

EVERMAN POLICE STATUS REPORT 2019



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Chief of Police



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A Message from Chief

On behalf of the entire team at the Everman Police Department, I am privileged to present the 2019 Annual Report. I am very proud of the tremendous work that the dedicated men and women of this department have put in to making our community safer. Thanks to their hard work, the City of Everman has experienced a 27% reduction in overall crime in 2019 (UCR). The Everman Police Department made significant progress in our ongoing efforts to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for our residents and our visitors.

In the last year, the Everman Police Department has responded to over 15,000 calls for service. Throughout this report, you will get a glimpse into the general operations of the Everman Police Department as well as how we are addressing current and local crime trends.

In 2019, we put forth a lot of focus on preventative patrols and youth engagement. By participating in mentorship programs, in partnership with the Everman Independent School District, we are striving to build a better foundation for our youth in Everman. It is our hope that this relationship and program can grow in the coming years.

Also, in 2019, we invested a lot into quality training for Officers with a strong focus in areas such as crime scene processing, photography and criminal investigative techniques. As expected in law enforcement, higher quality investigations lead to higher clearance, success and conviction rates. Additionally, we continue to build on relationships with external partners such as the Alliance for Children, Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, Texas Rangers, and other area law enforcement agencies. We are striving every day to provide the citizens of Everman with the highest quality of law enforcement services available.

I look forward to the future and building on the many foundations that have been set. I am thankful for the great members of this team that build the Everman Police Department. I am also thankful for the tremendous support from city leadership.

C. W. Spencer
Chief of Police

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

In 2019, the Everman Police Department Communications Division handled over 15,000 calls for service and over 108,000 emergency and non-emergency telephone calls. Over the last year, the Communications Division has seen several technological upgrades; many of which were in response to the 2018 flood disaster. Some of the upgrades included:

- Increased communications interoperability and patching capabilities.
- Radio system upgrade to 800Mhz Digital Trunking with the City of Fort Worth (CFW) Radio System.
- National Weather Service Interface for severe weather incidents and 24/7 weather monitoring
- Implementation of the C.R.I.M.E.S. Computer Aided Dispatch system and Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) for emergency vehicles.
- 9-1-1 Versa System Upgrades performed by Tarrant County 9-1-1 which provides more accurate data and capabilities.
- Installation of a weather station to provide real time data of weather events (i.e. wind speeds, rainfall rates, etc.)



We are working hard to provide our telecommunicators with the most up to date technology and training to allow them to better do their jobs, dispatch emergencies faster and to assure the safety and security of our first responders. All of our Telecommunicators are trained and certified through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement as well as the Texas Department of Public Safety.

PATROL DIVISION



The Everman Police Department Patrol Division is the beating heart of our agency. They are the most visible division of our Police Department. Our patrol division is responsible for a multitude of tasks including: traffic enforcement, response to a variety of emergencies and disturbances, patrol of assigned areas, and more. In 2019, our average response time to priority one emergency calls was **2 minutes and 53 seconds**.

The Patrol Division is supervised by Patrol Sergeant James Thompson and Corporal Robert Patton. The Division is comprised of 8-Full Time Officers and 5 Reserve Officers. The Patrol Division operates with two Officers on each shift, for a period of 12-hours. In addition to the multitude of other tasks, members of the Patrol Division dedicated **788 hours** towards training in 2019.



1,570 - Traffic Stops
15,559 - Calls for Service
1,034 - Incident Reports
116 - Vehicle Crashes

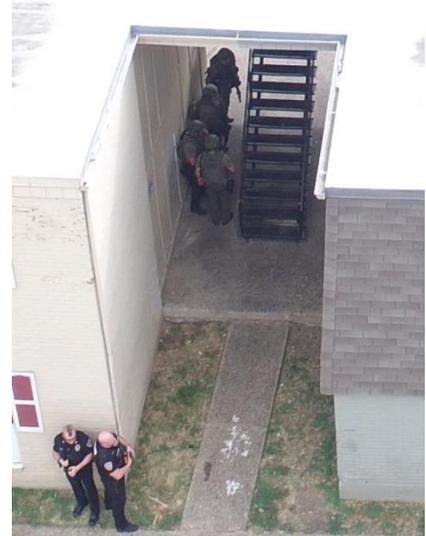


The Everman PD Patrol Division strives to provide the best quality of law enforcement services available. We achieve this through the use of technology and through targeted patrol tactics, community style policing and procedural justice.

