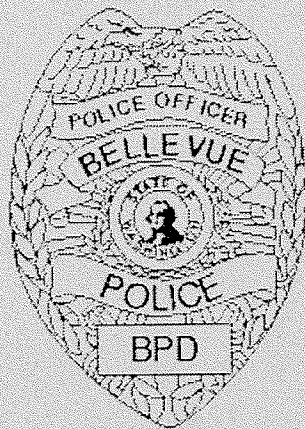


# COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION

## 1999 Annual Report

*"Providing a Safe Environment  
in Partnership with the Community"*



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CHIEF OF POLICE

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This annual report is intended to provide the reader with a comprehensive review of the Community Services Section for the year, 1999. This report is presented in the following sections:

## Neighborhood Services Unit

## School Services Unit

## Family Services Unit

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Here is the auto -  
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you. Enjoy . . .  
Have a Good One!

*Jill*

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## **COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION MISSION AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

- ◆ To manage, evaluate and deliver community oriented police services through a police/community partnership.
- ◆ To apply innovative problem solving strategies in an effort to maintain safe and vital neighborhoods.
- ◆ To provide effective law enforcement support for community and family life to all citizens of Bellevue, and to assist them in the wholesome development of children in an environment free of crime, free of drugs and free of exploitation.
- ◆ To provide effective juvenile and domestic crime prevention programs, teamed with youthful offender intervention and suppression strategies.
- ◆ To advocate for domestic abuse victims and for youth who lack the support of appropriate parenting or care giving.
- ◆ To effectively investigate and prepare criminal cases against offending juveniles and adults who abuse or exploit children or family members.
- ◆ To become a partner with youth service agencies which are in the public, private and non-profit sectors.
- ◆ To seek community-based partnerships with other city departments, regional criminal justice agencies, and non-profit organizations on family and youth issues.
- ◆ To coordinate regional programs which will result in enhanced communications between criminal justice agencies.

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*"We Work with the Community."*

### INTRODUCTION

The Community Services Section is a newly formed work group within the Bellevue Police Department. It has been in existence as a Section since July 1, 1998. Previous to this date, Community Services consisted largely of the work group now known as the Community Services Unit that was assigned to the Patrol Section. A Police Captain headed this earlier work group.

The Community Services Section consists of 29 commissioned personnel, a part-time assistant at the Spiritwood Manor sub-station and one part-time clerk. The extensive service of civilian volunteers is also benefited throughout the Section. The Section is commanded by a Police Major, with a Police Lieutenant supervising each of the three separate Units within the Section. The three components to the **Community Services Section** are:

**Neighborhood Services Unit:** Personnel assigned to Neighborhood Services include officers assigned to the three neighborhood sub-stations at Crossroads, Factoria and Spiritwood Manor; a Headquarters Officer assigned to the main police facility, two Crime Prevention Detectives, and four Community Action Team officers selected to police bicycle teams. During summer months, the Bellevue Park Patrol also operates its functions out of the Neighborhood Services Unit.

**School Services:** Personnel assigned to School Services include five School Resource Officers (SRO) assigned to each of the five high schools within the Bellevue School District; two D.A.R.E. Officers who teach and interact with children in the school districts elementary schools; and one SRO who acts as a roving SRO in the districts middle schools.

**Family Services:** Personnel assigned to Family Services include detectives assigned to gang enforcement and intervention; juvenile detectives who focus on juveniles as suspects in crimes; juvenile detectives who focus on juveniles as victims of physical or sexual abuse; and a detective whose focus is on domestic violence.

**Bellevue Police Department**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION**

**MAJOR TIM JOHNSON**

**NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES UNIT**

*Lieutenant Steve Bourgette*

**Bike Officers**

Officer Steven Hoover  
Officer Curtis McIvor  
Officer Jonathan Hoffman  
Officer Lisa Flores

**Crime Prevention**

Detective Michael Beckdolt  
Detective Gary Felt

**Station Officers**

City Hall  
Officer Robert Murphy

Spiritwood

Officer Richard Chinn

Crossroads

Officer Marcia Harnden

Factoria

Officer Rob Wood

**FAMILY SERVICES UNIT**

*Lieutenant Cherie Baker*

**Domestic Violence Detective**

Detective Autumn Fowler

**Gang Detectives**

Detective Patrick Arpin  
Detective Joseph Engman

**Juvenile / Car Prowl Detectives**

Detective Karen Kaleta  
Detective Mark Tarantino

**Special Assault Detectives**

Detective John McBride  
Detective Gregory Neese

**SCHOOL SERVICES UNIT**

*Lieutenant Tom Falkenberg*

**D.A.R.E. Officers**

Officer Robert Oliver  
Officer Tom Baker

**School Resource Officers**

Sammamish High School  
Officer John Rohde

Bellevue High School

Officer Gary Hromada

Robinswood School

Officer Lisa Piculell

Newport High School

Officer Michael Fry

Interlake High School

Officer Gregory Mills

Middle Schools

Officer Mike Munko



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### COMMUNITY SERVICES SECTION

#### Structure and Purpose

Juvenile crime remains among the top concerns of citizens. Government and citizens working alone cannot meet all the challenges facing communities in preventing and reducing juvenile crime. Programs that emphasize community oriented justice and partnerships of police, citizens, businesses, civic and religious organizations, counties, cities, social service, courts and youth serving agencies can promote and maintain safe and healthy neighborhoods and communities.

