



**ANNUAL REPORT
2019**

ROCHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

LA'RON D. SINGLETARY, CHIEF OF POLICE

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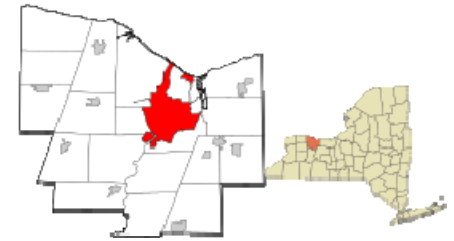


The Rochester Police Department (RPD) is commanded by Chief of Police La'Ron D. Singletary, who was promoted to lead the Department on April 17, 2019, by Rochester Mayor Lovely A. Warren. In 2015, the City of Rochester officially implemented the RPD Reorganization Plan, returning officers to neighborhood Sections and Patrol beats to effectively engage in true community policing efforts.

Patrol services are directed over five geographical patrol Sections, giving officers smaller patrol areas which enables them to spend more time interacting with citizens. The primary benefit of Reorganization is a closer and more harmonious relationship with the community, while achieving a more effective policing concept.



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About the Rochester Police Department (RPD)

Our diverse and exceptional staff is comprised of 850 sworn and non-sworn civilian employees who serve the 210,500 City of Rochester residents and thousands of others who work and attend special events in our rejuvenated Center City. Rochester police officers patrol a total geographical area of 37.1 square miles located within the County of Monroe, bordering Lake Ontario and the Finger Lakes Region of western New York State. The RPD takes great pride in staffing a professional organization that reflects the moral values and cultural backgrounds of the residents of our diverse and vibrant community.

The RPD is proudly accredited through the New York State Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (NYSLEAP). The Rochester Police Department (RPD) has been accredited with New York State since 1990, with its last accreditation in September 2015. Accreditation is granted for a five-year period. In the interim, an annual NYSLEAP Compliance Survey is submitted to the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) attesting to continued standard compliance. At the end of each accreditation period, law enforcement agencies undergo a thorough, on-site assessment by DCJS assessors to verify compliance for re-accreditation. The RPD is recognized in New York State as a leading law enforcement agency. RPD members are proud of the high quality of service they provide and their on-going pursuit of police service excellence.

*The RPD was officially founded on December 28, 1819, and proudly marked its 200th Anniversary in 2019. Many officers proudly wore commemorative uniform badges minted from Chief Joseph Cleary's original badge dating from 1866 during the year-long Bicentennial celebration.

The RPD values your feedback. You can contact the RPD by calling (585) 428-6720 or by email: RPD.Chief@CityofRochester.gov.

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The **Mission** of the Rochester Police Department (RPD):

- ❖ To Reduce Crime
- ❖ To Protect and Serve the Citizens of Rochester
- ❖ To Uphold the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of New York

The **Values** of the Rochester Police Department – **PRIDE**:

- Professionalism – RPD Employees will perform their duties with the highest level of *Professionalism*.
- Respect – RPD employees will treat one another with the highest level of *Respect*, to include those that we are sworn to protect and serve.
- Integrity – RPD employees will serve with the highest level of *Integrity*.
- Dedication – RPD employees will fulfill their duties with the distinction of *Dedication*.
- Excellence – RPD employees will commit to a standard of *Excellence* in all that we do.

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Code of Ethics

AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, my fundamental duty is to serve humankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all persons to liberty, equality and justice.

I WILL keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my Department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided in me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

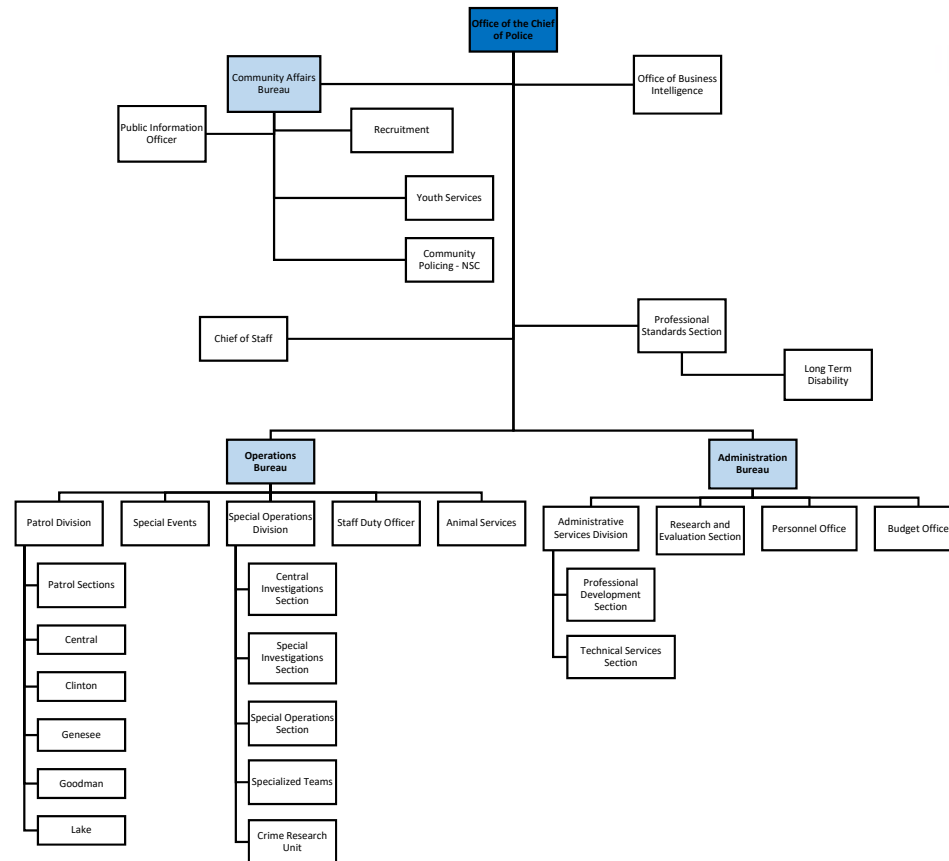
I WILL never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I RECOGNIZE the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession...law enforcement.