DRONE PROGRAM

The Everman Police Department Drone Program was launched early 2017. This program was launched with the initiative of the Officers involved in the program. The program was funded solely through private funds and with the support of various businesses and organizations. The program was launched with the intention of providing emergency services with a vital tool, however has since proved to do more than just that. In 2019, the Everman PD Drone Unit has seen over 53 emergency response deployments as well as 25 non-emergencies. These deployments include such things as:

- Pursuits of wanted subjects
- Warrant executions
- Crime scene analysis and mapping
- Missing persons
- Rescues
- Structure & grass fires
- Natural Disaster Surveying
- Community Relations
- And more...



In 2019 the Everman PD Drone Unit added its third pilot, Det. James Robinson. The Everman PD Drone Unit has also added to its fleet bringing its numbers to five state of the art aircraft. Two of the aircraft are equipped with FLIR (Forward Looking Infrared) cameras which have proven to be instrumental in the capture of several fleeing subjects as well as the recovery of missing persons. Notable responses: In October 2019 the Everman PD Drone Unit was dispatched to the Dallas area to assist with aerial surveying of the damage caused by the devastating tornadoes. More recently in January 2020 Everman PD Drone Unit assisted a neighboring agency with aerial crime scene mapping/photos regarding an officer involved shooting.



K-9 DIVISION

In 2019, the Everman Police Department K9 Division took great strides. Sergeant Thompson and Corporal Patton both participated in the National Narcotic Detection Dog Association (NNDDA) Nationals in May that was hosted by the Fort Worth Police Department. Additionally, both K9's have seen multiple active deployments, agency assists and arrest.

The Everman Police Department K9 Division, like the Drone Program, is funded solely through private funding and with the support of local businesses. The handlers personally own their dogs and pay for their food, care and veterinarian expenses. The Officers work to raise funds to help alleviate some of these costs as well as provide for equipment and training tools.

In 2019, the Everman City Council approved the agreement with Enterprise Fleet Services for a rotating fleet program. As a result, the Everman Police Department ordered 6 new vehicles for this coming year, one of which is 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe K9 Unit. This will be the second K9 unit in our fleet. This unit will come fully equipped including a K9 "Hot & Pop" System. This system constantly monitors the interior temperatures of the vehicle. If the interior temperatures reach dangerous levels, the vehicle will automatically roll down the rear windows, engage the fans and sound the vehicle alarm to notify the handler that something is wrong. This system will also allow the handler to remotely open the rear door of the vehicle to deploy the K9 if the need arises. This is the same system that is currently installed in our current K9 Unit.

Also, in 2019, we welcomed K9 "Tango" to our family. "Tango" is a German Shepherd puppy who is currently in training. Kenia is expected to retire in the near future and live the rest of his life out at home with his handler, Corporal Patton. "Tango" is currently training towards certification as a detection dog and is owned by Corporal Patton.



