

### CITY OF COVINGTON

OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF
P.O. Box 768
Covington, Tennessee 38019



Covington Fire Department
Report for April 23, 2024

1.	Community Events: 4/8 on-duty crew viewed the solar eclipse, 4/15-Tipton County Fire Chiefs Meeting, 4/16 Chief Channell delivered a letter to the E-911 board for Mayor Hensley, 4/18 Attended the West Tennessee Chiefs Meeting in Jackson.
2.	Volunteer Hours:11hours worked by Volunteers in March.
3.	Call volume report for March 21st -April 18th2024-Total.
4.	County coverage area collections 2024: \$ 76,125.00
5.	Station Update: See attached bid.
6.	Engine 2 Door replacement
7.	Letter addressing the increase to the E-911 board. New interlocal agreement from E-911.
8.	Severe Weather Sirens: All are operational at this time.
9.	Fire Inspection report—Burn permits are required from Oct. 15th to May 15th. Burning is not allowed in the city. Russell Thigpen was hired to fill the fire inspector position.
10.	Training- Firefighters Owen and Moffatt attended the Fire Instructors course in Munford. Firefighter Moore attended a Firefighter Survival course @TFACA and a Haz-Mat Operations course in Jackson.

11. Free Smoke Alarms Please Call (901)-476-2578 to schedule an appointment.

#### **MARCH 2024**

			SHIFT		TOTAL
EMP		CALL IN	TRAINING		AFTER -24
#	NAME	HOURS	HOURS	TOTAL	HOURS
1349	DUVALE DEAN	0	0	0	0
1012	CODY FAULK	3	8	11	0
623	BAKER MCCOOL	0	0	0	0
			TOTAL	11	0

<b>CERTIFIED PAYROLL SIGNATURE:</b>	
DATE:	

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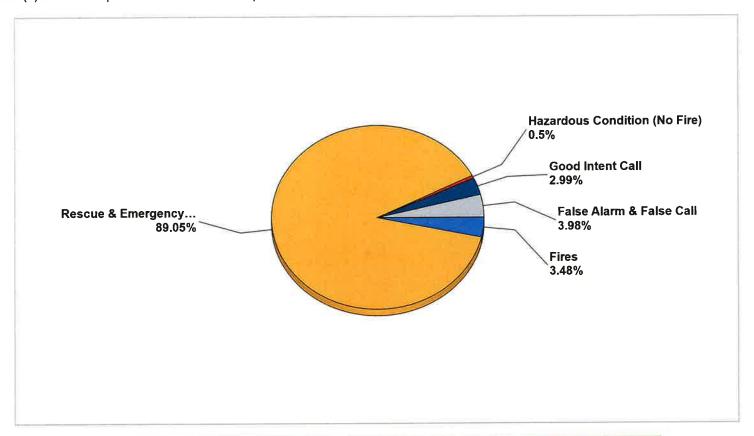
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#### Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 03/21/2024 | End Date: 04/18/2024



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	7	3.48%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	179	89.05%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	1	0.5%
Good Intent Call	6	2.99%
False Alarm & False Call	8	3.98%
TOTAL	201	100%

Detailed Breakdown by Incider	nt Type	
INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
111 - Building fire	2	1%
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	3	1.49%
143 - Grass fire	2	1%
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	10	4.98%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	153	76.12%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	13	6.47%
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	3	1.49%
411 - Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	0.5%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	6	2.99%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.5%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	7	3.48%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	201	100%

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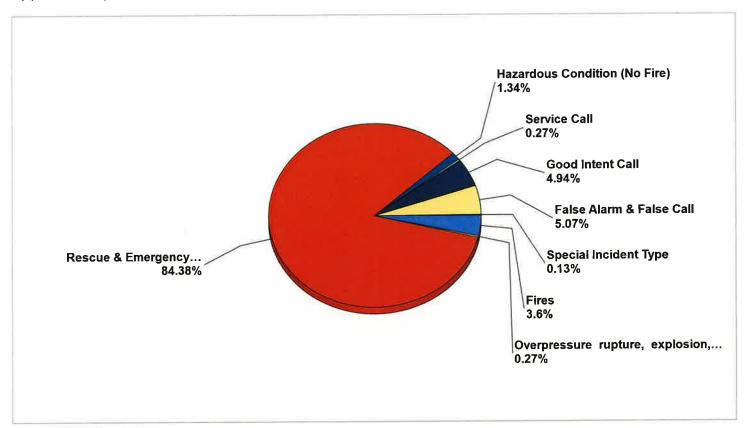
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#### Breakdown by Major Incident Types for Date Range

