



2014 REPORT

Throughout 2014, the North Miami Police Department experienced a historically low number of Part One Crimes, which was the second lowest total of reported crimes since 1979. The Part One Crime total was more than 52% lower than the number of crimes reported in 1994. Our teamwork and initiatives played an important role in reducing the number of crimes by more than half. In addition, we made our City safer by removing the most criminals from our streets since the City was incorporated in 1926. Our proactive enforcement efforts resulted in a 20% increase in arrests when compared to 2013. This increase (+634) sent a clear message that criminals were not welcome in North Miami. Our great partnerships with the community, along with our effective crime prevention initiatives and efficient use of our resources, has been a key component in our success. The men and women of the Police Department remain unified and committed as we strive to make North Miami a safer place to live, learn, work and play.

	2013	2014	%
Part One Crimes	3323	3369	1%
Calls for Service	48082	47379	-1
Adult Arrests	3080	3675	19
Juvenile Arrests	165	204	24
Guns Impounded	7	11	57
DUI	128	178	39
Assets Seized	121,883	288,090	136

Professional Compliance

An Early Warning System was developed in 2014 in order to identify potential concerns and possible training issues among Department employees. We experienced a 22% decrease in Unit Complaints and Administrative Reviews when compared to 2013. In addition, although we made a record number of arrests, totaling over 3800, our Control of Person/Use of Force Reports decrease by 14% and our Taser use was lowered by 46%. Proper training, responsible monitoring and quality supervision enable us to ensure that our personnel display the highest level of professionalism.

Investigative Section

The General Investigation Unit handled 1926 cases and achieved a 24.19% UCR clearance rate, which was comparable to the 2014 rate for the State of Florida (26%) and higher than Miami-Dade County (18%). The GIU detectives made 163 significant arrests, including three for homicide, 17 for burglary and 42 for robbery. The Crime Suppression Unit served 9 high risk warrants, seized almost 6,000 grams of marijuana, 2,068 grams of cocaine, and 4 vehicles and arrested 916 people. The Special Weapons and Tactics Team (S.W.A.T.) conducted 12 high risk operations.

Uniform Patrol Section

The Uniform Patrol Section focused on high visibility and quick responses to calls for service. The members of this Section handled 44,254 calls for service; 33% of which were initiated by the officers. Over 2,400 criminals were apprehended by the officers; 71% were proactive and self-initiated arrests. In addition, the officers issued a total of 20,336 traffic citations in an effort to keep our roadways safe.

Uniform Support Section

The Uniform Support Section took an aggressive stance against impaired driving, conducting 63 DUI Enforcement Details, which resulted in 51 DUI arrests, 109 miscellaneous arrests, and 2,605 traffic citations. Efforts also brought awareness to seatbelt safety. There were 19 enforcement details, resulting in 636 seatbelt citations. Overall, the Traffic Safety Unit's efforts resulted in 6,123 traffic citations, and 242 arrests. The Marine Patrol Unit issued 90 boating violations, conducted 400 vessel safety checks and made 13 arrests.

Community Services Section

The Code Compliance Unit conducted over 30,000 inspections, opened 7,331 code cases, closed 6,185 code cases and collected \$300,000 in fines and fees. The COPS Unit coordinated several Police Athletic League (PAL) events, the FACT Festival, and served as a liaison between the Police Department and the local schools. One project that we undertook was the Independent School Safety Coalition. During this collaborative venture, we trained the children and staff at private schools with the same safety protocols as public schools for critical incidents.

Enforcement Initiatives

We conducted high-visibility enforcement programs throughout the year; Lock Box, Summer Enforcement Team, Operation SAFE Street Sweep, Holiday Enforcement Action Team, Wolf Pack and HIVE (High Intense Visibility Enforcement). Some of these crime preventative initiatives were conducted with other city, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, which is a force multiplier, in our relentless effort to combat crime in and around the City of North Miami.

Community Interaction

We built upon our already great relationship with the residents and business owners through a variety of community activities. We interacted with the people of North Miami on Staff Bike Rides in both, the business districts and residential neighborhoods. Our police personnel participated in fun-filled competitions with children at local summer camps in our "Cops and Kids" initiative, including basketball games, kickball games and ping pong matches. "Walk and Talks" enabled us to meet our local residents, and at the same time, address their concerns and view areas in need of improvement through our Code Compliance Unit's efforts. We even cleaned up a city park with a local business and dozens of residents to improve the appearance and quality of life. Proudly, we opened our Police Community Work Station to better serve our residents.