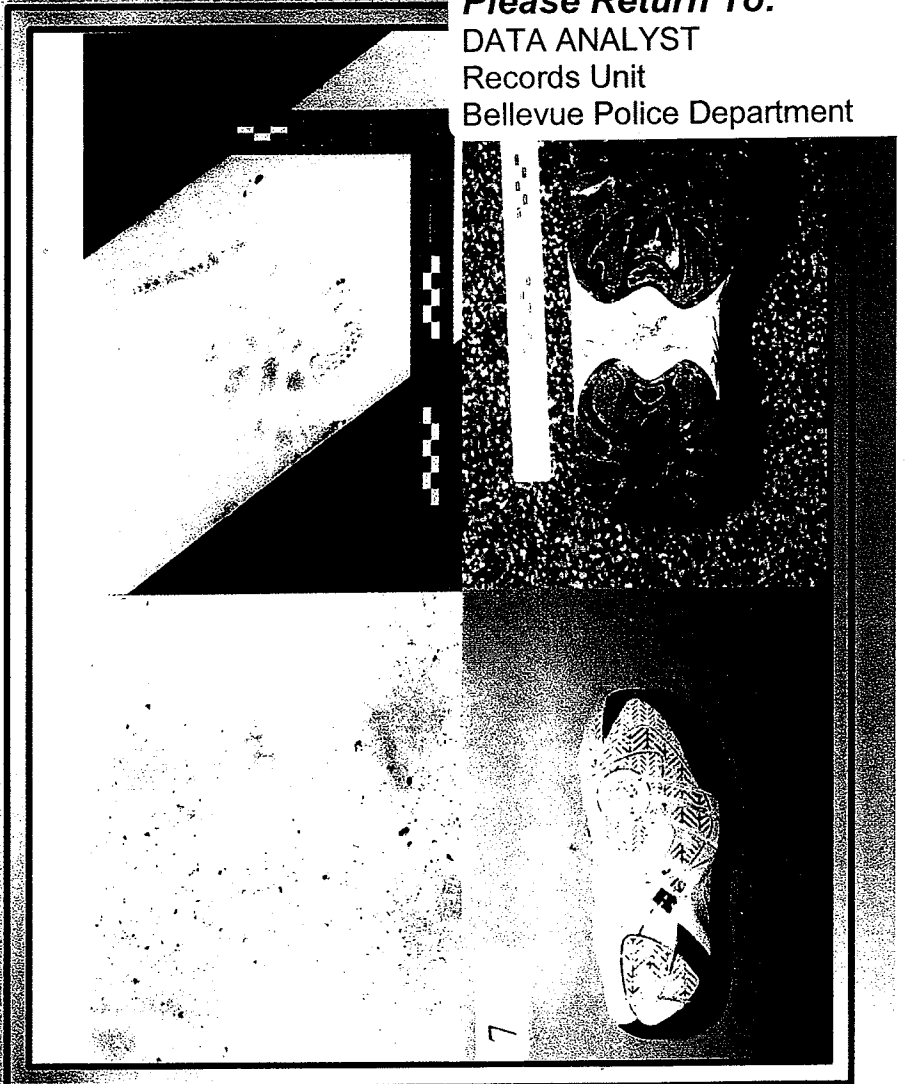


Bellevue Police Department Investigations Section

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INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

1999

ANNUAL REPORT

The Investigations Section of the Bellevue Police Department is comprised of five units, each of which has a specific investigative function. The Violent Crimes Unit has three detectives, each of whom has had specialized training in the investigation of homicide, robbery, assault and rape. During 1999 these detectives, assisted by their Lieutenant, cleared 78% of the violent crimes assigned to them. One of these detectives spent nearly six months in King County Superior Court assisting prosecutors with two trials of one of the suspects in a brutal slaying of an entire family in January 1997. That suspect (David Anderson) was found guilty in December at the conclusion of his second trial.

The Crimes Against Property Unit has six detectives assigned and is also supervised by a Lieutenant. These detectives focus most of their time on the crimes of felony theft, burglary, auto theft and arson. During 1999 they cleared 53% of those crimes that were assigned to them. One serial criminal ("Rooftop Burglar") accounted for fifty cases alone from late 1998 until his apprehension in November of 1999. He was ultimately charged and is currently awaiting sentencing, which will be up to 15 years in prison.

One Lieutenant supervises three detectives in the Fraud & Organized Crime Unit plus two more detectives and a crime analyst who serve in the Crime Analysis Unit. The Fraud Unit detectives cleared 79% of their cases during 1999, which is very impressive in that many "white collar" crime cases can be quite complicated. The Crime Analysis detectives and the crime analyst provide a myriad of services to detectives and Patrol Officers, which are detailed later in this report. The two assigned detectives were instrumental with assisting Property detectives in solving the serial burglars mentioned above, as well as several other cases during the year.

The Eastside Narcotics Task Force is also part of the Investigations Section in that a Bellevue PD Captain commands the Task Force and reports to the Section Commander. The Task Force made up of detectives from five Eastside Agencies had a very successful year with \$3.5 million in illegal narcotics seized and arrested 130 felony drug dealers. Also, the Task Force seized \$1.3 million in assets from drug suspects, the highest total in the past four years. Task Force detectives cleared 62% of the drug cases they initiated during 1999.

Overall the Investigations Section enjoyed a very successful year, which can be directly attributed to the well-trained and motivated investigators and their supervisors who are always up to the investigative challenges which are presented in the form of criminal activity.

INVESTIGATION SECTION

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- **Percentage of Total Part One Crimes Cleared**

The 1999 target was set at 27% cleared and that goal was attained (27%), a 2% increase over 1998.

- **Number of Part One Violent Crimes**

The 1999 target was set at 150 and the year-end figure was 128 violent crimes, a 20% decrease from 1998.

- **Part One Violent Crimes Cleared**

The 1999 target was 52% and that goal was surpassed with a 65% clearance rate. This is a 17% increase over 1998 (44%). Detectives cleared 77% of these crimes that were assigned to their caseload.

- **Number of Part One Property Crimes**

The 1999 target was set at 5,000 crimes and the year-end figure was 4,562, which was a slight increase of 2.5% over 1998. Nevertheless this performance measure was met.

- **Part One Property Crimes Cleared**

The 1999 target was set at 25% and at year-end the clearance rate was determined to be 26%. The performance measure was also attained and it should be noted that Detectives cleared 53% of these crimes that were assigned to their caseload.

- **Number of cases with fingerprint evidence processed by AFIS**

The 1999 target was 340 cases and this measure was exceeded by 16% with a total of 394 cases having been processed through AFIS by Carl Nicoll.

- **% of AFIS entries resulting in AFIS ID's**

The 1999 target was 26% and this was exceeded by 7% with a 33% identification rate (130 ID's), which is considerably higher than in past year

- **Number of Narcotics Enforcement Actions**

The 1999 target was 325 and this measure was not achieved with a total of 259 enforcement actions. ENTF ran its operations one detective short for the entire year and three others were new investigators that had limited experience with narcotics investigations.

- **Value of Narcotics Seized**

The 1999 target was \$5.0M and this performance measure was also not attained, with a total of \$3.5M in narcotics seized. The lack of one detective and the learning curve of the three new investigators had a direct impact on ENTF investigations during the year.

- **Value of assets seized by Narcotics Unit**

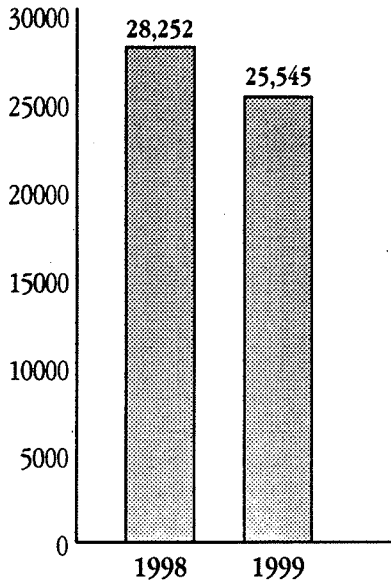
The 1999 target was \$800K and this measure was successfully achieved with a total of \$1.3M in assets seized.



