



# BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



**2024  
ANNUAL REPORT**

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# BENTON COUNTY SHERIFF



**Tom Croskrey**  
**Sheriff**  
**32 Years of Service**

Benton County was established in 1905 and in 2024 had an estimated total population of 217,850. The unincorporated population of Benton County represents approximately 41,425 and in its entirety covers a total of 1760 sq. miles. The Benton County Sheriff's Office has 88 hardworking and committed employees. These employees include 73 commissioned police officers and 15 civilian staff.

## **Mission Statement**

The Benton County Sheriff's Office is committed to collaborative partnerships, safeguarding the community by protecting their rights, while building and maintaining trust.

## **Vision Statement**

The Benton County Sheriff's Office commits to providing the highest standard of law enforcement services for the people who live, work, and visit Benton County. We will effectively use our resources to build a culture that recognizes and enhances the skills and efforts of our employees.

We will foster strong relationships with our community and our regional law enforcement partners to professionally investigate and solve crime. We will protect our community with integrity and compassion while combating criminal activity.

We will honor the trust placed in us by our community, while diligently working to improve public safety.



## **Core Values**

- Teamwork:** Collaborating with each other, the community, our partner agencies, and anyone seeking an advocate for public safety.
- Integrity:** Holding one another to uncompromising principles while performing the duties of the office in the pursuit of truth and justice, while protecting the innocent.
- Commitment:** Through our actions, we remain dedicated to valuing our employees and ensuring we are providing the best public safety services to our community.

# MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF

In 2023, we experienced a lot of growth and filling of vacant positions, the focus for 2024 was to continue to maintain a high level of public safety and continue to expand on the programs we have implemented and ensure we are progressing at a steady rate.

On the heels of an all time high crime rate from 2021-2023 in Benton County, we instituted a multi-detective proactive team during 2023. In 2024, we have seen a continued success with this team. This specialized unit played a critical role in preventing local crime by targeting repeat offenders, investigating drug-related activities and addressing emerging crime trends. This proactive approach allows us to disrupt criminal operations, remove dangerous individuals from our community and improve overall public safety within Benton County. As a result of this unit, we have seen a significant decrease in crime to include zero homicides in 2024.

Alongside the proactive unit, we reorganized our K-9 unit and made the decision to purchase two new K-9 patrol dogs. Two K-9 handlers were selected through a testing process and we procured the K-9's from Alderhorst, where K9 Riff and K9 Sir Edward were selected. The two handlers have attended training and will be assigned to work with patrol squads. Another specialty canine was purchased with the assistance of the Benton County Sheriff's foundation. This canine is specially trained in electronic storage detection. K9 Blaze will be used in ICAC cases across the region.

