

Arkansas State Police

ANNUAL REPORT

2024



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Troopers serve from the heart





The ASP Administration



Colonel Mike Hagar

Colonel Hagar was appointed into office by Governor Sarah Huckabee-Sanders. He now serves as the DPS Secretary and Colonel/Director of the Arkansas State Police. Colonel Hagar's Administration is supported by two Lieutenant Colonels.



Lieutenant Colonel Michael Kennedy

Lt. Colonel Michael Kennedy commands the Administrative Services Division, the Regulatory and Building Operations Division, Fleet Operations, the Office of Professional Standards, and the Highway Safety Office.



Lieutenant Colonel Jason Aaron

Lt. Colonel Jason Aaron commands the Criminal Investigation Division, the Crimes Against Children Division, and the Highway Patrol Division.

Director's Comments

On behalf of the dedicated employees of the Arkansas State Police (ASP), I am pleased to present the 2024 ASP Annual Report. The contents of this report reflect the ongoing efforts of this agency in providing the highest standards of law enforcement capabilities possible to serve the citizens of this great state.

The information compiled within this report includes activity logs and records kept by each Division and Section from within the ASP from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

If you have any questions regarding the data contained in this report, or the operations of the Department, please contact the ASP at 501.618.8000.



Col. Mike A. Hagar #275

Col. Mike A. Hagar #275



ASP Foundational Principles

Mission

The Mission of the Arkansas State Police is to protect human life and property in the state of Arkansas by providing the highest quality of law enforcement services to the public.

Vision

The Arkansas State Police will be the premier law enforcement agency of the state, by developing the skills of our members through efficient and effective management of agency resources to deliver the highest level of service to the public.

Core Values

Honor – Adhere to the highest principles.

Respect – Treat all people with dignity & compassion.

Trust – Hold ourselves to a higher standard of accountability.

Integrity – Character in Action

Duty – Value the standards of ethical conduct

Excellence – Professionalism and continuous improvement in all we do

Agency Organization



ARKANSAS STATE POLICE Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders Organizational Chart



DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

DPS Shared Services

DIRECTOR
(Colonel)

ARKANSAS STATE POLICE
COMMISSION

Executive
Protection

Fiscal/HR

Communications

Information
Technology

Research &
Planning

DEPUTY DIRECTOR
Administrative Operations

DEPUTY DIRECTOR
Field Operations

Fleet

Administrative
Services

Regulatory

Highway Safety

Office of Professional
Standards

Crimes Against
Children's Division

Criminal Investigation
Division

Highway Patrol Division

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Arkansas State Police Commission



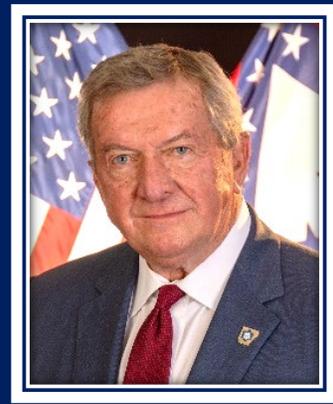
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Chairman



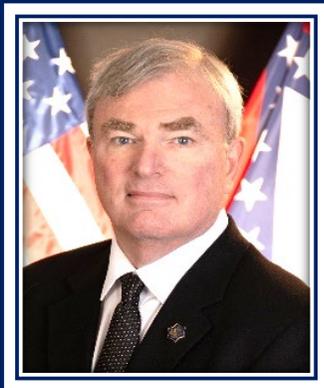
John Allison
Vice Chairman



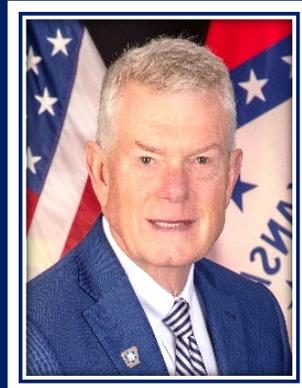
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Secretary



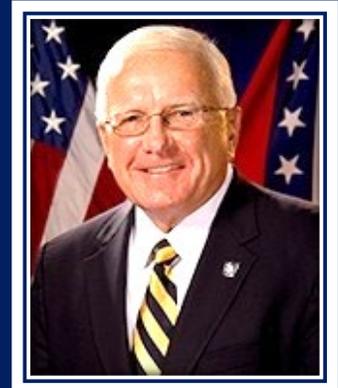
Ken Reeves
Member



Neff Basore
Member



Mike Akin
Member



Stephen Edwards
Member

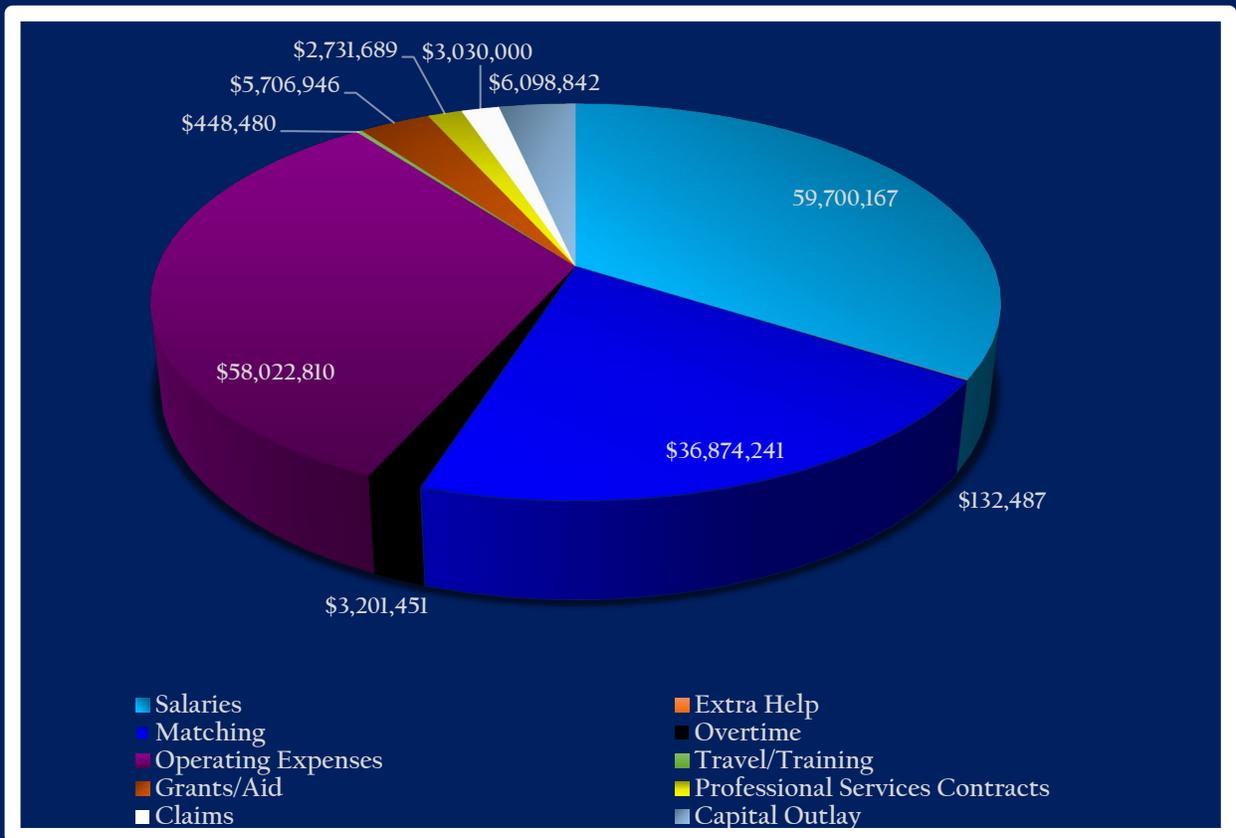
The Arkansas State Police Commission serves in an oversight capacity to the Division. The Commissioners have the statutory responsibilities of approving new hires and promotions, hearing disciplinary appeals, and providing oversight of the Division's communications system and the commissioned officers' health and retirement systems, in addition to other responsibilities as set out in A.C.A § 12-8-103. The Commissioners who served on the Arkansas State Police Commission during 2024 are shown above.

DPS Fiscal Section

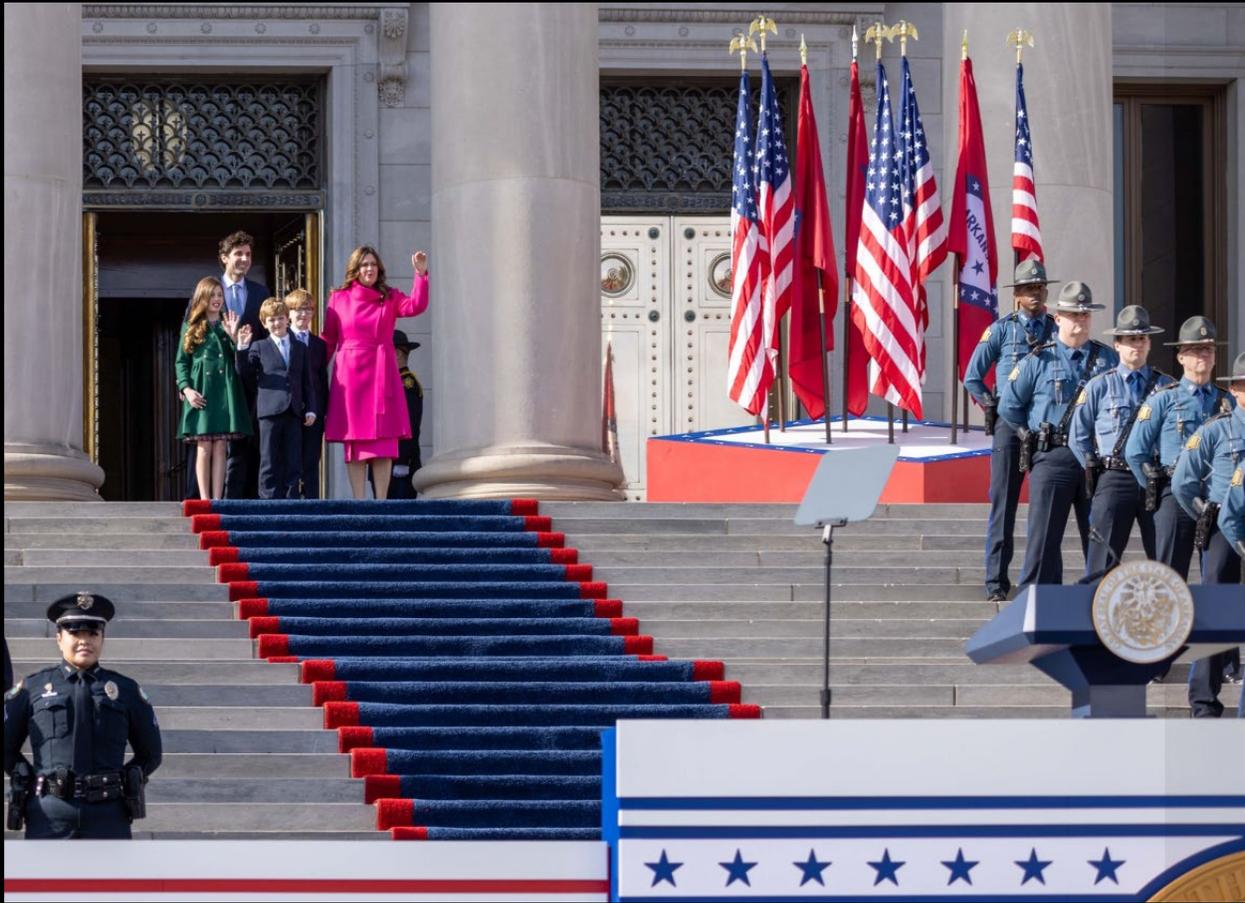


Karen Perry
Chief Fiscal Officer

<u>ASP Calendar Expenses for 2024</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salary	\$59,700,167
Extra Help	\$ 132,487
Matching	\$36,874,241
Overtime	\$3,201,451
Operating Expenses	\$58,022,810
Travel/Training	\$448,480
Grants/Aid	\$5,706,946
Professional Service Contracts	\$2,731,689
Claims	\$3,030,000
Capital Outlay	\$ 6,098,842
Total	\$ 175,947,113



Executive Protection



The Arkansas State Police shall be responsible for the safety and security of the Governor and her family as well as the Governor's Mansion (A.C.A. §12-8-108). Executive Protection Command Staff consists of one Captain, one Lieutenant, and two Sergeants. Staff members are assigned in numbers to such locations as is necessary in order to carry out their responsibility.