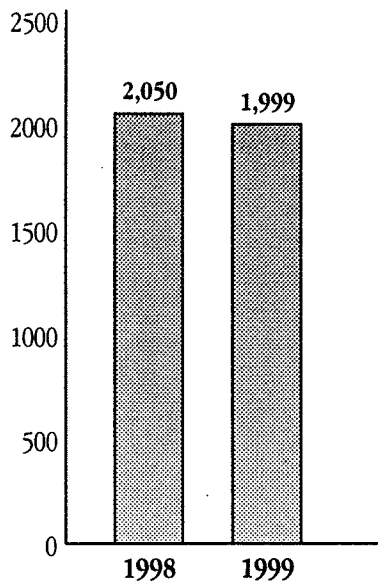
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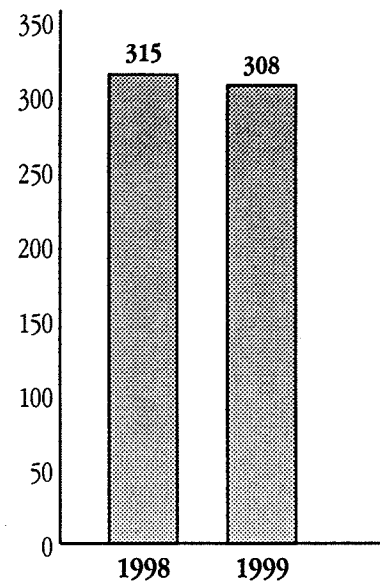
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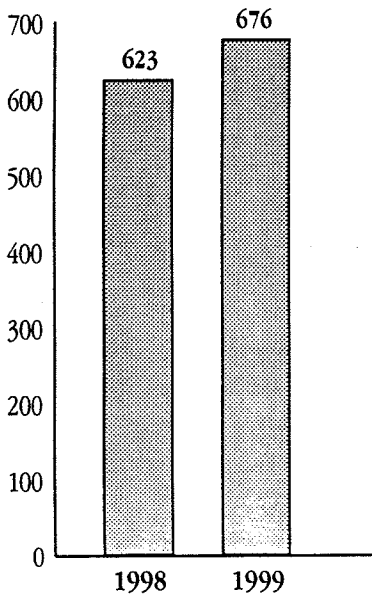
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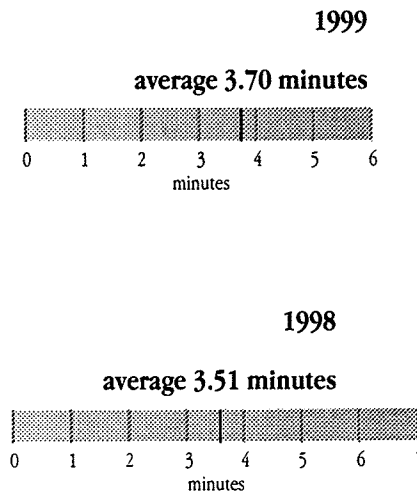
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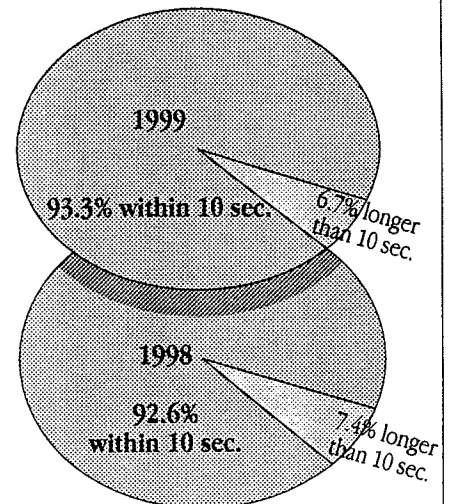
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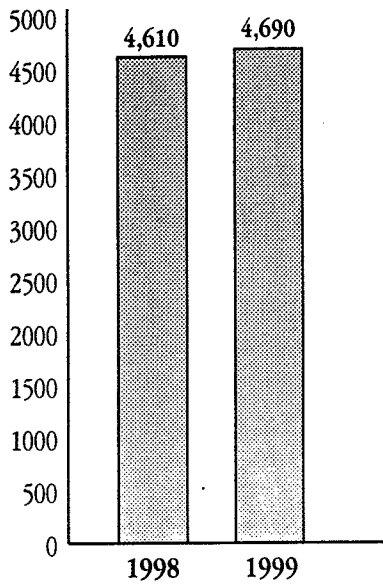
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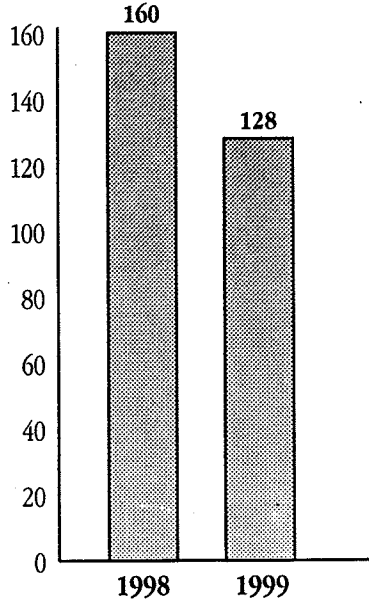
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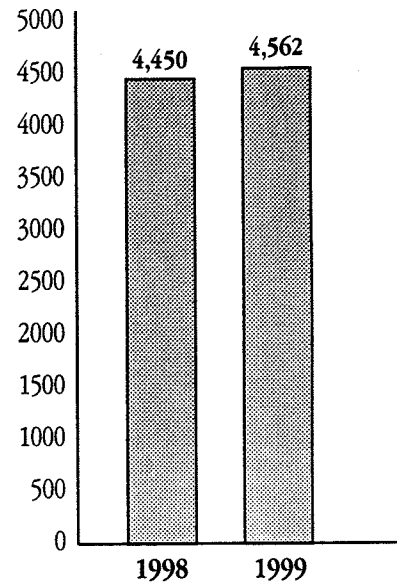
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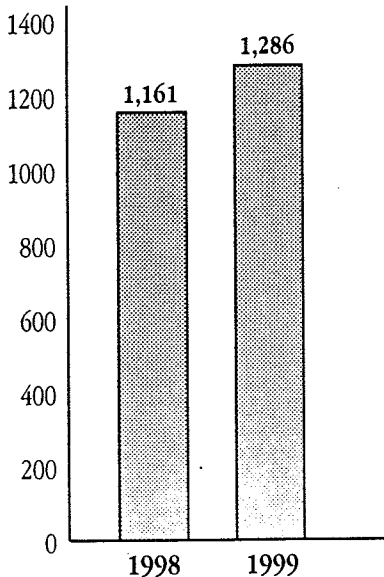
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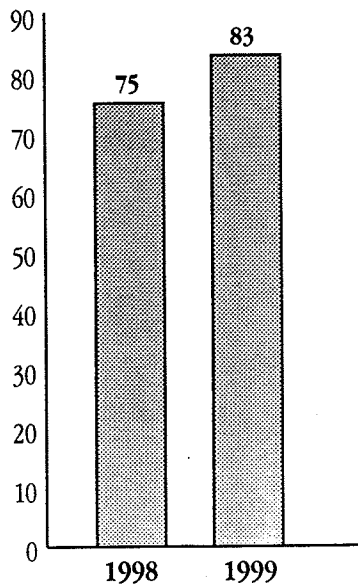
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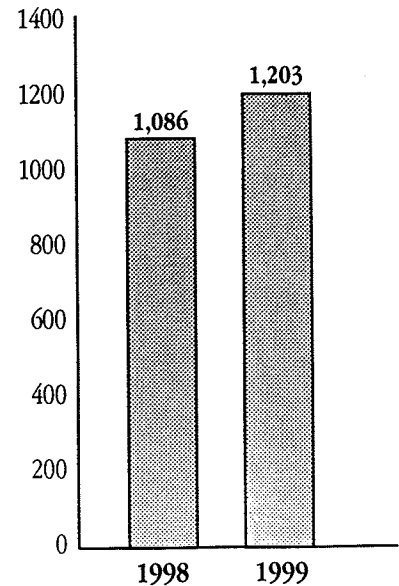
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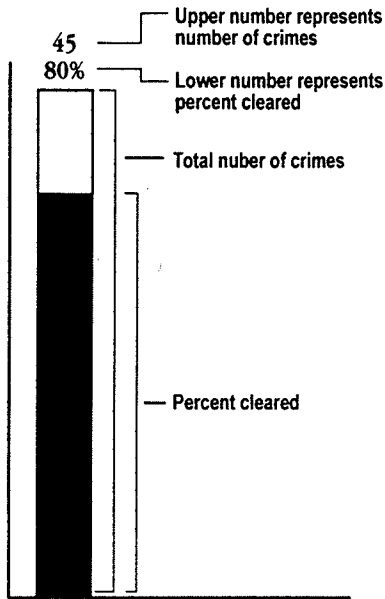
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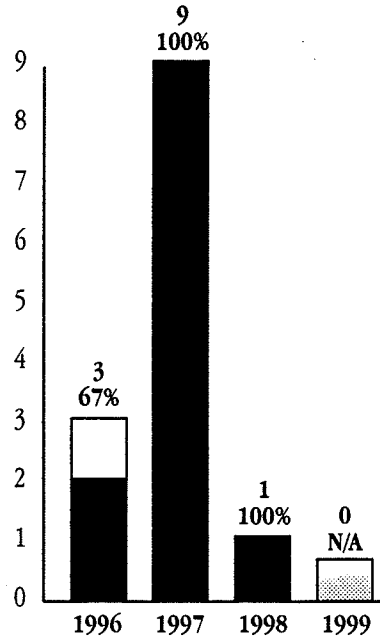