Approaches such as community policing, community-oriented justice, and collaborative efforts between police, social services, mental and human services that promote and support strategies to address and reduce the fear of juvenile crime through problem solving tactics and partnerships are needed. Police departments and human service agencies need to collaborate and adopt initiatives for service integration with families and children at high risk of such negative developments as child abuse, school dropout, substance abuse and delinquency. Service integration should include coordinated case management, improving the flow of information between agencies, making service more accessible to clients and involving communities in solving their own problems.

In July 1998, the Bellevue Police Department underwent a re-structuring of its Operations Division that combined Police Traffic under the Patrol Section and created the Community Services into a stand-alone section. This re-structure centralized police services to better serve neighborhoods, schools, families and youth. The goals for the Community Services Section are:

- Reduction in teen violence
- Coordination of police services for neighborhoods, schools, families and youth
- Strengthen current and develop new partnerships between police, schools, social/non-profit/criminal justice agencies
- Increase developmental assets in the community
- Reduce the number of times families are involved with the police on criminal matters
- Track linkages of services to families (Family violence, leading to runaway, leading to truancy)
- Focus department/community resources on the most active and violent offenders
- Increase Department Efforts with victim assistance and advocacy

The Community Services Section completed its first eighteen months of operation in 1999. The Section consists of twenty-nine commissioned personnel, supervised by three Lieutenants and commanded by a Major.

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The **Community Services Section** currently consists of:

### **The Neighborhood Services Unit (NSU)**

One Lieutenant who supervises:

- Four Bicycle Officers who comprise our Community Action Team (a proactive neighborhood problem solving team).
- One Residential Community Station Officer (a partnership with King County Housing Authority to police four low-income apartment complexes).
- Two Community Station Officers working out of two Community Stations (Crossroads & Factoria).
- Two Crime Prevention Specialists who educate businesses and citizens on crime prevention techniques.
- One Headquarters Officer who takes telephone and walk-in criminal police complaints.
- Numerous volunteers and part-time employees who support the community stations and conduct surveys for the Department.
- The Department's Cadet Unit

### **The School Services Unit (SSU)**

One Lieutenant who supervises:

- Two Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Officers who are assigned to the elementary schools.
- One School Resource Officer who is assigned to the middle schools.
- Five School Resource Officers (SRO) who are assigned to each of the high schools.
- Six Summer Park Patrol Officers

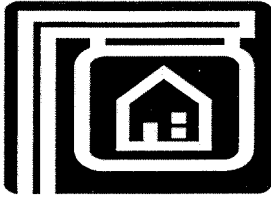
### **The Family Services Unit (FSU)**

On Lieutenant who supervises:

- Two Juvenile Detectives who specialize in the investigation of physical and sexual abuse of juveniles.
- Two Juvenile Detectives who specialize in the investigation of crimes committed by juveniles.
- Two Gang Detectives who specialize in investigation and intervention in gangs and youth violence.
- One Detective who specializes in cases involving domestic violence.

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### NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES UNIT



#### **Community Action Team (CAT)**

The Community Action Team is a proactive unit consisting of four officers, who specialize in identifying and solving neighborhood and community crime problems. They also respond to requests from other units in the police department to work special emphasis patrols. These officers are predominately on bicycles, which allows them the mobility to patrol areas that are difficult to patrol by conventional means. Their quietness and speed allow them to successfully impact those street level crimes and situations that tear at the fabric of a neighborhood. Though they spend the majority of their time on bikes, they use other techniques when necessary to combat issues. The CAT is actively involved in many community and civic groups and is responsible for making presentations to all segments of the community, from toddlers to senior citizens.

During 1999, the following activities were recorded:

On Duty Hours	6591
Calls for Service	1057
Crime Reports	337
Arrests	348
Officer Assists	363
Filed Interview Reports	203
Traffic Stops	1321
Traffic Citations	148
Community Meeting/Presentations	122
Attendees to the Presentations	3297

*"We are loyal to the community and  
to the organization we serve."*



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Community Action Team Highlights for 1999 include:

- During 1999 the CAT continued to increase the number of neighborhood problems it identified and addressed. In addition to all other duties, the CAT attacked 38 problems and as a result solved or positively impacted 30 of them.
- In response to a sudden increase in auto prowls on the Bellevue Community College campus, the CAT set-up surveillance in the parking areas. Within two weeks, they caught the suspect in the act of prowling a car. We learned that the suspect would drop his sister off at school and then drive the parking lots prowling cars. On the day we caught him, he had an infant in the car with him. After he'd drop his sister off at school, he was responsible for babysitting her child. The *good* uncle would then take the young child with him on his crime sprees.
- The CAT met the opening of the Galleria in a proactive stance. Prior to the Galleria's opening, the CAT contacted building management and established a partnership with the security staff. This resulted in relatively few problems during their opening months that were responded to effectively.
- The CAT also acted as the nucleus of the Roof Top Burglar Surveillance Team. They investigated over 800 leads, which led to the capture of the suspect. While we did not catch him in the act, the information gathered was instrumental in the subsequent arrest and guilty plea by the suspect.
- Due to the increase of gang and drug activity in the core of downtown Bellevue, particularly the park and Transit Center, the CAT increased their emphasis in patrolling that area. There were numerous arrests made for drugs, drug sales, assault, etc. Their efforts are on going in this area to combat these activities.
- Due to patrol shortages, the CAT assisted Officer Reil this year with the Holiday Foot Patrol. CAT members spent over 200 hours working the HFP in the malls. In addition to assisting patrol inside the mall, they also spend numerous hours in and around the downtown area during the holiday season responding to calls and assisting with traffic.

### Community Stations

The three Community Stations (Crossroads/Factoria/Spiritwood), and the officers and volunteers assigned to them, work closely with the residents and businesses in their respective areas to address mutual crime concerns and quality of life issues. The Community Stations build trust between the Police Department and the public encouraging partnerships with all entities and providing them with problem solving strategies to address their concerns.