Communications Unit

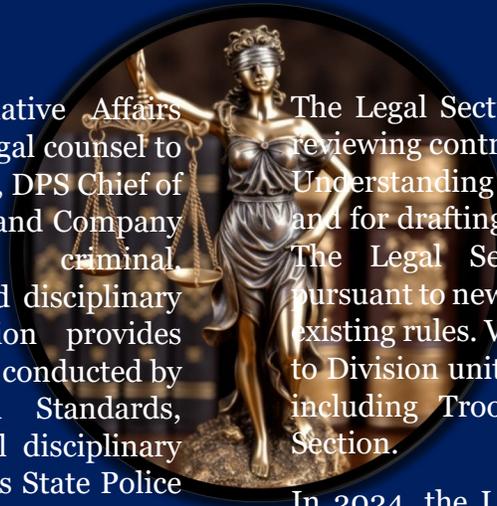
The Communications Unit at the Arkansas Department of Public Safety (DPS) serves the men and women who comprise the Arkansas State Police and the other five agencies that comprise DPS. The Communications Unit provides positive, proactive, dynamic, and timely information to the public and media partners to tell the story of the state's largest law enforcement agency.

The unit is led by Communications Director Cindy Murphy, who has 30 years of experience in communications, media relations, constituent services, and community engagement. The Communications Unit also includes Janie Runkle (Deputy Communications Director), Jonathan Nettles (Public Information Coordinator), Nick Genty (Public Relations Manager), and Laura Robbins (Public Information Specialist). The team compiles the latest news reports related to DPS, responds to media representatives and constituents, manages the agency's social media presence, maintains the agency's website, coordinates public events, and produces photographs and video footage for recruitment and other special projects. Collectively, they have over 80 years of experience.

Members of the Communications Unit are available 24 hours a day as points of contact for local, statewide, and national news outlets. Over 225,000 individuals receive news and information about the ASP through the division's social media platforms (Facebook, X, Instagram, YouTube, and Spotify). Subscribers to ASP's social media accounts and media advisories receive consistent updates on the agency's internal operations with 560 posts made in 2024. These posts have the potential to reach 3.5 million people based on page interactions, profile visits, comments, reactions, and tags. In 2024, the Communications Unit implemented a new K9 of the Month social media campaign and developed the *Your ASP* Campaign; producing 21 videos highlighting key services provided by the agency. The Communications Unit has produced 24 weekly social media videos highlighting Troop Schools 2024-A and 2024-B. It has also designed, built, and installed multi-use podcast production studio; launched the *10-8 Podcast*, a bi-weekly podcast highlighting strategies to enhance service to our communities and statewide law enforcement departments; and produced multi-part recruiting campaign for Troop School Classes of 2024-A and 2024-B.



DPS Legal



The DPS Legal and Legislative Affairs Section provides advice and legal counsel to the Director, Deputy Directors, DPS Chief of Staff, and the Division Troop and Company Commanders in civil, criminal, administrative, personnel, and disciplinary matters. The Legal Section provides consultation for investigations conducted by the Office of Professional Standards, represents the Director in all disciplinary cases appealed to the Arkansas State Police Commission by commissioned personnel, and administers appeals on behalf of ASP to the internal Complaint Review Board for non-commissioned employees as well as the State Employee Grievance Appeal Panel (SEGAP). The Legal Section reviews and responds to requests for records and information submitted under the U.S. Department of Justice's *Giglio* policy. The Legal Section provides representation to the Division's Regulatory and Licensing Divisions in administrative appeals for concealed handgun licensing and private investigator/private security licensing and representation to the Division in matters filed with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Division. All subpoenas and services of legal process are reviewed by the Legal Section, who then determines the appropriate action and legal response. The Legal Section provides representation for the agency before the Arkansas State Claims Commission and in state court for appeals from regulatory and licensing decisions. In cases where the Division and its employees are represented by the Arkansas Attorney General's Office in civil lawsuits filed in federal court, the Legal Section helps to manage the litigation.

The Legal Section is also responsible for reviewing contracts and Memorandums of Understanding on behalf of the Division, and for drafting and reviewing legislation. The Legal Section promulgates rules pursuant to new legislation or an update of existing rules. Various training is provided to Division units, personnel, and trainees, including Troop schools, by the Legal Section.

In 2024, the Legal Section responded to approximately 42 ASCC claims and 3 EEOC complaints. A total of 59 decertification hearings were conducted, decertifying 56 officers. During 2024, the Legal Section had 34 Concealed Carry License appeal hearings scheduled, 29 for Private Investigators/Security Officer appeals, and 26 for Crime Victims.

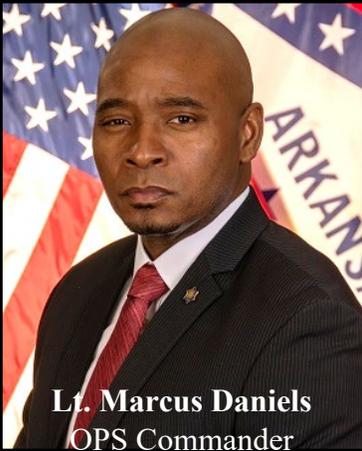
Legal Section personnel receive and respond to all requests submitted under the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). In 2024, the Section responded to a minimum of 4,833 FOIA requests (151 requests were for CLEST records). There is a charge for FOIA requests for videos longer than three (3) hours or cumulative requests for videos within a month in excess of three (3) hours, as authorized in A.C.A. § 25-19-112(c). In 2024, \$20,729 was collected in fees for production of videos.

In 2024, the Legal Section was staffed by DPS Chief Legal Counsel Joan Shipley, ASP Deputy Counsel Tess Bradford, Attorneys Jesi Feld, Ryan Roach, Taylor Reavis, and Legal Specialists Michelle Spencer and Brooke Jarrett.

Administrative Operations

Office of Professional Standards (OPS)

The Office of Professional Standards (OPS) is staffed with Commander Marcus Daniels, Investigator's Dean Pitchford and Christiana McKibben. They serve as investigators for administrative investigations conducted on employees of the Department of Public Safety. OPS is also staffed with Program Coordinator Veronica King who is responsible for revisions and additions to policies and procedures, completing special assignments, and assisting with various tasks within OPS. Veronica King is also the Master Administrator for PowerDMS, which is the current public safety workforce platform for the Division. OPS conducts administrative investigations for complaints filed against ASP/DPS employees from both internal sources and from the public. Investigators are responsible for investigating all complaints filed on employees, officer-involved shootings, and racial profiling allegations involving ASP Troopers. OPS maintains and compiles data for all pursuit and use of force incidents for the Division. OPS also assists the Administrative Services Division with recruit applicant background reviews and sits on the applicant interview panel.



Lt. Marcus Daniels
OPS Commander



Cpl. Dean Pitchford
Investigator



Cpl. Christiana McKibben
Investigator



Veronica King
Program Coordinator



2024 OPS Investigations

Inter-Departmental Complaints	37
Citizen Complaints	14
Racial Profiling Complaints	1
Officer-Involved Shootings	15
Total	67

Highway Safety



Bridget White

Highway Safety Office Administrator



The Highway Safety Office (HSO) administers state and federal highway safety funds and oversees highway safety program efforts supported by those funds for the State of Arkansas. The HSO develops an annual highway safety plan, which identifies traffic-related safety problems in Arkansas and recommends programs most effective in reducing traffic fatalities, injuries, and crashes. A performance plan was prepared which described the State’s highway safety problem identification process and identified the State’s highway safety benchmarks and goals. The highway safety plan described the strategies for meeting the goals outlined in the performance plan and allocation of highway safety funds. The HSO implemented projects and facilitated activities and programs that contributed toward reaching the State’s highway safety goal. Projects and activities implemented included but were not limited to:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selective Traffic Enforcement Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Information and Awareness Campaigns
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Communities Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Click It or Ticket
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Passenger Safety Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Teen Driver Safety Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U Drive U Text U Pay
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DWI Courts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Speeding Slows You Down
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eCrash/eCitation Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motorcycles: Share the Road
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement, Judicial and Prosecutor Training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Slow Down Phone Down in Work Zones

The HSO recognizes that the achievement of quantified goals is dependent not only on the work of its office but also on the collaborative and ongoing efforts of a multitude of governmental and private entities involved in improving highway safety in Arkansas. HSO expenditures for Calendar Year 2024 were approximately \$12 million.

Fleet Operations



Lt. Alan Johnson
Fleet Manager



2024 Fleet Statistics

Total Vehicles at the beginning of 2024	1,157
Vehicles Added	95
Vehicles sent to M&R	144
Accidents Involving Fleet Vehicles	208
Estimated Miles Driven in 2024	17,610,620
Estimated Gallons of Fuel in 2024	1,166,395.125
Fuel Cost for 2024	\$3,200,337.70



Administrative Services Division



Maj. Roby Rhoads
Division Commander

The Administrative Services Division (ASD) staff are responsible for providing guidance to the Director's Office, command staff, management, and supervisors regarding training, recruiting, wellness, and workforce issues. They also serve as liaisons with other state entities, representing the division at legislative proceedings, and conduct Line of Duty Death Benefit briefings for various law enforcement agencies. Furthermore, the ASD staff are responsible for presenting monthly reports to the Arkansas State Police Commission regarding uniformed personnel matters and the ASP Uniformed Health Plan.

The ASD is responsible for oversight of the Sergeant and Lieutenant promotional process. Arkansas State Police hosts promotional testing for commissioned officers every two (2) years with an average of 200 eligible candidates. The ASD coordinates candidate testing and location selection for the written examinations, assigns Test Proctors to oversee testing at each off-site location, and coordinates the off-site Oral Board exams. This lengthy process takes up to eighteen (18) months of preparation.

The ASD works closely with personnel who are members of the National Guard and Reserve forces to ensure a seamless process for these employees who transition from full-time employment status to inactive status during periods of military leave. The ASP Training Staff works hard to ensure these military members meet all mandatory training requirements.



Capt. Craig Teague
Assistant Commander





Training/Recruiting Command Staff



Lt. Ben Hoyt
Training Unit



Lt. Mike Gunnett
Training Unit



Sgt. Chad Staley
Training Unit



Sgt. Alex Bray
Training Unit



Sgt. Jesse Woodham
Training Unit



Sgt. Callie Dacus
Training Unit



Sgt. Zach Owens
Recruiting Section

ASP Benefits and Health Plan

The Administrative Services Division (ASD) is responsible for Medical, Pharmacy, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, and Long-Term Disability for members consisting of active and retired employees and eligible spouses and dependents for 3,239 total covered lives. In 2024, this unit processed supplemental insurance billing (Life LTD, UNUM, Pan AM) in the amount of \$344,145.59 and dental/vision totaling \$541,852.61. Retirement premiums for 2024 totaled \$1,775,660.49. In addition, Benefits processed twenty-four (24) new retirements.

ASD is tasked with coordinating Annual Open Enrollment for ASP Uniformed employees. ASD personnel attend monthly State Employee Health Subcommittee and Board meetings to keep informed of insurance enhancements and benefit and rate changes for state employees. In addition, the division staff completes the annual IRS 1095 form reporting and all division contracts.

ASD assisted in and completed Special Projects, such as but not limited to the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB), Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), Legislative Audit – ASP Health Plan, Health Insurance Cost Study for US Census Bureau, Gag Clause Attestation, and assisted in compiling & verifying coverage for 1094 & 1095 reports, W2 reporting, and VA training and enrollment (Veteran GI Bill Certification).