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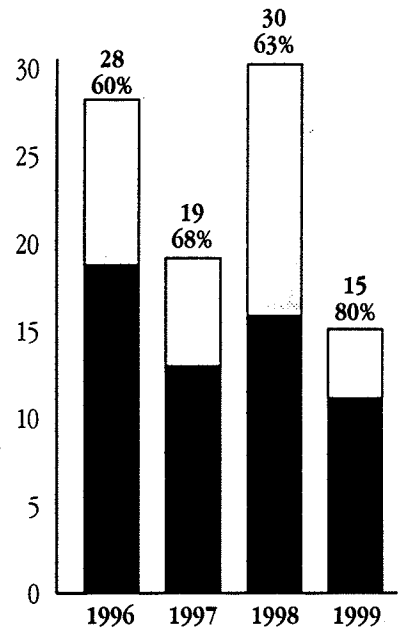
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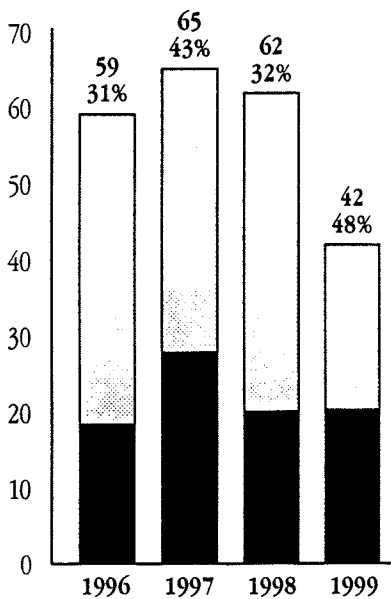
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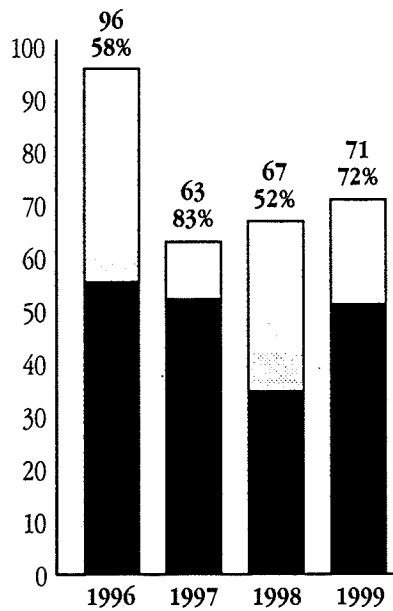
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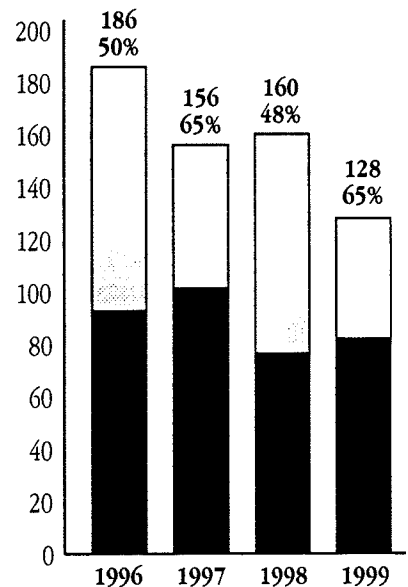
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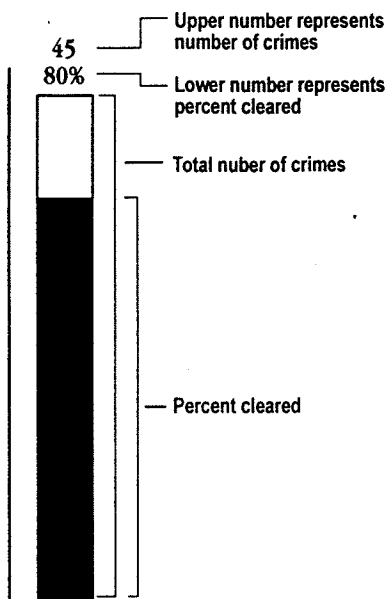
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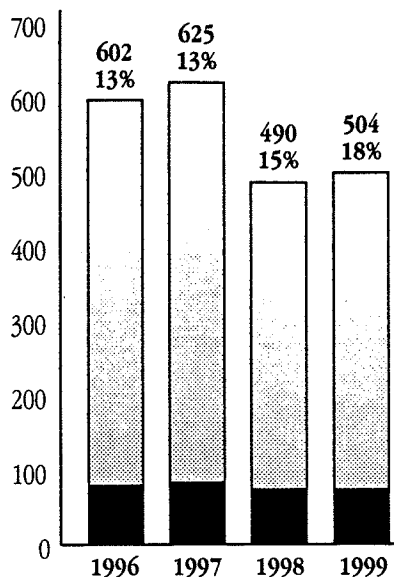


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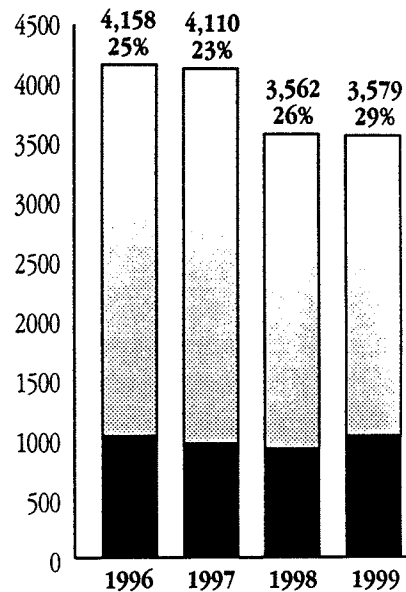
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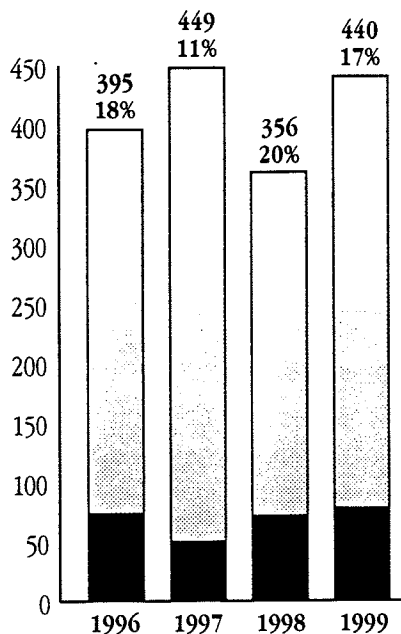
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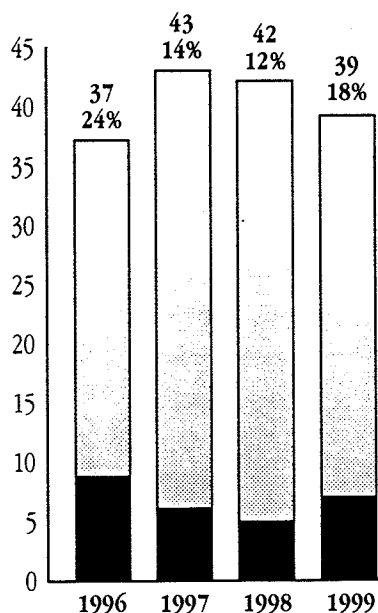
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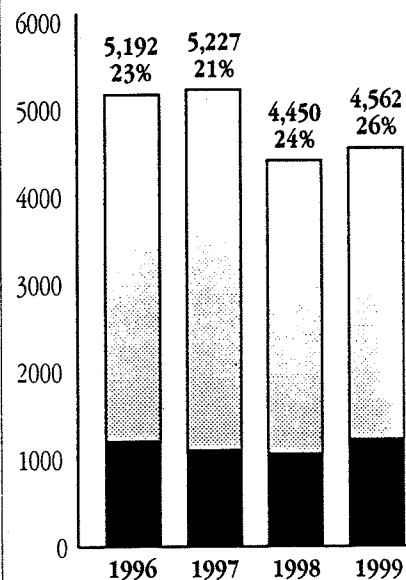
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Violent Crimes Unit

Mission

The mission of the Violent Crimes Unit is to help ensure, through criminal investigation and prosecution, the safety of all persons within the City of Bellevue.