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### *Crossroads Station*

The Crossroads Station completed its fourth full year of operation in October. One officer assisted by volunteers' staff the station from 10 AM to 6 PM daily. During 1999, the following activities were recorded:

Citizen Visits	3341
Telephone Requests	2743
Officer Working Visits	2427
Volunteer Hours Worked	1960
On Duty Hours	2019
Calls Handled by Station Officer	670
Crime Reports Taken by Station Officer	163
Arrests	67
FIR's Completed	113
Trespass Warnings	35
Community Meetings/Presentations	65
Attendees at the Presentations	906

Crossroads Station highlights for 1999 include:

- Officers Mangione and Kaleta made contact and developed partnerships with key groups within the Crossroads area. They built rapport and developed resource files with every church in the Crossroads area, also known as the Crossroads Church Connection. In addition, they established partnerships with every apartment complex in that area (Crossroads Apartment Connection).
- In response to the complaints of manager and residents of a crossroads apartment complex, concerning gang problems and alcohol and drugs use in the parking lot, the Crossroads officers focused their emphasis to address the problem. After numerous contacts, 12 trespass warnings and a number of arrests, the problem was abated.
- The Crossroads Station received numerous complaints about some transients living in the woods in the area. These transients were attracting other problems to the area, including juvenile drinking and drug activity. Officer Harnden made numerous contacts with individuals in the area issuing warnings, writing FIR's and making four arrests for drug and weapon violations. She also evicted the main subject from the area and trespassed him from the property.
- A manager of a local fast food outlet complained that a group of juveniles had taken over his restaurant establishment by creating disturbances, assaults and frightening off customers.

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*(continued Crossroads Highlights)*

- Officer Harnden contacted and issued trespass citations to the core group, and warned some of the *wannabe*'s. Harnden then trained the employee's on how to handle future related problems.
- Officer Harnden, as well as the CAT continues to combat the gang issues in the Crossroads and Hillaire Parks areas. Numerous arrests, FIR's of known gang members and issuing trespass notices and cooperation from Park Department employees, resulted in giving the parks back to the areas citizens.
  - It came to Officer Harnden's attention that one particular individual, whom lived in the Crossroads area, seemed to be the nucleus of a lot of criminal activity and was known as a street level narcotics dealer. An increased emphasis on contacts, arrests and motor vehicle citations convinced the individual to take his dealings elsewhere.
  - Officer Harnden took a report about a questionable phone call received by an elderly female resident of the Silver Glen retirement home. Follow-up revealed that a number of other female Silver Glen residents had received QA calls. Apparently someone with access to the residents home phone numbers was making the calls. Training of the staff and residents eliminated the calls. We were not able to identify a suspect or the motive for the calls.

### ***Factoria Station***

The Factoria Station is staffed with one officer and several volunteers.

During 1999, the following activities were recorded:

Citizen Visits	4282
Telephone Requests	2930
Officer Working Visits	1367
Volunteer Hours Worked	2193
On Duty Hours	1773
Calls handled by Station Officer	319
Crime Reports Taken by Station Officer	54
Arrests	51
FIR's Completed	70
Trespass Warnings	9
Community Meetings/Presentations	140
Attendees at the Presentations	813



Factoria Station highlights for 1999 include:

- Officer Wood, along with School Resource Officer, Mike Fry, continue to vigorously address the problem with Newport High School students congregating, smoking, littering, creating disturbances, etc. at the entrance to Mockingbird Hill. Numerous contacts, warnings and citations have reduced the problem. The officers have also partnered with the high school to administer detention duties that require students to regularly clean up the area.
- Officer Wood received numerous complaints from the neighborhood about a house in Mockingbird Hill that attracted numerous juveniles for loud drinking and drug parties. The parent, whom apparently worked nights, was of little help in restricting the activities. Officer Wood continued to make contact and increased his follow-up efforts to include surveillance by our newly formed Community Watch Patrol. Two arrests were made (one of them for a stolen car) and the problems ceased. The family decided to move to the cheers of the neighborhood.
- Complaints from employees of the SBC (inside the Factoria Mall), reported that juveniles were hanging out in their area to smoke, drink and use drugs. The group succeeded in scaring away customers of the establishment. Following Officer Wood's multiple contacts, FIR's and two dope arrests, the group elected to find another gathering place.
- The Community Watch Patrol, which was started by Officer Wood last year, uncovered an internal theft ring inside Factoria Mall. One of the team's surveillance achievements led to the arrest of an employee of a local clothing store and the recovery of over \$5,000 worth of merchandise.
- The Bellevue Fire Department, Factoria Mall management and citizens complained about vehicles frequent illegal parking, particularly in the fire lanes. Many patrols and tickets by Officer Wood greatly reduced this problem.
- Officer Wood coordinated the Factoria Child Safety Fair. Approximately 1000 individuals attended. Officer Wood made significant upgrades to the district officer area of the Factoria Station, thereby, increasing the number of officer visits.
- Officer Wood continues his involvement in the Factoria area community coordinating the annual city sponsored Halloween Party that has over 2,000 children and adults in attendance. He remains actively involved with the Factoria Area Business Group, for which he was a founder, and he is also the City of Bellevue's south end Neighborhood Liaison.

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*(continued Factoria highlights)*

- The Factoria Community Station is continuing to develop the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. Two apartment complexes for the program were approved and as a result, both experienced reduced criminal activity and an improved relationship with the Bellevue Police Department.

### *Spiritwood Residential Community Station*

The Spiritwood Station is staffed with one officer and one part-time civilian assistant.

