



# WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TO: Mayor John Dennis  
City Council Members  
West Lafayette Police Merit Commission Members

FR: Chief Jason Dombkowski

RE: February 2017 Monthly Report

During the month of February, the West Lafayette Police Department received **2,659 calls for service**, an increase of 16 calls (0%) from January, and an increase of 463 calls (21%) from February 2016.

In February, the department launched a new Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) manual with approval from the Board of Public Works and Safety. The 915 page manual consisting of 175 policies was the culmination of nine months of work by consultants, lawyers and department administration and was the first complete overhaul of department policy in the last 20 years. The goal of the project is to make certain the department follows and trains to the most current and best policies and procedures and to prepare the department for the accreditation process later this year by the Indiana Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

Also in February, WLPD Detectives worked extensively with prosecutors to help to secure felony convictions in two major cases from 2016. In one case, robbery convictions and a 14-year prison sentence were imposed on an East Chicago man who robbed two residents in two separate incidents at Waterfront Condos in July 2016. In a second case, convictions for unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon and being a habitual offender led to a sentence of 15 years in prison for a Lafayette man who was apprehended by patrol officers for breaking into cars and for impersonating a police officer at the West Lafayette High School Athletic Complex in September 2016.

The department hosted diversity training in February for all area law enforcement agencies. Professor William Oliver from the Department of Criminal Justice at Indiana University, Bloomington, instructed 100's of officers on topics pertaining to cultural racism and violence in the African-American community relating to police interactions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Dombkowski", written over a white background.

Jason L. Dombkowski  
Chief of Police