Organization of the Violent Crimes Unit

The Violent Crimes Unit is comprised of one lieutenant and three detectives. Each unit detective is charged with the investigation of: homicide; robbery; rape and other sex offenses; assaults and other crimes of violence against a person. The ultimate goal of every investigation is the apprehension and successful prosecution of those criminally responsible.

Additionally, VCU detectives will respond to assist patrol personnel, at any questionable crime scene, upon the request of a patrol supervisor. VCU detectives can provide expertise in evidence identification and collection, crime scene dynamics and search warrant application. Detectives also provide in-house training to other sections with the Bellevue Police Department, as well as to Bellevue Fire Department personnel and to Overlake Hospital staff in the area of criminal forensics.

1999 Violent Crimes Unit Investigative Highlights

- The 1997 Wilson family murder investigation and prosecution came to a successful conclusion in 1999. David Anderson was convicted of four counts of Aggravated 1st degree Murder. This followed the 1998 conviction of his accomplice, Alex Baranyi, on the same charges.
- A Violent Crimes Unit detective, while assigned to the Puget Sound Violent Crimes Task Force, successfully cleared a multi-jurisdictional, juvenile prostitution case. The 14-year-old victim had been forced to work as a prostitute throughout Washington and Canada. The investigation resulted in three arrests. The young girl is currently residing in a safe, foster home and is back in school.
- Two young German tourists were robbed and their rental car stolen at gunpoint in south Bellevue. After a high-speed chase the suspect was apprehended. Follow-up investigation resulted in the positive identification of the suspect, the recovery of all stolen property and the successful prosecution of the suspect for Robbery.
- Internet chat rooms are increasingly becoming the playgrounds for sex offenders, often preying upon the vulnerability of children. In one 1999 case, a 23-year-old man developed a chat room relationship with a 14-year-old girl. An in-person meeting was arranged which subsequently led to a 2-month intimate relationship. The suspect in this case has been arrested and will be charged with multiple counts of Rape of a Child.

- **Cold Case Homicide Investigations**

New leads were followed on two of Bellevue's older unsolved murder cases. DNA evidence was found that will hopefully solve the 1980 sexual assault and murder of a young Bellevue woman. Laboratory comparisons continue to be conducted. The lead detective following-up a 1988 case has received valuable, new information from the FBI and will be pursuing those leads.

Training

During 1999, detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit attended the following training sessions: Two detectives attended "*Profiling the Criminal Personality*" in Eugene, Oregon. Two detectives attended "*Sexual Assault: Offenders and their Crimes*" held in Everett, WA. One detective attended "*Officer Survival School*" in Quantico, VA. One detective attended the "*Hazardous Devices School*" in Redstone, AL.

For the first six months of 1999 one VCU detective was assigned to the FBI's "Puget Sound Violent Crimes Task Force". All three detectives have now completed that assignment and have found it a valuable, on the job, learning experience.

The Violent Crimes Unit lieutenant continued as the department's liaison with the county-wide *Violent Firearms Crimes Coalition*, emphasizing a coordinated effort in the investigation and prosecution of all firearms related crimes

Violent Crime Statistics

The level of Violent Crime (Homicide; Rape; Robbery; Assault) in Bellevue, as it has across the country, declined in 1999. Successful case clearances, however, continued to increase.

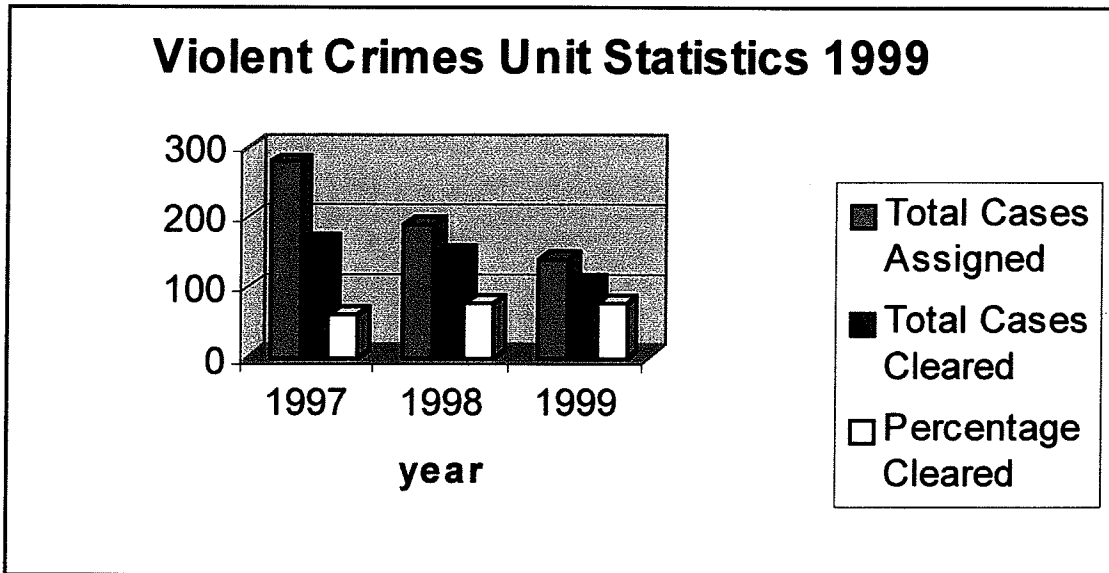
- Bellevue's total number of violent crimes dropped by 20% in 1999 when compared to 1998.
- In comparable sized cities, during the first six months of 1999, violent crime was down 11%; nationally down by 8% (F.B.I. UCR).
- Nationally, homicide rates have declined to levels last seen before 1969. Assaults have been on a steady decline since 1994.
- In 1999 Violent Crimes Unit detectives successfully cleared 78% of assigned cases. Department-wide, clearance of violent crime was 65%. (The most recent nationwide averages for clearance of violent crimes are from 1998; that clearance rate averaged 49%.)

The "Cases Assigned" statistics for the Violent Crimes Unit reflect this overall downward trend in violent crime. This decrease in crime allowed increased investigative time on assigned cases. The positive result being an increase in the number of successfully cleared cases. Violent Crimes Unit statistical data is graphed on the following page.

**Violent Crimes Unit Statistics
(Three year comparisons)**

<u>Cases Assigned</u>			<u>Cases Cleared</u>			<u>%Cleared**</u>		
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
278	189	140	167	149	109	60%	78%	78%

**** The calculations for clearances include arrest/filed/summons, exceptional, unfounded and other.**



**Violent Crimes Unit; Total Cases Assigned by Incident Type
(Three year comparisons)**

<u>Type of Incident</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
Assault	37	29	29
Rape	26	25	15
Sex Crime (other)*	NA	NA	15 *(Indecent Liberties/Exposing)
Robbery	52	51	18
Missing Person	35	30	22
Homicide	9	1	0
Other	119	71	41

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PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT

Mission

To protect the property interest of the Bellevue Community through the investigation of crimes against property and the prosecution of those responsible for those crimes.

Organization of the Property Crimes Unit

One lieutenant who assigns and oversees the caseloads of six detectives supervises the Property Crimes Unit.

Property Crimes Unit detectives investigate a wide variety of cases. The types of cases will range from the residential and commercial burglaries, to vandalism and thefts, including automobile thefts. Detectives within the unit have received specialized training in the investigation of these cases. Car crime investigations have been made a priority; therefore one detective has been assigned to work strictly motor vehicle thefts. One detective is also assigned to monitor the ever-increasing business at Bellevue's pawnshops and second-hand stores.

1999 Property Crimes Unit Investigation Highlights

- This year, the Property Unit arrested a very prolific rooftop commercial burglar. This suspect was responsible for committing ninety commercial burglaries county wide, fifty of which were committed in the City of Bellevue. This serial burglar was very difficult to apprehend because he left very little evidence at the crime scenes, he only took cash from businesses and he varied his targets routinely. This was a yearlong investigation culminating in the arrest of one suspect. The suspect has confessed to committing these burglaries and entered a plea in Superior Court, pleading guilty to eleven counts of Burglary 2nd Degree. The suspect will be sentenced later this year to thirteen to fifteen years in prison. All ninety of these burglaries will be cleared with this arrest.
- Patrol officers arrested two subjects on warrants who had extensive backgrounds in burglary and other property crimes. Detectives served a search warrant on their vehicle, which resulted in the recovery of stolen property linking them to a recent commercial burglary in Bellevue. Detectives identified the existence of two storage lockers rented by one of the suspects. Additional search warrants were obtained and served on these lockers. Additional stolen property was recovered. This property included computer equipment and explosives that was stolen from an explosive bunker in the City of Black Diamond. This investigation resulted in the arrest of six persons for various felonies and the recovery of over \$80,000.00 in stolen property. Eleven burglaries have been cleared in Bellevue as well as five additional burglaries in surrounding jurisdictions.