During 1999, the following activities were recorded:

Citizen Visits	99
Telephone Requests	474
Officer Working Visits	299
Station Assistant Hours	not available
On Duty Hours	1558
Calls Handled by Station Officer	97
Crime Reports Taken by Station Officer	19
Arrests	1
FIR's Completed	24
Trespass Warnings	0
Community Meetings/Presentations	12
Attendees at the Presentations	211

Spiritwood Station highlights for 1999 include:

- Officer Chinn continues to receive high marks from the residents, apartment managers and administrative staff of King County Housing Authority (KCHA). He regularly receives commendations from individuals regarding his commitment to the residents of the complexes, which he oversees. Officer Chinn is concerned about the resident's quality of life issues and he makes time to assist and mentor the youth on his properties. His complexes continue to be almost crime free.
- Officer Chinn regularly deals with a tenant whom appears to be developing severe mental problems. The tenant has a young child, whom perhaps is suffering from paranoid schizophrenia and calls 911 constantly. Chinn has intervened and escorted the child to Eastside Mental Health to begin therapy. She is now on medication, attending therapy sessions and remains in contact with Officer Chinn. The 911 calls have ended.

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*(continued Spiritwood Highlights)*

- Officer Chinn handled reports from one neighbor stating that their next door neighbor was constantly smoking crack cocaine and the smoke was entering their unit. Chinn conducted a “knock and talk” with the complainant and appraised KCHA authorities of the situation.
- Officer Chinn received numerous complaints about a resident who had a possible mental disorder. The resident repeatedly made unreasonable noises at all hours. Chinn made numerous contacts with the suspect and the noises subsided. The suspect eventually moved out.
- Officer Chinn arrested a couple of juveniles for smoking MJ on the property. One of the kids agreed to prepare a presentation and give a talk to all of the other kids about his experience with the police and the court. The child’s first lecture was so well prepared that he presented it to all four (4)-housing complexes. It was an excellent learning experience for all of the children.
- Officer Chinn and his Station Assistant Aura Honkanen have greatly expanded their involvement with the truly needy families in the housing complexes. Aura has partnered with local churches to stock a food bank and twice a week free food is distributed to those in need. No one has walked away empty handed. An ongoing partnership with the Seattle Sack Lunch Program distributes over 7,000 sack lunches and snacks during the summer. Aura also organizes numerous programs that provide clothing and school supplies for children.
- Aura has organized a Girl’s Self Esteem Group which was designed to increase the self esteem of middle school girls that lived in the housing complexes. In partnership with Youth Eastside Services (YES), they also sponsored “Family Night” once a month. They typically have dinner, followed by entertainment or activities. YES counselors were also available at this function.
- Officer Chinn and his assistant Aura Honkanen, continue to use the holiday season as a method to build positive relationships between the police and the community. Over fifty meals were provided to needy families and over 250 gifts were given to local children by Bellevue Police Officers.

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### Headquarters Station Officer

Officer Murphy is our Neighborhood Service Officer working out of the Police Records Section in Bellevue City Hall. Officer Murphy handles crime reports and answers questions from citizens who walk into the City Hall police department. Officer Murphy also takes complaints by telephone to speed reporting and eliminate the need for officers to drive in to the station to contact the complainant and take a report. Murphy monitors the Computer Aided Dispatch calls for service, assists the detectives, traffic officers, prosecutors and records personnel with a variety of tasks throughout each day.

- Officer Murphy was highly commended by staff for disarming a deranged individual whom had taken a hostage inside Bellevue City Hall in the records lobby. The individual was armed with a knife and attempted to lure Officer Murphy into the lobby area to stab him. Murphy remained calm and when he saw the opportunity to, he jumped on the suspect and with the help of two civilian City of Bellevue employees, were able to subdue the suspect and take him into custody.

During 1999, the following activities were recorded for the Headquarters Station:

On Duty Hours	1639
Calls	1300
Case Reports	471
Arrests	17
Telephone Requests	884
Follow-Up Reports	79
Patrol / Records Assist	608
Community Meeting/Presentations	3
Attendees at the Presentations	29

### Crime Prevention

The Crime Prevention Department has a staff of two detectives. These detectives organize Block Watch meetings and provide instruction to citizens on a variety of crime prevention efforts. Crime prevention detectives also oversee the Police Cadet Program, False Alarm Reduction Program and Electronic Surveillance.

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During 1999, the activity for Crime Prevention was recorded as follows:

### ***Business Watch Program:***

Contacts	5971
Community Meetings/Presentations	102
Training Provided	27
Business Security Surveys	37

### ***Neighborhood Watch Program:***

Contacts	3288
Block Watch Meetings	31
Community Meetings/Presentations	63
Residential Security Surveys	10

### ***Special Events:***

Home Shows	1000
Law Enforcement Day	3500
Arts & Crafts Fair	3000
Concerns of Police Survivors	60

### ***False Alarm Reduction Program:***

False Alarm Reports for 1998	3876
False Alarm Reports for 1999	4227
Percentage of Change	+8%
False Alarm Classes	24
Fee Generated	93,625

### ***Agent Alarms:***

Agent Alarms Installed	11
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The Crime Prevent Unit also reported a total of 201 volunteer hours.

Crime Prevention highlights for 1999 include:

- Detective Mike Beckdolt completed a major project when the "A Pictorial Picture of the Bellevue Police Department" was completed. It is a history of the Bellevue Police Department documented by over three thousand photographs that were hand picked by Beckdolt. He organized, edited, produced and sold this amazing book.
- The Crime Prevention Unit hosted a barbecue for the Washington Chapter of the "Concerns Of Police Survivors" (COPS). Detective Gary Felt organized this luncheon for the group, which

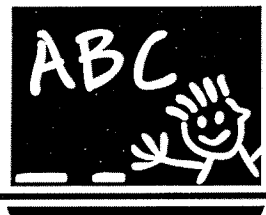
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*(continued Crime Prevention Highlights)*

was comprised of survivors of police officers, killed in the line of duty. There were a host of games and activities for the friends and families of these fallen officers.