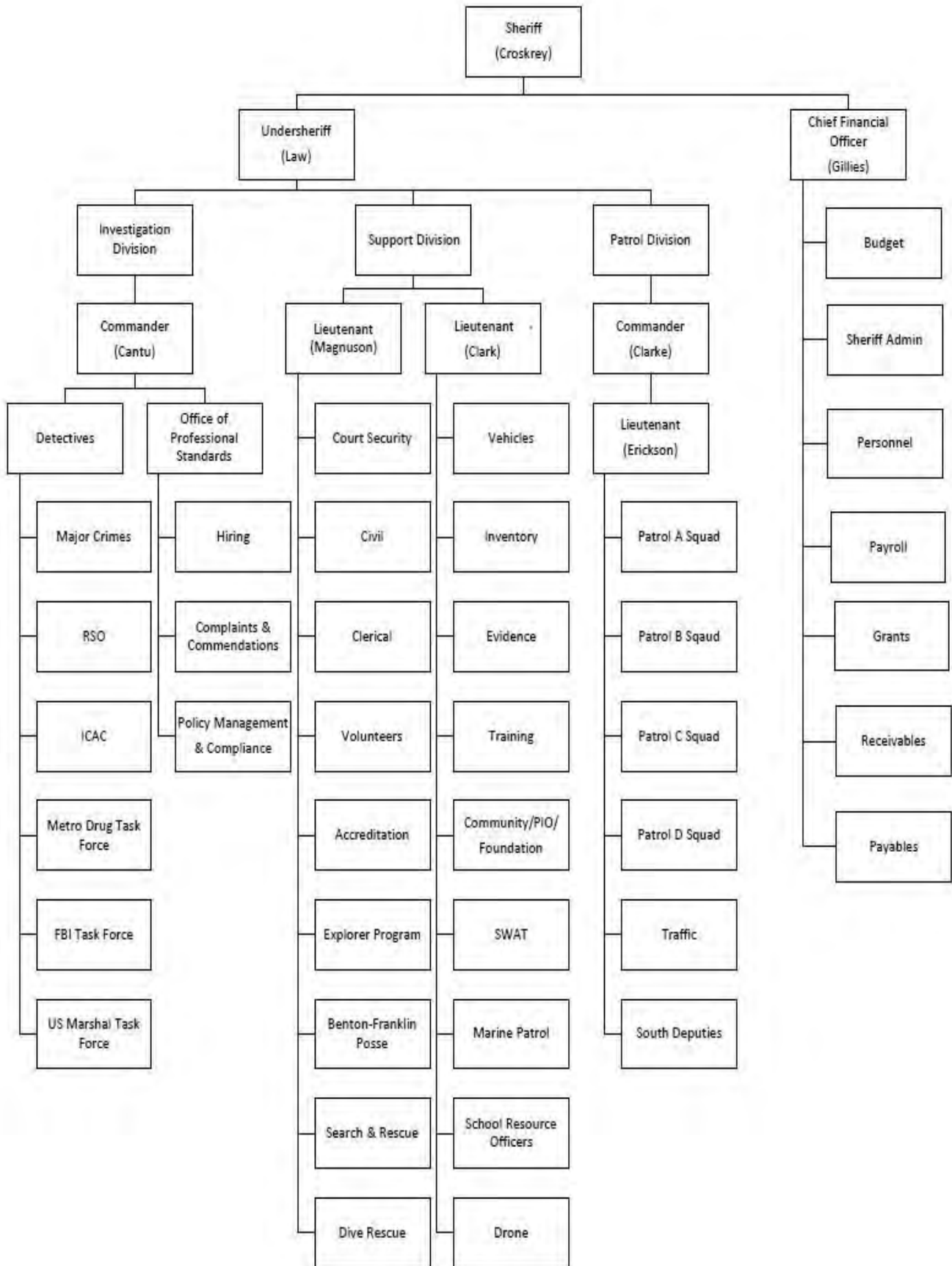
As the year progressed, we have continued investing in our employee wellness program. We partnered with the team at Sharp Performance to offer a user friendly tool that allows deputies unlimited 1 on 1 coaching with experienced coaches who understand the unique demands of high-risk professionals. Alongside the app, we contracted with a local professional mental health counselor to provide confidential counseling services for deputies after they encounter critical incidents.

It has been a long term, continued effort to ensure our deputies have the necessary equipment to perform their duties safely and effectively. From updated protective gear to essential technology and tools, we are investing in resources that enhance our ability to serve the community. Additionally, we recognize the critical need for addressing crimes against children, which is why we have once again assigned a detective to the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force. Strengthening our role in ICAC will allow us to better investigate these cases and bring justice to victims. We are also exploring ways to enhance services that assist ICAC in tackling these serious crimes more effectively.

Lastly, some major improvements that will directly impact the citizens of the county was the implementation of new technology to improve efficiency and public safety. We launched an online reporting portal, allowing residents to report non-emergency incidents conveniently from their devices. This will free up deputies to focus on higher-priority calls while ensuring all reports are handled efficiently. Additionally, we are deployed Flock Safety cameras throughout the county. These automated license plate readers will help us track stolen vehicles, locate missing persons, and solve crimes more effectively. By leveraging this technology, we can increase our ability to deter and investigate criminal activity while improving overall security in our community.

*Sheriff Tom Croskrey*

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# 5-YEAR CRIME TREND ANALYSIS

## 5 YEAR CRIME COMPARISON Benton County Sheriff's Department: 2024 Annual NIBRS Thresholds Analysis (National Incident Based Reporting System)

