

Sandwich Police Department

2025 Annual Report



Service, Pride, Dedication

Message from the Chief

The Sandwich Police Department is proud to present the 2025 Annual Report. This report reflects the dedication, professionalism, and service-minded approach of our sworn and civilian personnel throughout the year. Our mission remains focused on protecting life and property, enforcing the law with fairness and integrity, and maintaining strong partnerships with our community.

In 2025, the department continued to balance proactive policing with community engagement, officer development, and responsible stewardship of city resources. I am grateful to our officers, staff, city leadership, and residents for their continued support.

Sincerely,



Kevin Senne

Chief of Police

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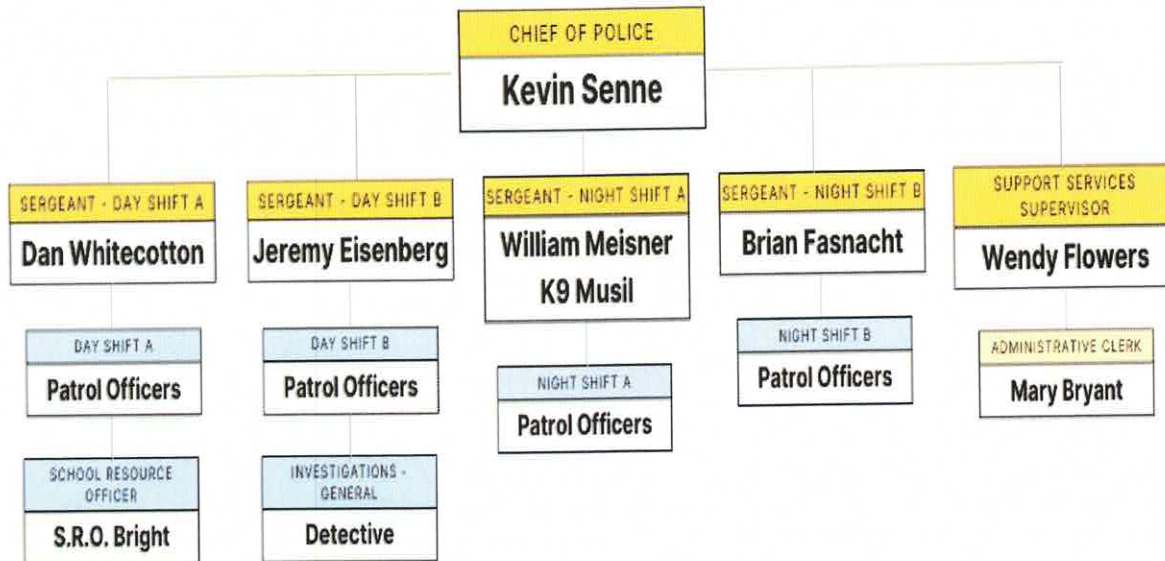
Sandwich Police Department Mission Statement

The Sandwich Police Department, in partnership with our community and guided by service, pride, and dedication, strives to build and strengthen community relationships through transparency, fairness, integrity, and humanity. We are committed to serving our city in an impartial, fair, and honest manner.



Sandwich Police Department

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



Personnel and Staffing

During 2025, the Sandwich Police Department maintained staffing levels while continuing recruitment efforts to prepare for future vacancies and growth.

- **Sworn Officers:** 15
- **Command Staff:** Chief, 4 Sergeants
- **Civilian/Support Staff:** 2

Recruitment efforts resulted in a strong applicant pool, with both entry-level and lateral candidates participating in the testing process.

Crime and Enforcement Results

Crime in 2025 was **down 11.97%** for Type A offenses.

Our **arrest rate increased to 49.51%**, compared to **33.33% in 2024**, reflecting both proactive policing and effective case follow-through.

Our call volume is almost 85 % proactive.

In 2025, we had 22,042 Calls for service compared to 19,481 in 2024.

Attached to Appendix A is a more expansive look at Part One crimes from 2024-2025.

Attached to Appendix B is a more expansive look at Officers performance in 2025

Traffic Enforcement & Crash Data (2022–2025)

A review of traffic data over the past four years shows a significant increase in proactive traffic enforcement, along with a stabilization of traffic crashes.

Key Trends:

Traffic Stops

- 2022: 486
- 2023: 703
- 2024: 3,096
- 2025: 3,803

Traffic stops increased substantially beginning in 2024 and continued rising in 2025. This reflects a strong emphasis on proactive traffic enforcement and roadway safety initiatives.

DUI Arrests

- 2022: 3
- 2023: 20
- 2024: 33
- 2025: 47

DUI arrests have steadily increased each year, indicating focused enforcement efforts on impaired driving.

DWLR/DWLS Arrests

- 2022: 7
- 2023: 8
- 2024: 34
- 2025: 49

There has been a marked increase in arrests for Driving While License Revoked/Suspended, particularly beginning in 2024.