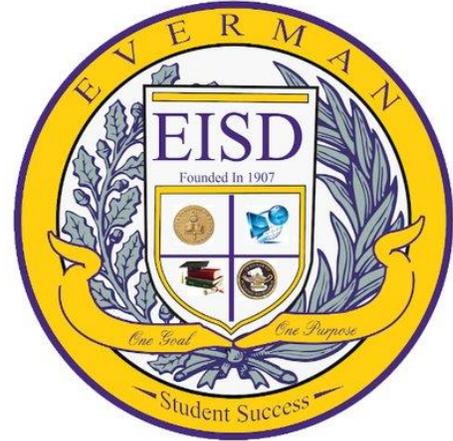
Sgt. Thompson & "Niko"



Kenia & Tango

SCHOOL RESOURCE DIVISION

The Everman Independent School District is currently seeing incredible growth as the area around Everman continues to be developed. In 2019, the Everman ISD experienced another significant increase in student enrollment. This trend is expected to continue with the proposed development of nearly 1,000 homes and several multi-family structures being constructed within the district. Last year, in response to this growth, the Everman ISD School Board elected to increase funding for an additional School Resource Officer.



In 2019, citizens elected to approve a multi-million-dollar bond proposal that will allow the Everman Independent School District to expand its facilities to accommodate the current and future growth. Currently, the School Resource Division is responsible for the safety and security of more than 6,000 students. These numbers are predicted to increase by the hundreds in the coming years.

The School Resource Division is comprised of one Sergeant and two Officers. The Division is overseen by Sergeant James Spradley, who in 2019, reached 27 years of experience as a law enforcement officer with the City of Everman. Officer Doug Kilgore is primarily assigned to the Baxter Junior High School. Officer Kilgore has 26 years of experience as a law enforcement officer with the City of Everman. Sergeant Spradley and Officer Kilgore also happen to be

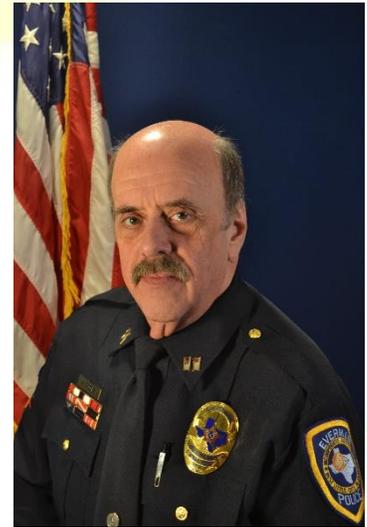


Everman High School Alumni. In 2019, Officer Kristin Sneed was sworn in and is currently assigned to the Everman High School Campus. Officer Sneed attended Cedar Valley Law Enforcement Academy and graduated near the top of her class. Although Officer Sneed has no previous experience, she is extremely devoted and excited for the opportunities set before her. Officer Sneed has expressed a true interest in serving and mentoring youth, in addition to doing whatever it takes to protect them.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

The Criminal Investigations Division includes Detective Sergeant James Robinson and Detective William Morgan who fall under the supervision of Capt. Al Brooks. Throughout 2019, our Detectives were tasked with investigating a wide variety of offenses that many believe to be unheard of in our city.

After a series of armed robberies involving threats and physical assaults, Detectives began narrowing the area of interest. In September 2019, immediately following a robbery where the clerk was injured, Patrol Officers responded to the scene while other officers proceeded to an area where the suspect(s) were believed to run after committing the offenses. Officers developed information indicating at least one suspect ran into a particular apartment. The apartment was immediately surrounded leading to a several hour stand-off with the armed suspects. As a result of the subsequent arrests and investigation, a total of thirteen (13) felony robbery related charges were filed on five (5) different persons, some of whom are juveniles.