NIBRS OFFENSE	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	AVERAGE	2024	% CHANGE
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2	1	2	8	5	4	5	25%
Forcible Sex Offenses	8	11	11	16	9	11	17	55%
Robbery	5	5	4	6	8	6	2	-67%
Aggravated Assault	60	92	67	60	79	72	50	-31%
Simple Assault	343	343	270	350	424	346	408	18%
Intimidation	41	56	43	43	50	47	62	40%
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	24	29	36	18	24	26	34	31%
Kidnapping	11	14	9	11	16	12	12	0%
Human Trafficking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	86	189	103	161	104	129	95	-26%
Arson	5	4	6	6	9	6	1	-83%
Larceny	276	463	357	473	297	373	260	-30%
Motor Vehicle Theft	47	65	75	125	107	84	155	85%
Extortion/Blackmail	1	7	1	4	3	3	3	0%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	10	14	3	6	4	7	6	-14%
Fraud	8	8	8	6	4	7	63	800%
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Stolen Property Offenses	32	44	26	54	35	38	63	66%
Destruction/Vandalism of Property	197	272	245	263	270	249	252	2%
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	145	101	45	85	83	91	94	3%
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	9	6	5	3	5	5	0%
Gambling Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Prostitution Offenses	3	1	0	1	0	1	0	-100%
Violation of No Contact Order	103	139	108	80	106	107	110	3%
Bribery	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Weapon Law Violation	27	27	22	27	39	28	32	14%
Animal Cruelty	10	9	5	5	1	6	1	-83%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1445</b>	<b>1904</b>	<b>1452</b>	<b>1813</b>	<b>1680</b>	<b>1659</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>-4%</b>
<b>Violent Crime Total</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>-20%</b>
<b>Property Crime Total</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>1066</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>1098</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>0%</b>

Violent Crime Includes: Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Forcible Rape, Forcible Fondling and Sexual Assault with an Object  
 Property Crime Includes: Burglary, Arson, Larceny, Motor Vehicle Theft, Forgery, Fraud, Embezzlement, Stolen Property Offenses and Vandalism  
 \*Crimes with lower numbers over (such as murder) can appear to have drastic changes when looking strictly at percent change.

# UNDERSHERIFF



**Jon Law**  
**Undersheriff**  
**26 Years of Service**

The day to day operations of the Benton County Sheriff's Office is managed by Undersheriff Jon Law. This includes all but the Administrative Division of the office and includes the Patrol, Investigations, and Support Divisions. The Benton County Sheriff's Office is comprised of 73 commissioned law enforcement officers and 15 non-commissioned support staff for a total of 88 employees. The biannual budget that supports the operations of the Sheriff's Office is \$36 million and is split amongst the different divisions within.

The following staff report to the Undersheriff:

- \* Patrol Commander Mat Clarke
- \* Investigations Commander Lee Cantu
- \* Support Lieutenant Erik Magnuson
- \* Support Lieutenant Mike Clark

# SUPPORT DIVISION

The Support Division is comprised of two Lieutenants and provides support for all other units within the agency.

**Support Division Lieutenant– Michael Clark, 19 Years of Service** - Community Outreach, Fleet, Marine Patrol, SRO's, Wellness, Training, Foundation, PIO and SWAT

**Support Division Lieutenant– Erik Magnuson, 19 Years of Service** - Records Staff, Evidence, SAR, Dive Rescue, Posse, Court Security, Volunteers, Explorers and Accreditation.

# RECORDS UNIT

- ◆ 1,799 Public records requests processed (a 50.92 percent increase from 10 years ago)
- ◆ 2,241 Concealed Pistol License's were processed which is 14 percent down from last year.
- ◆ 93 Dog Declarations.
- ◆ Additionally the records unit validates and enters protection orders, builds and forwards all cases to the prosecutors office, and helps the public with various requests.

## CIVIL

The Civil office processed 1624 papers for service in 2024. There were 2996 attempted contacts for the 1624 services. Examples of these services are protection orders, Subpoenas, and court writs. Included in these numbers were 462 evictions.



## MARINE PATROL



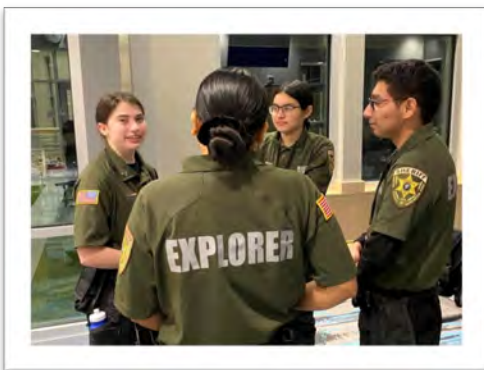
In 2024, the Marine Patrol Unit helped our community by conducting boater education. They spent 172 hours conducting 110 vessel inspections at the boat ramps and spent over 1162 hours patrolling our waterways.