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Table of Organization



Rochester Police Department

Command Staff

- **Chief of the Rochester Police Department La’Ron D. Singletary**
- **Deputy Chief of the Operations Bureau Joseph M. Morabito**
- **Deputy Chief of the Administration Bureau Mark L. Simmons**
- **Deputy Chief of the Community Affairs Bureau Mark S. Mura**
- **Commander of Patrol Operations Fabian Rivera**
- **Commander of Special Operations Henry C. Favor**
- **Commander of Administration Elena A. Correia**
- **Captain of the Central Investigation Section Frank Umbrino**
- **Captain of the Special Investigation Section John Koonmen**
- **Captain of the Special Operations Section Peter J. Leach**
- **Captain of the Research and Evaluation Section Mark A. Wiater**
- **Captain of the Community Affairs Bureau Jason A. Elwood**
- **Captain of the Central Section David M. Smith**
- **Captain of the Clinton Section Jeffery Koehn**
- **Captain of the Genesee Section Michael Jones**
- **Captain of the Goodman Section Lloyd B. Cuyler**
- **Captain of the Lake Section Raymond W. Dearcop**
- **Captain of Staff Duty First Platoon Gabriel J. Person**
- **Captain of Staff Duty Third Platoon Nathan M. Cornell**
- **Captain of Staff Duty Relief Michael Callari**



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Patrol Sections

The RPD operates under a neighborhood-based, five-Section patrol model with police officers assigned to patrol beats to effectively engage in true community policing. This model gives officers smaller geographical areas to patrol which enables them to focus on citizen engagement and a closer, more harmonious relationship with the community.

The RPD Patrol Division consists of five patrol Sections, each commanded by a police Captain.

Central Section – Downtown and adjacent Downtown neighborhoods

Sibley Building
30 N. Clinton Avenue
Rochester, NY 14604

<http://www.CityofRochester.gov/RPDCentralSection/>

Clinton Section – Northeast Rochester

630 N. Clinton Avenue
Rochester, NY 14605

<http://www.CityofRochester.gov/RPDClintonSection/>

Genesee Section – Southwest Rochester

1099 Jay Street
Rochester, NY 14611

<http://www.CityofRochester.gov/RPDGeneseeSection/>

Goodman Section – Southeast Rochester

630 N. Clinton Avenue
Rochester, NY 14605

<http://www.CityofRochester.gov/RPDGoodmanSection/>

Lake Section – Northwest Rochester

1099 Jay Street
Rochester, NY 14611

<http://www.CityofRochester.gov/RPDLakeSection/>



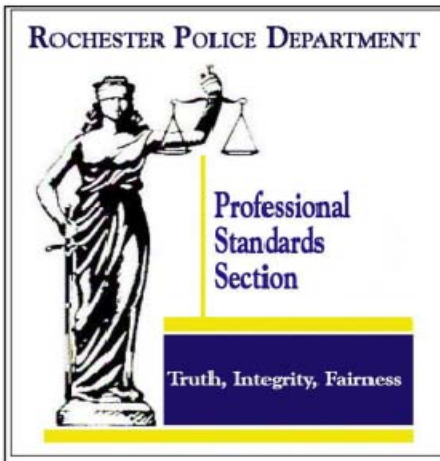
Rochester Police Department Patrol Sections



Rochester Police Department Professional Standards Section (PSS)

The RPD recognizes the significance of earning and maintaining the public trust, while providing courteous and professional police services to the City and citizens of Rochester. To further this effort, the Professional Standards Section (PSS) is responsible for receiving, processing and investigating complaints of police action or misconduct in a thorough, yet objective manner. The primary goal of PSS is to assure the City and public that police misconduct will not be tolerated, while at the same time providing a review process by which officers unjustly accused can be vindicated. PSS conducts civil claim investigations for the City's Corporation Counsel, administrative review involving fleet accident investigations and other investigations directed by the Chief of Police. PSS is also responsible for maintaining the RPD's official disciplinary records.

The PSS Annual Report provides a variable review of statistics and reports regarding complaint allegations, subject resistance/use of force incidents and investigative case findings. It is of the utmost importance that the RPD remains transparent to the community in which it has the responsibility to protect and serve. PSS Annual Reports can be found on the City of Rochester website at the following link: <https://www.cityofrochester.gov/PSSAnnualReports/>.



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Operations Bureau



The **Operations Bureau**, commanded by the Deputy Chief of Operations (DCO), is responsible for providing direct police services to the public, including protecting life, property and the constitutional guarantees of all people, reducing opportunities for the commission of crime, and the identification and apprehension of criminal offenders. The DCO is responsible for planning responses to emergency incidents in the City. The Operations Bureau is comprised of three Divisions: *Patrol*, *Special Operations* and *Criminal Investigations*, and includes *Special Events*, *Animal Services*, the *Crime Research Unit* and *Neighborhood Service Centers (NSC)*, in which RPD personnel work in conjunction with other City departments in each of the City's designated planning sectors to address quality-of-life concerns.

The **Patrol Division** is responsible for providing general police services throughout the City, including vehicle, bicycle and directed patrols. Patrol services are directed over the five geographical patrol Sections – *Central*, *Clinton*, *Genesee*, *Goodman* and *Lake*.

The **Special Operations Division (SOD)** is comprised of the *Special Investigations Section (SIS)*, *Special Operations* and other specialized teams.