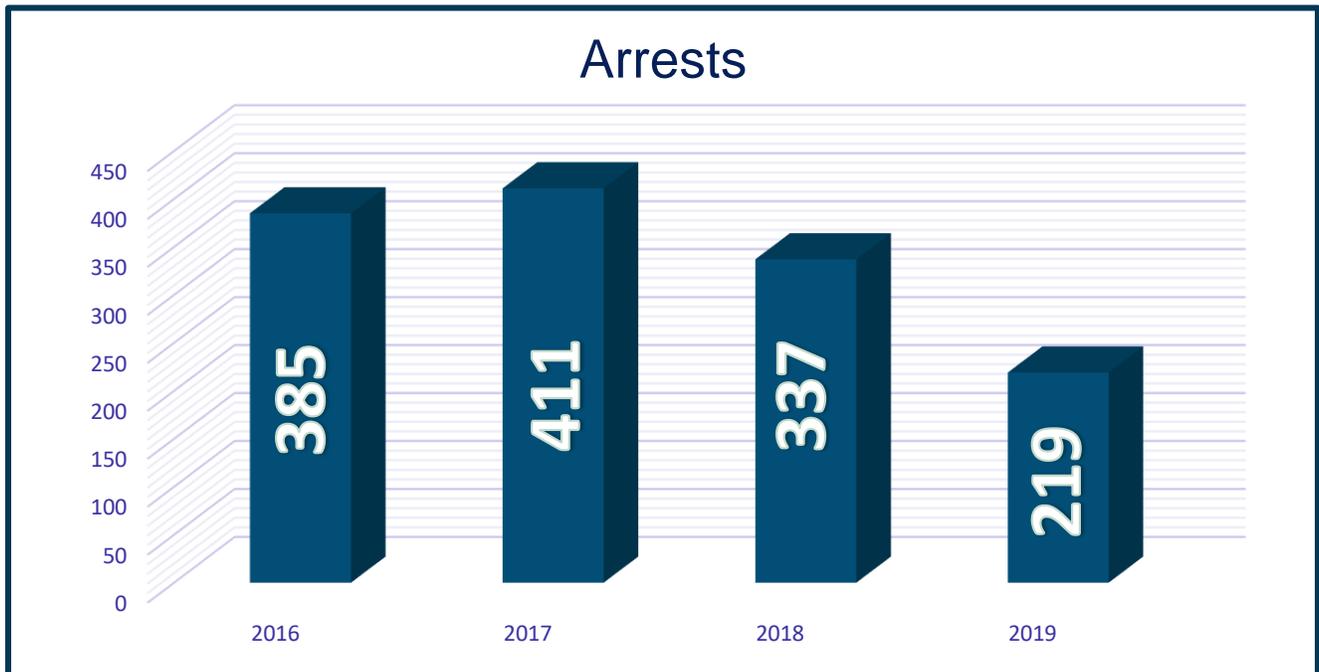
In December of 2019, the Everman High School Baseball Field suffered considerable damage when one or more people illegally entered the field in vehicles, and began driving in a reckless and damaging manner, resulting in damage to the turf totaling approximately \$ 150,000.00. Investigative activities led to the identification of the suspects. Subsequent interviews led to confessions and criminal charges in this matter.



Our detectives also investigated a Sexual Assault of a Child and subsequently arrested a previously convicted felon for the offense. Additionally, the Criminal Investigations Division brought criminal charges against three (3) individuals for Assault on Public Servant after our officers were physically attacked.