## SEARCH & RESCUE

The SAR team is made up of volunteers who selflessly spend their time training and preparing to serve the community. The team's goals include becoming deployable to other communities, having more than 100 trained members, and maintaining a selfless servitude to the community.



## EXPLORERS



The Benton County Explorer Program has numerous young adults who attended the State Explorer academy's in July and December of 2024. They meet every week and learn various skills they can apply to their lives. The explorers currently consist of 17 members and 2 advisors. They are currently working on recruiting and equipment. The explorers help our office with in training and community events and prepare themselves for future opportunities to serve their community.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

During 2024 the Sheriff's office continued to build relationships within our community. We partnered with other local LE agencies during some of these events to demonstrate the cohesiveness and support that all of our local agencies have within our region. Some of our 2024 events included:

- ◆ **BCSO's Annual Kids Day**, an event hosted in collaboration with the Garden Church. Lunch is provided to all the families and kids are provided the opportunity to tour different emergency vehicles, interact with first responders and view K9 demonstrations.
  - ◆ **Prosser Giving Tree**, Again in 2024 we partnered with Farm Grounds Coffee to help less fortunate kids from the Patterson area. This year we supported 7 individual children that were less fortunate and provided meals for two separate families in the Patterson area.
  - ◆ **Bikes for Tikes** is a local event hosted in our region that helped to donate bikes to children in need. The Sheriff's office helped during their build day, where thousands of bikes were assembled so they could be passed out to children in need.
  - ◆ **Cookies with Cops** is an annual event with two local pre schools, Bethel Church and Explore & Learn. Deputies meet at the local school and answer a list of questions from the students and enjoy a cookie and a nice visit. These events create an environment for students to engage with deputies and understand their day to day functions.
- Riverview Career Day
  - Autism Journey
  - SARC Pancake Feed
  - National Night Out
  - Fair & Rodeo Tough Enough to Wear Pink
  - Trunk or Treat
  - Turkey Trot
  - Shop with a Cop
  - Christmas Adopt a Family
  - Boat Race Patrol





## FOUNDATION

During 2024 the Benton County Sheriff's Foundation continued to grow and expand its support. The foundation raised approximately \$84,156 in donations . In 2024 the foundation allocated funds for employee wellness by setting aside money to pay for counselling services until it could be secured in our own budget.

The foundation also supplied the Sheriff's Office with funding for the purchase of Blaze our ESD K9 and the initial training for her handler along with funding to assist with some of the one-time equipment purchases for both patrol dogs.



The foundation continued with its primary mission of the Community Care Fund, which allows our deputies to provide assistance to those citizens they come in contact with that may need just a little extra help. This year our deputies continued to help countless people who needed a little help. This came in many forms, from repairing a front door, to placing families in hotel rooms until they could get other arrangements made.



The Sheriff's Office participated in adopting families around the Christmas season again. Funds from the foundation allowed us to purchase, wrap, and deliver gifts to numerous families in need.



## TRAINING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In 2024, the focus of training was on developing the knowledge base and skill sets of instructors, which was achieved by sending instructors to approximately 2,000 hours of external training. The implementation of the expert cadre model aimed to cultivate lead instructors, with the long-term goal of creating regional leaders at BCSO in various subjects. This approach helped to expand expertise and leadership within the department, setting the stage for continued growth. In total, the department logged 8,091 training hours in 2024, demonstrating a strong commitment to professional development and preparing the team for future challenges.



# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION



**Katie Gillies**  
**Chief Financial Officer**  
**5 Years of Service**

The Administrative Services Division is the smallest division in the Benton County Sheriff's Office but has the most influence on the organization. The complexities of police administration specific to budget, purchasing, grant management, payroll, personnel matters and requires attention to detail and forethought.

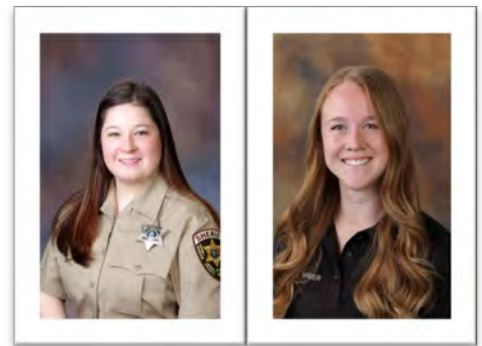
The division Chief Financial Officer manages administrative operations for the department and oversees matters related to a \$36M budget.