The **Special Investigations Section (SIS)** consists of Narcotics, Intelligence, Firearms Suppression and Surveillance, Electronic Support, Violent Crime and the Greater Rochester Area Narcotics Enforcement Team (GRANET). SIS is responsible for the suppression of illegal narcotics trafficking, organized crime, illegal gambling, organized prostitution and pornography and the illegal sale and distribution of liquor, tobacco and firearms.

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Operations Bureau



The **Special Operations Section (SOS)** includes the *Canine, Mounted, Tactical* and *Traffic Enforcement* units.

- ❖ The **Canine Unit** provides canine services for visiting dignitary protection, tracking and building, narcotic, nitrate and explosive searches. K-9 dogs are German Shepherds and undergo intensive training with their handlers in compliance with NYS standards.
- ❖ The **Mounted Unit** provides specialized horse patrol services in the City. Mounted Officers on horseback provide high visibility patrol for specialized details and are an integral part of City special event details and crowd control. The Mounted Patrol rides throughout the Center City and can be seen leading parades and ceremonial Honor Guard details.
- ❖ The **Tactical Unit** augments and assists patrol operations in covert surveillance, saturation patrol, and coordinates specialized crime details, such as robbery prevention and suspect apprehension. TACT Officers also provide ceremonial Honor Guard services.
- ❖ The **Traffic Enforcement Unit (TEU)** are specially trained, radar-certified Officers in NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law enforcement that patrol City streets in vehicles or on motorcycle who help reduce traffic-related accidents, injuries and fatalities. TEU provides specialized City-wide enforcement to combat incidences of DWI, proactive traffic enforcement and neighborhood speed-watch details. TEU provides accident and enforcement data to the City's Traffic Control Board. TEU Officers provide escorts for dignitary details and provide valuable support during City parades, marathons and other on-road special events. The TEU Sergeant also coordinates the School Crossing Guard Program.

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Specialized Teams include the *Bomb Squad*, *Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT)*, *Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)*, *Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)*, *Mobile Field Force* and the *SCUBA Squad*.

- The **Bomb Squad** is a specially-trained and equipped team that responds to incidents involving bombs, explosive devices and chemicals, bombings and military ordnances. Members also respond to nuclear or biological terrorist threats and conduct post-blast investigations.
- The **Hostage Negotiation Team (HNT)** is a specially-trained team that intervenes in volatile situations involving hostages, suicidal threats and barricaded armed subjects.
- **Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)** is a specially-trained and equipped team that responds to dangerous incidents involving barricaded armed subjects, high-risk warrant execution and suspect apprehension, hostage rescue and dignitary protection.
- The **Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)** is a specially-trained team that deals with the various needs of the mental health community in situations dealing with homeless and suicidal persons, psychiatric patients and persons exhibiting irrational behavior.
- The **Mobile Field Force (MFF)** is a specially-trained and equipped team providing a rapid, organized and disciplined response to civil disorder, crowd control and other tactical situations.
- The **SCUBA** (Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus) **Squad** is a specially-trained and equipped underwater search and rescue team, including drownings and evidence recovery from Rochester's waterways.

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The **Central Investigation Section (CIS)** conducts investigations and provides investigative support necessary for the effective operation of the RPD. CIS functions include:

- The **Major Crimes Unit (MCU)** investigates cases of homicide and incidences of suspicious or unexplained death, undetermined or incendiary fires, bank robberies and some cases of missing persons and child abuse, including the sexual exploitation of children and maintaining the *Sex Offender Registry* and files on known sex offenders.
- **Investigative Support Services (ISS)** provides investigative support in license, firearms and economic crime investigations, and administers polygraph and voice-stress analyzer examinations. ISS includes Police Evidence Technicians, Family and Victim Services and FACIT (Family Crisis Intervention Team).

The **Special Events Section** liaisons with the City's Office of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and is responsible for coordination and supervision of various special events held in Rochester each year. This includes developing contingency plans to address any potential issues that may arise and assigning police coverage for traffic and crowd control at City venues such as the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Lilac Festival, Rochester International Jazz Festival, Corn Hill Arts Festival, Fringe Festival, Park Avenue Festival and Puerto Rican Festival, as well as the Rochester Marathon and sporting events and concerts at the Blue Cross Arena at the War Memorial and Frontier Field.

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Operations Bureau



The **Animal Services Division** is the City's animal care control agency committed to serving people and animals to create safe neighborhoods, support the human-animal bond, and save and enhance lives. The Animal Services Division is comprised of the *Field Services Unit*, *Animal Shelter Unit*, *Client Services Unit* and *Shelter Veterinary Unit* and is located at 184 Verona Street.

The *Field Services Unit* is responsible for responding to calls involving unidentified companion animals, unleashed dogs, sick or injured stray animals, and dogs and cats that have bitten a person. Animal Control Officers (ACOs) enforce local and state animal control ordinances, including leash law, nuisance barking, rabies control, dangerous dogs and dog licensing, and respond to animal-related calls for service dispatched from the 911 Center. ACOs and Outreach Specialists also provide proactive community outreach to share information and services to support pet owners and keep pets out of the shelter system.

The *Animal Shelter Unit* temporarily provides shelter for impounded animals. The shelter serves both as an adoption center and lost-and-found resource for pet owners seeking missing pets. Animal Care Technicians maintain the shelter, care for animals and assist citizens in finding missing pets or adopting new ones.

The *Client Services Unit* is responsible for all customer service, reception and cashiering at the Animal Services Center. Animal Services Client Specialists provide adoption counseling, pre-surrender guidance and general pet care information to the public.

The *Shelter Veterinary Unit* ensures that all sheltered animals receive examinations, preventive care and appropriate medical treatment for illnesses and injuries, and includes an on-site spay/neuter clinic. The Unit is comprised of a Shelter Veterinarian, two Veterinary Technicians and contract veterinary personnel.