- A gardener was suspected of committing a residential burglary and stealing a motor vehicle while the occupants were on vacation. A search of pawnshops revealed that this suspect had pawned a computer stolen in this burglary at a pawnshop in Kent. A search warrant was obtained for this suspects residence. The warrant was served and two suspects were arrested and stolen property was recovered. This investigation revealed that additional property was sold to a "fence" living in Des Moines. Detectives located this address and a search warrant was served. Two additional suspects were arrested, approximately \$20,000.00 in stolen property was recovered, and detectives seized a quantity of Methamphetamine.
- Detectives were investigating a series of residential burglaries where jewelry and guns were stolen. A common denominator was established when it was learned that many of the victims had just had their heat/air ducts cleaned by the same company. A check with the company determined that one particular crew was responsible for the cleaning of all residences involved. Once the suspects were identified, probable cause for their arrest was developed when it was learned that two of the suspects had pawned jewelry and guns. Once the arrest was made a search warrant was served at their residence. Additional stolen property was recovered from the residence.
- Property Unit detectives do not only investigate property crimes. Occasionally they are called upon to investigate more serious crimes. All over the United States, a group of South American thieves have been committing armed robberies of jewelry couriers. The suspects would follow a jewelry courier for days until they determined that it was safe to do the robbery. This robbery was committed in the early afternoon in downtown Bellevue. Detectives investigating the robbery received a description of the suspect vehicle from witnesses. In previous robberies of this type, the suspects had rented vehicles in the SeaTac Airport area. A check with rental agencies identified a particular vehicle that was located at a motel in the same area. Surveillance on the vehicle was maintained until the suspects returned to the vehicle. When they did so, three suspects were promptly arrested. A search warrant was obtained for their vehicle and room. No jewelry was located, however the weapons used in the robbery and an additional \$20,000.00 in stolen property was recovered. A "line-up" was conducted after their arrest and the suspects were positively identified. This investigation was conducted in conjunction with the FBI and U.S. Immigrations. The suspects are expected to be tried in Federal Court later this year.

Accomplishments for the Property Crimes Unit

- One detective completed an eighty- hour course in *Electronic and Video Surveillance*.
- One detective completed a forty-hour course in *Homicide investigations*.
- One detective was selected to the *Hostage Negotiations Team*. He has completed an extensive forty-hour course with the Crises Clinic and will continue to train and work with the Crisis Clinic for the remainder of next year.
- One detective was chosen to fill an existing *Polygraph Examiner* position. He will receive eight weeks of training in 2000.

Property Crimes Unit Statistics 1999

DESCRIPTION	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total Cases Assigned	648	343	408	405
Total Cases Cleared	167	161	204	214
Percentage Cleared	26%	47%	50%	53%

(Note: The above clearance totals includes: cleared arrest/filed; cleared exceptional; cleared other; cleared juvenile and cleared unfounded.)

DESCRIPTION	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total Cases Assigned	648	343	408	405
Total Cases Cleared Arrest	41	59	70	103
Percentage Cleared Arrest	6.5%	17%	17%	25%

DESCRIPTION	1996	1997	1998	1999
Value of Property Stolen	\$6,191,137	\$7,917,863	\$6,571,259	\$6,922,106
Value/ recovered Property	\$2,336,910	\$3,340,739	\$2,917,838	\$2,816,081
Percentage Recovered (by value)	37%	42%	44.5%	41%

DESCRIPTION	1996	1997	1998	1999
Number of Cases Assigned	648	343	408	405
Number of Detectives	5	5	6	6
Average # of Cases	130	69	68	68

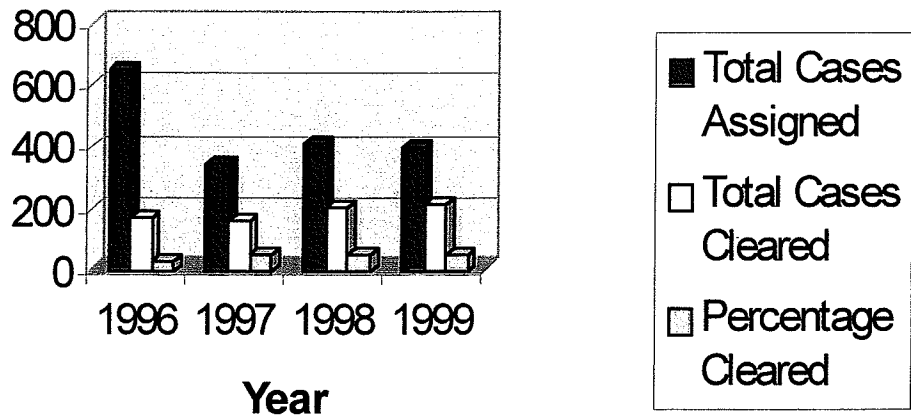
Total Property Crimes Offenses and Clearances (Department Wide) 1999

Actual Offenses	1998	1999	% Change 1998 to 1999
Burglary	490	504	+ 3%
Larceny	3562	3579	+5%
MV Theft	356	440	+24%
Arson	42	39	- 7%
Total	4450	4562	+2.5%

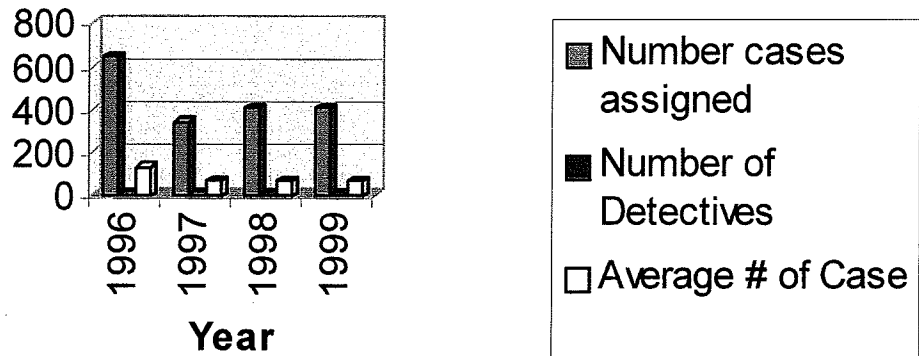
Offenses Cleared	1998	%Cleared	1999	%Cleared	%Change
Burglary	75	15%	91	18%	+3%
Larceny	936	26%	1029	29%	+3%
MV Theft	70	19%	76	17%	-2%
Arson	5	12%	7	18%	+6%
Total	1086	24%	1203	26%	+6%

	1998	% Arrests	1999	% Arrest	% Change
Burglary	81	16%	88	17%	+1%
Larceny	1050	29%	1017	28%	-1%
MV Theft	58	16%	67	15%	-1%
Arson	5	12%	9	23%	+11%
Total	1194	26%	1181	26%	NC

Property Crimes Unit Statistics 1999



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FRAUD & ORGANIZED CRIME UNIT

Mission

To protect the citizens and business owners through preventive education and diligent investigation of fraud and economic crimes committed in the Bellevue community.

Organization

The Fraud & Organized Crime Unit is comprised of three detectives supervised by a Lieutenant, who also supervises the Crime Analysis Unit. This unit primarily investigates crimes of fraud, forgery, extortion and counterfeiting. The detectives work with diverse victims, ranging from homeowners to small business owners and large corporations. Counterfeiting and identity thefts consumed the largest amount of investigative resources during 1999. The Unit has found increasing benefit in utilizing the "Internet Fraud List Server" to better manage investigations and to communicate more readily with other members of the law enforcement community, including municipal, county, State and Federal law enforcement agencies.