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFFING

**Administrative Assistant -**  
Rachel Gillette

**Records Clerk -** Emily  
Dezember

They support all Admin functions to include payroll, payables, receivables and travel



## BUDGET MANAGEMENT

The Chief Financial Officer is tasked with tracking monthly expenditures and excess budget to provide funding for operational needs that arise throughout the budget biennium.

### Grants

- ◆ 2022 Grants  
Awarded - \$41,479.50
- ◆ 2023 Grants  
Awarded - \$196,430.40
- ◆ 2024 Grants  
Awarded - \$297,901.42

### 2024 Budget Purchases

- ◆ Officer Wellness App - \$28,780
- ◆ Community Survey - \$20,000
- ◆ 2 Patrol K9's - 39,799.50
- ◆ K9 Vehicle Upfitting - \$9,179
- ◆ 4 seat UTV - \$47,092.86
- ◆ ICAC Computers - \$13,910.53.
- ◆ Vehicle Repairs Q1 - Q4 - \$60,279.94

### Grant Funded Purchases

- ◆ Drones & Drone Storage - \$70,000
- ◆ Flock Subscriptions - \$30,000
- ◆ Wellness Trainings - \$20,000
- ◆ Axon Licenses - \$3,709.42

### Capital Purchases

- ◆ Axon Tasers & Standards Subscription - \$244,467.78
- ◆ Jet Boat - \$186,995

### Public Safety Tax Purchases

- ◆ Crime Scene Vehicle - \$325,000

# PATROL DIVISION



**Mat Clarke  
Commander  
19 Years of Service**

The Patrol Division is the largest division within the Benton County Sheriff's Office and is led by Commander Mat Clarke. Patrol is responsible for providing the majority of law enforcement services to the citizens and visitors of Benton County 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year. The Division is structured with 4 patrol shifts (Day, Night shifts), a Traffic Unit, K-9 Unit and personnel assigned to the rural southern farm land in our county (zone 7).

As the largest division, the Patrol Division is focused on providing the best public safety for the citizens of Benton County.

## Patrol Lieutenant– Jason Erickson, 16 Years of Service

The Patrol Lieutenant oversees the Patrol Division, which consists of 38 deputies. The deputies comprise four patrol squads; each squad under the direction of a Sergeant and Corporal, respectively. The division is responsible for 24-hour coverage of all areas within Benton County jurisdiction.

## PATROL

34,106	Calls for Service
4,847	Traffic Stops
1,054	Notice of Infraction
457	Criminal Traffic Infraction
79	DUI's
274	Vehicle Accidents
5	Fatality Accident
439	Misdemeanor Arrests
109	Felony Arrests
258	Warrant Arrests



## K-9 UNIT/ SWAT

### K9

K9 Sable was medically retired during 2024.  
No stats available

Deputy Surplus and Deputy Bergman were recently selected to be K9 handlers.

- They will be selecting their K9's and attending training in January 2025.

K9 Blaze an electronic storage detection K9 was assigned to handler Deputy Hansen. Deputy Hansen and K9 Blaze will be assigned to Finley High School.

### SWAT

The Benton County Sheriff's Office is a member of the Tri Cities Regional SWAT Team. The team is comprised of 33 team members, with seven of the members from Benton County Sheriff's Office.

132 — Total team missions

15 — Missions in Benton County jurisdiction

## SOUTH/WEST COUNTY (ZONE 7)

The South County encompasses the towns of Paterson and Plymouth to include the surrounding farming communities and businesses.

The South County has two permanent deputies cross-commissioned with the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office. The South County deputies have a strong working relationship with Oregon when it comes to investigations and sharing of criminal information.



## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY/HANFORD

In 1993, the Benton County Sheriff's Office entered into a Law Enforcement Service Contract with the United States Department of Energy. The contract is a cost recovery model that provides expenses necessary for the Sheriff's Office to extend state and local law enforcement services onto the federally owned and operated site. Benton County Sheriff's Office has two permanent deputies assigned to the Hanford site providing service 7 days a week.



# CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION



**Lee Cantu  
Commander  
34 Years of Service**

The Benton County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division (CID) is comprised of sixteen (16) professional individuals assigned across multiple specific assignments. CID is divided into two department specific detective units, and five cross-functional collaborative efforts. The two detective units are Crimes Against Persons / Property Crimes / Registered Sex Offenders (sergeant; seven detectives); and the Pro-Active Unit (sergeant; 4 detectives). The five local, state, and federal collaborative teams include: Tri-Cities Metro Drug Task Force (detective); FBI Safe Streets Violent Gang Task Force; Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); US Marshals' Pacific Northwest Violent Offender Task Force (detective); and Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) (detective).

The Investigative Division is comprised of three Sergeants who manage the day to day operations.

**Major Crimes Division - Sergeant Horacio Gonzalez, 33 Years of Service** - Major Crime Detectives, ICAC, FBI, US Marshals, Metro Drug Task Force, DEA, and RSO.

**Office of Professional Standards - Sergeant Justin Gerry, 18 Years of Service** - Complaints, Commendations, Internal Investigations, Policy and Procedures Manual.

**Pro-Active Unit - Sergeant Scott Surplus, 20 Years of Service** - 4 Detectives

## MAJOR CRIMES UNIT

### Major Crimes Unit

<u>Cases</u>	<u>Persons</u>	
	<u>Property</u>	
Cases Assigned	<b>282</b>	
Active	53	19%
Cleared - Arrest	41	15%
Cleared - Exceptionally	20	.08%
Cleared - Leads Exhausted	12	.04%
Cleared – Unfounded	11	.04%
Cleared - Information	11	.04%

### Pro-Active Unit

<u>Cases</u>	<u>Persons</u>
	<u>Property</u>
Cases Assigned	117
Cleared - Arrest	132
Search Warrants	126
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	34
Recovered Firearms	32
Agency Assist	68

\*\*\*There were zero (0) homicide investigations during the 2024 calendar year.

## PRO-ACTIVE UNIT

The Pro-Active (Pro-Act) Unit is comprised of one Sergeant, four (4) Detectives and one (1) K-9 Detective. The Pro-Act Team's major focus is on serious crimes occurring during their hours of operation. The team is committed to enhancing public safety through proactive identification and addressing of emerging crime trends. BCSO strives on building strong community partnerships and provide targeted enforcement and support services, while upholding the highest standards of integrity, professionalism, and respect for the community. Our goal is to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for our citizens.

## Metro Drug Task Force

The Metro Drug Task Force (MDTF) investigates mid-level criminal organizations linked to narcotics, illegal weapons trafficking, and gang activity in the region. Detectives are assigned to the Metro Drug Task Force from local agencies including Kennewick, Pasco, Richland, and West Richland Police Departments, as well as Benton and Franklin County Sheriffs' Offices.

	2023	2024
Total incidents / cases	54	95
Total arrests	134	42
Total search warrants	28	43
Total body wires	14	58
Assist Incidents / Cases	118	94

### Narcotics Seized

	2023	2024
Heroin (grams)	0	0
Cocaine (grams)	116.27	958.89
Methamphetamine (grams)	24,830.98	2,649.10
Fentanyl (pills)	197,972.00	78,130.60
Fentanyl Powder (Grams)	3.82	497.40
Prescription (pills)	0	0

### Property Seized

	2023	2024
Vehicles seized	15	24
Vehicles forfeited	13	3
Currency seized	\$35,202.00	\$14,447.41
Currency forfeited	\$36,180.00	\$15,574.00
Firearms seized	41	85
Auction proceeds	\$44,018.05	\$3,875.07

## Special Investigations Unit (SIU)

SIU is a cooperative effort of local law enforcement agencies in Benton, Franklin, and Walla Walla Counties. SIU is tasked with the objective criminal investigation of officer involved shooting incidents or other similar incidents. The Benton County Sheriff's Office has several members of the Investigations Division assigned to SIU including a commander, sergeant, and several detectives. In 2024, SIU conducted three (3) investigations, in accordance with the requirements of state law.

# United States Marshal's Fugitive Task Force

The Benton County Sheriff's Office has one detective assigned to the US Marshal's Fugitive Task Force, and work under the direction of the USMS Pacific Northwest Violent Offenders Task Force. This Task Force was instrumental in locating and arresting multiple violent fugitives who attempted to evade arrest and avoid prosecution.

## Total number of arrest warrants cleared in 2024 by the USMS Task Force

578 Total Arrest Warrants Cleared

483 Fugitives Arrested

# PROSECUTIONS

The deputies & detectives of the Benton County Sheriff's Office investigated over 1,200 cases that were sent to the elected Prosecutor for review and to prosecute the crime. Of those cases, you will see in the charts below that the Prosecutors office released from custody and elected not to move forward and file charges on 170 cases. Of those 170 cases, 77 were felony charges.

