Department Name	Albany County Sheriff's Office
Account(s)	3020, 3110, 3150, 3189

Department Function

The mission of the Sheriff's Office is to ensure the public safety of visitors and residents of Albany County, as well as act as the conservator of the peace and enforcement officer of the courts. More specifically, the Civil Enforcement Unit executes the service and enforcement of court processes through the enforcement of criminal and civil warrants as well as enforcing and collecting upon civil judgements. The Court Security & Transportation Unit provides security services to the local Unified Court System including courthouses and courtrooms as well as protection of court personnel and jurors. Transportation to courts and detention facilities is provided to adults, adolescents, and juveniles in the custody of the Sheriff. Patrol members provide primary police services to the 8 municipalities forming the western and southern border of the county as well as supplemental services to other areas including the City of Albany. School Resource Officers are currently assigned to 4 schools in the county. The Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort (SCOPE detail), Criminal Investigations, Professional Standards, Emergency Medical Services, and Emergency Management units operate county-wide within their respective specialties and work with all units and divisions of the agency. Specialty units such as K9, unmanned aerial surveillance, Project Lifesaver, Community Relations, Marine Patrol, and the Emergency Response and Search and Rescue Teams also operate countywide as needed. Sheriff's Discovery, Communications, and Technology staff support not only agency operations, but also those of the outside agencies for which the Sheriff's Office provides services and support. The Albany County Corrections and Rehabilitative Services Center ensures the safety of county residents through the care and supervision of those arrested individuals remanded to the custody of the County Sheriff and provide evidence based programming to restore lives and reduce recidivism. Corrections members also provide transports for inmates to doctors' appointments, approved funeral visits, and staff hospital details for those inmates admitted to hospital.

Current Year Highlights

- Launched the Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort (SCOPE Detail) focusing on crime reduction through targeted enforcement; community engagement; and cooperation with law enforcement, community, and retail sector partners. This has resulted in dozens of illegal firearms and significant amounts of narcotics being removed from the streets of Albany.
- Continuation of Albany City detail leading to numerous illegal guns being recovered along with illicit narcotics.
- Continued to provide support services and combat recidivism through the Sheriff's Homeless Improvement Program (SHIP) and began accepting female residents on a limited basis.
- Launched Axon body worn camera program to replace the older model body cameras. The new equipment is compatible with other Agency technologies to increase safety, efficiency, evidentiary documentation and accountability.
- Successful continuation and growth of the full-time, regional, multi-disciplinary threat assessment team (AC-TACT) and deployed with numerous successful cases throughout the area including through our local schools as well as offering educational instruction to community partners.
- Replaced old technology of in car computers with iPads to create a more mobile solution to increase efficiency and productivity. It will also provide deputies live 911 video and data in the field.

Next Year Projects

- Finalize the Flock LPR camera deployment. Existing cameras have proven instrumental in developing early leads in cases.
- Complete the grant funded regional animal shelter project at the Correctional Facility and Rehabilitative Services Center in partnership with the Mohawk-Humane Society.
- Continue joint three county radio core upgrade project (grant dependent).
- Finalize the expansion of the SHIP shelter to include additional space to accommodate female residents on a regular basis.
- Acquire and deploy Axon Fleet in-car cameras in patrol units. This grant funded acquisition will increase safety, evidentiary documentation, and accountability and the equipment interfaces with Axon Body cameras and other Agency systems.
- Continue the successful Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Effort (SCOPE) detail and expand as needed. Sheriff's initiatives such as this will be continued as part of the concerted effort of this Agency to reduce crime and address evolving public safety issues such as gun violence, illegal firearms, and illicit narcotics which are having a devastating impact on our communities.