- Detective Gary Felt organized security groups for three major shopping malls in Bellevue. Security officers and managers from the Crossroads Mall, Factoria Mall and Bellevue Square regularly meet to build partnerships to exchange ideas and information relating to crimes in their respective areas.
- Detective Felt has crossed the last hurdle and begun training the security officers and stores on the new Shoplift Diversion Program and Shoplift Policy changes. These steps would help streamline the process of handling shoplifters thereby, better utilizing and increasing the efficiency of countless patrol officer hours.

### SCHOOL SERVICES UNIT



#### **D.A.R.E. Program**

Two officers teach the D.A.R.E. Program in elementary schools. These officers attend other school functions and act as resources for the schools. During 1999, the following activities were recorded for this unit:

<b>D.A.R.E. Program</b>	<b>1999</b>
Classes	36
Graduates	997
Classroom hours	621
Supplemental Hours	121
*Interacting Hours	1037
*Presentations	87
*People Contacted	24,959

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*(continued D.A.R.E. Program)*

*\*Interacting hours* includes time interacting with the kids prior to school, recess/lunch, school assemblies, walk-a-thons, dances, Skate King, etc.

*\*Presentations* are activities ranging in size from Arts & Crafts, Parades, Summer Camps to other activities such as Thanksgiving and Christmas functions.

*\*People contacted* include the total number of people contacted at the various presentations.

### **Middle School Program**

January brought forth the completion of the G.R.E.A.T. Program as Officer Mike Munko completed nine (9) classes and graduated a total of 272 middle school students. The remainder of the 98-99 school year, Mike functioned as a roving School Resource Officer (SRO), visiting all the middle schools and filling in at the high schools as needed. Unfortunately, Mike was off-duty April and May, due to a work-related ankle injury. The beginning of the 1999/2000 school year, Mike became our 6<sup>th</sup> official SRO, assigned to Bellevue Middle Schools.

### **School Resource Officer Program**

Honoring a strong commitment to the community, the Bellevue Police Department in cooperation with the Bellevue School District implemented a School Resource Officer Program at the start of the school year, September 2, 1997. Four Bellevue Police Officers were initially selected and assigned to a district high school. In 1998 a fifth SRO was selected, trained and assigned to the districts alternative high school.

The School Resource Officer Program, a part of our commitment to Community Oriented Policing, is an opportunity for the department to have direct interaction with students, school staff and citizens in the surrounding communities. Our goal is to establish a safe environment for the learning process and to eliminate barriers between the police and our youth.

During 1999, the following activities were recorded for the School Resource Officers:

#### **Bellevue Middle Schools – Officer Mike Munko**

##### ***Daily:***

Calls on Campus	148
Calls at Other School	98
Calls from Neighborhood	11

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*(continued School Resource Officer Program)*

Meetings w/Students	49
Meetings w/Staff	76
Meetings w/Parents	10
School Rule Violations	36
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	27
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	6
Mediation/Intervention	66

***Arrest:***

Misdemeanor	14
Felony	1
Warrant	0

***Type:***

Traffic Stops	85
Notice of Infraction	1
Gang Incidents	3
Weapons – Guns	1
Weapons – Other	1
Drug Activity	0
FIR's	14

***COP:***

PTA	0
Neighborhood Meetings	0
School Activities	5
After School Activities	28

***Time:***

On-Duty Hours	812
Hours on Campus	648
Hours in Class	98
Hours at Other School	99
Investigative Follow-Up	206
Sick	24
Vacation	64
Training	30
OT Hours - Police	0
OT Hours - School	2

**Bellevue High School - Officer Gary Hromada**

***Daily:***

Call on Campus	725
Calls at Other School	51
Calls from Neighborhood	73
Meetings w/Students	752
Meetings w/Staff	477
Meetings w/Parents	158
School Rule Violations	525
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	71
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	15
Mediation/Intervention	108

***Arrest:***

Misdemeanor	20
Felony	5
Warrant	1

***Type:***

Traffic Stops	52
Notice of Infraction	9
Gang Incidents	3
Weapons – Guns	1
Weapons – Other	8
Drug Activity	19
FIR's	14

***COP:***

PTA	9
Neighborhood Meetings	1
School Activities	48
After School Activities	57

***Time:***

On-Duty Hours	1746
Hours on Campus	1402
Hours in Class	45
Hours at Other School	59
Investigative Follow-Up	238
Sick	16
Vacation	226
Training	49
OT Hours - Police	100
OT Hours - School	105



## Interlake High School – Officer Greg Mills

### *Daily:*

Calls on Campus	698
Calls at Other School	43
Calls from Neighborhood	73
Meetings w/Students	264
Meetings w/Staff	157
Meetings w/Parents	30
School Rule Violations	189
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	73
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	6
Mediation/Intervention	59

### *Arrest:*

Misdemeanor	19
Felony	13
Warrant	1

### *Type:*

Traffic Stops	215
Notice of Infraction	11
Gang Incidents	6
Weapons – Guns	0
Weapons – Other	3
Drug Activity	10
FIR's	99

### *COP:*

PTA	0
Neighborhood Meetings	0
School Activities	5
After School Activities	10

### *Time:*

On-Duty Hours	1615
Hours on Campus	1180
Hours in Class	24
Hours at Other School	50
Investigative Follow-Up	133
Sick	6
Vacation	120
Training	94
OT Hours - Police	74
OT Hours - School	3