Felony Cases	Count	
Elected not to File	77	23%
Charged	59	17%
Dismissed	13	4%
Found Guilty	3	1%
Plead Guilty	44	13%
Total Cases	341	

District Court Cases	Count	
Elected not to File	93	10%
Charged	168	18%
Dismissed	133	14%
Found Guilty	21	2%
Plead Guilty	55	6%
Total	946	

Out of a total of 93 juvenile cases that were sent to the Prosecutor to file charges, the Prosecutor's office elected not to file charges on 40.

Juvenile Cases	Count	
Elected not to File	40	43%
Charged	4	4%
Dismissed	2	2%
Found Guilty	0	0%
Plead Guilty	14	15%
Total	93	

# Property & Evidence Unit

## Evidence Processed in 2024

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
In	33	53	203	62	94	129	234	104	130	138	54	162	1396
Out	20	430	17	19	31	48	258	31	43	69	53	248	1267
Firearms	45	6	6	1	2	5	18	4	5	4	9	29	93

## STAFFING

### Deputy New Hires for 2024

Aimee Bergman  
 Micah Tappero  
 James Cozad  
 Kayla Cornwall-Brady  
 Tjay Massey

### Clerical New Hires for 2024

Emily Dezember  
 Kelsi Dillon  
 Emmalee Hale  
 Samantha Stansfield  
 Jordyn Murillo

## SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ◆ Restructured K-9 unit and added 2 new patrol K-9's and acquired an electronic storage detection K-9 to assist ICAC detectives and statewide ICAC efforts
- ◆ Restructure to allow for an additional 1/2 time civil deputy & 1/2 time training coordinator
- ◆ Increased watercraft fleet by procuring a new jet boat
- ◆ Expanded Drone program to include 4 new DJI drones
- ◆ Expanded Wellness Program to include a mentorship mobile app and counseling services for staff
- ◆ Implemented FLOCK system and purchased additional cameras to place throughout the county
- ◆ Implemented online reporting portal, community members can now file police reports online if they are reporting a misdemeanor crime with no suspect and no evidence
- ◆ Purchased axon standards and taser 10's