No Valid Driver's License Arrests

- 2022: 4
- 2023: 9
- 2024: 8
- 2025: 19

These arrests have also trended upward overall, with a notable increase in 2025.

Traffic Crashes

- 2022: 115

- 2023: 123
- 2024: 120
- 2025: 118

While enforcement activity increased dramatically, traffic crashes have remained relatively stable and have slightly decreased from the 2023 high.

Overall Assessment

Since 2024, the department has significantly increased proactive traffic enforcement efforts. Despite this large increase in traffic stops and DUI-related arrests, traffic crashes have remained steady and have slightly declined.

This trend suggests that enhanced traffic enforcement and officer presence are contributing positively to roadway safety in the City of Sandwich.

Training Summary

In 2025, two officers completed the Field Training Program (FTO). This program is designed to provide newly hired officers with the skills, knowledge, and practical experience necessary to become effective and competent police officers. Officers respond to calls for service alongside a certified Field Training Officer and remain on probationary status for one year. This process allows the Department to ensure officers are properly trained and prepared to serve the community.

During 2025, department members attended training in the following areas:

- Operation Desert Storm
- Breath Operator
- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) – **all personnel trained**
- Lead Homicide Investigation
- Close Quarters Battle
- Rifle Instructor
- Juvenile Specialist
- PPCT Instructor
- Field Training Officer (FTO)
- Rapid Deployment
- Acting Officer in Charge
- High-Risk Traffic Stops
- Red Dot Pistol
- Human Trafficking
- Basic Traffic Investigation
- Axon Convention

In total, department members completed **over 2,000 hours of training** in 2025.

In addition to specialized and in-person training, department members are required each month to complete two law update case reviews, along with monthly online training provided by the Police Law Institute. These trainings cover critical topics including arrest and search procedures, use of force, de-escalation tactics, implicit bias, and vehicle pursuits.

Oxcart Permits

The Sandwich Police Department continued its partnership with Oxcart Permit Systems for overweight and oversized vehicle permits in 2025. During the year, the Police Department approved sixty-five (65) permits, generating \$7,725 in fees for the City.

This program is administered entirely online, with the average permit approval requiring **less than one minute** of staff time.



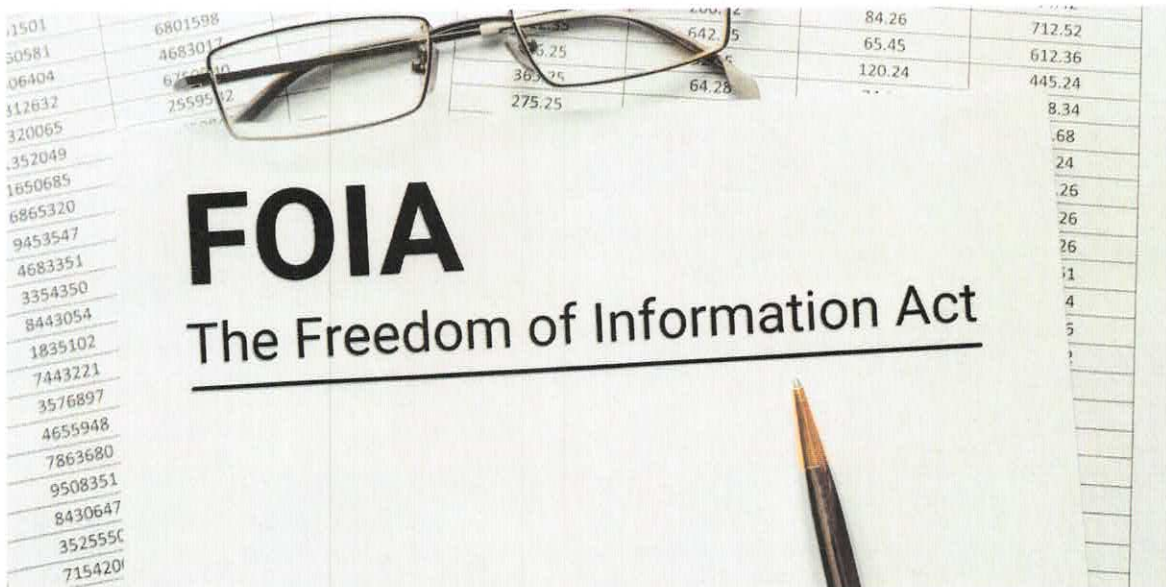
Support Services Division

The Support Services Division is responsible for the following functions:

- Records and statistical management
- Logistical services, including budgeting and fiscal management
- Ordinance enforcement
- Adjudication administration
- School crossing guard program
- Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) compliance
- Court subpoenas
- Building maintenance
- Purchasing and procurement
- Expungement and sealing of records

