputy Dianne Colombi
- Deputy Kendra Conley
- Booking Support Officer John Crowe
- Corrections Deputy Bernard deGuzman
- Corrections Deputy Javier Diaz
- Sgt. Marcus Dill
- Licensed Practical Nurse Milea Dizon

### 10 YEARS continued...

- Deputy Daniel Dusevoir
- Corrections Deputy Rickie Fenton
- Corrections Deputy Paul Hansen
- Deputy Daryl Hansmann
- Deputy James Headrick
- Deputy Craig Hess
- Corrections Deputy Jacob Hoff
- Deputy Chad Humphreys
- LET Cheri King
- ECO Rebecca Koontz
- Corrections Deputy Ken Kuo
- Registered Nurse Betty Lusk
- Corrections Deputy Wayne Mason
- Corrections Deputy Stephanie Miczek
- Deputy Randall Murphy
- Security Support Specialist Alana Nawa’a
- Corrections Deputy Salome Njau
- Corrections Deputy Glenn Oberg
- Corrections Deputy Craig Ottulich
- Deputy Tracy Peckham
- Deputy Ryan Phillips
- Deputy Robert Pilgrim
- Deputy Tyler Quick
- Deputy Jared Reid
- Deputy Ralston Robertson
- Control Room Officer Diana Robledo
- Deputy John Sadro
- Deputy Edgar Smith
- Deputy Arthur Wallin
- Deputy Martin Weinbaum
- Deputy Adam Wirth
- Corrections Sgt. Kristina Witte

### 5 YEARS

- Deputy Ryan Boyer
- Corrections Storekeeper William Calvo
- Corrections Sgt. Jea Lee
- Corrections Deputy Justin Nelson
- Corrections Deputy Katalin Orosz