**Newport High School – Officer Mike Fry**

***Daily:***

Calls on Campus	334
Calls at Other School	27
Calls from Neighborhood	32
Meetings w/Students	560
Meetings w/Staff	46
Meetings w/Parents	12
School Rule Violations	223
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	27
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	2
Mediation/Intervention	76

***Arrest:***

Misdemeanor	13
Felony	4
Warrant	0

***Type:***

Traffic Stops	15
Notice of Infraction	9
Gang Incidents	0
Weapons – Guns	0
Weapons – Other	1
Drug Activity	10
FIR's	19

***COP:***

PTA	1
Neighborhood Meetings	2
School Activities	5
After School Activities	26

***Time:***

On-Duty Hours	1425
Hours on Campus	1038
Hours in Class	35
Hours at Other School	100
Investigative Follow-Up	9
Sick	96
Vacation	195
Training	94
OT Hours - Police	20
OT Hours - School	64

**Robinswood School – Officer Lisa Piculell**

***Daily:***

Calls on Campus	550
Calls at Other School	169
Calls from Neighborhood	32
Meetings w/Students	1136
Meetings w/Staff	736
Meetings w/Parents	70
School Rule Violations	292
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	47
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	41
Mediation/Intervention	344

***Arrest:***

Misdemeanor	19
Felony	7
Warrant	7

***Type:***

Traffic Stops	8
Notice of Infraction	4
Gang Incidents	2
Weapons – Guns	1
Weapons – Other	2
Drug Activity	23
FIR's	16

***COP:***

PTA	12
Neighborhood Meetings	0
School Activities	16
After School Activities	47

***Time:***

On-Duty Hours	1521
Hours on Campus	1058
Hours in Class	45
Hours at Other School	214
Investigative Follow-Up	235
Sick	7
Vacation	223
Training	178
OT Hours - Police	42
OT Hours - School	112

**Sammamish High School – Officer John Rohde**

***Daily:***

Calls on Campus	725
Calls at Other School	51
Calls from Neighborhood	73
Meetings w/Students	752
Meetings w/Staff	477
Meetings w/Parents	158
School Rule Violations	525
Crimes Reported (Criminal)	71
Crimes Reported (non-criminal)	15
Mediation/Intervention	108

***Arrest:***

Misdemeanor	20
Felony	5
Warrant	1

***Type:***

Traffic Stops	52
Notice of Infraction	9
Gang Incidents	3
Weapons – Guns	1
Weapons – Other	8
Drug Activity	19
FIR's	14

***COP:***

PTA	9
Neighborhood Meetings	1
School Activities	48
After School Activities	57

***Time:***

On-Duty Hours	1746
Hours on Campus	1402
Hours in Class	45
Hours at Other School	59
Investigative Follow-Up	238
Sick	16
Vacation	226
Training	49
OT Hours - Police	100
OT Hours - School	105

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### School Services Unit Highlights for 1999:

- There was a changing of the guard at Interlake High School, as Officer Greg Mills became the SRO assigned to that school. Marcia Harnden left the position after completing her two-year commitment.
- For her efforts at Interlake High School, Officer Harnden became one of the department's first recipients of the Commander's Award.
- A new partnership was formed with the Bellevue YMCA, as two officers spent their summer hours helping out at YMCA Camps. The vast majority of campers were Bellevue kids and the program made the bond between police officers and kids in Bellevue even stronger.
- The start of the new school year in September saw Cops & Docs become a regular part of the school district curriculum. Officer's Lisa Piculell and Mike Munko began teaching this program to every eighth grader in the Bellevue School District. This year also saw the program start to gain national recognition as it was reported in three national publications plus Congresswoman Jennifer Dunn attended a class presentation.
- D.A.R.E. Detective Bob Oliver was honored by Advance Bellevue at their "Best of Bellevue" banquet in May. Detective Oliver was honored for his 110% effort with the kids in Bellevue.
- Another new partnership was formed with "The 24-Hour Relay." This first annual community event was held in September and is planned again for June 2000. Officer Tom Baker has been involved with the planning efforts from the beginning and is on board for next year also.
- Two firearms were on the school campuses this past year. In both instances students came forward and informed responsible adults about the weapons.
- Best example of the relationship/trust that has been developed between SRO's and the students occurred in March. One evening, a female student from Bellevue High School was murdered in the county area. The day after the murder, students were coming to Officer Hromada with information implicating the victim's mother. She was arrested as a third suspect a few days later. Two young men actually committed the crime.

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now and in the future."*

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### FAMILY SERVICES UNIT



#### **Domestic Violence**

Fifteen years ago, the Bellevue Police Department began to aggressively combat crimes associated with domestic violence, making these crimes a top priority. As a result of our concerted response, we experienced a steady decrease in domestic violence cases for three consecutive years until 1998. The increase in cases may be due to a number of factors; the increase in domestic homicides reported through the media; better reporting of domestic violence crimes; and the fact that we now have a Domestic Violence Detective that is dedicated to increasing the accessibility to victims.

Collaboration with other agencies is essential in combating domestic violence. In 1983, Bellevue Police, Bellevue District Court, Bellevue Probation, the Prosecuting Attorney, Eastside Domestic Violence, and mental health agencies began to work together to stop the violence. Now representatives from each of the agencies come together in order to share ideas and to strategize on ways to improve upon our responses to this problem.