Animal Services has an active volunteer program essential for the maintenance, care and enrichment of animals, and includes clinic assistance, customer service, dog walking, dog play groups and adoption events, among others.

For more information about Animal Services, visit cityofrochester.gov/rochesteranimalservices.

Rochester Police Department 2019 Animal Services Statistics

Service Calls

Field: 5,731
Walk-Ins: 1,641

Field Services

Tickets Issued: 512
Notices Issued: 719
Pets Returned In-Field: 107
Reported Dog Bites: 188

Outreach

Households Served: 941

Shelter

Live Release Rate: 90.73%

Dogs

Intakes: 1,641
Redeemed: 326
Adopted: 804
Transferred: 222
Euthanized: 290

Cats

Intakes: 1,700
Redeemed: 38
Adopted: 821
Transferred: 627
Euthanized: 201

Veterinary

Dogs Sterilized: 795
Cats Sterilized: 773
Microchipped: 1,741
Other Surgeries: 189
Treatments: 5,239



Rochester Police Department Operations Bureau



The **Crime Research Unit** is an active partner in the **Monroe Crime Analysis Center (MCAC)**.

The Mission of MCAC is to assist law enforcement agencies in Monroe County by providing analysis and intelligence services to help improve the capacity of law enforcement to more effectively prevent and reduce Part I crime in the City and County.

MCAC is a partnership with the RPD, Monroe County Sheriff's, District Attorney's and Probation offices, NYS Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS), NYS Police and Rochester Institute of Technology. MCAC is based in the City Public Safety Building and includes a staff of 21 technicians who analyze crime trends and patterns throughout Monroe County. MCAC also has five, full-time field intelligence officers whose responsibility is to develop new intelligence on emerging crime trends or assisting investigators on cultivating additional intelligence on patterns or other crimes of interest.

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Administration Bureau



The **Administration Bureau** is commanded by the Deputy Chief of Administration (DCA) and is responsible for providing the administrative support services necessary for the effective operation of the RPD. The DCA is liaison to the City's Department of Human Resource Management (DHRM) regarding personnel matters, including employee hiring, promotions and labor relations, as well as liaison for building maintenance. The DCA also oversees the Officer Assistance Program (OAP) for crisis intervention and stress counseling services for RPD members and their families. The Administration is comprised of *Police Budget and Personnel*, and the *Professional Development* (including the *Background Unit*), *Technical Services* and *Research and Evaluation Sections*.

Police Budget is responsible for overseeing RPD purchasing and accounting, and monitoring RPD revenues and expenditures.

Police Personnel is responsible for maintaining RPD personnel and payroll records, and RPD hiring procedures.

The **Professional Development Section (PDS)** develops, coordinates and administers RPD in-service and recruit training programs, including firearms, defensive tactics and field training. PDS also includes volunteer services and the assignment of volunteer civilians and interns, and monitors various programs within the RPD, including the development of new ones as needed. PDS works in partnership with the Monroe County Public Safety Training Facility for recruit and advanced training programs. The Citizen's Police Academy is also coordinated by PDS.

The **Background Unit** is responsible for conducting background research into the reliability of statements made by candidates on pre-employment applications and undertakes an independent review of the personal, financial and educational histories of prospective employees, including their moral character and other related background matters pertinent to their suitability for sworn and non-sworn positions within the RPD. It also assists DHRM with the administration of entry-level examinations.

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2019 Background Statistics



Total number of applicants for the 2019 written exam Sept 15, 2018:	1,396
Total number that participated in the written exam:	750
Total number that passed the written exam:	663
Total number that participated in the physical agility exam:	311 (491 were invited)
Total number that passed the physical agility exam:	122
Total number of sworn background investigations:	122 (40 minority candidates)
Recruit Class 67 (began March 12, 2019)	12 hired (3 minority candidates)
Recruit Class 68 (began September 23, 2019)	19 hired (5 minority candidates)

Rochester Police Department Administration Bureau



The **Technical Services Section (TSS)** is responsible for providing technical support to field personnel and public access to RPD records. TSS includes *Headquarters and Records, Juvenile Records, Identification, Warrants, Court Liaison, Call Reduction (311), Property Clerk, Firearms Investigations, Quartermaster, Auto Pound, Photo Lab* and *Police Overt Digital Surveillance System (PODSS)/Violence Cameras*, as well as coordinating fleet vehicle purchasing and maintenance.

The **Research and Evaluation Section (R&E)** is responsible for developing, revising and maintaining RPD policies and procedures, including Administrative and General Orders. R&E is liaison to Monroe County's Office of Emergency Preparedness, coordinating RPD's emergency response with outside agencies, as well as overseeing the Department's compliance with NYS Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (NYSLEAP) standards. R&E is also responsible for managing special projects, such as the research, procurement and administration of grant funding and assessing compliance with RPD rules, regulations and directives. R&E develops analytic and status reports, coordinates staff and field inspections and field-tests new products, equipment and technologies for potential Departmental use.

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Community Affairs Bureau



The **Community Affairs Bureau** is commanded by the Deputy Chief of Community Affairs (DCCA) and is the Chief Public Information Officer (PIO) and Recruitment Officer for the RPD. The DCCA commands the Recruitment and Community Policing units, which includes the Department's Crime Prevention Officers (CPOs) assigned to City Neighborhood Service Centers (NSC), and the Youth Services Unit (YSU), which includes School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to high schools in the Rochester City School District (RCSD).