101 Cases Filed
41 Felony
60 Misdemeanor

CRIME STATISTICS

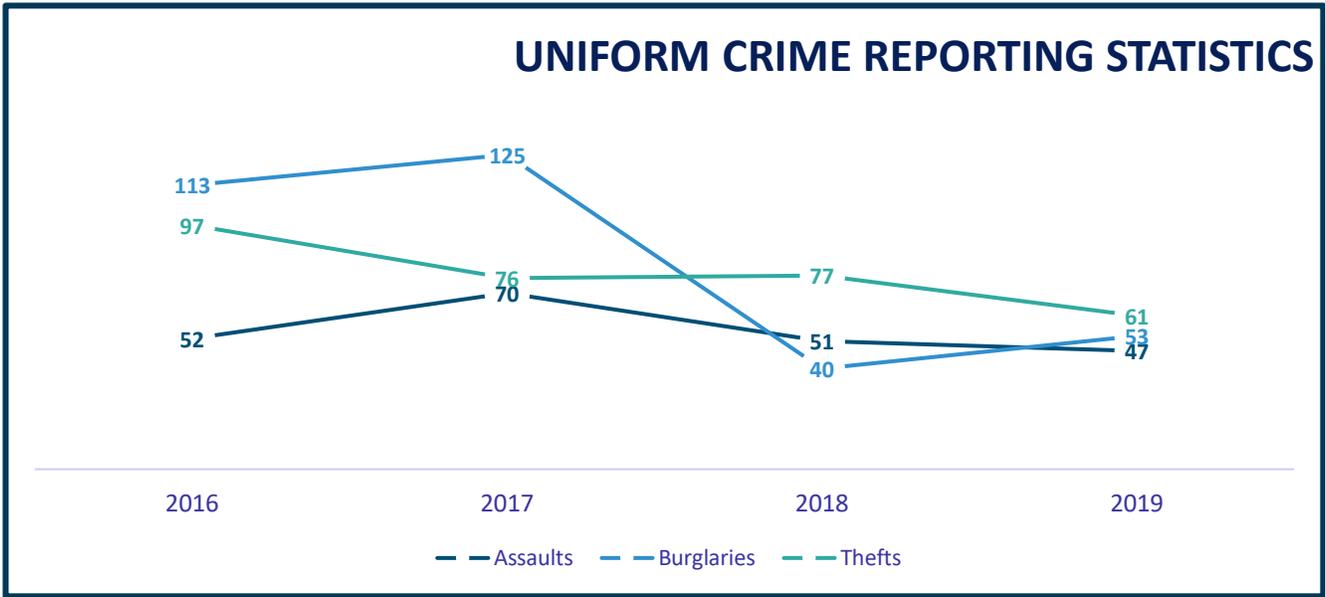


52 Drug Related Charges
22 Alcohol Related Charges
103 Warrant Arrests

*One individual can have multiple charges

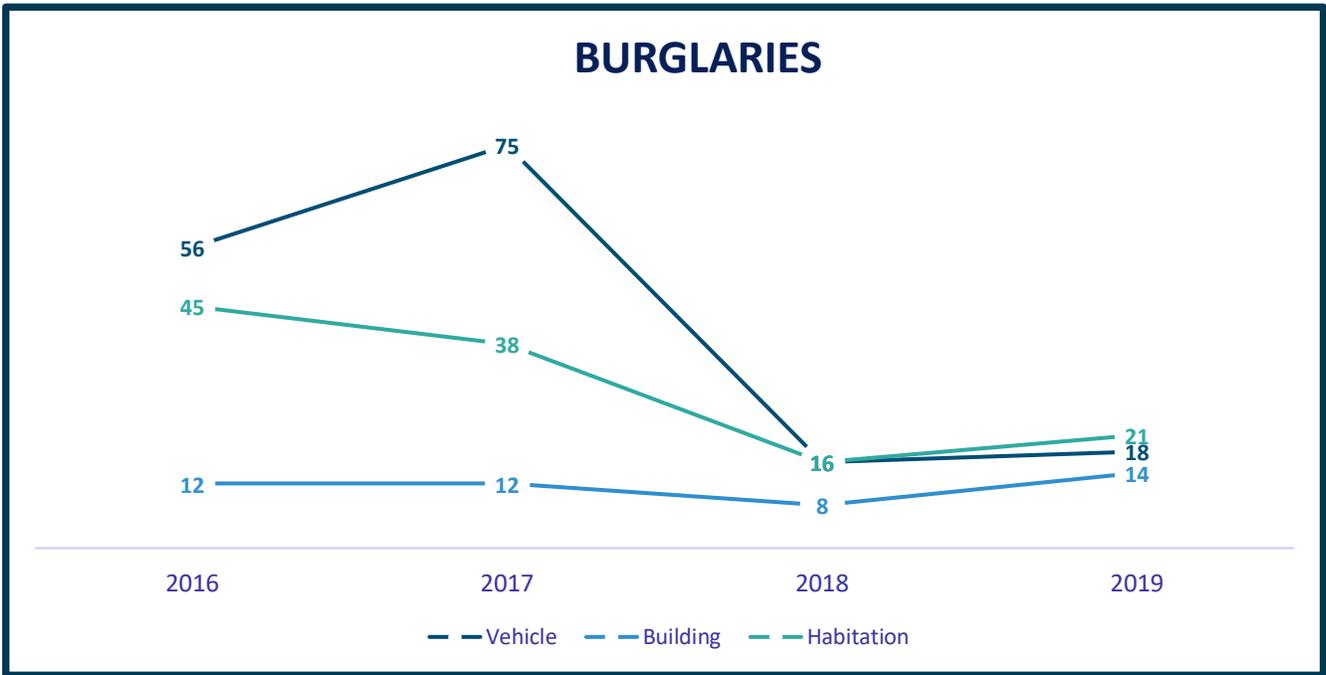
In 2019, Everman Police Officers removed 11 illegal firearms from the streets of Everman.