1999 Fraud & Organized Crime Unit Investigative Highlights

- Snohomish County SO arrested a male suspect for attempted forgery. He advised of an organized check-counterfeiting scheme directed against Bank of America originating out of Sumner, WA. Three checks were reported to Bellevue PD and research determined that another suspect was a Federal escapee. Bank of America indicated that they were victimized a total of about \$87,000. Another female check passer, who was in custody at the King County Jail, was interviewed and she provided a statement, which mirrored the male suspects statement. The Federal escapee suspect was subsequently arrested with the assistance of the U. S. Marshal's Office. He provided a full confession, which implicated two other primary suspects. He also identified the location where the checks were being printed. This investigation is still on going with approximately 110 checks negotiated at various Bank of America branches throughout King and Snohomish and Pierce Counties. Numerous checks have been submitted to AFIS in an attempt to identify the person responsible for printing the checks
- In June of 1999, alert Nordstrom store personnel became alarmed when they noticed a known registered sex offender following young girls in the store. They used closed circuit television to videotape this person and at one point he appeared to briefly touch a young girl. Patrol officers were called to the scene where they detained the male suspect and viewed the videotape, but did not arrest him or seized the tape. They filed a questionable actions case, which was forwarded to detectives for information and review of the man's registered sex offender status.

A detective who specialized in sex offenders read the case and immediately recognized what sounded like a classic case of "frottage." Frotteurism is a paraphilia (complex psychiatric disorder) common among sex offenders, which involves the sexual touching of unsuspecting victims in public places. The detective contacted Nordstrom Security, reviewed the videotape and verified that the suspect had indeed stalked the young girl, waited until her mother wasn't looking, then intentionally touched the victim in the area of her upper buttocks – a clear case of frottage.

Further investigation revealed that the suspect was a serious sexual predator who had been recommended for civil commitment. The Court had denied commitment, but included a caveat in the decision stating that any evidence of predatory behavior would be cause to reopen the case. The original prosecuting attorney was contacted and after reviewing the videotape the case was reopened. The suspect was arrested and the Court ordered him held until the case could be tried. While this case has yet to go to trial, the prosecutor believes commitment is very likely and this suspect will be incarcerated for several years. This was an excellent example of the detective's prior investigative training playing a key role in getting this suspect out of the community.

**FRAUD & ORGANIZED CRIME STATISTICS
CASES ASIGNED BY OFFENSE TYPE**

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
Forgery (Felony)	80	73
UIBC (Felony)	20	28
Theft (Misdemeanor)	2	26
Forgery (Credit Card)	20	10
Theft (Felony)	105	127
Embezzlement (Business)	9	4
Forgery (Check)	60	44
Assist Agency	21	6
M.V. Theft	3	0
Bunco	3	5
Questionable Action Commission of Burglary	4	13
Arson	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
Assigned Total	<u>329</u>	<u>336</u>

FRAUD & ORGANIZED CRIME UNIT STATISTICS

Description	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1. Total Cases Assigned	435	396	353	329	336	399	458
2. Total Cases Cleared	342	288	63	219	265	259	247
3. Percentage Cleared	78%	72%	57%	67%	79%	65%	54%

(Note: The above clearance total includes those cases cleared by arrest, restitution, or other civil remedies where a suspect has been identified.)

Description	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1. Total Cases Assigned	435	396	353	329	336	399	458
2. Total Cases Cleared by Arrest/Filing	138	96	353	47	37	33	39
3. Percentage Cleared by Arrest/Filing	31%	24%	100%	14%	11%	8%	9%

(Note: Nationally, the average clearance rate %, to include all crimes (1995), was 21%; nationally, the overall clearance for all property crimes was 18%. Source: FBI Uniform Crime Report, 1995.)

Description	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
1. Property Stolen, \$ Amt.	\$1,884,800	\$1,076,269	\$1,196,238	\$1,316,207	\$1,538,379	1,281,773
2. Property Stolen, Recovered \$ Amt.	\$346,794	\$294,177	\$283,528	\$394,177	\$991,569	490,862
3. Percentage Recovered	18.5%	27.0%	24.0%	33%	65%	38

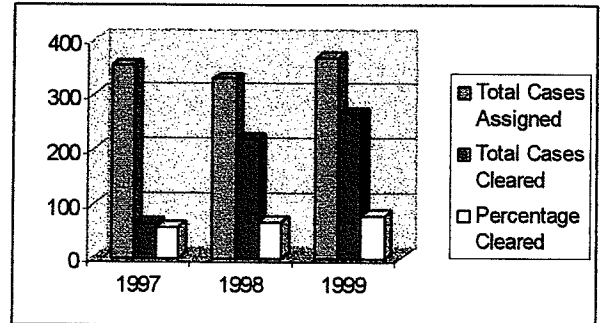
(Note: Excluding motor vehicle recoveries, the national % for value of property stolen and recovered was approximately 8% for 1995. (Source: FBI Uniform Crime Report, 995.)

Description	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1. Number of Cases Assigned	435	396	353	329	336	399	458
2. Number of Detectives	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
3. Average # Cases/Det.	109	99	118	110	112	133	153

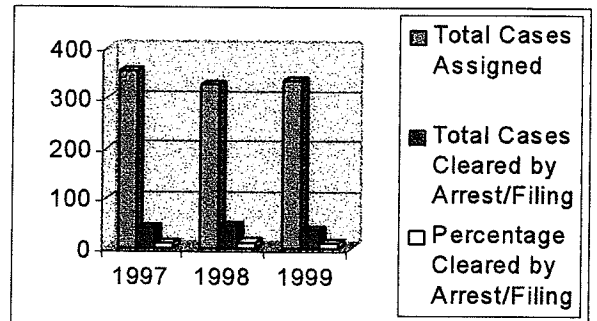
Fraud & Organized Crime Unit Statistics 1999

Description	1997	1998	1999
Total Cases Assigned	353	329	366
Total Cases Cleared	63	219	265
Percentage Cleared	57%	67%	79%

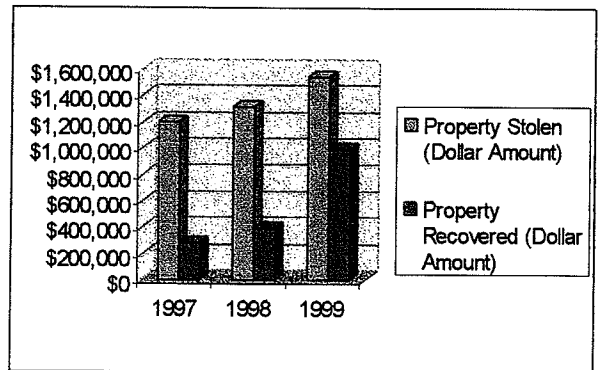
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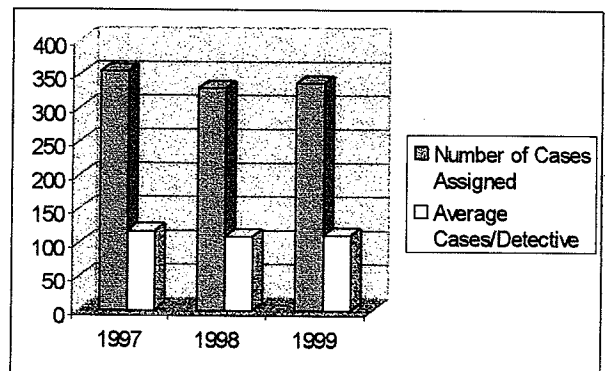
Description	1997	1998	1999
Total Cases Assigned	353	329	336
Total Cases Cleared by Arrest/Filing	42	47	37
Percentage Cleared by Arrest/Filing	12%	14%	11%



Description	1997	1998	1999
Property Stolen (Dollar Amount)	\$1,196,238	\$1,316,207	\$1,538,379
Property Recovered (Dollar Amount)	\$283,528	\$394,177	\$991,569
Percentage Recovered	24%	33%	65%



Description	1997	1998	1999
Number of Cases Assigned	353	329	336
Number of Detectives	3	3	3
Average Cases/Detective	118	110	112



The Crime Analysis Unit

Staffing: The CAU, established in 1983, is currently staffed by two detectives and one crime analysis technician.

Mission: The unit's primary mission is to collect, analyze, then disperse relevant crime information. From a daily torrent of reports, bulletins, FIRs, teletypes, etc., our CAU personnel filter out irrelevant information and pass along on the distilled intelligence to the appropriate officers, administrators, and more than 50 outside agencies. The main instrument for information distribution is the CAU Bulletin.