As the RPD upholds its motto of "Serving with Pride" to forge a stronger bond with the community, the DCCA gives the Chief a viable means of fully engaging with its citizens. Typical duties of the DCCA include:

- Developing strategies related to communications and community engagement;
- Meeting with community, business, educational, human service and civic action groups regarding their interaction with the RPD;
- Implementing new programs, procedures and policies designed to improve the community's perception and appreciation for the RPD;
- Reviewing investigations into alleged or apparent discrimination or misconduct by RPD personnel and recommending discipline and/or remedial training;
- Directing recruitment efforts to solicit and encourage prospective police officer candidates to seek employment with the RPD;
- Developing and coordinating crime prevention programs with NSC offices, including neighborhood PAC-TAC (Police and Citizens-Together Against Crime).
- Developing and implementing youth-related educational programs with YSU to help prevent juvenile delinquency and reduce youth-related violence.
- Coordinating and directing all RPD initiatives regarding social media.

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Community Affairs Bureau

Neighborhood Service Centers (NSC) are located in each of the police Sections throughout the City where **Crime Prevention Officers (CPOs)** are assigned to work in conjunction with personnel from other City departments to address quality-of-life matters. CPOs play an integral part in implementing strategies that focus on specific incidences of crime within specific geographical areas based on crime data analysis. CPOs are also responsible for the creation of programs that address the communities perception or misperception of crime and citizen-assisted crime prevention programs.

The **Recruitment Unit** is responsible for the overall recruitment of new officers to join the RPD by conducting comprehensive campaigns to solicit and encourage prospective police officer candidates to seek employment with the Department.

School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to the **Youth Services Unit (YSU)** are responsible for helping to reduce juvenile crime by delivering effective and responsive law enforcement services which concentrate on the prevention of youth-related crimes and the reduction of youth-involved violence throughout the City of Rochester through various means of educational, recreational and counseling programs. SROs serve as liaisons between the RCSD, Monroe County Family Court and other social agencies in Rochester.

NYS Raise the Age (RTA) Law



On October 1, 2019, the second phase of the **NYS Raise the Age (RTA) Law** went into effect for 17-year olds. As a result:

- When 17-year olds are arrested, their parents must be notified;
- When police question a 17-year old, it must be conducted in an age-appropriate setting with parental involvement;
- 17-year olds charged with a misdemeanor (other than vehicle and traffic misdemeanors) now have their cases heard in Family Court rather than criminal court;
- 17-year olds charged with a misdemeanor in Family Court will not be subjected to a permanent criminal record;
- 17-year olds charged with a felony now have their cases heard in Youth Part of criminal court. Most felonies (other than the most serious) may transfer to Family Court;
- 17-year olds are no longer housed in adult facilities or jails;
- In Rochester, Teen Court is seeing 17-year olds charged with misdemeanors for the first time. Rochester Teen Court pre-dates RTA and is a model of diversion for adolescents.
- Source: Raise the Age NY Implementation Brief No. 1

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Body Worn Camera (BWC) Program



The RPD's **Body Worn Camera (BWC)** Project Team completed a Request for Proposal (RFP) to select a vendor to provide BWCs for the City of Rochester. On January 19, 2016, City Council authorized for the City to enter into an agreement with this vendor. This began the implementation phase of the project.

February 2019

- The RPD currently has 481 cameras assigned to all patrol personnel from the rank of Lieutenant to Officer, not including Investigators assigned to plain clothes duties.
- The RPD was recently awarded a grant from the NYS Attorney General for \$104,529.08. As part of the grant requirements, the RPD has agreed to match this grant with \$34,843.03. The total amount of new funds for the BWC Program is \$139,372.11.
- This money is intended to fund the purchase of additional BWCs and related equipment.
- The following Sections will be issued BWCs as a result of this funding: All NSCs to include the assigned Lieutenants and Officers; TSS police personnel assigned to the front desk at the City Public Safety Building (PSB); License Investigation Unit (LIU), Special Events Lieutenant and Officer; Research and Evaluation sworn personnel.
- The new M1G3 camera recently went through a program refresh from the vendor. It was discovered that heat from the controller board within the camera was causing the battery to swell, which in turn causes the BWC to crack where the front panel meets the back panel.
- Our vendor, Municipal Emergency Services (MES), discovered that this was a manufacturing defect, as a gel that was to have been evenly applied to the controller board for heat control was not evenly distributed.
- The refresh included installation of a new battery in all M1G3 cameras, a Mylar sheet placed on both sides of the battery to control heat while properly covering the board with gel for heat control.
- The RPD BWC Program continues to plan for all digital evidence to be stored on our servers and managed using Digital Evidence Management Software and we began planning to store and catalog all video evidence from cameras placed around the City of Rochester.

Rochester Police Department 2019 Budget Statistics



Yearly Budget Comparisons

Bureaus	2018-2019 Budget	2019-2020 Budget	Change	Percent Change
Office of the Chief	6,344,100	6,792,600	448,500	7.1%
Operations	72,036,100	71,345,300	-690,800	-1.0%
Administration	16,251,300	16,274,300	23,000	0.1%
Community Affairs	3,830,800	4,206,400	375,600	9.8%
Total	98,462,300	98,618,600	156,300	0.2%

Assignment of Authorized Positions

Year	Office of the Chief and Administration			Operations			Department Total		
	Sworn	Non-Sworn	Total	Sworn	Non-Sworn	Total	Sworn	Non-Sworn	Total
2019-20	68	66	134	660	56	716	728	122	850
2018-19	63	69	132	665	55	720	728	124	852

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Authorized Sworn Positions

Positions	2019-2020	2018-2019
Chief	1	1
Deputy Chief	3	3
Commander	3	3
Captain	13	13
Lieutenant	31	31
Sergeant	95	95
Investigator	82	82
Police Officer	500	500
Total	728	728

For current and previous budget information go to <http://www.CityofRochester.gov/citybudget/>

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Calls for Service and Responses by Units

The RPD tracks all services to the community by *Calls for Service*, *Police Responses* and *Self-Initiated Activities*. *Calls for Service* are 911 calls dispatched by the Office of Emergency Communications (OEC). A *Police Response* occurs each time an additional unit provides service at a given scene. As one *Call for Service* may result in multiple units responding to the scene, the number of responses is likely to be greater than the actual number of *Calls for Service*. *Self-Initiated Activity* is an event an Officer comes across while on patrol or is self-initiated.