#### ***Domestic Violence Cases of Interest for 1999:***

- The victim in this case was being harassed and stalked by her ex-boyfriend even after she had him arrested and sentenced to jail. While the suspect was in jail he continued to call her collect and send her long, threatening letters every day. A case report was taken daily, as well, and the jail was contacted regarding the situation and eventually obtained a court order stopping the contact. The prosecutor got the suspect's bail increased for his new charges and he was eventually sentenced to 1 ½ years in jail.
- The suspect began calling and threatening his in-laws after his wife moved out to a confidential shelter. The suspect is a mentally disturbed, ex-Vietnam vet, who was described by friends as a "survivalist." A felony warrant for harassment and Snohomish County arrested the suspect after they responded to a mental/emotional subject call. The suspect was interviewed and a search warrant was served on his campsite in Skagit County. The suspect was held on \$100,000 bail until he was found guilty of Felony Harassment.



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*(continued DV Cases of Interest)*

- The victim was severely beaten and raped by her husband, while their four young children were in the next room. He threatened to kill her if she called the police, but she waited until he passed out from drinking alcohol and called 911. The prosecutor's office obtained \$100,000 bail for the suspect. The victim also needed financial assistance after her husband's arrest because she had no job and limited English speaking skills. Her husband had been her and her family's sole means of support.
- The victim had a large part of her tongue bitten off by her husband during a physical assault. Doctors were unable to reattach her tongue and she will have difficulty talking and eating for the rest of her life. After a long investigation it was determined that the suspect had fled the state. King County Superior Court issued a \$100,000 warrant, extraditable from all 50 states. The warrant has been assigned to the King County Fugitive Task Force.
- The suspect in these cases burglarized his girlfriend's home after she broke up with him. Once inside he poured chemicals on all of her belongings. She obtained a protection order against him, but the suspect began vandalizing her car by pouring chemicals on it several times a week. The car sustained thousands of dollars worth of damage and the victim had to be hospitalized from the fumes. Detective Fowler set up surveillance and at 0530 hours, Detectives Fowler and Tarantino arrested the suspect as he attempted to pour chemicals on her car for the 5<sup>th</sup> time. The suspect was held on \$250,000 bail and the case is awaiting trial.

### Domestic Violence Statistics 1999 vs. 1998

***Relationship of the Participants:***

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Siblings	40	28	43
Child/Parent	216	111	95
Same Sex	10	3	233
Child in Common	35	53	-34
Dating	118	81	46
Former Dating	124	82	51
Residing Together	215	218	-1
Former Residing	48	54	-11
Spouse	215	244	-12
Former Spouse	82	101	-19

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*(continued DV statistics)*

### *Description of Violence Used:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Verbal	561	450	25
Stalking	3	0	---
Threats	129	109	18
Violation of Order	88	86	2
Pushed	93	125	-26
Slapped	50	62	-19
Punched	6	56	-89
Strangled	14	20	-30
Sex Assault	5	3	67
Weapon Used	17	25	-32
Throwing Objects	6	0	---
Destruction of Property	82	0	---

### *Alcohol Use by the Participants:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Suspect Had Been Drinking	93	136	-32
Victim Had Been Drinking	29	25	16
Suspect and Victim Drinking	33	48	-31

### *Incidents Where Child Was Present:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Adult Child Present	37	22	68
Juvenile Child Present	335	282	19
No Child Present	281	not available	---
Unknown	450	676	-33

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### *Action Taken by Responding Officer:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Arrest Suspect (Felony)	49	20	145
Arrest Suspect (Misdemeanor)	206	211	-2
Arrest Both (Felony)	6	2	200
Arrest Both (Misdemeanor)	7	5	40
Refer to PA	99	137	-28
Arrest on Unrelated Charges	8	6	33
Summons	85	76	12
Closed / Inactive / Info. Only	561	530	6

### *Location of Incident by Police District:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
District #1	131	106	24
District #2	124	107	16
District #3	178	151	18
District #4	252	242	4
District #5	232	225	3
District #6	63	73	-14
District #7	123	74	66

### *Incidents Per Day of Week:*

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
Monday	162	137	18
Tuesday	167	125	34
Wednesday	139	132	5
Thursday	128	125	2
Friday	155	131	18
Saturday	181	174	4
Sunday	171	161	6

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*(continued Domestic Violence statistics)*

### ***Incidents Per Month of Year:***

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of Change</u>
January	68	68	-0-
February	91	55	65
March	91	57	60
April	100	58	72
May	93	76	22
June	109	121	-10
July	99	106	-7
August	91	98	-7
September	81	91	-11
October	95	82	16
November	99	77	29
December	86	100	-14

### **Juvenile Investigations**

The two Juvenile Detectives, who work cases involving juvenile offenders, are responsible for investigating MV Prowls and Strips and juvenile runaways. MV Prowls are our most prolific crime in the city since they are a crime of opportunity. This is the second year there has been a decline in the number of MV Prowls and Strips. Bellevue is one of the few police departments that investigate these crimes. The amount of recovered property has steadily increased over the past few years.

The two detectives work pro-actively in locating juvenile runaways. After the juvenile is located and returned to the family, the detective will conduct an intervention and counseling session with the youth and family in an attempt to keep the youth safe and at home.

MV Prowls and Runaways were reported as follows:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of change</u>
<b><i>Combines MV Prowl and Strips</i></b>	1180	1217	-3
<b><i>Property Recovered</i></b>	\$42,040	\$16,515	155
<b><i>Runaways</i></b>	230	228	1

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### Gangs

Two detectives concentrate on gangs and youth violence. Taking a proactive approach, these detectives direct their efforts to confront the situation rather than just investigate the crime. They perform a three pronged approach:

- **Education** of youth, parents, schools and the community is essential to increase awareness and to promote understanding of issues facing youth today. Gang awareness/education presentations are made available to both private and public organizations.
- **Intervention** for at-risk youth and their families with in-home counseling and intervention is the ultimate goal. This has been the most effective deterrent in dealing with youth crimes.
- **Enforcement** of gang-related crimes committed by youth that associate with gangs and enforcement of crimes that are committed by youth at school facilities.