Wellness Unit



Sgt. Charles Lewis
Wellness Unit Commander

The Wellness Unit is responsible for providing emotional and spiritual support to the Arkansas State Police and Arkansas Department of Public Safety personnel, their immediate family members, and members of the public who are victims of a crime or accident. The primary goal of this program is to alleviate the adverse effects of stress among department personnel and their families when invited and deemed appropriate. The Wellness Unit comprises one (1) commissioned officer and one (1) non-commissioned employee.



2024 WELLNESS UNIT STATS

Individuals Assisted	492
Follow-Up Visits	44
Debriefs	17
Participants	230
Act 537 Processed	27
Nurse Practitioner Patients Seen	585
First Responder Wellness Events	21
Baptist Health – Patients Seen	48



Dr. William Lackey, PhD

Training Unit

In 2024, the Arkansas State Police (ASP) Training Staff consisted of thirteen (13) commissioned officers and two (2) non-commissioned employees. Together, they were responsible for coordinating and implementing various training programs for the Arkansas State Police and other agencies throughout the state.

The Training Unit responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

Planning and coordinating Troop School, Canine training, Management of the Training Academy, Physical Fitness training, Use of Force and Pursuit Driving training, Basic and Remedial training, TASER training, Radar training, Firearms training, Defensive Tactics training, Active Shooter training, Instructor Development training, Coordination of the Arkansas Healthy Employee Lifestyle Program (AHELP), Coordination of Drug Recognition Expert training, Coordination of the Field Training Officer Training Program, Riot Control training, Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) testing certification coordination, Assisting with the ASP Promotional Process, Body Armor replacement, Equipment maintenance, Administering of yearly incumbent and applicant ARPAT testing, as well as various other duties as assigned.

One (1) training staff member serves as the State Firearms Instructor and ASP Armorer. This individual is responsible for issuing and maintaining inventory, ordering all ammunition and firearms for the agency, assisting with firearm repairs, and coordinating the schedule for the Wrightsville firing range. They are also responsible for maintaining supplies and scheduling necessary maintenance.



In 2024, the Training Section coordinated two separate Troop Schools. The 2024-A Troop School consisted of 710 training hours in a condensed 10-week program for previously certified officers. This training culminated in graduating eighteen (18) newly commissioned troopers in Arkansas. The 2024-B Troop School will total 1,200 training hours and is set to graduate in March 2025, with an anticipated thirty-nine (39) newly commissioned troopers.

The Troop School training classes included basic and advanced firearms training and qualification, Active Shooter Training, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Violent Encounter Resolution Skills (VERS) course, Bias-Free Policing training, TASER training, EVOC, Traffic Stops, Accident Investigations, and numerous other courses. The training section also hosted various courses at the driving track facility, including Stop Stick Training, TIMS Training, Interdiction Training, SWAT Training, and other training sessions with numerous local, state, and federal agencies.

Recruiting Unit



We are tasked with recruiting highly qualified personnel for the position of Trooper in the Arkansas State Police. The Recruiting Unit is committed to identifying the best recruits who align with the values and standards of our agency. The Recruiting Unit works diligently to promote the Arkansas State Police at every opportunity. One of those opportunities is attending career/job fairs across the state; in 2024, Sgt. Zach Owens participated in 96 career/job fairs.

The Recruiting Unit is responsible for processing Trooper applications. This process begins with the initial screening through ARCareers, followed by scheduling and administering the physical assessment test, written exam, polygraph testing, background investigations, and the oral interview process.



In 2024, the recruiting staff contacted 427 applicants to take the physical assessment and written examination required to become a commissioned officer. Of the applicants contacted, 305 took the Physical Assessment Test. As part of the hiring process, the Recruiting Unit conducted 179 written tests, reviewed 135 polygraph results, and administered 169 background investigations. Based on the background investigations, 125 applicants were selected to advance to the final two stages of the hiring process in August of 2024.

Apart from the recruitment effort and the recruiting application phases, the Recruiting Unit is also responsible for the Trooper Reinstatement hiring process. In 2024, the unit processed ten reinstatements (1 withdrew and 1 failed ARPAT).

Regulatory & Building Operations Division



Maj. Michael Moyer
Commander



Capt. Dustin Morgan
Assistant Commander

The Regulatory and Building Operations Division includes the Private Investigator, Security Guard, Alarm Company Licensing Section, Mail & Copy Room, Crash Record Section, Used Motor Vehicle Dealer Licensing, Identification Bureau, Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), Concealed Handgun Licensing, Fire & Explosives, and Inmate Services.



Lt. Tiffany Dycus
I.D. Bureau/AFIS/CHCL



Lt. Jay McAllister
Building Ops/Crash Records/UMV



Sgt. Larry Dawson
Fire & Explosives Unit



Sgt. Austin Lay
PI Security

Fire Investigations Unit

The fire investigators worked sixty-one (61) fires during 2024. They assisted city, state, and federal agencies throughout the state.



Explosives

The Hazardous Device Technicians responded to thirty-eight (38) explosives-related calls across Arkansas in 2024. The State Police Bomb Team supported the ASP SWAT team on three calls in 2024. The Arkansas State Police Bomb Team currently consists of four (4) certified Hazardous Device Technicians by the FBI and six (6) support personnel.



2024 Regulatory Services Activity

AFIS

Criminal Fingerprint Cards Processed	105,991
ASP Electronic Fingerprint Site	71
Non-ASP Electronic Fingerprint Sites	430
Civil Fingerprint Cards Processed	119,983
Police Applicant Cards Processed	8,675
Mobile AFIS Requests Processed	4782

IDENTIFICATION BUREAU

Background Checks Processed	286,010
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BLUE LIGHT SALES

Sales Reported	0
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CRASH REPORTS

Crash Reports Received	83,296
Crash Reports Sold	155,427

POLYGRAPH AND VOICE STRESS

Polygraph Examiner Application	16
Intern Polygraph Examiner Application	0
Voice Stress Analysis Examiner Application	19

FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE SECTION

Fire Investigations	61
Bomb/Explosive Calls	38
SWAT Responses	7
Training Provided (Personnel Hours)	711
Training Received (Personnel Hours)	2131
Accelerant Canine Training	528

MAINTENANCE

Hours Spent on AWIN Projects	5,395.86
Miles Driven-AWIN Projects	90,172.00

P.I. - SECURITY - ALARM INSTALLATION AND MONITORING

Class A, B & E Applications	254
Class C Applications	8
Class D Applications	58
Alarm Apprentice	87
Alarm Agent	147
Alarm Monitor	560
Alarm Technician	896
Assistant Training Administrator	14
Assistant Training Administrator-IOI	11
Company- Private Business/School Security Dept.	8
Credentialed Private Investigator	94
Commissioned Security Officer	1134
IOI - Institution of Instruction	4
Private Security Officer	2030
Agency Representative (REP)	610
Training Administrator	36
Training Administrator - IOI	5
Training Instructor	0
Training Instructor - IOI	1
Opened Complaints	27
Closed Complaints	25
Company Audits	0
Examinations Administered	145
Current Active Licenses, Credentials & Commissions	12,436

MAIL ROOM

Copies Made Per Year	292,635
Pieces of Mail Processed Per Year	125,316

USED MOTOR VEHICLE

New Dealer Application	652
Renewal Dealer Applications	2374
Satellite Applications	21
Dealer Complaints	47



Field Operations

Criminal Investigation Division (CID)



CID Division Commander
Major Stacie Rhoads



CID Assistant Commander
Capt. Randall Murphy



CID Assistant Commander
Capt. Larry Joe Carter

The Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is responsible for criminal law enforcement, including drug enforcement, Internet Child Exploitation, and all other non-traffic enforcement activities. The Division is comprised of six (6) Companies, each is responsible for the coverage of two (2) Highway Patrol troops. The Criminal Investigation Division includes several specialized units. The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) conducts white-collar crime and Federal Task Force investigations at the direction of the Division Commander. These Federal Task Forces include the United States Marshal's Office Fugitive Task Force, the Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force, and the FBI ARKTRUST Task Force. The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) section works with local, state, and federal agencies to prevent and prosecute child pornography and other internet crimes against children. The Arkansas State Fusion Center (ASFC) disseminates criminal information and intelligence. The Arkansas Human Trafficking Council (AHTC) supports human trafficking victims and prevent and prosecute human trafficking. Major Stacie Rhoads commanded the Criminal Investigation Division during 2024.



Company/Unit Command Staff



Company A
Lt. Jason Martin



Company B
Lt. Morris Knight



Company C
Lt. Joshua Heckel



Company D
Lt. Phillip Pierce



Company E
Lt. Ted Jones



Company F
Lt. Brant Tosh



SIU
Lt. Robert Middleton





2024 CID Enforcement Activity

CID opened 1,608 cases in 2024, with some cases resulting in multiple felony charges. Outlined below are the statistics by Company or Unit and by category.

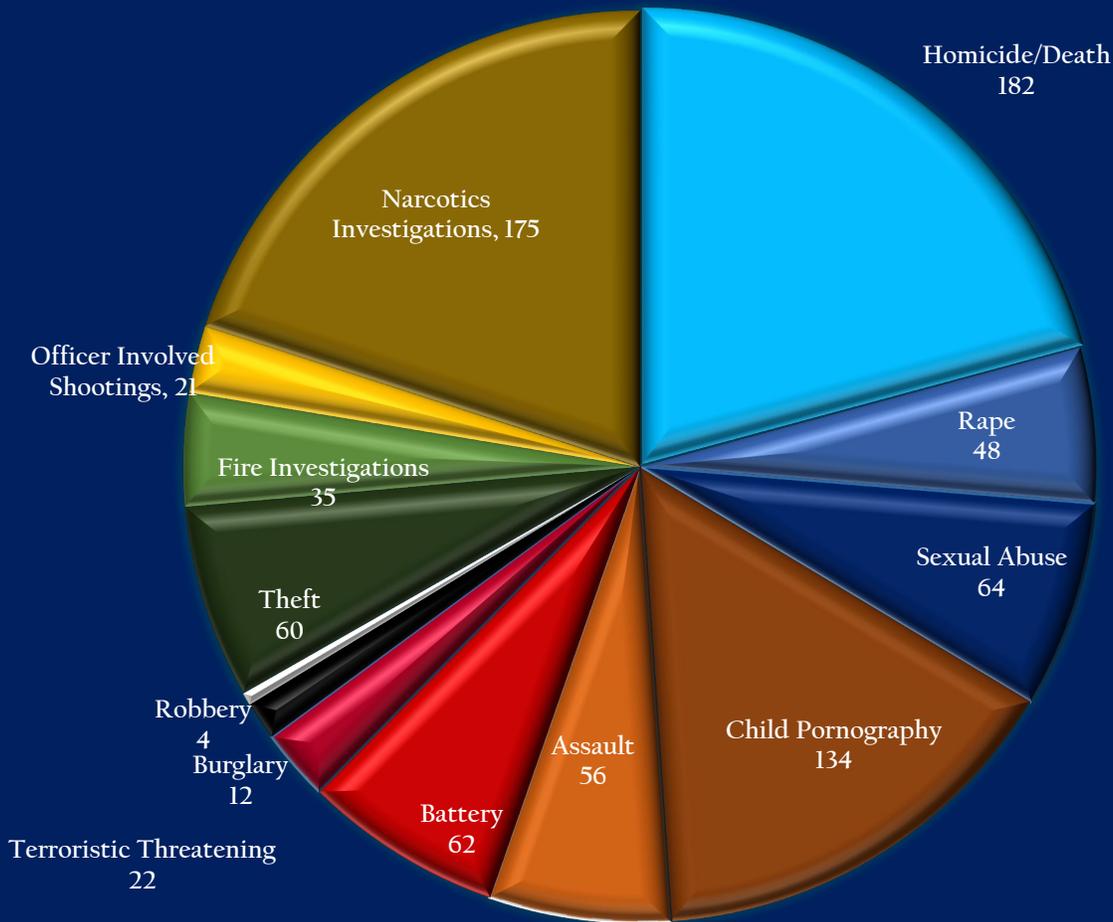
Company/ Unit	Persons Assigned	Cases Opened	Cases Closed	Felony Arrests	Misdemeanor Arrests
A	14	247	133	277	0
B	12	230	68	123	80
C	14	197	113	253	0
D	13	269	192	100	17
E	13	220	108	397	11
F	13	234	163	78	12
SIU/Admin	10	211	183	98	12
Total	89	1608	960	1326	132



2024 CID Crimes by Category



Crime	Totals
Homicide/Death	182
Rape	48
Sexual Abuse	64
Child Pornography	134
Assault	56
Battery	62
Terroristic Threatening	22
Burglary	12
Robbery	4
Theft	60
Fire Investigation	35
Officer Involved Shootings	21
Narcotics Investigations	175
Total	875





ARKANSAS HUMAN TRAFFICKING COUNCIL

The Arkansas Human Trafficking Council (AHTC) is a multidisciplinary collaboration of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies working together with organizations providing comprehensive services to trafficking victims: 1) to identify all forms of human trafficking, 2) to provide all victims access to services, 3) to investigate and prosecute HT cases at the local, state, and federal levels, 4) to address individualized service needs through a comprehensive array of service providers.