OEC assigns a Crime Report (CR) number to each specific incident. The CR number is a unique number assigned to each event by which all arrests, reports, tickets, etc. can be traced. When an incident requires review, searches are conducted by entering the CR number, date of occurrence or incident location.

Calls for Service		
2017	2018	2019
330,706	319,550	318,401

Response by Units		
2017	2018	2019
621,796	587,292	609,823



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Operations Bureau - Patrol Division Statistics

2019 Patrol Division Statistics	Total
Investigations – Field, Closed or Warrant Advised	10,087
Investigations – Office	10,488
Crimes Cleared	5,555
Percentage of Crimes Cleared	27.0%
Arrests	10,049
Handguns Confiscated	589
Long Guns Confiscated	384
Field Information Forms (FIF) Completed	4,632



Rochester Police Department Crime Statistics

Part I and Part II Offenses are defined in accordance with the *Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program*, a cooperative statistical effort of more than 17,000 City, County and State law enforcement agencies. Administered by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) since 1930, the primary purpose of the UCR is to generate reliable statistics for use in law enforcement administration, operation and management. The data, which is one of the leading social indicators in the nation, is reported by the RPD to the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) in Albany and forwarded to the FBI in Washington, DC.

The official annual Crime Statistics for the RPD can be found on the DCJS website:

<http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/crimnet/ojsa/stats.htm>

The official annual National and State Crime Statistics can be found on the FBI website: <https://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/ucr>.



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Part I Crime Statistics



2019 Part I Offenses – Yearly Comparisons

Crime Category Description	2017	2018	2019
Homicide	29	28	32
Rape	72	81	47
Robbery	726	533	488
Aggravated Assault	895	894	934
Burglary	1,349	1,194	1,310
Larceny	6,076	5,335	5,322
Motor Vehicle Theft	558	548	593
Part I Totals	9,705	8,613	8,726

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Part II Crime Statistics



2019 Part II Offenses – Yearly Comparisons

Crime Category Description	2017	2018	2019
Arson	110	86	93
Kidnapping	32	22	19
Controlled Substances	1,194	971	582
Dangerous Weapons	444	375	433
Bribery	1	0	1
Sex Offenses	52	45	39
Extortion	3	1	7
Forgery/Counterfeit	97	69	55
Prostitution	80	81	46
Stolen Property	46	36	28
Coercion	3	4	2
Criminal Mischief	3,474	3,495	3,352

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Part II Crime Statistics - Continued



Crime Category Description	2017	2018	2019
Fraud	436	429	434
Gambling	5	6	5
Simple Assault	3,758	4,614	4,488
Liquor Law Offenses	12	13	8
Disorderly Conduct	190	154	124
Loitering	2	0	0
Other Offenses	2,171	2,122	2,088
Part II Totals	12,110	12,523	11,804

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Police and Citizens-Together Against Crime

PAC-TAC



About the Program

Rochester's Police Officers are on the front lines every day doing their best to combat crime. Many law-abiding citizens want to help the police and their community in helping to prevent crime. By working together, police and citizens can have a great impact in keeping Rochester safe. Police and Citizens-Together Against Crime (PAC-TAC) needs your help in order to make a difference in our community.

Mayor Lovely A. Warren and Rochester Police Chief La'Ron D. Singletary have put a high priority on crime prevention to improve the safety of our neighborhoods, moving forward towards the goal of making Rochester the best mid-sized city in America.

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PAC-TAC – Continued

Increasing neighborhood safety is not only the role of law enforcement, but also involves concerned citizens who feel empowered to work effectively with the police in crime prevention initiatives.

How You Can Help

As a PAC-TAC Volunteer, you will work with on-duty patrol and Crime Prevention Officers (CPOs) as you walk with PAC-TAC partners in your neighborhood, interacting with other citizens and local merchants along the way in an effort to prevent crime. All volunteers receive extensive training and are issued distinctive clothing, along with a portable police radio containing the channels of Rochester's Patrol Officers. This is your chance to make a real difference in your neighborhood.

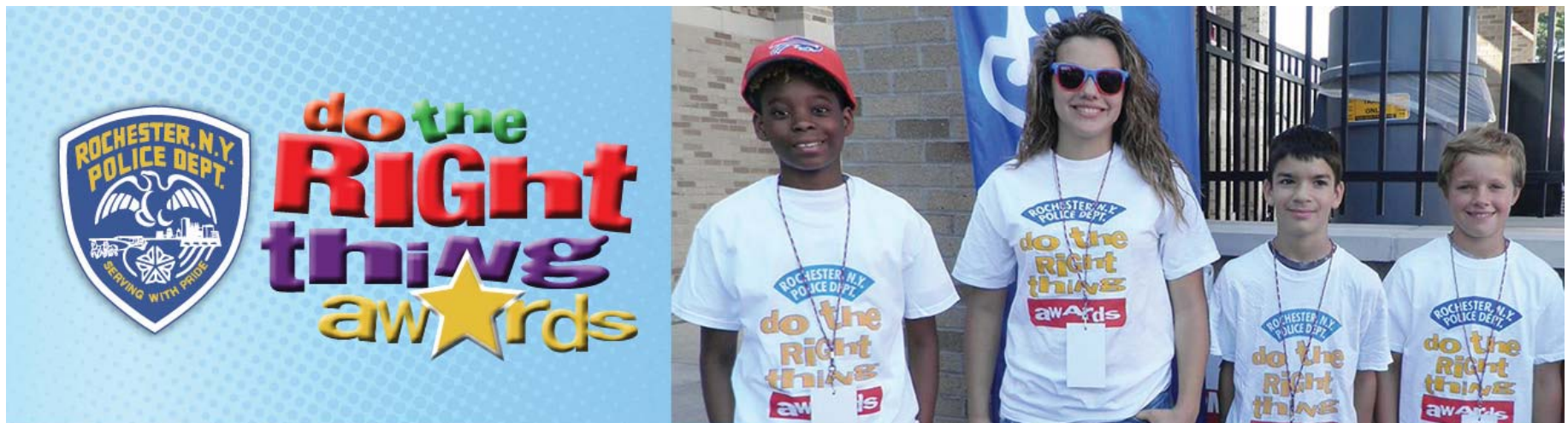
How to Sign-Up

Contact the local Neighborhood Service Center (NSC) office within the City Patrol Section in which you live:

- City Northwest: Lake Section – 71 Parkway; (585) 428-7620
- City Northeast: Clinton Section – 500 Norton Street; (585) 428-7660
- City Southwest: Central and Genesee Sections – 923 Genesee Street; (585) 428-7630
- City Southeast: Goodman Section – 320 N. Goodman Street; (585) 428-7640



Rochester Police Department Do the Right Thing Awards Program



The Do the Right Thing Awards Program has been a part of the RPD since 1995 and aims to foster positive relationships between the RPD, other area police agencies and youth of Monroe County. Area youth are recognized for their community involvement, bravery, courage and valor, for acts such as volunteering in the community, aiding law enforcement and other first responders, acts of heroism, leadership and role model behavior. The award recognizes school-aged children who strive to make good choices, do well in school, give back to their communities or demonstrate an improved “turn-around” in their behavior, and to showcase these students and their stories in the media showing that good kids are newsworthy.

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Do the Right Thing Awards Program



Who is Eligible for Award Nomination?

Any student enrolled in K-12th grade from any Monroe County School District is eligible to be nominated. The incident for which the student is nominated must have occurred in Monroe County within one year of the nomination.

How is a Child Nominated?

Nomination forms can be completed and submitted [electronically](#) or print the [PDF](#) of the form and email or fax it to:

DoTheRightThing@CityofRochester.gov; Fax: (585) 428-6093; Questions, call (585) 428-7863.

Do the Right Thing Nominations are accepted throughout the year

What Happens After an Award Nomination is Submitted?

A committee comprised of Executive Board Members and employees of program sponsors reviews nominations and together, selects students to receive the Do the Right Thing Award or a letter of recognition. Students selected as award recipients are celebrated at a public ceremony at the City Public Safety Building, 185 Exchange Boulevard. Award winners receive several rewards and prizes generously donated by program sponsors.

Do the Right Thing Executive Board Members and Program Sponsors

The RPD's Do the Right Thing Award is a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity governed by a Board of Directors and operated under the auspice of the Rochester Police Department. Sponsorship and donations help to make the program possible, and recipients benefit from the generosity of program sponsors. [View](#) a list of Board Members and Sponsors.

Rochester Police Department Do the Right Thing Awards Program

Do the Right Thing Award Recipients

- ✓ [View](#) the names of recent and past award recipients.

Do the Right Thing Newsletters

- ✓ [View](#) the Do the Right Thing Newsletter.

Do the Right Thing Annual Reports

- ✓ [View](#) past Do the Right Thing of Rochester Annual Reports.



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2019 Promotions in Rank



To the Rank of Chief of Police:

La’Ron D. Singletary

To the Rank of Deputy Police Chief:

**Joseph M. Morabito
Mark S. Mura**

To the Rank of Police Commander:

Henry C. Favor

To the Rank of Police Captain:

**Gabriel Person
Frank Umbrino
Naser Zenelovic**

To the Rank of Police Lieutenant:

**Gregory Bello
Anthony Camilo
Brian DiSalvo
Timothy Pancoe
Adam Radens
Ryan Tauriello
Laszlo Tordai**

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2019 Promotions in Rank



To the Rank of Police Sergeant:

**Eric Alexander
Tito Batson
Michael Collins
Sammie Drayton, Jr.
Michael Magri
Eric Rathfelder
Andrew Reff
Ryan Romig
Christine Wilson**

To the Rank of Police Investigator:

**Salvatore Amato
Amy Bauer
Michael Fay
Jason Kelly
Christopher Secash
Aaron Wilcox**

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2019 Retirements

Deputy Chief Scott Peters
Captain Kevin Costello
Captain Anthony McMullen
Lieutenant Cheryl Fridley
Sergeant Jorge Perez
Investigator Frank Alvarado
Investigator Otto Harnischfeger
Investigator John Muller
Investigator Marvin Patterson
Investigator David Simpson
Officer Michelle Brown
Officer Paul Bushart
Officer Carlos DeJesus
Officer Michael Eaton
Officer Qaizad Engineer
Officer Samuel Genovese
Officer Tammy Lepki
Officer Domingo Paz
Officer James Perry
Officer Brett Scheuer
Officer Terence Tydings
Officer Stacy Winter
Officer Timothy Wright



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Police Officers Who Made the Ultimate Sacrifice