# HONORS & RECOGNITIONS



**Kenton Childers**  
State Medal of Honor



**Brian Ohler**  
Sheriff's Medal



**Elias Perez**  
Medal of Valor



**Orest Wilson & Erick Delp**  
Citizen Service Medal

## Years of Service Recognition

**Detective  
Grant Larson**  
20 years

**K9 Deputy  
Bruce Surplus**  
20 years

**Sergeant  
Jean-Paul Benitez**  
20 years

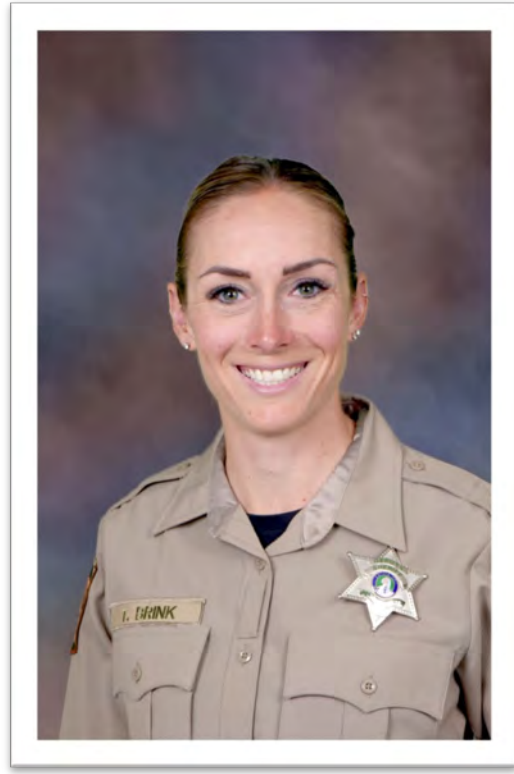
**Detective  
Eman Rodrick**  
20 years

**Congratulations to all award recipients!**

# HONORS & RECOGNITIONS



**Michael Clossey  
Deputy of the Year**



**Tiffany Bowen  
Detective of the Year**

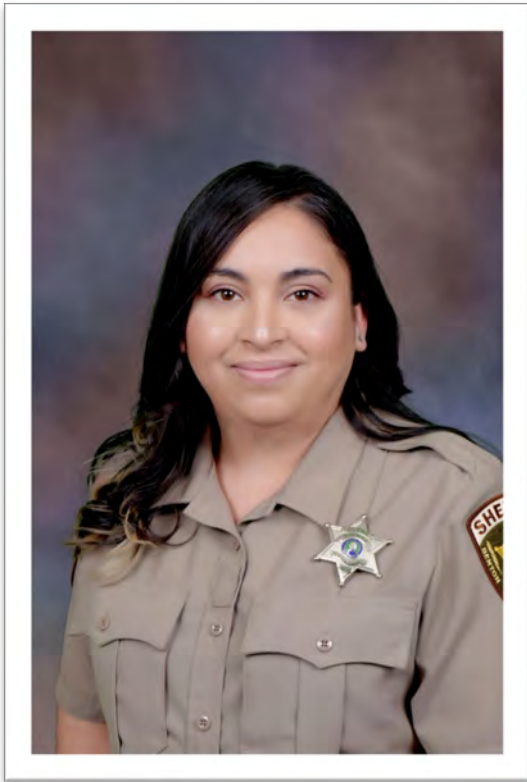


**Alan Stone  
Clerk of the Year**



**Pro-Act Team  
Division of the Year**

# PROMOTIONS



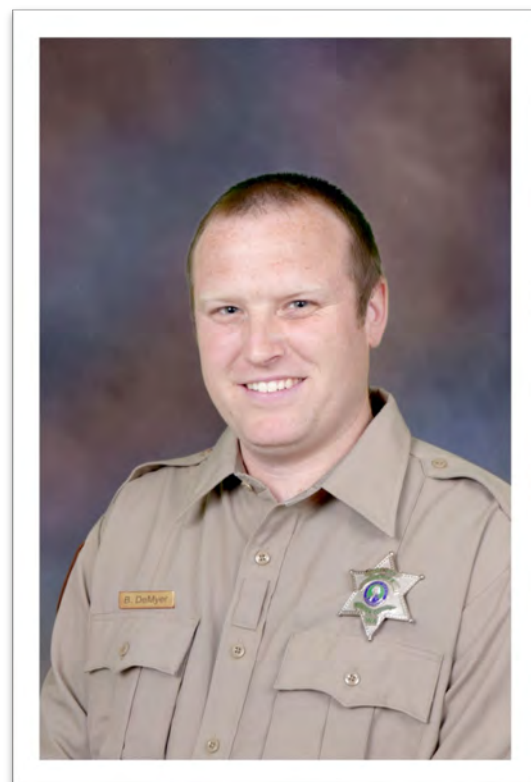
Edith Cervantes was promoted to Records Sergeant



Verenice Orozco was promoted to Lead Civil Clerk



Abel Suarez was promoted to the rank Sergeant



Brandon DeMyer was promoted to the rank of Corporal

# PAST HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

## Deputy of the Year

Dean Perry	2021
Elias Perez	2022
Bruce Surplus	2023

## Detective of the Year

Antonio Martinez III	2021
Carlos Trevino	2022
Branden DeMyer	2023

## Clerk of the Year

Madison Murphy	2021
Edith Cervantes	2022
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## Squad/Division of the Year

Detectives	2021
D Squad	2022
Clerical Division	2023

## Sheriff's Medal

Horacio Gonzalez	2022
Erik Magnuson	2023

## Life Saving Medal

Brian Ohler	2022
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## Medal of Valor

Elias Perez	2023
Kenton Childers	2023

## Employee of the Month

Mary Flink	01-2024
Nathaniel Dawson	03-2024
Nolan Mulvaney	04-2024
Grant Larson	05-2024
Tara Marks	06-2024
Louis Lorenz	07-2024
Joseph Geil	08-2024
Jorge Garcia	09-2024
Ali Hebert	10-2024
Tanner Woody	11-2024
James Leingang	12-2024

## STAR Award

Rachel & Alan	Q1 2024
Search & Rescue	Q2 2024
Verenice Orozco	Q4 2024

## Benton City People's Choice Award

Jonathan Ortega	2022
Mike McDermott	2023

## Toyota Extra Mile Award

Ashley Guillen	2023
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