The Council's core team consists of the Department of Public Safety Division of Arkansas State Police, the Arkansas Attorney General's Office, and the Department of Human Services Division of Children and Family Services.

The Council has the following subcommittees: Outreach and Awareness, Strategic Planning and Trafficking Protocol, Training, Victim Service, Law Enforcement, and a Survivor-Led Committee.



1. Operation HART (February 2024)
 - A one-day operation in Northeast Arkansas
 - Outcomes:
 - 30 victims identified
 - 5 adults contacted and offered services
 - 1 trafficker detained
2. Operation HOPE (May 2024)
 - A one-day event near Central Arkansas
 - Outcomes:
 - 25 victims identified
 - 3 minor children were rescued
 - 7 adults contacted and offered services
3. Operation BRIGHT (August 2024)
 - A one-day event near Central Arkansas
 - Outcomes:
 - 79 victims identified
 - 2 minor children were rescued
 - 16 adults contacted and offered services
 - 1 trafficker detained

2024 Highlights:

A total of 82 high-risk missing children were recovered, while human trafficking operations and investigations identified over **300 victims** across the state.



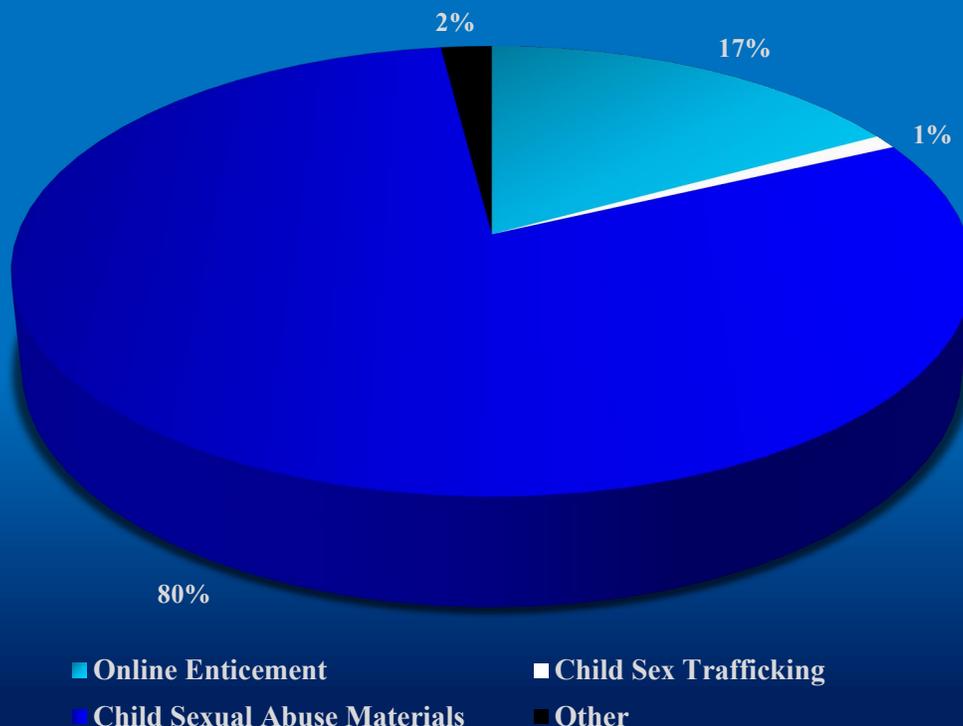
Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

The Arkansas State Police commemorated two decades since establishing the Arkansas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, which operates from an invitation-only grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Programs, a division of the Department of Justice. This funding sustains all facets of the task force's operations, including training, equipment procurement, and tools necessary for evidence extraction. Without this financial support, investigations crucial for safeguarding Arkansas's most vulnerable would lack the necessary resources.

Under the guidance of Sergeant Corwin Battle, the ARICAC task force handled 1,181 online enticement reports, 27 child sex trafficking reports, 5,478 reports of Child Sexual Abuse Material, and 139 other reports. Throughout the year, the task force received 6,825 Cybertips, initiating 758 investigations resulting in 240 arrests. Over this period, 77 child victims were identified. Additionally, the task force provided training for 361 law enforcement officers while engaging nearly 1,400 citizens on online safety issues. In the area of forensics, 1,362,968 gigabytes of data were examined.

The ARICAC remains steadfast in its commitment to rescuing children and removing individuals' intent on harming them from our communities.

ARICAC 2024



Fusion Center



Celestina Williams
ASFC Administrator

Governor Mike Beebe established the Arkansas State Fusion Center (ASFC) and its governing body, known as the Arkansas State Fusion Center Executive Committee, by Executive Order (EO) 08-11 on May 19, 2008. The EO expressly provided that the Fusion Center be “Organizationally located” within the Division of the Arkansas State Police (ASP). The ASFC is one of 80 coordinated, nationally networked fusion centers across the United States.

In 2024, the ASP provided six full-time civilian personnel as staff to the ASFC: Tina Williams, the ASFC Administrator/Director; Danny Watkins, the ASFC Intelligence Analyst Supervisor; Shemiracle King and Vasily Sekerak, ASFC Senior Intelligence Analysts; Alan Sutton, ASFC Software Support Specialist; and LaKendra Shelton, Administrative Specialist.

The Executive Committee is comprised of the Director of ASP or the Director’s designee (who serves as Chair) and representatives from the following 19 federal, state, and local partners:

U.S. Department of Homeland Security	U.S. Attorney for the Eastern Dist. of Arkansas
U.S. Attorney for the Western Dist. of Arkansas	Federal Bureau of Investigation
Adjutant General of Arkansas	Attorney General of Arkansas
Arkansas Department of Health	Arkansas Department of Emergency Management
Arkansas Crime Information Center	Arkansas Department of Correction
Arkansas Department of Community Correction	Arkansas Game and Fish Commission
Arkansas Highway Police	Arkansas Prosecuting Attorney’s Association
Arkansas Sheriff’s Association	Arkansas Association of Chiefs of Police
Office of the Governor	Arkansas Fire Fighter’s Association
Arkansas Department of Agriculture	



During 2024 ASFC personnel:

- Provided instruction on Fusion Center operations and on the Terrorist Screening Center (TSC) to officers attending the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy in East Camden, Central, and Springdale
- Provided instruction on Fusion Center operations and on the Terrorist Screening Center (TSC) to officers attending the ASP Troop School, the ACC Parole/Probation Academy, Pulaski County Sherriff’s Office Academy, BRTC LETA, and the Little Rock Police Academy
- Produced analytic products recognized in the DHS “Fusion Center Product Portfolio” as quality products
- Provided a Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) portal to facilitate communications by and between security and first responders for the 2024 Little Rock Marathon
- Provided intel and support to state and local agencies during multiple protests/rallies/events throughout the year.
- Provided Homeland Security Liaison Officers (HSLO) training for 32 students.
- One analyst attended the National Internet of Things Conference in Las Vegas, NV.
- Two analysts and CID Major attended the National Fusion Center Association (NFCA) training event in Washington, DC.
- Two analysts attended the 2024 LEIU/IALEIA Annual Training in New Orleans, LA
- Two analysts attended the ADEM annual conference in Hot Springs, AR
- Once analyst attended the 2024 IOMGIA training conference in Orlando, FL and the Gang Combat dynamics training course in St Louis, MO
- The ASFC Director and CID Major attended the 2024 ASCIA Conference in Columbus, OH
- One analyst attended the Human Trafficking Interdiction/Operations training in Texarkana, TX
- Four analysts attended the Annual Southern Shield Fusion Center Directors/Lead Analysts conference in Orange Beach, AL
- Two analysts attended the OSINT training course in Salisbury, MD
- One analyst attended the FIAT training in McDonough, GA
- One analyst presented 11 briefs throughout the state on Artificial Intelligence
- All analyst virtually attended different trainings throughout the year focusing on their Fusion Center portfolio.

2024 Fusion Center Activities

Bulletins	1003
Major Event Threat Assessment	10
Hotline Reports	728 Calls: 651 Inmate calls, 77 Absconder Tips
Request for Information	584
Requests for services	2
Training Announcements	19
Presentations	16 (755 Students)
SARS	66



Crimes Against Children Division



Maj. Jeffrey Drew
Division Commander

The Crimes Against Children Division (CACD) operates with one (1) Major, one (1) Investigations Administrator, one (1) Admin Specialist III, three (3) Admin Specialist II, eleven (11) Area Managers, seventy-one (71) Investigators, one (1) Hotline Administrator, five (5) Hotline Supervisors and twenty-seven (27) Hotline Operators.

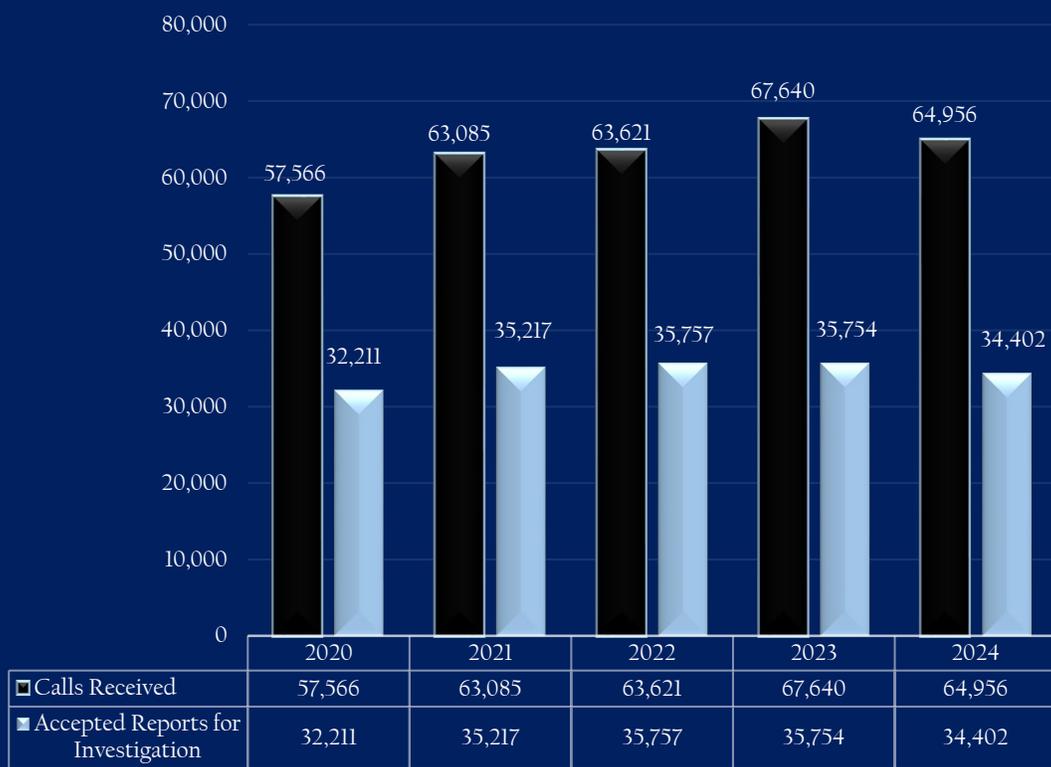
Child Abuse Hotline operators in the CACD of the Arkansas State Police received 64,956 referrals in 2024. Of these referrals, 34,402 were accepted as legally valid allegations of abuse or neglect. They were assigned for investigation to CACD investigators or the Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS) Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS).