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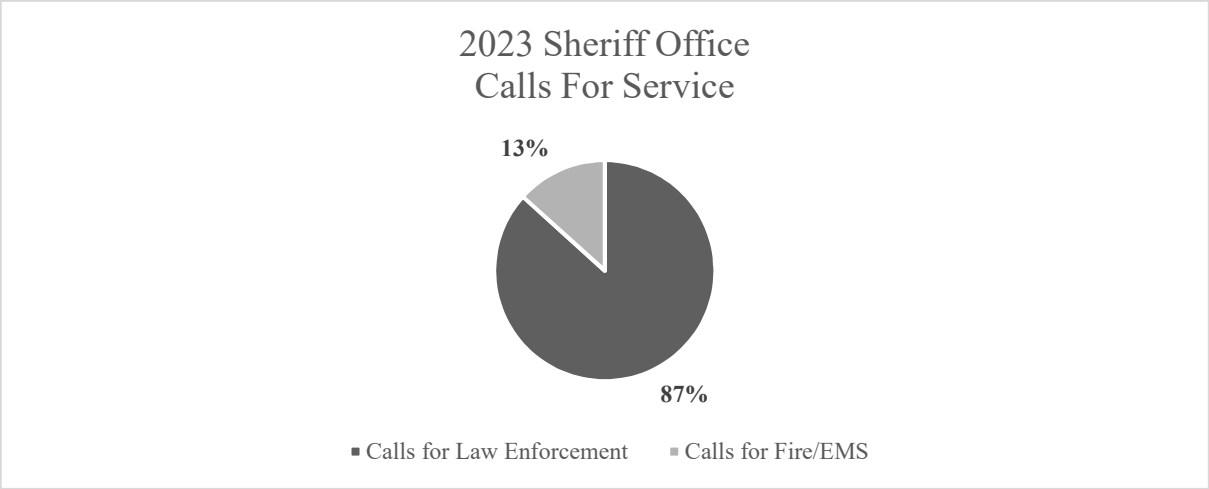
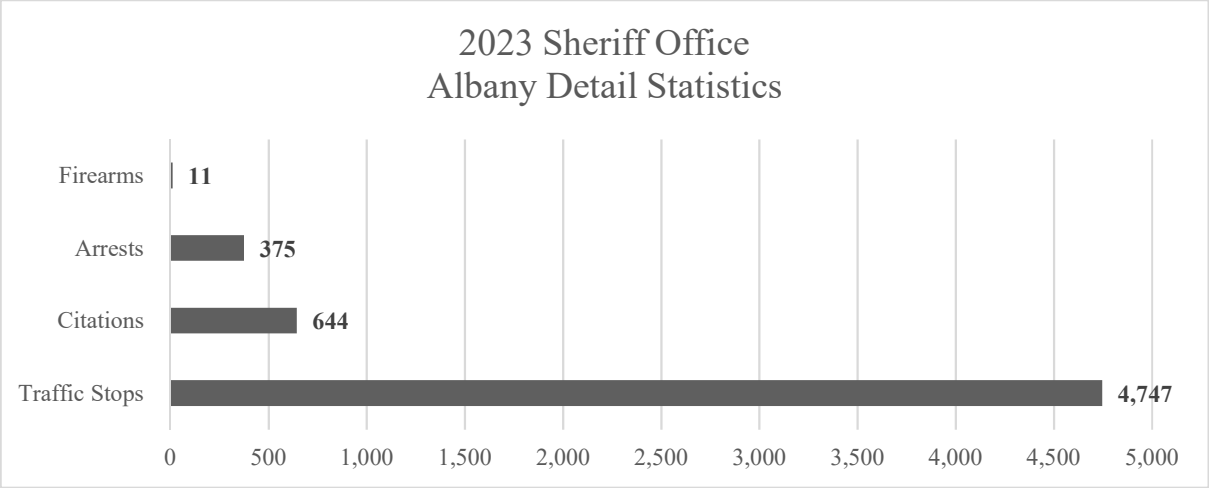
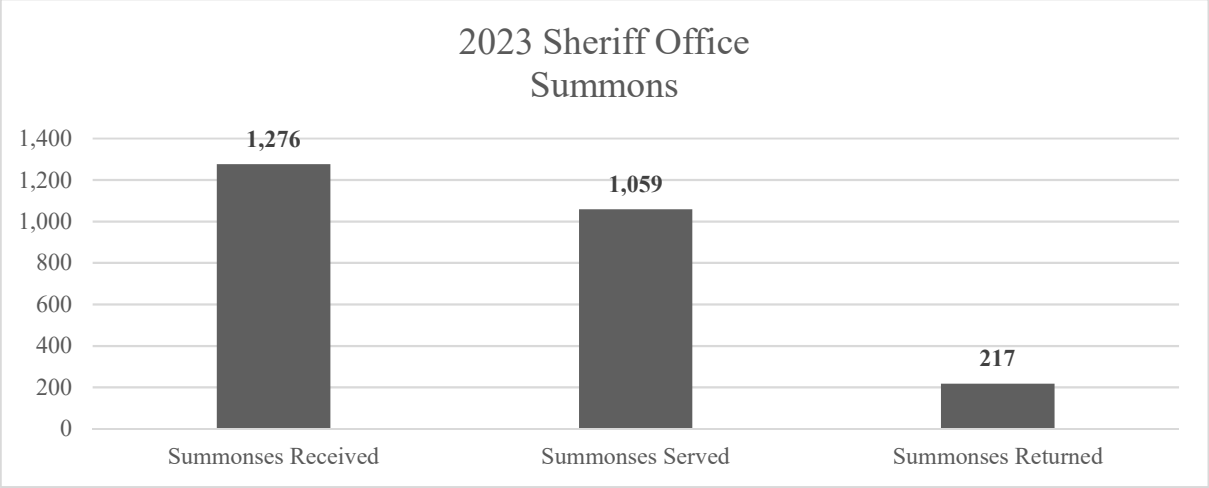
Programmatic Highlights







In 2023, the Albany County Sheriff's Office handled a total of 2,552 summonses. The Sheriff's City of Albany detail continued with 11 firearm recoveries, 375 arrests, 644 citations, and 4,747 traffic stops occurring as a result.

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