Zone(s): All Zones | Start Date: 01/01/2024 | End Date: 12/31/2024



MAJOR INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
Fires	27	3.6%
Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat - no fire	2	0.27%
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	632	84.38%
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	10	1.34%
Service Call	2	0.27%
Good Intent Call	37	4.94%
False Alarm & False Call	38	5.07%
Special Incident Type	1	0.13%
TOTAL	749	100%

INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS	% of TOTAL
111 - Building fire	8	1.07%
113 - Cooking fire, confined to container	1	0.13%
118 - Trash or rubbish fire, contained	5	0.67%
131 - Passenger vehicle fire	4	0.53%
142 - Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	1	0.13%
143 - Grass fire	7	0.93%
161 - Outside storage fire	1	0.13%
243 - Fireworks explosion (no fire)	1	0.13%
251 - Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1	0.13%
311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	31	4.14%
321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	556	74.23%
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	35	4.67%
324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	9	1.2%
331 - Lock-in (if lock out , use 511 )	1	0.13%
411 - Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1	0.13%
412 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	4	0.53%
422 - Chemical spill or leak	2	0.27%
445 - Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	2	0.27%
461 - Building or structure weakened or collapsed	1	0.13%
522 - Water or steam leak	1	0.13%
561 - Unauthorized burning	1	0.13%
600 - Good intent call, other	3	0.4%
611 - Dispatched & cancelled en route	31	4.14%
622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	11	0.13%
651 - Smoke scare, odor of smoke	1	0.13%
661 - EMS call, party transported by non-fire agency	11	0.13%
700 - False alarm or false call, other	1	0.13%
710 - Malicious, mischievous false call, other	1	0.13%
732 - Extinguishing system activation due to malfunction	1	0.13%
733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.13%
745 - Alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional	34	4.54%
900 - Special type of incident, other	1	0.13%
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	749	100%

# Yearly Totals

Total	00.009,355,	\$53,950.00	\$52,550.00	\$53,900.00	\$54,300.00	\$55,400.00	\$55,550.00	\$57,400.00	\$84,100.00	\$80,295.00	\$79,625.00	\$80,320.00	\$79,870.00	\$82,840.00	\$82,255.00	\$80,925.00	
Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	

Total: \$1,165,005.00



Phone: (901) 476-2578

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**INVITATION TO BID: 4-19-24** 

The City of Covington Fire Department, 101 Tennessee Ave, Covington, TN. 38019 is seeking bids for Building renovations at stations 1 and 2.

#### Category:

Building Renovations:
Station- 1 -101 Tennessee
Ave.
Station-2- 100 Mueller
Brass

**Bid Opening Date:** May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024. **Bid Opening Time:** 11:00 P.M.

Bid Opening Location: Covington Fire Department 101 Tennessee Ave. Covington TN, 38019

Bid Specifications can be obtained at the Covington Fire Department, 101 Tennessee Ave, Covington, Tn.38019, during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8 am-5 pm. (901) 476-2578.

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 3rd, 2024. They will be publicly opened at The Covington Fire Department, 101 Tennessee Ave, Covington, TN, 38019. To ensure the integrity of the bidding process, please seal and mark your bid envelopes on the outside as "Sealed Bid: Building Repair." All bids must be in the same envelope and marked correctly.

The contractor will provide proof of insurance and a contractor license in the bid for this project. The contractor is responsible for any required permits or associated fees. Both stations will be inhabited during renovation. Renovations should be completed within 60 days from the award date.

The City of Covington reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all or any portion of any bid and to waive any informality in the bid process. The City of Covington is an equal opportunity employer, drug-free workplace with policies of non-discrimination based on race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, or military service.

#### Fire station Renovations

#### Station -1

The scope of work needed at 101 Tennessee Ave. Covington Tn. 38019

- 1. Install a drop ceiling in the shop area, remove the existing radiant heater, and install a wall-mounted natural gas heater. The area will be approximately 456 square feet. The ceiling will need to be installed above the existing garage door.
- 2. Install new locker room cabinets, including a new vanity, sinks, and a Formica countertop.