Kalika Rodgers
Investigations Administrator



Dan Mack
Hotline Administrator



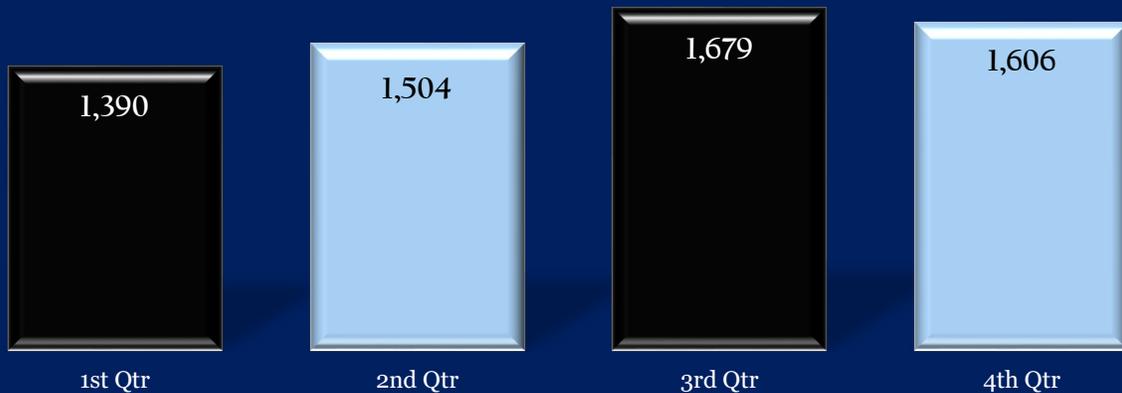
Crimes Against Children

The referrals accepted by the Hotline are divided into categories for investigation, pursuant to an agreement with DHS. This resulted in 6,179 cases being investigated by the CACD's Investigation section in 2024. Each report may contain multiple allegations. Of the total number of Priority 1 allegations, 4,070 (56%) involved sexual-related offenses.

CACD investigators closed 5,974 referrals in 2024. Of the closed referrals, 1,755 (29%) were found to be 'true'.

The investigative determination of 'true' means there was a preponderance of evidence that indicated the allegations(s) were true. An 'unsubstantiated' finding means the evidence was insufficient to support the allegations(s). Investigations closed with a determination of 'true' were reported to the appropriate prosecuting attorney.

Number of Investigations Assigned



TOTAL PRIORITY I ALLEGATIONS BY TYPE FOR 2024

ABANDONMENT - 11
ABUSE - 1,248
NEGLECT - 526

Sexual Abuse - 2,167
Sexual Exploitation - 98
Death - 20

Highway Patrol Division



Maj. Ron Casey
Highway Patrol Commander



The Highway Patrol Division (HPD) is the uniformed branch of the Arkansas State Police (ASP). It is responsible for traffic supervision, traffic, and criminal law enforcement on the highways of Arkansas. The HPD also assists with other incidents including riots, prison disturbances, labor-related disturbances, and providing security at public events. The HPD has 12 Troops (A-L), which are all stationed throughout Arkansas, providing coverage to multiple counties so that no county goes without coverage. Arkansas has a total of 75 counties within the State. The HPD also has several specialized units. The Interstate Criminal Patrol (ICP), Emergency Response Team (ERT), Driver's License/Commercial Driver's License (DL/CDL), Mobile Incident Command Center/Tactical Command Vehicle (MICC/TCV), Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT), Drone Team, Crash Reconstruction Team (CRT), SWAT, Honor Guard, Tactical and Air Support, Communications, and K-9 Team. Major Ron Casey commanded the HPD during 2024.





Highway Patrol Troop Commanders (A-F)



Troop A
Capt. Jeff Sheeler



Troop B
Capt. Todd Shaw



Troop C
Capt. John Carter



Troop D
Capt. Philip Hydron



Troop E
Capt. David Williams



Troop F
Capt. Rick Neill



Highway Patrol Troop Commanders (G-L)



Troop G
Capt. Brady Gore



Troop H
Capt. Chris Goodman



Troop I
Capt. Wesley Smithee



Troop J
Capt. Kyle Drown



Troop K
Capt. Scott Joe

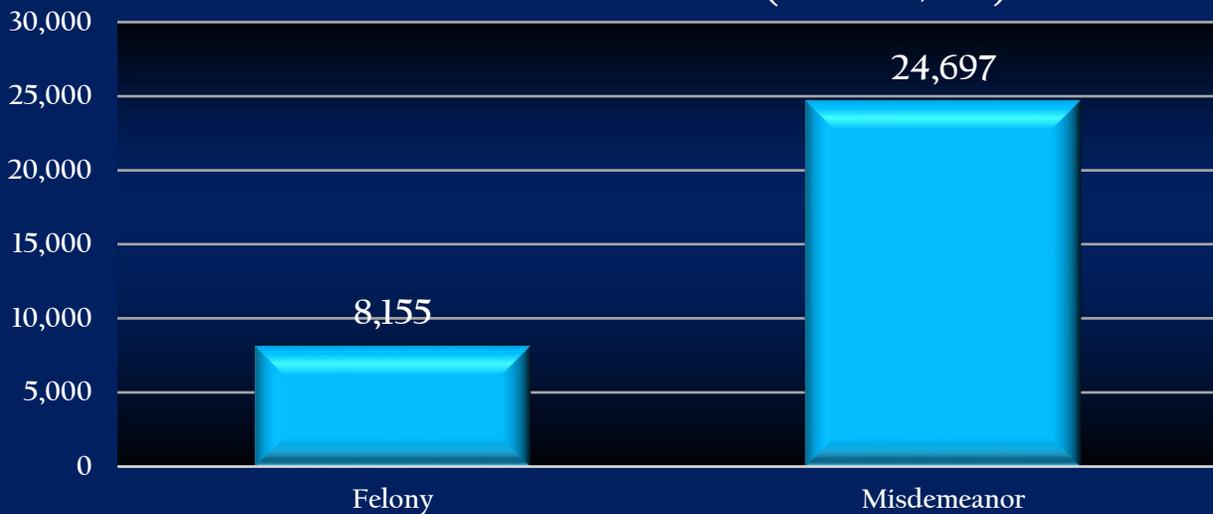


Troop L
Capt. Jeffrey Plouch

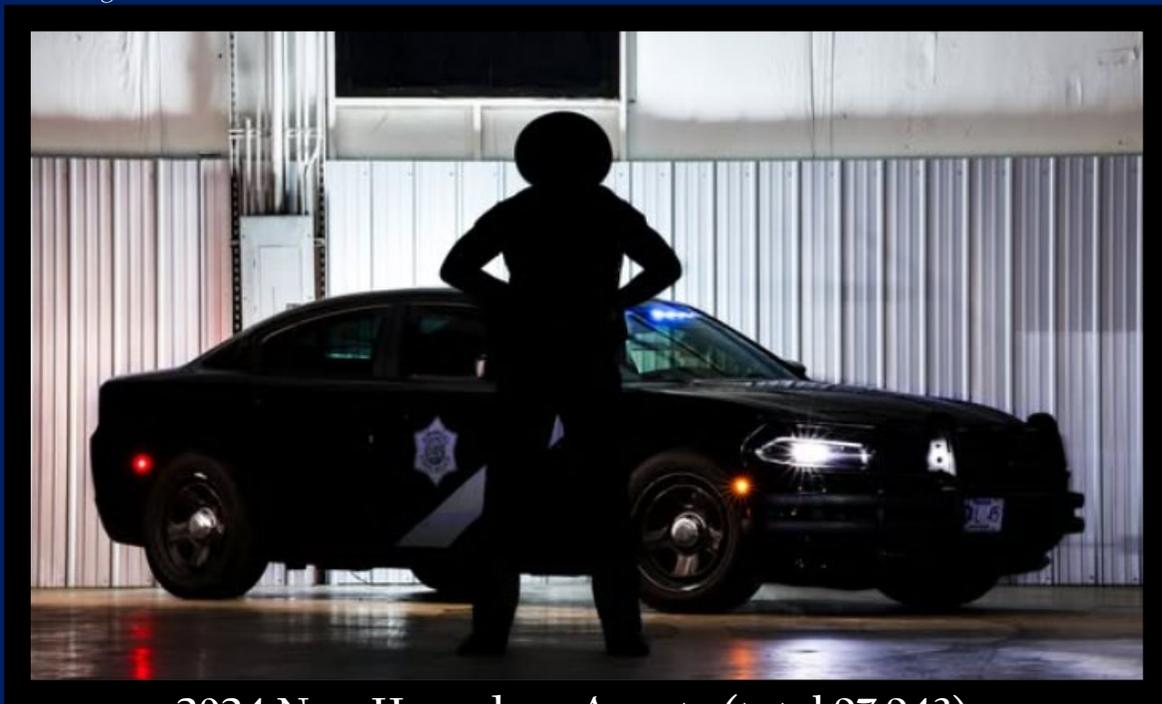
Highway Patrol Activity for 2024



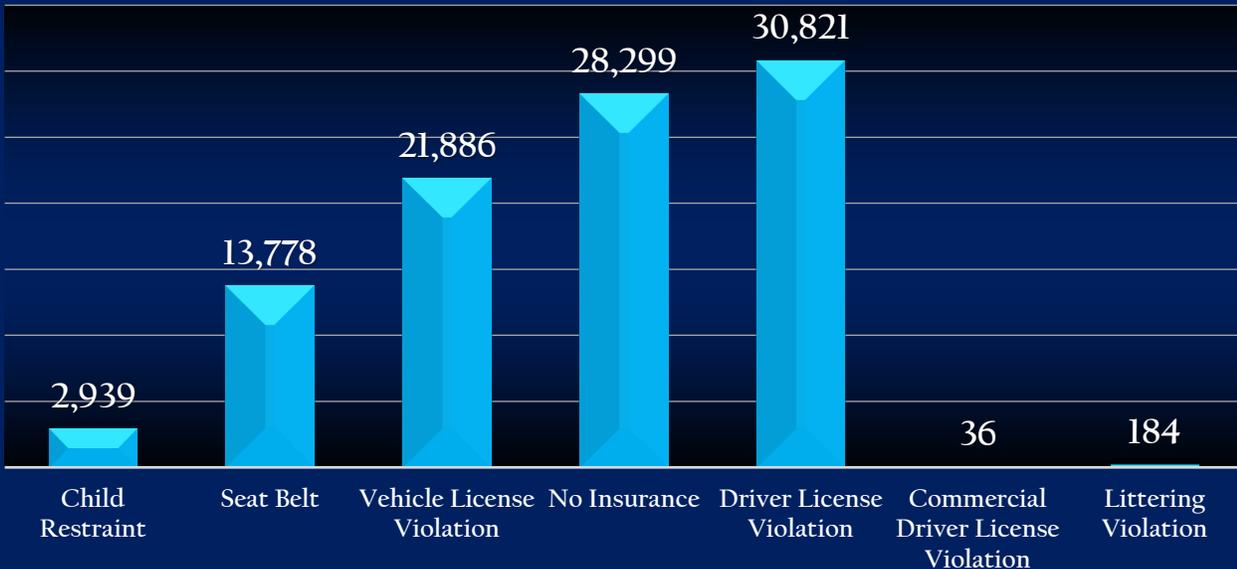
2024 Criminal Arrests (total 32,852)



2024 Hazardous Arrests (total 77,870)



2024 Non-Hazardous Arrests (total 97,943)





ASP K-9 Unit



Bailey



Beau



Bolt



Champ



Dex



Gek



Ghost



Kaos



Khar



Leibo



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In 2024, the Arkansas State Police Canine (K-9) Program teams engaged in the following deployments: 187 Narcotics and 12 Patrol. The K-9 team also seized 4,915.29 pounds of Marijuana, 17.9 pounds of Cocaine, 150.13 pounds of Methamphetamine, and \$1,221,960 in Cash.