2019 UCR OVERALL CRIME IS DOWN 27%



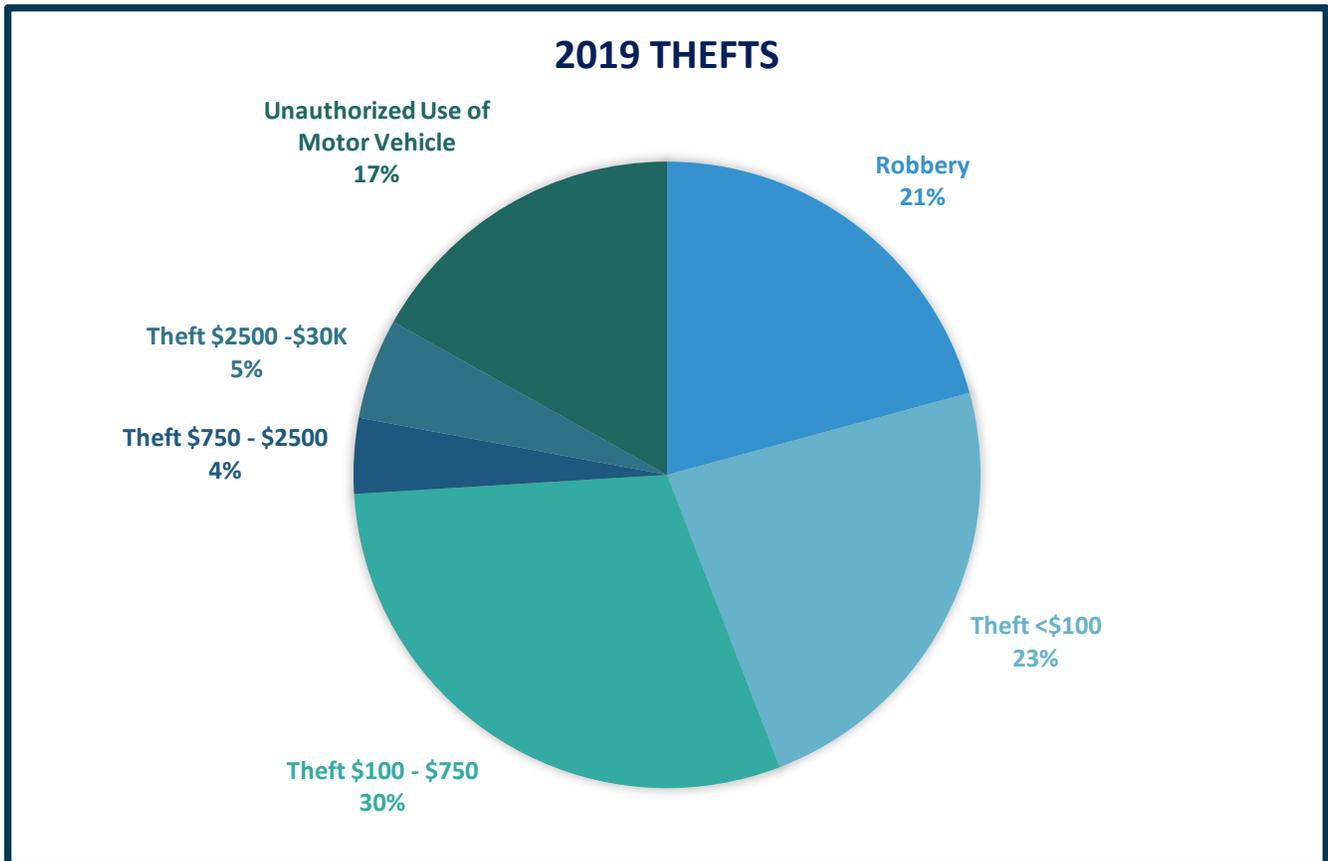
2019 vs 2018

Assaults ↓ 8% Burglaries ↑ 25% Thefts ↓ 21%



BURGLARIES OF A VEHICLE HAS DROPPED BY MORE THAN **58%** FROM 2017

CRIME STATISTICS (cont'd)