2025 Activity Summary

- FOIA requests processed: **132**
- Court subpoenas handled: **148**
- Adjudication cases managed: **368**



Evidence Summary

This summary reflects the evidence workload from **January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.**

- Items collected: **99**
- Items returned to owner: **4**
- Items destroyed: **225**
- Items retained for department use: **8**
- Items transferred to another agency: **9**

Total pieces of evidence in custody: 5,512



Equipment Summary – 2025

In 2025, the Sandwich Police Department invested in the following equipment to enhance operational efficiency and officer safety:

- Four (4) new squad cars
- New desktop computers for department use
- New protective shields installed in all squad cars
- New portable breath alcohol testing devices
- Tasers for officer use



Use of Force Summary – 2025

In 2025, the Sandwich Police Department documented **ten (10) use-of-force or show-of-force incidents**.

Type of Force Used

- The most common application of force was an **arm takedown**.
- **Two (2) tasers were deployed**.
- **Five (5) incidents involved the display of a taser** without deployment.

Subject Conditions

- **Three (3) incidents** involved individuals identified as impaired.
- **Six (6) incidents** involved individuals experiencing an emotional or mental health-related issue.

Timing of Incidents

Use-of-force incidents occurred most frequently on **weekend days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)**.

Demographics

- **Gender:**
 - Eight (8) male subjects
 - Two (2) female subjects
- **Race/Ethnicity:**
 - Six (6) White individuals
 - Three (3) African American individuals
 - One (1) Hispanic individual

Overall, use-of-force incidents decreased in 2025 compared to 2024, when the department documented **fifteen (15) incidents**.

Internal Review Summary – 2025

In 2025, the Department conducted **six (6) internal review investigations**, all initiated internally by the Police Department.

Case Outcomes:

- **Neglect of Duty** – Sustained
- **Misuse of Department Property** – Sustained
- **Conduct** – Exonerated
- **Conduct / Pursuit** – Sustained (3 cases)

These reviews reflect the Department's commitment to accountability, transparency, and maintaining professional standards.

New Hires, Retirements, & Awards – 2025

New Hires

In 2025, the Sandwich Police Department welcomed the following new officers:

- **Officer William Hansen** – July 2025
- **Officer Nicholas Santoyo** – September 2025

These additions strengthen our patrol division and support our continued focus on proactive policing and community safety.

Resignation

- **Officer Chris Vega** resigned in March 2025 to accept a position with the Chicago Police Department. We thank Officer Vega for his service to the City of Sandwich and wish him continued success in his law enforcement career.

Professional Development

- **Sergeant Jeremy Eisenberg** successfully completed the prestigious **Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command** program in 2025. This advanced leadership training enhances the department's supervisory capabilities and long-term organizational development.

2025 Awards & Recognition

The following officers were recognized for outstanding performance and dedication:

- **Officer Nevada Beatty** – *Traffic Enforcement Award*
- **Officer Jacob Lundsteen** – *DUI Enforcement Award*
- **Detective Keith Rominski** – *Employee of the Year Award*

Detective Rominski was recognized for his exceptional investigative work, particularly in complex and sensitive cases, as well as his continued support of patrol operations.

Community Engagement – 2025

In 2025, we attended **176 community events**.

These events included:

- Coffee with a Cop
- Pop with a Cop
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Lunch and Learn
- Coffee Before Business
- Chief's Meetings
- National Night Out
- Reading to Students
- D.A.R.E. Graduation
- Walk and Talks
- Drug Take Back Events
- Taste of Sandwich
- Halloween Bash
- Toys for Tots Christmas Event
- Attendance at the Sandwich Fair

Additional community-focused efforts included:

- **1,624 community contacts**
- **77 school walk-throughs**
- **658 school patrols**

In addition, officers again handed out **over 1,000 popsicles** during community outreach efforts in 2025, strengthening positive relationships with youth and families.

These events reflect the department's continued commitment to visibility, approachability, and building strong partnerships within the City of Sandwich.