Interstate Criminal Patrol (ICP)



Trooper Ana Escamilla was awarded Trooper of the Year for her outstanding criminal interdiction work in 2024. The Arkansas State Police was also awarded Criminal Interdiction Team of the Year during the GCHITDA Annual Conference in Biloxi, MS.



I C P

- Marijuana 11,777.77lbs. (Est. Value \$22,707,541)
- Marijuana/THC Edibles 5,115.07lbs. (Est. Value \$9,861,720)
- THC wax 89.33lbs (Est. Value \$172,228)
- 3,712 THC Vapes (Est. Value \$93,000)
- Total Cash Seized \$4,567,867
- Total Cash Not Seized \$1,294,540
- Cocaine 269.56lbs (Est. Value \$4,744,784)
- Meth 509.466lbs. (Est. Value \$3,195,333)
- Prescription Pills -13,000du. (Est. Value \$312,000)
- Fentanyl 6.29lbs (Est. Value \$135,864)
- 105.57lbs. Psilocybin Mushrooms (Est. Value \$123,306)
- 201 Bottle of Promethazine (Est. Value \$7,035)
- 44 Weapons Seized
- 21 Vehicles Seized
- 5-10K Fraudulent Gift Cards
- 221 Physical Arrests
- \$53,380 Stolen Tools



120 lbs. Marijuana
TFC. Deston Linkous seized on 5/7/2024



514 lbs. Marijuana, 2lbs Psilocybin Mushrooms
TFC. Tanner Hess with K9 Kaos seized on 9/9/2024



Tactical and Air Support



During 2024 the Air Support Unit received 218 flight requests

- 166 requests were made from within the Department.
- 52 requests were made from federal, state, or local agencies.

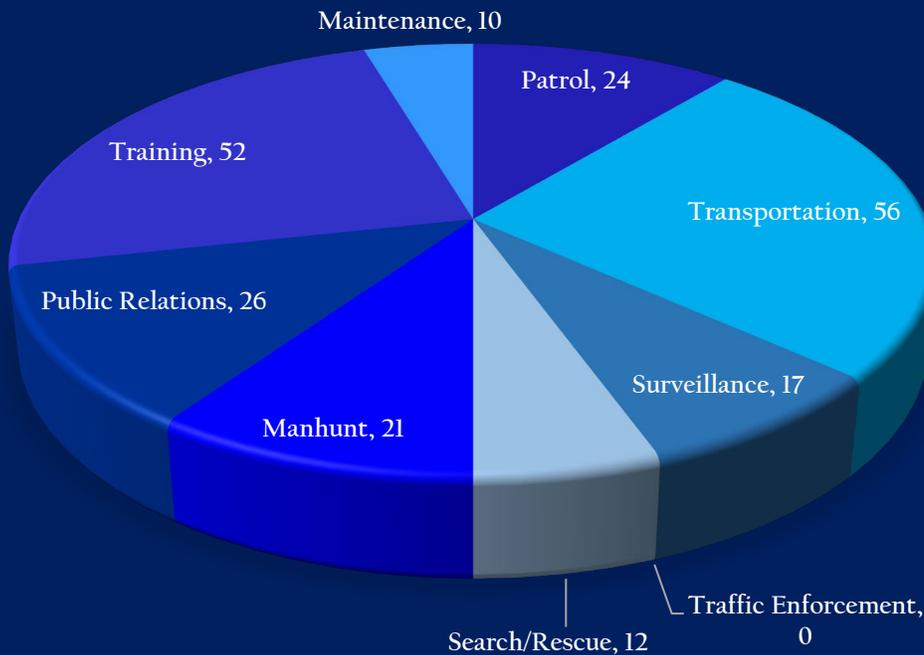
The results of the requested flights are as follows:

- 177 flights completed as requested.
- 21 flights canceled or declined due to weather, availability, or maintenance issues.
- 20 flights canceled by the requestor prior to the flight.

The Air Support Unit flew 317.6 hours during 2024.

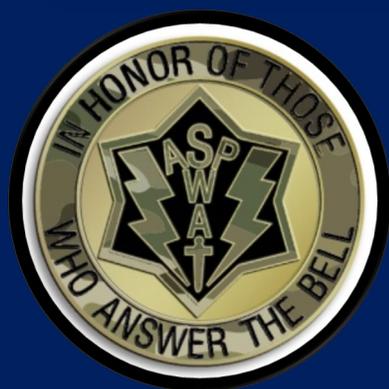
- 165 hours – N524SP, Bell 407 helicopter
- 56.3 hours – N523SP, Cessna 206
- 96.3 hours – N390SP, Beechcraft B200 King Air

AIR SUPPORT UNIT FLIGHT MISSIONS AND REQUESTS





Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team



The Arkansas State Police SWAT team consists of approximately 30 highly trained troopers from various divisions within the Department. Selection for this team is highly competitive as are the standards to remain a member of the unit. Team members are dispersed across the state, which allows for immediate response to tactical situations by several members, while the remaining team members travel to the location with specialized equipment. Team members, who are also law enforcement certified instructors, assist with training at the troop level and for new recruits during a Troop School.



In 2024, ASP SWAT members spent approximately 300 hours training. Training focused on problem-solving specific threats such as barricaded suspects, hostage rescue, and counterterrorism missions. Training included less-lethal and chemical munitions, counterterrorism tactics, SWAT K-9 techniques, technology tactics (robots), firearms proficiency, ballistic-vehicle training (B.E.A.R.) and (BEARCAT), rural mission operations, commercial and residential entry techniques, and explosive breaching. The ASP SWAT Team is recognized by the Department of Homeland Security as a Level 1 team (the highest ranking). As a whole the ASP SWAT Team was activated 22 times in the year 2024.

The following are some of the 2024 SWAT Activations:

- **January I:** A QRF (Quick Reaction Force) was activated to conduct an arrest on a suspect from a pursuit in Pulaski County. The suspect had fired upon Highway Patrol troopers who returned fire and was possibly deceased within his vehicle off the interstate. The team conducted a vehicle assault from armor and determined the suspect was deceased.
- **January II:** The Team was activated upon a request from Blytheville PD (Mississippi County) to execute an arrest warrant on a suspect in their city. The suspect was arrested without incident.
- **January 28:** A QRF was activated to assist with a manhunt in Hempstead County. The suspect fired upon local troopers and then fled into a wooded area. The suspect was unable to be located.
- **January 31:** The Team was deployed to Greers Ferry (Cleburne County) for a suspect who had fired at the Greers Ferry chief of police. While the Team was en route the suspect exited the structure and was taken into custody by local police officers.
- **February 4:** The Team was activated for an armed and barricaded suspect in Fordyce (Dallas County). The suspect surrendered to local police officers while the Team was en route.
- **March I:** A QRF was requested to respond to Crittenden County to assist in the arrest of a suspect who was suspected of building an IED. The suspect was arrested prior to the Team's arrival.
- **June 9:** Three members were requested to assist the Little Rock Police Department (Pulaski County) with placing CS gas inside of a residence in which a suspect was barricaded inside. The suspect surrendered to LRPD prior to the Team's arrival.
- **June 18 - June 19:** The Team was activated to arrest a suspect wanted for murder from Oklahoma and Alabama. The suspect was alleged to be staying at a hotel in Morrilton (Conway County). The Team arrived and executed a search warrant on the hotel, but suspect was not inside that room or the adjacent rooms. The suspect was located the next day in the woods beside the hotel by local law enforcement and was placed into custody.



- August 16: The Team was requested to provide a Bearcat to assist the FBI with an arrest operation in Pulaski County. The suspect was arrested prior to the operation.
- August 21: The Team was requested to provide a Bearcat to assist the United States Marshal Service with an arrest operation in North Little Rock (Pulaski County). The suspect was arrested without incident.
- August 23: The Team provided a Bearcat to assist the FBI with an arrest in Wynne (Cross County). The suspect was arrested without incident.
- August 29: The Team provided a QRF for security at the Arkansas Razorbacks game vs. UAPB at War Memorial Stadium (Pulaski County). The game concluded without incident.
- September 4: The Team provided a Bearcat to assist the DEA with an arrest operation in Fayetteville (Washington County). The suspect was arrested without incident.
- October 11: A QRF was activated to deploy to Jackson County to clear a vehicle which had been involved in a pursuit in Troop B. The suspect had exchanged gunfire with Troop B troopers and had crashed following the exchange. The suspect was determined to be deceased prior to the QRF's arrival.
- November 6: The Team provided a QRF and assistance to the North Central Unit K-9 Team in locating a suspect who fled from a traffic stop in Pulaski County. The suspect was located approximately ½ mile from the traffic stop location hiding in a lake. The suspect was an illegal immigrant from El Salvador who had an Interpol warrant for homicide from El Salvador. The suspect was arrested without incident.
- November 14: Members of the Team augmented with Executive Protection for security for Governor Sanders in Pocahontas (Randolph County).
- November 21: The Team executed an arrest and search warrant in Sheridan (Grant County) related to a possession of child pornography case for ASP CID. The suspect was arrested without incident.
- December 3: The Team was activated to serve an arrest warrant on a suspect in Pine Bluff (Jefferson County) for Attempted Murder. The suspect was arrested without incident.
- December 11: The Team arrested a male suspect in Dyer (Crawford County) for possession of child pornography related charges. The suspect surrendered without incident. A second suspect was arrested at a different location by CID.





Emergency Response Team (ERT)

In 2024, ERT was deployed eleven (11) times in joint operations with DEA, FBI, ADC, and USMS. ERT took part in Operation North Star and Operation Safe Streets.

Search and Rescue deployed three (3) times in 2024: one (1) deployment regarding evidence recovery and two (2) missing person deployments (both subjects were located).

The team conducted two (2) mobile field force certification classes for agencies throughout the state and trained cadets at CALETA and NWALETA. The ERT provided 80 hours of training to other agencies.

Team members completed 1,944 total hours of training in crowd control, less lethal munitions, and Search and Rescue.



Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT)



The Crisis Negotiation Team (CNT) is comprised of 13 Troopers from both the Highway Patrol and Criminal Investigation Divisions. There is a competitive selection process for all team members and each member is expected to maintain high standards on the team and at their regular assignment. Each team member receives extensive training in active listening and communication skills, including a 40-hour course taught by FBI negotiators. The team trains together throughout the year compiling over 160 hours of training annually. CNT members respond with the SWAT team to all activations and operations. CNT members also respond to assist local agencies around the state to provide negotiation assistance during critical incidents. The primary role of the Crisis Negotiation Team is to diffuse critical incidents through active listening and communication skills.

CNT had two (2) team callouts this past year. Team members also assisted in six (6) different incidents.

February 6 - Lawrence County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on U.S. 63 near the Black River bridge. During the traffic stop, a passenger in the vehicle fled on foot and eventually climbed over the railing of the bridge, threatening to commit suicide. The LCSO contacted Troop B Dispatch requesting assistance. Two of our Negotiators were contacted to assist. Both negotiators happened to be in the area and responded to assist on their day off. After a short time of speaking with him, our negotiators were able to convince the suspect to step back over the railing where he was taken into custody without further incident.

March 1 - One of our negotiators was called to assist the FBI and Secret Service with a subject who barricaded himself in a vehicle making suicidal/homicidal threats to the public. Our negotiator arrived on scene and contacted the suspect and after approximately 10 minutes of negotiations, the suspect agreed to exit the van and speak with the investigators. He was placed under arrest soon after.

March 11 - A female called 911 stating that her husband had run out of gas he was going to kill himself and anyone who tried to intervene. A member of our negotiation team responded and located the vehicle at the 119mm on U.S. 67. He and a deputy approached the vehicle. He was able to speak with the driver through a slight crack in the rear passenger window. The subject refused to exit the vehicle. Our negotiator was able to see a firearm on the console. After 45 minutes of conversation, the subject allowed him to open the rear passenger door and secure the firearm. Shortly after, the subject agreed to exit the vehicle. The subject was evaluated by EMS and cleared; he was then arrested for DWI.