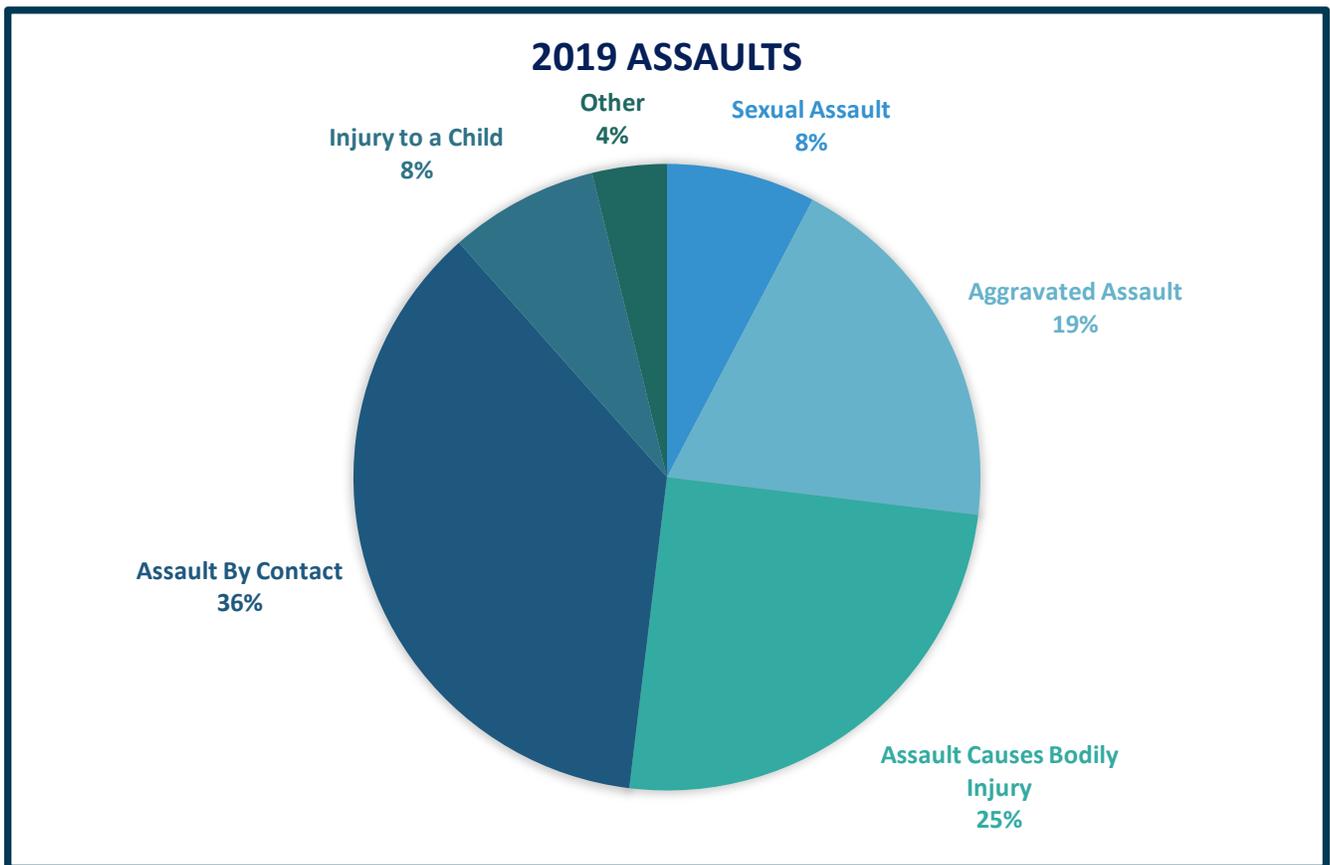


The Everman Police Department targets theft and burglary problems with public education through avenues such as the Everman Neighborhood Crime Watch Meetings, Social Media and contacts with citizens in the field. We promote programs such as "Take, Hide, Lock" as well as encourage citizens to keep the outside of residences lighted and to report any suspicious behavior immediately.

We also implement programs such as targeted patrols and work closely with our business owners to assure that we have a foundation for a relationship that will allow us to work together to achieve a common goal.

ASSAULTS...

78% of the misdemeanor assaults reported were Family Violence...



14% of assaults involved a Deadly Weapon

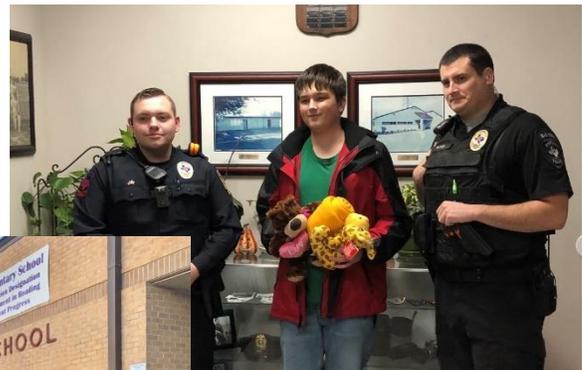
In 2019, there were three instances of Assault on a Peace Officer or Public Servant.

COMMUNITY POLICING

The Everman Police Department takes pride in our community policing policies and practices. Officers of the Everman Police Department are encouraged to be more than just officers, but rather a part of the community. Everman Police Officers take time to get to know the citizens in which they



serve. We take pride in our work and consider policing to be an opportunity rather than a task. In addition to getting to know our community while out patrolling, we take advantage of opportunities and events such as National Night Out, Career Day, Bike Safety Day, and more. We look towards the future and target great relationships with today's youth. We are very proud of the close relationship that we are able to have with the citizens of this city as it also allows us to build trust amongst the community.



AWARDS & RECOGNITION...

Officer of the Year..... Detective William Morgan
 Reserve Officer of the Year..... Officer Michael Magovern
 Rookie of the Year..... Officer Troy Schrader
 Supervisor of the Year..... Captain Al Brooks
 Dispatcher of the Year..... Beverly Patton
 Directors Award..... Sergeant James Robinson



Intermediate Telecommunicator..... Beverly Patton
 Advanced Peace Officer..... Corporal Robert Patton
 40 Years of Law Enforcement Service..... Officer Ken Stevenson



*Officer of the Year
 Detective William Morgan*



*Officer Ken Stevenson
 40 Years of Law Enforcement Service*



*Our Mission is to provide a **Safe Community** where citizens can live, work and raise their families **without fear of crime**. We will seek out and prosecute those who disobey the laws of our land. We choose to do this with **Integrity, Courage, Courtesy, Fairness and Compassion***



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