Additionally, CAU regular responsibilities include an array of important services such as:

- Registered sex offenders
 - Tracking
 - Investigating
 - Issuing community notifications
 - Answering citizens' questions
- Crime trend analysis
- Assisting with the investigation of serial crimes
- Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) for BPD and FBI use
- Statistical reporting of all kinds
- Specialized computer tasks
 - Building and maintaining specialized databases
 - Pawns
 - BPD and Outside agency bulletins (excellent for MO tracking & other research)
 - Motor vehicle crimes
 - Commercial & residential burglaries
 - Organized Crime
 - In-depth, on-line searches for persons, addresses, phone numbers, assets, etc. using both public and private databases providing access to more than 4 billion public records
 - Autotrak
 - Infotek
 - Internet
 - Creating electronic photo montages
 - Assisting with difficult photo montages when outside agency photos must be digitally altered to resemble BPD photos
 - Downloading and modifying aerial city photographs
 - Mapping and link analysis
 - Researching, evaluating, and implementing specialized computer systems
- Coordinate DOC monitor program
- Respond to citizen inquiries regarding crime statistics
- Maintain membership in national intelligence/information sharing associations (to assist with information gathering and liaison with outside agencies)
- Act as liaison with outside law enforcement agencies who need information or assistance from BPD
- Assist with crime scene processing in major cases
- Composite drawings

**Bellevue Police Department
Investigation Section**

**Captain W.R. Baker
Commander**

**EASTSIDE NARCOTICS
TASK FORCE**

**BELLEVUE POLICE
KIRKLAND POLICE
REDMOND POLICE
ISSAQUAH POLICE
MERCER ISLAND
POLICE**

EASTSIDE NARCOTICS TASK FORCE

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY FOR 1999

The Eastside Narcotics Task Force is comprised of five local Police Agencies on the Eastside of King County, which contribute personnel and resources. These agencies include Bellevue, Redmond, Kirkland, Mercer Island and Issaquah, along with a King County Prosecutor, a secretary and an Intelligence Officer from the National Guard. A Bellevue Police Captain commands the Task Force, and reports to the Chiefs of Police of the member departments. A Bellevue Police Department Lieutenant supervises the detectives.

The Eastside Narcotics Task Force is assigned the responsibility to investigate narcotic activity within its jurisdictional boundaries, or within King County. The primary focus of the Task Force is to detect and arrest individuals and/or organizations involved in this narcotic activity, to aggressively pursue the source, and to make drug dealing on the Eastside less profitable through incarceration and property forfeiture.

1999 saw several major changes for the Eastside Narcotics Task Force: The long awaited move to the 5th floor of the Leavitt Building took place, giving all personnel a lot more room and a much more comfortable working environment. The new year saw three new detectives start their undercover careers and the temporary loss of a fourth Detective back to its parent agency do to personnel shortages. In July of last year a DEA Agent (Drug Enforcement Administration) joined the Task Force in exchange for Bellevue assigning one of its four Narcotic Detectives assigned to the Northwest HIDTA Integrated DEA State and Local Task Force which is based in Seattle. This exchange has proven beneficial and very productive to both Task Forces. The last change occurred in October 1999, when the Narcotic Detection Dog team of Officer John Jesson and K9-Dollar were assigned to the ENTF office.

Specific Investigations of Interest:

The Eastside Narcotics Task Force is involved in a wide variety of investigations and cases, which makes it difficult to select the best cases. The following is a sampling of what the ENTF detectives encountered in 1999.

January 14: Working with the King County vice Unit, ENTF detectives set up a sting operation in a local hotel for escort services. A total of six individuals were arrested for Prostitution and prostitution-related charges. Later in the year, another sting was set up and several more persons were arrested for similar charges.

March 5: Methamphetamine has seen an enormous increase in the King County Area, and on this date, it came close to home. A traffic stop by a Patrol Officer right outside the Leavitt Building and City Hall results in the discovery of a mobile Meth-Lab inside the vehicle. The area was cordoned off while the BFD Haz-Mat team responded. Detectives and Police Administrators along with other city employees watched out their

windows while the dangerous chemicals were collected and disposed of. The two suspects, who had purchased many of the necessary chemicals for production right here in Bellevue, were arrested and booked for the possession and manufacture of this dangerous narcotic.

April 9: A long term investigation by ENTF leads detectives to a house in Redmond where a search warrant for a marijuana grow operation is obtained. 370 marijuana plants are discovered in the basement of the residence, along with several pounds of processed bud packaged ready for sale. ENTF seized two vehicles, cash and computers from the two suspects.

October 29: An ENTF detective learned that a marijuana merchant was recruiting Redmond High School students to sell his imported BC bud to the local teens. The suspect was using heavy-handed fear tactics to intimidate his young dealers. The suspect went so far as to kidnap one person at gunpoint, assault others, and destroy vehicles and property of his recruited salesmen when they did not pay on time. Because the suspect's actions were escalating, the investigation took a shortcut and the suspect arrested before we could infiltrate this rather large marijuana import operation. A search warrant was served on the suspect's vehicle and apartment. \$16,954.00 in cash was seized from the 1995 Cadillac the suspect drove. 5 pounds of BC bud and two handguns were located in his apartment. Due to the exceptional investigation and report submitted by the detective, the suspect's attorney persuaded him to plea-bargain to various drug and assault charges. He received 49 months minimum. Even the defense attorney admitted that his client was only a short time away from committing a homicide when we arrested him.

November 2: A long-term investigation leads ENTF to an apartment in Woodinville, where another importer of high quality BC bud is busy selling his wares. A warrant is served and his apartment entered as the suspect is sitting at the kitchen table, counting his ill-gotten cash. Two suspects are arrested, over 15 pounds of marijuana, and \$10,294.00 cash seized from the table where it was being counted. Two high priced vehicles and two jet skis were also seized.

November 9: The narcotics equivalent of the tri-fecta came to be during a long-term marijuana growing investigation. Three suspects were utilizing three houses next to each other for producing high-grade marijuana. They were all inter-related and very surprised when ENTF came knocking. In all, 270 plants were seized, \$3225.00 cash and a vehicle. Conspiracy charges are pending.

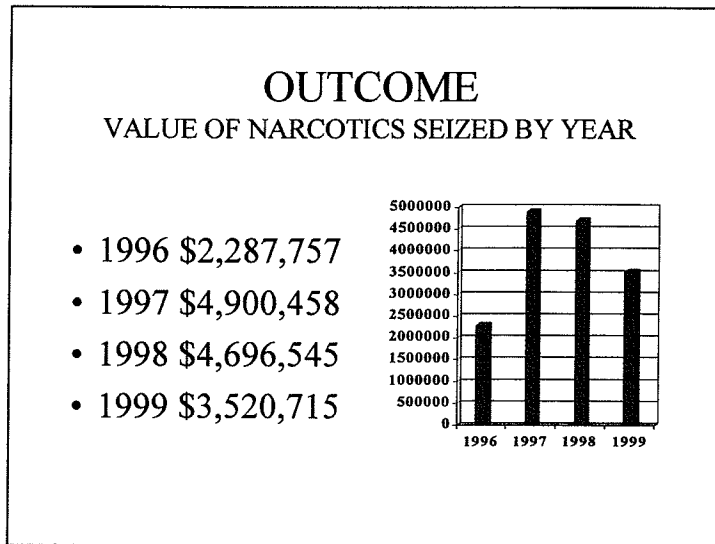
December 15: While conducting a buy walk at a house in Seattle that was supplying crack to Eastsiders, the confidential informant was assaulted and robbed of the ENTF buy money. The investigation continued, a warrant obtained, and ultimately 6 suspects were arrested, over \$16,000.00 cash, 105 grams of crack cocaine, two handguns and a vehicle were seized. Robbery charges were filed, as well as the VUCSA charges.

December 21: Thanks to our newly acquired DEA agent, several high level buy-walks were made with Federal money. Eventually, a buy-bust was set up and over one kilo of

high-grade cocaine was seized. From this, two search warrants were developed, and several more ounces of cocaine seized, along with \$1255.00 and two vehicles.

1999 YEARLY ACTIVITY:

The year 1999 saw a substantive increase in the seizure of hard drugs compared to 1998. Crack cocaine was the largest increase, up 2739 %. Also seeing an increase was cocaine powder (+144 %), heroin (+343 %) and methamphetamine (+97 %). ENTF detectives also seized 85 guns, 42 vehicles, and \$118,875.00 in cash. Combining all drug and asset seizures for the year, the Task Force totaled \$4,863,284.00. 1740 training hours were also accumulated by ENTF personnel.

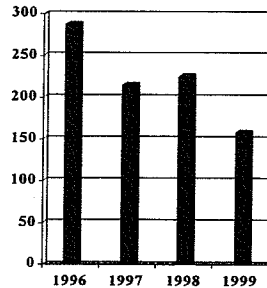


- Last year ENTF seized \$3,520,715 of illegal drugs as compared to \$4,696,545 during 1998.
- The Task Force made one hundred thirty (130) felony drug arrest and twenty-three additional felony suspects were charged without arrest.
- During 1999, ENTF initiated two hundred fifty-four (254) criminal investigations and closed by arrest, filing and exceptional one hundred fifty-eight cases.
- One hundred twenty-two new tip sheets were investigated during 1998.
- Last year ENTF purchased \$49,660.13 worth of evidence and criminal information related to narcotic investigations.
- During 1999, forty-six (46) marihuana grow investigations were initiated and eighteen (18) marihuana grow operations were shut down.
- ENTF made twenty-seven (27) wire applications and cultivated seventy-six (76) informants during 1999

EFFECTIVENESS

NUMBER OF CASES CLEARED BY ARREST INCLUDING CLEARANCE EXCEPTIONAL

- 1996 288
- 1997 215
- 1998 225
- 1999 158
- (Clearance Exceptional includes: Closed Arrest/Summons; Closed Other; Unfounded.)