Group A Offense Report

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Beginning Date: 01/01/2025

Ending Date: 12/31/2025

Agency: SANDWICH

Offense	Reported in 2025	Reported in 2024	Percent Change	Offenses Cleared	Percent Cleared	Percent Of Category	Rate Per 100,000*
Murder	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:							
Rape	1	0	NA	0	0.00%	1.69%	13.87
Sodomy	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Fondling	2	3	-33.33%	0	0.00%	3.39%	27.73
Aggravated Assault	4	1	300.00%	4	100.00%	6.78%	55.46
Simple Assault	47	42	11.90%	33	70.21%	79.66%	651.69
Intimidation	4	5	-20.00%	2	50.00%	6.78%	55.46
Kidnapping/Abduction	1	0	NA	1	100.00%	1.69%	13.87
Consensual Sex Offenses:							
Incest	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Statutory Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Crimes Against Persons Total	59	51	15.69%	40	67.8%	57.28%	818.08
Robbery	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	3	4	-25.00%	1	33.33%	7.69%	41.60
Larceny/Theft Offenses	13	16	-18.75%	1	7.69%	33.33%	180.26
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Arson	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Destruction Of Property	8	16	-50.00%	2	25.00%	20.51%	110.93
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Fraud Offense	14	25	-44.00%	1	7.14%	35.90%	194.12
Embezzlement	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Bribery	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Stolen Property Offenses	1	0	NA	1	100.00%	2.56%	13.87
Crimes Against Property Total	39	62	-37.1%	6	15.38%	37.86%	540.77
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	2	50.00%	3	100.00%	60.00%	41.60
Drug Equipment Violations	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Prostitution	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Weapons Law Violation	2	2	0.00%	2	100.00%	40.00%	27.73
Animal Cruelty	0	0	NA	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00
Crimes Against Society Total	5	4	25%	5	100%	4.85%	69.33
Total Group "A" Offenses	103	117	-11.97%	51	49.51%	100%	1428.18

Note: The Rate per 100,000 will be 'NA' when the Adjusted Population Base is Zero.



Offense and Arrest Summary Report

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Agency: SANDWICH

Total Offenses 103 Clearance Rate 49.51%
Last years rate 33.33%
Total Arrests 142 Hate Crime Offenses 0
Law Officers Assaulted 0

Offense Reporting

Group "A"	Offenses Reported	Offenses Cleared	Offenses Reported Last Year
Murder	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	0
Rape	1	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	4	4	1
Burglary	3	1	4
Larceny	13	1	16
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	1
Simple Assault	47	33	42
Intimidation	4	2	5
Bribery	0	0	0
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	0
Vandalism	8	2	16
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	3	2
Drug Equipment Violations	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0
Fraud	14	1	25
Gambling	0	0	0
Kidnapping	1	1	0
Pornography	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0
Sodomy	0	0	0
Sexual Assault w/Object	0	0	0
Fondling	2	0	3
Incest	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0
Stolen Property	1	1	0
Weapons Law Violations	2	2	2
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0
Total Group "A"	103	51	117

Population : 7212

Arrest Reporting

Group "A"	Adult	Juvenile	Unknown	Total Arrests	Arrests Reported Last Year
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	1	0	3	1
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny	0	1	0	1	5
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	1
Simple Assault	25	1	0	26	23
Intimidation	1	0	0	1	0
Bribery	0	0	0	0	0
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	2	0	0	2	2
Drug/Narcotic Violations	3	0	0	3	2
Drug Equipment Violations	0	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping	1	0	0	1	0
Pornography	0	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Sodomy	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault w/Object	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations	2	0	0	2	1
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0	0
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0	0
Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0	0
Total Group A Arrests	36	3	0	39	35
Group "B" Arrests					
Bad Checks	0	0	0	0	0
Curfew/Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	0	1	2
DUI	44	1	0	45	40
Drunkenness	0	0	0	0	0
Family Offenses-nonviolent	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0
Peeping Tom	0	0	0	0	0
Runaways	0	0	0	0	0
Trespass	1	0	0	1	2
All Other Offenses	56	0	0	56	37
Total Group B Arrests	102	1	0	103	81
Total Arrests	138	4	0	142	116

Appendix B

Officer Annual Activity Report 2025

Last Name	First Name	Total Events (including self-initiated/non-traffic)	Traffic Stops	Case Reports	Arrests (Felony/ A/B/C/ Warrant)	Crash Investigations	Extra Patrol/ Business & House Checks	Foot Patrol/ Comm. Contacts	School Patrol /Walk-thru/ School Crossing
Senne	Kevin	175	25	2	0	1	13	14	34
Whitcotton	Daniel	1408	321	22	2	19	207	356	127
Eisenberg	Jeremy	1133	108	7	0	22	418	65	96
Fasnacht	Brian	2024	79	12	2	6	1431	62	4
Meisner	William	1874	198	44	11	18	1039	204	6
Bright	Eric	652	78	31	2	10	69	146	50
Rominski	Keith	1240	94	90	14	31	164	121	71
Hegland	Edward	2583	308	82	10	39	688	293	208
Beatty	Nevada	3371	1048	75	27	31	854	246	55
Favela	Erik	2434	558	40	9	17	669	138	2
French	Joel	2159	277	115	21	40	326	292	138
Dwyer	Nathan	2484	334	83	21	26	949	221	9
Lundsteen	Jacob	2398	393	101	41	29	708	85	20
Hansen	William	1610	416	43	19	8	634	35	3
Santoyo	Nick	743	98	34	7	17	160	66	37
Vega	Chris	395	38	28	2	8	66	55	38