June 6 - Two members of the Negotiation team were called to assist Morrilton PD in a barricaded subject with felony warrants out of another state. When they arrived, Morrilton PD had already formed a rapport, so we assisted as a coach and scene control. After multiple hours of negotiations, the suspect surrendered and was taken into custody.

June 19 - Special Ops was called to Morrilton for a barricaded multi-homicide suspect who was suspected of barricading himself in a motel. When we arrived, CNT was tasked with getting ahold of every person who was staying in the motel out safely, so our SWAT Team could attempt to

retrieve the suspect. Negotiators were able to get all civilians out safely, the suspect was not located then but was located a couple of days later and arrested.

July 25 - All of Special Ops were called to an active situation with Marshalls and Troopers attached to the Marshalls where a suspect had exchanged gunfire, during an attempt to execute an arrest warrant. After the initial exchange of gunfire, the suspect barricaded in his home. Negotiators arrived on the scene and immediately contacted the suspect. After hours of negotiations, the suspect opened fire on the SWAT team and the SWAT team was able to stop the threat.

October 6 - Ash Flat Police Department responded to a person sitting on top of a 100' radio tower at the Ozark campus in Ash Flat refusing to come down. An ASP negotiator was requested and after a short negotiation, the subject climbed down and was taken into custody.



October 11 -A member of CNT responded to assist Troopers with an armed standoff on U.S. Highway 67 in Jackson County. Negotiations lasted for approximately forty-five (45) minutes before the uncooperative subject fled the scene driving against traffic at over 100 miles per hour. The subject was shot soon after by Troopers ultimately ending the situation.



In addition to the above callouts, CNT had approximately 128 hours of training in 2024. CNT also assisted the FBI with a 40-hour Crisis Negotiation class for Arkansas Law Enforcement officers. Our CNT also assisted the FBI with a 1-day practical exercise for Crisis Negotiation for continued training.



Crash Reconstruction Team

The Arkansas State Police Crash Reconstruction Team consists of seven (7) highly trained Troopers from the Highway Patrol Division. One (1) full-time coordinator and six (6) part-time members dispersed across the state. One member (Sgt. Greg Dycus-Team Coordinator) is nationally accredited through the Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction (ACTAR).

The ASP Crash Reconstruction Team is one of the most highly trained teams in the nation and spends hundreds of hours each year in continuing education. Along with teaching 160 hours of basic crash investigation at the 2024 ASP Troop Schools. The team also trains several local departments in crash investigation and instructs basic crash investigation at the Central Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy.

The team utilizes 1 Trimble X-7 3D laser scanner, 5 Nikon Total Station laser mapping devices, 1 RTK (Real Time Kinematics) GPS Station, 5 Trimble Quick Response GNSS Systems (QRS), 4 Anafi Parrot

drones, 2 DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise drones along with the REVEAL Realworks, and Pix4d computer drawing programs to produce "To Scale" drawings of fatal crash scenes with 1-3 cm's of accuracy.

In 2024, the ASP Crash Team's assistance was requested 64 times by 27 different agencies across the state.

The ASP Crash Team also analyzed 76 Airbag Control Modules (ACM) using the Bosch Crash Data Retrieval Tool. The ACM is the computer "brain" of the vehicle that decides whether or not to deploy the airbag in a crash situation. The ACM also continually monitors the various functions of the vehicle such as the vehicle's speed, braking, engine RPMs, and steering angle.

Additionally in 2024, the ASP Crash Team flew 176 UAS (drone) missions in conjunction with the reconstruction/ ACM image requests.





Mobile Incident Command Center (MICC)

The Arkansas State Police Mobile Incident Command Center (MICC) team consists of five team members who assist with SWAT callouts, statewide saturations, the Arkansas State Fair, and natural disasters.



The following activations occurred in 2024:

- **June 18:** The team assisted Arkansas State Police Troopers, Arkansas State Police SWAT, and other law enforcement in Morrilton, looking for a murder suspect from Oklahoma and Alabama.
- **July 25:** The team assisted Arkansas State Police SWAT, Troopers, CNT, and the CID in an incident where an armed fugitive fired upon officers with the US Marshal Service who were attempting to place him under arrest.
- **August 20:** The team participated in the Nuclear One exercise.
- **October 11 - October 20:** The MICC was deployed to the Arkansas State Fair to assist with security along with communications throughout the duration of the fair.
- **December 8:** The team assisted the Arkansas State Police and the Criminal Investigations Division with an arrest warrant for attempted murder.



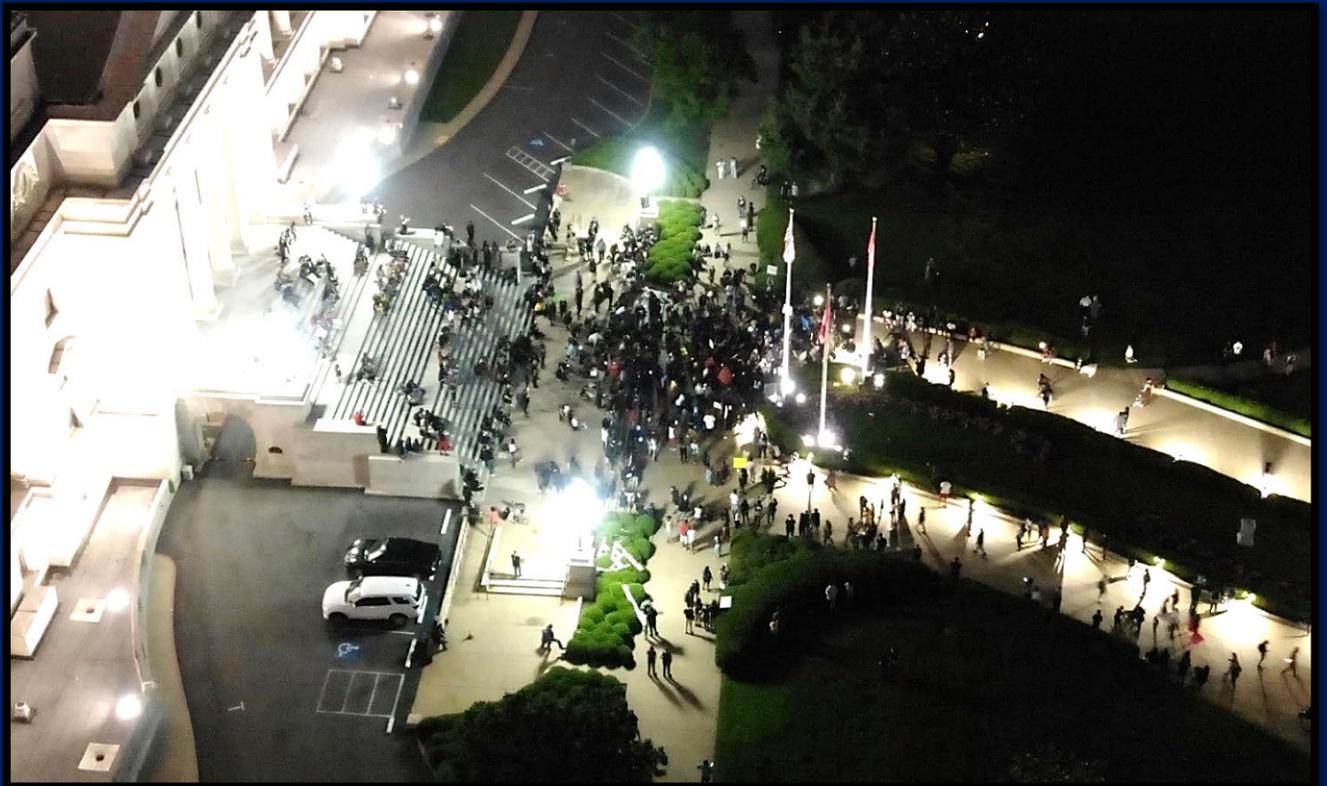
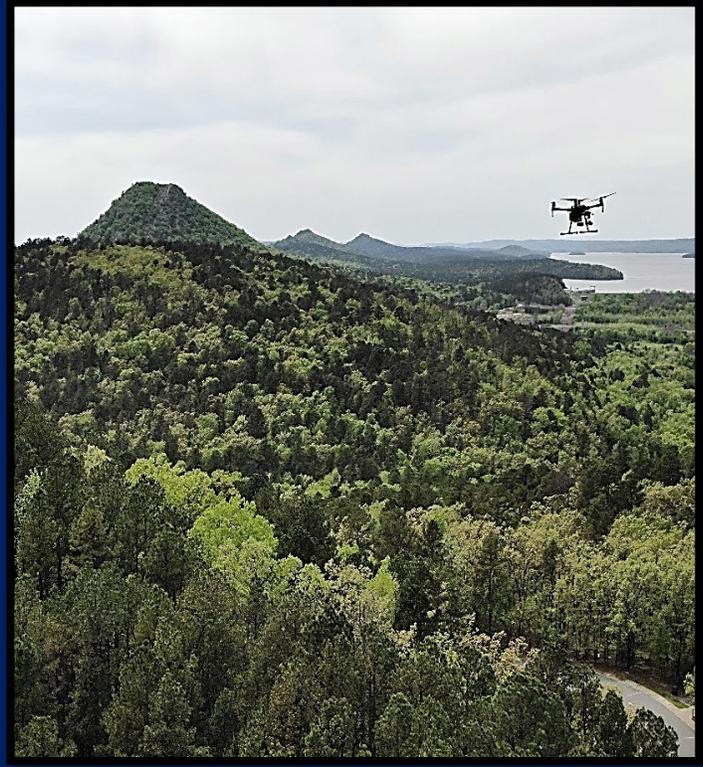
ASP Drone Team

In 2024, the ASP Drone Team logged 824 flights with 113.87 hours flown. These missions included search and rescue operations, surveillance for SWAT operations, crash reconstruction, and criminal investigations.

The ASP Drone Team currently has 19 pilots assigned to the Highway Patrol Division and 6 pilots assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division. All pilots have their FAA Part 107 license and train monthly.

ASP owns 21 drones: 1 Matrice 300, 1 Matrice 210, 2 Mavic 3Ts, 1 Mavic Dual, 11 Mavic 2 Zooms, 4 ANAFI Parrots, and 1 Mavic Air assigned to the media Unit.

The ASP drone team has assisted other agencies by providing air support, training, policy, procedures, and licensing.





Honor Guard



The Arkansas State Police Honor Guard pays tribute at funerals for in the line of duty deaths and retired Troopers. The Honor Guard also presents the colors at various events throughout the year under the direction of the Director. The Honor Guard assisted with multiple funerals throughout the year and presented the colors at various events.