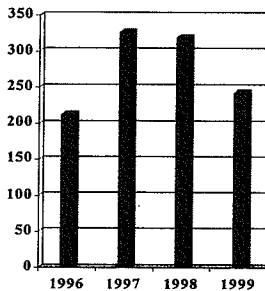


- The Task Force had a total of two hundred forty-three (243) enforcement actions during 1999 including: sixty-four (64) search warrants; nineteen (19) "knock & talk" searches; one hundred thirty-one (131) controlled buys; and twenty-nine (29) undercover buys.

WORKLOAD

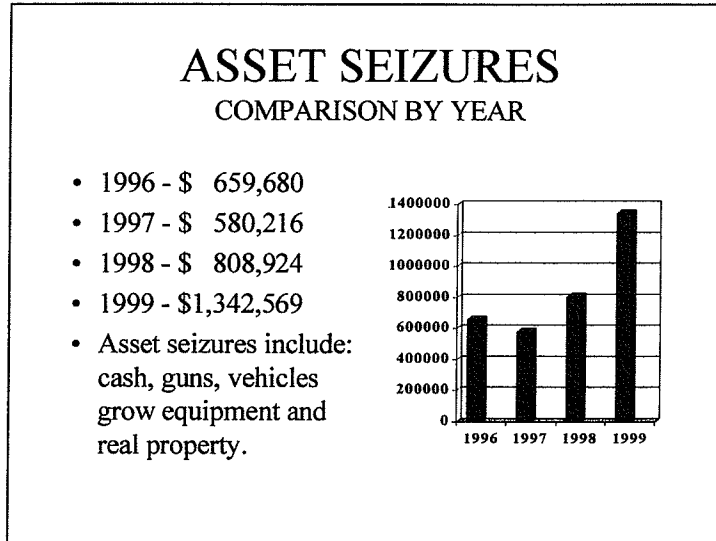
NUMBER OF ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

- 1996 213
- 1997 327
- 1998 319
- 1999 243
- (Search Warrants, Knock & Talk Searches, Undercover buys, Controlled buys.)



- The total value of seized assets was \$1,342,569 in 1999 and this was considerably higher than the \$800,000 that was estimated.
- The actual forfeited revenue that was placed into seizure accounts amounted to \$282,867.
- ENTF converted three (3) vehicles, two (2) bicycles, one (1) Benalli 12 gauge Shotgun and a Gun Safe to narcotic enforcement use.

- Last year ENTF joined the "Statewide Marihuana Eradication Program" in conjunction with the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Washington State Patrol. A mobile wireless video surveillance system was purchased under this program which reimbursed the Task Force \$12,875.60 for this equipment purchase.



- The Task Force purchased a GPS Tracking System from an Orion Electronics Limited for \$15,200,utilizing seizure funds. This equipment will be of tremendous benefit in tracking the movements of criminals trafficking in narcotics.

From year to year, the single most important issue that impacts the efficiency and effectiveness of the Task Force is the constant turnover of personnel. It takes a minimum of six months to adequately train a new detective assigned before he begins to be effective and have a impact in his assignment at the Task Force. Currently the Task Force consists of veteran detectives but we are still operating one detective short. The year 2000 will see a new lieutenant beginning his tour February 12th and a new Commander and Detective beginning tours in September. We are still operating one detective short and I am hoping that that position will be filled in the next few months. Two new detectives will begin their tours in January 2001. Even with these changes, I am anticipating that the caseload narcotics seizures and asset seizures will increase significantly in the year 2000. The number one priority of this unit will always remain legal and effective narcotic enforcement with the emphasis on safety of the officers, citizens and criminal suspects.

**Bellevue Police Department
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FORENSIC SCIENCE

A.F.I.S.

**Latent Fingerprint
Exam**

**Major Crime Scene
Processing**

FORENSICS SERVICES UNIT

The Forensics Services Unit is charged with the responsibility of identifying criminal perpetrators through the identification of trace evidence deposited at crime scenes and on items of evidence obtained from crime scenes for in-house laboratory examination. Digital imaging and image enhancement services are also provided.

During 1999 130 latent print identifications were effected. Examples include:

- Multiple case/suspect identifications in high loss check fraud cases, the identification of a participant in an Interstate 405 ambush style jewelry robbery, the identification of offenders in burglary, theft and auto strip/prowl offenses.
- Assistance was provided to the FBI pertaining to the investigation of a multi-state counterfeit check ring where losses to Seattle area banks, including banks in Bellevue, amounted to \$2 million. Numerous offender identifications were effected, culminating in the multiple Federal indictments.
- On a case by case basis, forensic services were provided to other surrounding local law enforcement agencies including, Issaquah, Mercer Island and Redmond.

1999 saw considerable progress in the plans to commence construction of a new laboratory facility. In addition to the Capital Improvement appropriation from the Bellevue City Council, the catalyst to initiate this project, considerable effort was generated to secure additional funding from the Federal Government. Prominent local citizens, as well as County and State Representatives are supporting these efforts. Congresswoman Jennifer Dunn and State Representatives Luke Esser and Steve Van Luven toured the current facility during the year.

In December, AFIS 21 technology was installed in the Forensics Unit, replacing the original AFIS package purchased in 1994. A Windows NT based platform; AFIS 21 is designed to maximize the efficiency of automated fingerprint operations. It will become the platform that eventually facilitates access to national databases such as the FBI.

The 21st Century dawns with considerable promise in the area of police forensics, the technological revolution of recent years showing no sign of abatement. Also the construction of the new laboratory facility will equally establish the foothold for continued forensic successes for years to come. For the Bellevue Police Department and the citizens it serves, this bodes well for the future.

Bellevue Police Department Investigation Section

VOLUNTEERS

**THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
SECTION, VOLUNTEERS DONATED
645 HOURS TO INVESTIGATIONS**

BOB HERSCHKOWITZ

CAROL OTROSA

SUE CRITCHLOW

TERI STUDHAM

GAIL LINDE

LARRY LINDE

MEGHAN TURI

IRINA RUZINSKY

INVESTIGATION SECTION VOLUNTEERS

- **Bob Herschowitz:** Bob has been assisting Crime Analysis since December of 1994. Coming in when his work schedule at Boeing allows, Bob does everything from data entry to special computer projects.
- **Carol Otrosa:** Carol assists the Violent Crimes Unit. In 1999 the Department conducted forty-five natural death investigations. Carol re-contacts the family members in these cases and offers referral information to the families in need. Carol made thirty-seven contacts and made thirty-seven referrals.
- **Teri Studham:** Teri has been assisting Crime Analysis since August of 1999 and comes in once a week for data entry and to edit our database for errors. Teri helped design these databases in "Access" and has entered data into sex offender files. Teri is always ready to help when the need arises and put in countless hours on the Rooftop Burglar cases.
- **Larry and Gail Linde:** The Linde's have been a fixture in Crime Analysis since December of 1994. They enter crime report data into our stand-alone databases detailing MV thefts and recoveries, commercial burglaries, residential burglaries and motor vehicle prowls. They also assemble information and dossiers on registered sex offenders. Gail Linde does specific tasks for Lynn Zirkle in the area of MV Thefts. The Linde's come in once a week for up to three hours, however they have come in more often when the need arises.
- **Sue Critchlow:** Sue has been assisting Crime Analysis since March of 1996. She comes in once a week and enters information into the weekly crime bulletin.
- **Irina Ruzinsky:** Irina has been assisting the Crime Analysis Unit since October of 1999. She runs names of everyone featured in crime bulletins sent to us from outside agencies for Bellevue contacts. She has also been instrumental in translating Russian written documents.
- **Meghan Turi:** Meghan worked on a special project for the Violent Crimes Unit. She hand searched crime reports for Firearms Crimes from 1997 through 1999. From these reports she researched the type of weapons used, the location, whether the suspect(s) were adult or juvenile and if a firearm was seized. She also tracked all firearm arrests. She then entered the numbers from these criteria into graph form. This will be very helpful for the Unit to evaluate the nature and extent of our firearm problem.