

2015 ANNUAL REPORT ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

During the past year, 819 inmates were booked in, a 4.80% decrease from 2014. Of this total, 194 were Federal Detainees and 42 were housed for other counties. A total of 48 inmates were sentenced and transported to state prison. The highest single day population was 149 with an average daily population of 120. The office generated 2.41 million dollars in **revenue** from housing inmates and came in **under budget** for the fifth straight year.

We completed a \$300,000.00 capital project at the jail that brought our security and record management systems up to date. Our jail was also re-accredited by the New York State Sheriff's Association. To achieve this accreditation the office had to show compliance to 164 operating standards, and we received high praise from the re-accreditation team.

Our excellent Medical Staff, who are able to resolve most medical problems within the confines of our facility, performed 610 history and physicals and 2,909 urgent and non-urgent sick or injury calls.

Inmates in the working inmate program worked a total of 28,216 hours, the equivalent of 13 full time employees. The inmate garden raised over 8,800 pounds of produce which was used to reduce the cost of meals at the jail. The pheasant program, which is run at no expense to the taxpayers, raised and released 1,276 birds. These activities help the inmates learn responsibility and give them a sense of pride gained by a job well done, hopefully reducing the probability of them re-offending and returning to our facility.

Although the primary responsibility of the Sheriff's Office is the operation of the Allegany County Jail, we are also charged with the security at the county office building and court complex, law enforcement activities on both of the lakes located within the county, the civil process and the operation of the county's E-911 dispatch center.

During 2015 Public Safety Dispatchers in the Sheriff's Office E911 Division processed over 90,184 calls for service, which resulted in over 68,000 incident reports generated and classified as follows, 66% Police, 23% Medical, 10% Fire and 1% "other".

As directed by statute, this office monitored as many as 113 registered sex offenders in 2015, including 27 level III offenders which are classified as the highest risk to the community and most likely to re-offend.

The Sheriff's Office is also involved in the community. In 2015, in partnership with PPAC, the Sheriff's Office sponsored a total of four pill-drops throughout Allegany County collecting and destroying over \$128,000.00 in street value of drugs, keeping them off our streets. Partnering with the county Office for the Aging and the NY State Police we continue to sponsor the TRIAD program that brings members of our senior citizen groups together monthly to listen to speakers on topics that affect their lives. Several members of the office, including myself and Undersheriff Monroe also participated in the annual Shop with a Cop program for the benefit of underprivileged children. Since 2012, our officers have donated a total of \$3,225.00 to this program through our "Beard for Bucks" campaign.

The office continued to move forward in 2015 and I am confident that the men and women of the Allegany County Sheriff's Office will again meet the challenges of the upcoming year in a professional and fiscally responsible manner.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheriff Ricky L. Whitney