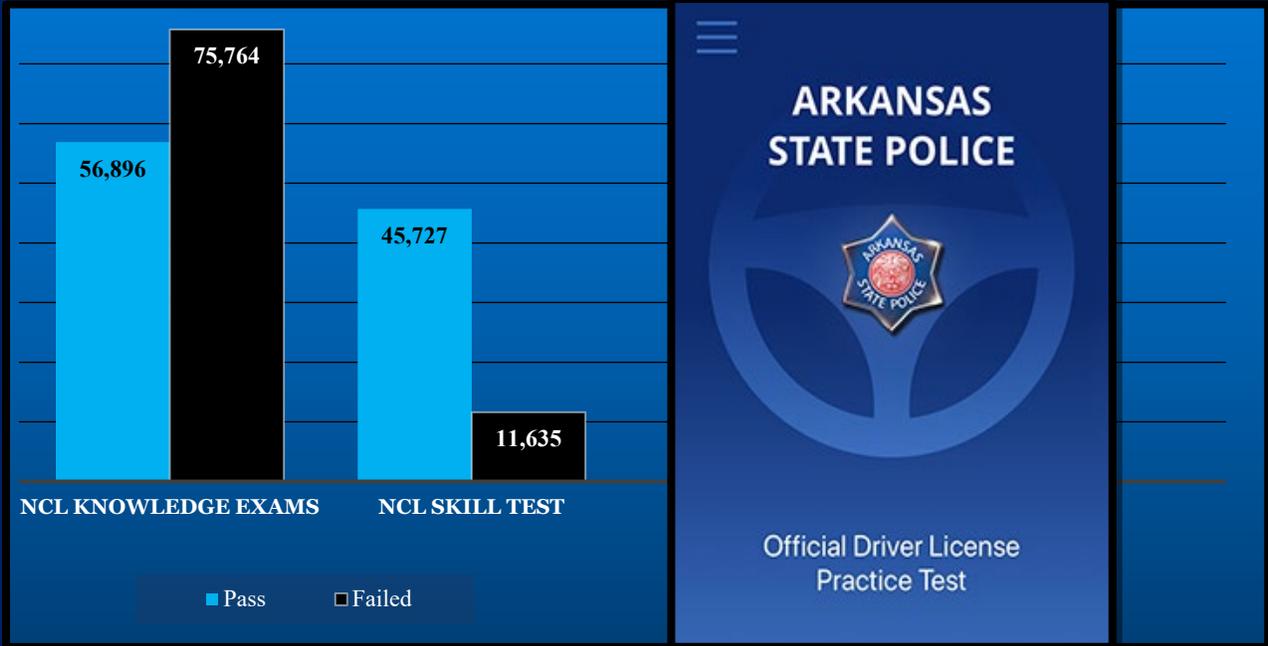
The Honor Guard fulfilled the following requests for service for 2024:

- **January 2** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Cpl. Vernon Watson in Conway.
- **January 15** - The Honor Guard presented the colors for the MLK Interfaith Prayer Breakfast at the Governor's Mansion, in Little Rock.
- **April 10** - The Honor Guard presented the colors for the opening of the Arkansas Legislative Session (House of Representatives and Senate), at the Arkansas State Capitol.
- **April 23** - The Honor Guard presented the colors for the Annual Arkansas Crime Victim's Meeting at the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce.
- **April 25** - The Honor Guard presented the colors for the Arkansas State Police Troop School graduation, at the Arkansas State Capitol.
- **April 26** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral visitation service of former Governor David Pryor, at the Arkansas State Capitol.
- **May 7** - The Honor Guard presented the colors and participated in the ceremony for the fallen Troopers of the Arkansas State Police at the ASP Memorial Service, in Little Rock.
- **May 15** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Corporal Joe Overstreet, in Tyronza.
- **May 18** - The Honor Guard presented the colors for a home game held by the Arkansas Travelers Baseball Team at Dickey Stephens Park, North Little Rock.

- **June 22** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for a home game of the Northwest Arkansas Naturals Baseball team at Arvest Ballpark, Springdale.
- **June 25** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications Systems Conference, in Hot Springs.
- **June 27** – The Honor Guard presented the colors at the Arkansas State Police Awards banquet, in Benton.
- **September 6 & 7**- The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Corporal Carroll Childress, in Paragould.
- **September 10** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for the Arkansas Probation and Parole Conference, in Hot Springs.
- **September 25** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for the ACIC conference, in Hot Springs.
- **October 6** – The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Captain Myron Hall, in Hot Springs.
- **October 25** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for the University of Arkansas Basketball Team during a game, in Fayetteville.
- **October 26** – The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Captain Steve Gray, in Forrest City.
- **October 30** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Captain G.B. Harp, in Harrison.
- **October 30** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Special Agent John Poindexter, in Forrest City.
- **November 2** - The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Indiana State Police Detective Frank Midkiff, in Harrison, on behalf of the Indiana State Police.
- **December 10** – The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Captain W.O. Huskey, in Mountain Home.
- **December 14** – The Honor Guard presented the colors for the University of Arkansas Basketball Team, during a North Little Rock Game.
- **December 22 & 23** – The Honor Guard assisted with the funeral of Retired Special Agent Garland McAnally Jr., in Lake Village.



DL/CDL Testing



In 2024, we finished the year with a total of 234,072 CDL/DL exams.

A total of 132,660 non-commercial license (NCL) knowledge exams (56,896 passed and 75,764 failed) were administered, with a total of 57,392 skill exams (45,727 passed and 11,635 failed). Totals include motorcycle knowledge and skills.

A total of 36,442 CDL knowledge exams were administered, and 12,265 CDL skill exams were administered in 2024.

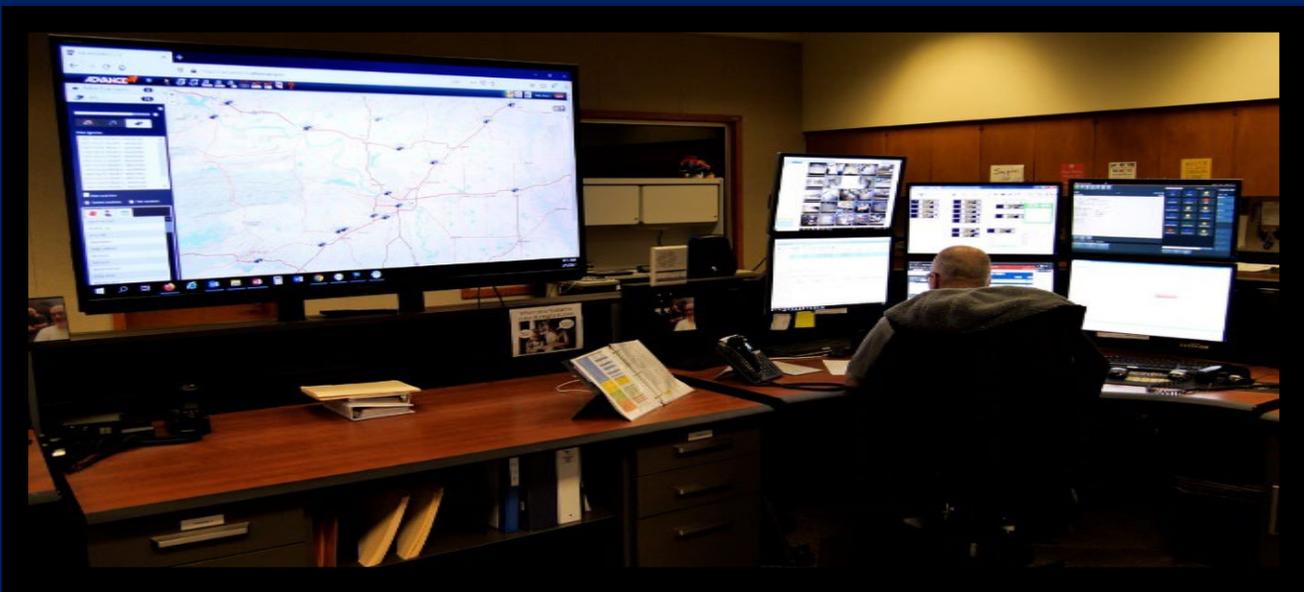
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ASP Communications



Arkansas State Police Telecommunications Division has a communications center staffed twenty-four (24) hours a day at each of the twelve (12) troop headquarters. The Telecommunication Specialists and Supervisors assigned to these centers are dedicated to preserving the value of life, safety, and property for all officers, citizens, and visitors in our diverse communities. Telecommunications personnel are tasked with answering and dispatching emergency and non-emergency calls in a timely, precise, and skilled manner. At each of the twelve (12) communication centers the Telecommunicator operates a radio console, a backup radio, a multi-line telephone, and a computer-aided dispatch system.

The Telecommunicator receives Calls for Service from the public ranging from accidents/ incidents, road rage, disturbances, vehicle/grass fires, stranded motorists, animals/debris in the roadway, speeding, texting; and medical/police emergencies from other agencies. The Telecommunicator relays and receives information from troopers, other law enforcement agencies, fire departments, tow and recovery companies, and emergency response personnel. The Telecommunicator may maintain contact with a caller until responders arrive, question callers to determine their location, what type of response is needed, and complete requests by troopers. Telecommunication personnel at each troop are required to track the number of accidents, incidents, fatalities, vehicles towed, and many other types of data for their location. In addition to the tasks listed above, Troop A's Communication Center (located in Little Rock) is responsible for receiving the entry and dissemination of all Arkansas Amber Alerts, Silver Alerts, Youth Services Escapees from Juvenile Placement Units, and Fatality accident reports for the State of Arkansas. Troop A - Telecommunications personnel are responsible for initiating and updating the team activation (to include all Command Staff) by utilizing the Alert Express Notification System when a Division Commander authorizes activation or on-call status for ASP SWAT; ERT/CNT team members. Arkansas State Police Telecommunications personnel are committed to excellence in the delivery of these services while treating people with dignity, respect, and empathy. We are the vital link between public safety and people who need assistance. We strive to continuously improve through training, public feedback, and teamwork. By utilizing technology and experience, we will continue to grow to fulfill the needs of our expanding community and all who pass through.



Arkansas State Police Memorial





We Honor Our Fallen...



Sr. Cpl. Michael Springer
EOW: February 11, 2022



Cpl. Jeff Hust
EOW: May 2, 2017



Sgt. Richard C. LeBow
EOW: February 4, 2008



Cpl. Mark W. Carthron
EOW: September 12, 2005



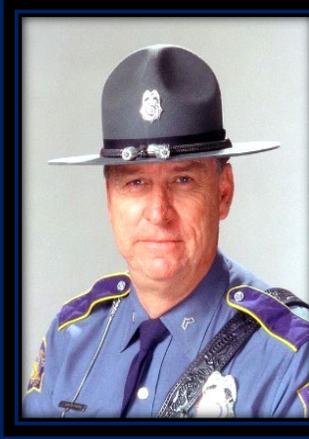
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Trp. Herbert J. Smith
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Cpt. Thomas A. Craig
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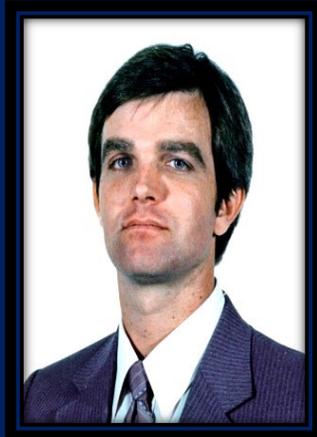
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Trp. Clark K. Simpson
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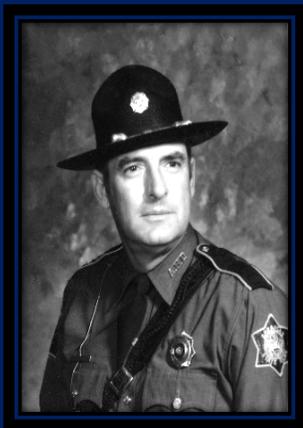
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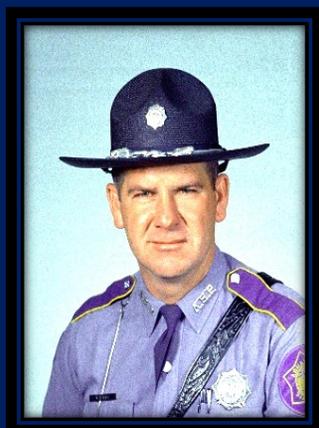
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Trp. Louis P. Bryant
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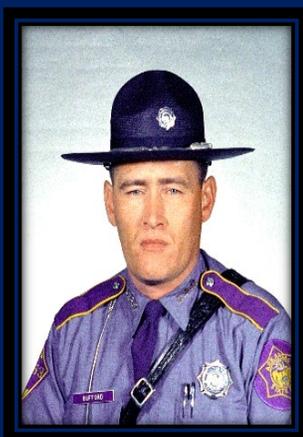
Sgt. Fredrick G. Bailey
EOW: September 5, 1980



Sgt. Kelly R. Pigue
EOW: December 8, 1977



Trp. William R. Brooks, III
EOW: February 27, 1975



Trp. Allen H. Bufford
EOW: July 27, 1969



Trp. Harry F. Locke
EOW: September 24, 1966



Trp. Ermon B. Cox
EOW: August 17, 1958



Trp. Algin S. Pavatt
EOW: September 26, 1948