The following activities were recorded for Juvenile Investigations:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>% of change</u>
Gang Incidents	68	61	11
Arrests	148	106	40
Warrant Arrests	38	40	-5
Non-Gang Arrests	71	61	16
Firearms Involved	13	18	-28
Dangerous Weapons	12	17	-29
School Related	8	14	-43
Gang Graffiti	16	52	-69
Family Interventions	26	15	73
Group Presentations	32	34	-6

### *Gang Cases of Interest for 1999*

- Four gang members from the OFB (Oriental Fantasy Boyz) gang in South Seattle brandished a gun at the Crossroads Cinema. Earlier that evening, one of the suspects was involved in a verbal confrontation with his girlfriend's ex-boyfriend. He later returned to settle his dispute with three members of his gang. When they could not locate the subject, they confronted several of his friends and one of the suspects pulled a handgun and started pointing it at a crowd of people in the theater lobby. All four suspects fled on foot. A foot chase ensued involving Detectives Engman and Arpin and ended with the two suspects being taken into custody. The other suspects were also later identified and arrested.

*(continued Gang Cases of Interest)*

- Patrol responded to shots fired at the Palisades Apartment complex. Two male juveniles were seen fleeing on foot from the vicinity. Detectives Arpin and Engman were in the area in an unmarked car and spotted two subjects, whom were known as associates of the Rollin' 60's Crips gang in Bellevue. When the detectives stopped to contact them, one of the subjects ran tossing something into the dense bushes. Both subjects were arrested and detained for MIP. A stolen handgun was recovered from the bushes, which belonged to the father of one of the suspect's girlfriend. The suspect was later charged and convicted of Burglary and Possession of a Stolen Firearm.
- In this incident, the victim came together with others who were mourning the death of a friend whom was murdered in Kirkland. The victim attended a party at the home of a former member of a gang called "Da Clique," or DC. Others whom were currently associated with DC arrived and proceeded to threaten the victim, calling him a narc. The main suspect pulled out a handgun and put it to the head of the victim, threatening to shoot him. "Da Clique" continued to harass the victim until the homeowner told them to leave. This was a new gang and their activities included dealing narcotics, committing assaults, and trading stolen handguns. (DC was later involved in a home invasion incident in Bellevue in which a shotgun was fired off. Twelve arrests were made in that incident.)
- **Special Note:** Detectives Engman and Arpin were called upon to assist Seattle PD Homicide Detectives regarding a fatal shooting involving a Bellevue "SUR 13 VSL (Varrios Surenos Locos)" gang associated in South Seattle. They were able to identify numerous witnesses by going to Harborview Medical Center and talking with friends and relatives a short time after the incident. They were able to pass on this information to Seattle Detectives which led to the arrest of four gang members from South Seattle.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

The Community Services Section relies heavily on the Departments Volunteer Program. The Section uses volunteers to staff Community Stations and to enter data into computer programs. The information is used to evaluate the progress of the Section. Evaluations are made on a monthly, quarterly and annual basis.

In 1999, Community Services Section Volunteers served a total of 5,650 volunteer hours. Their services included 2,030 staffing hours at the Crossroads Community Station and 2,623 at the Factoria Station. In addition, our volunteers served 201 hours in the Neighborhood Services Crime Prevention Unit. The remaining hours were spent assisting D.A.R.E., supporting the Community Watch Patrol, and updating the domestic violence and gang databases.



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### LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE

The Community Services Section concept for police organizations is new to law enforcement. Bellevue Police is one of the less than half-dozen departments throughout the nation, to be organized in this manner.

During 2000, a representative from the Community Services Section will continue its involvement in a coalition of juvenile justice agencies applying for and having oversight of the 'Juvenile Accountability Federal Block Grant.' This grant will apply federal money to increasing technology to allow probation, courts and law enforcement to share electronic databases to hold juvenile offenders more accountable while on active probationary status. This grant will also fund a deputy prosecutor to focus on firearm violations, (which fits with the King County Chief's firearm crime initiative). This grant will also continue the funding for the 'Step-Up' program. This program provides treatment and support for violators and victims of domestic assault by their children.

In 2000, the domestic violence detective will continue to increase her focus on cases involving domestic assault by children against their parent(s).

In 1999, the School Services Unit started to teach "Cops & Docs" at the middle school level. This program, which deals with firearms violence and accidents is also part of the King County Chief's firearms violence initiative and has been supported by the Bellevue School District and the P.T.S.A.

The School Services Unit also expanded our partnerships for summer day camps to the Bellevue Y.M.C.A. This camp was focused at the elementary school level and involved one or more of our D.A.R.E. AND School Resource Officers at the camp.

In 1999, in partnership with the Bellevue Parks Department, the section participated in three (3) one-week asset-building camps. These camps initially started at the elementary level and will be expanding to the high school level. We plan to additionally have 'Advance Bellevue,' a local leadership program, as partner in scholarships for some of the children involved.

The Factoria Community Station will be moving to new headquarters in 2000. The planning for this move is underway. In 2000, we will also evaluate the need for Community Stations in the Central Business District. As the Central Business District grows and changes, it is likely that this neighborhood could benefit from this type of Community Service.

*"By respecting differences in individuals and neighborhoods we grow in understanding ourselves, the views of others, and the needs of the community and the organization."*