Louis Gomenginger
EOW July 4, 1876

William P. O'Neil
EOW December 30, 1888

Charles E. Twitchell
EOW August 7, 1910

Frank Ford
EOW May 29, 1912

James Upton
EOW March 19, 1919

William O'Brien
EOW May 2, 1919

John Mallet
EOW June 22, 1931



Daryl R. Pierson
EOW September 3, 2014

Victor Woodhead
EOW November 17, 1932

James T. Volz
September 15, 1942

Harold V. Shaw
EOW December 11, 1959

Leo L. Kerber
EOW December 10, 1961

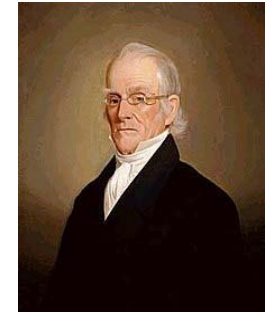
John J. Jenkins
EOW January 3, 1979

Ronald J. Siver
EOW August 19, 1984

Thomas Clark
EOW January 17, 2006

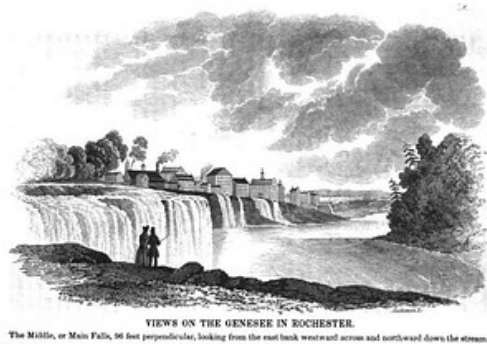


Rochester Police Department Bicentennial Celebration 1819-2019



A Brief History of the Rochester, NY Police Department

The earliest beginnings of the Rochester Police Department (RPD) in the City of Rochester, NY, can be traced back to March 21, 1817, when Colonel Nathaniel Rochester founded this growing mill town carved from the forests of western New York along the Genesee River, initially becoming the Village of Rochesterville. The charter of this new village allowed for the hiring of a constable and formation of the first night watch, marking the establishment of the RPD. A book written by William F. Peck tells the story of the History of the Police Department of Rochester, N.Y. from the Earliest Times to May 1, 1903. As Peck recounts "It finally dawned upon the inhabitants that it might be well to have some additional guardians, and then they remembered that their charter had alluded to something of that kind. At a meeting held December 28, 1819, it was voted "that a sum of eighty dollars be raised by tax to defray the expense of maintaining a village night watch, which had been appointed on the 10th inst., and to be continued so long as the said money raised will admit." That fixes the date of birth of the police department of the city of Rochester, for that night watch was the predecessor of the patrolmen of to-day..." Peck continues "Who that original night watch was may never be known; his name, unfortunately, is lost in oblivion, for it does not appear in the manuscript records..."



The Middle, or Main Falls, 96 feet perpendicular, looking from the east bank westward across and northward down the stream.





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Bicentennial Celebration 1819-2019

Stimulated by the completion of the Erie Canal in 1825 and eventual western railroad expansion, Rochesterville continued to grow into a major manufacturing center. In 1834, Rochesterville was incorporated as the City of Rochester and Newton Rose was appointed as the first Captain of the Watch. In 1853, Addy W. Van Slyck was named Rochester's first Chief of Police. Rochester soon became a leader in law enforcement technology and innovation. By the end of the Civil War in 1865, constables and night watchmen were reorganized into a "Metropolitan Police" Bureau. In 1886, Police Chief Joseph Cleary introduced the police telegraph "call box" system. Rochester was the first City in the State to adopt this "call box" system, which started with 30 stations on the streets. Soon thereafter, Superintendent Miller invented a central energy telephone for all police telegraph circuits, which allowed for direct telephone communication from each of the street boxes with police headquarters, precinct stations and the fire department. Rochester was the first City in the United States to have this central energy telephone feature applied to the police telegraph system. A police bicycle division was created in 1893, with mounted horseback patrols added in 1895. The Bertillon System of Crime Identification was adopted in 1903, which applied Anthropometry - The first scientific study of measurements and proportions of the human body used by police to identify criminals. Before that time, criminals could only be identified by name or photograph. The Bertillon System would eventually be replaced with the advent of fingerprinting.



Early Rochester Police Officers



Rochester Traffic Enforcement Officer



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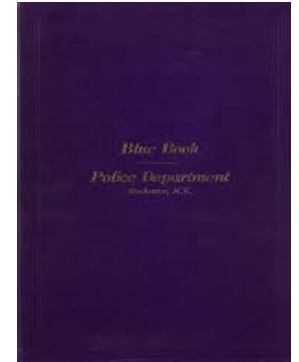
Police officers were initially hired through political appointment. In 1900, New York State enacted its Civil Service Law and the professionalism of police service increased. Police officers were selected and promoted through competitive civil service examination, as well as receiving increased job security and retirement benefits for their service. A formal police recruiting process began in 1904. A traffic bureau was initiated in 1905, which stationed officers at busy Main Street intersections at East Avenue, St. Paul, State and Fitzhugh streets. On September 23, 1913, Officer Nellie L. McElroy was appointed as the Department's first female police officer, becoming the first policewoman in New York State and only the tenth policewoman in the United States. After 1913, police cars and motorcycles were introduced to coincide with the installation of traffic signals and a need for traffic enforcement, including the issuance of traffic tickets. Mobile police radios were first used in 1931. In 1947, Officer Charles Price was hired as the Department's first African American police officer. Traffic radar detection units were acquired in 1952 and the police academy first opened its doors in 1953.



Captain Charles Price



Rochester Police Department Bicentennial Celebration 1819-2019



The RPD is recognized in New York State and across the nation as a leading law enforcement agency. Department members are proud of the high quality of service they provide, along with a continuous pursuit of policing excellence. *2019 marked the RPD's 200th Anniversary and commencement of its year-long Bicenennial celebration. Many officers wore commemorative Rochester Police 1819-2019 uniform badges for this momentous occasion minted from Chief Cleary's original badge dating from 1866. The RPD has an honorable history and the Rochester Police Department Blue Book - 1911 continued the Department's story from Peck's above-referenced book. Blue Books were also published in 1929 and 1969. The 2019 Bicenennial Committee was very proud to continue this historical tradition with the publishing of a 496 page, hardcover, coffee table-style RPD Blue Book with generous support from the Rochester Police Foundation.