#### Station -2

The scope of work needed at 100 Mueller Brass Rd. Covington Tn. 38019

- 1. Construct 9 Finished Sheetrock closets with hollow core doors, rods, and shelves. Repair all sheetrock and paint the bedroom area. Replace damaged or missing ceiling tiles if needed.
- 2. Remove the metal lockers in the bathroom hallway, cut the block wall, and install a rated door from bedroom #2 painted to match the existing paint color.
- 3. Install a new two-sink vanity and cabinet in the locker room. (Formica)
- 4. Add a matching lock to the existing door in bedroom #2.
- 5. Gear closet -Remove the rated door and wall of the opening with sheetrock. Create an opening from the dining room to the office, and add a glass door into the hallway.
- 6. Remove /Reinforce the block wall in the kitchen, and fill the garage area wall with water-rated sheetrock.
- 7. Remodel Kitchen with new cabinets to fit the new layout with new Formica countertops to include electrical outlets for stove and refrigerators
- 8. Demo all existing floor coverings and Install customer's LVP flooring in all interior areas with 4-inch brown floor molding.
- 9. Electrical additions: Lights in closets, outlets for kitchen stove, refrigerator, and appliances, outdoor ceiling fan with receptacles, and lights to shed.

### STATION 2 RENOVATIONS UPDATE











The current indoor shop, which will be converted to a dining room, is 17x13, and our new outdoor storage shop will be 15x12.

12×20= outdoor shed 10,499 00 SAMANTHA - 901-313-2953

#### Atlantic Coast Fire Trucks

#### 37 Stonington Drive Murrells Inlet, SC 29576

### **Estimate**

Date	Estimate #
4/18/2024	8780

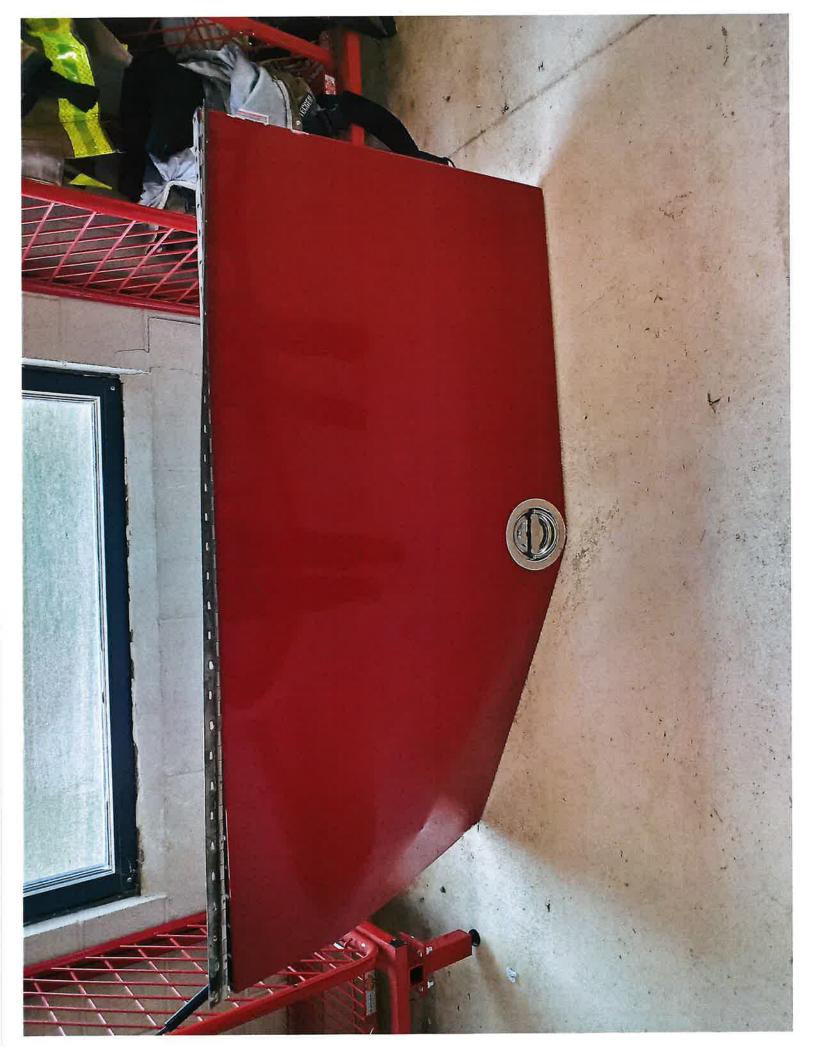
Name / Address	
Covington Fire Department	
Jeremy Channell	
101 Tennessee Ave.	
Covington, TN 38019	

\*\*\*\*\*\*If the actual cost is more than 15% of this estimate the customer will be contacted before the repairs are completed\*\*\*\*\*

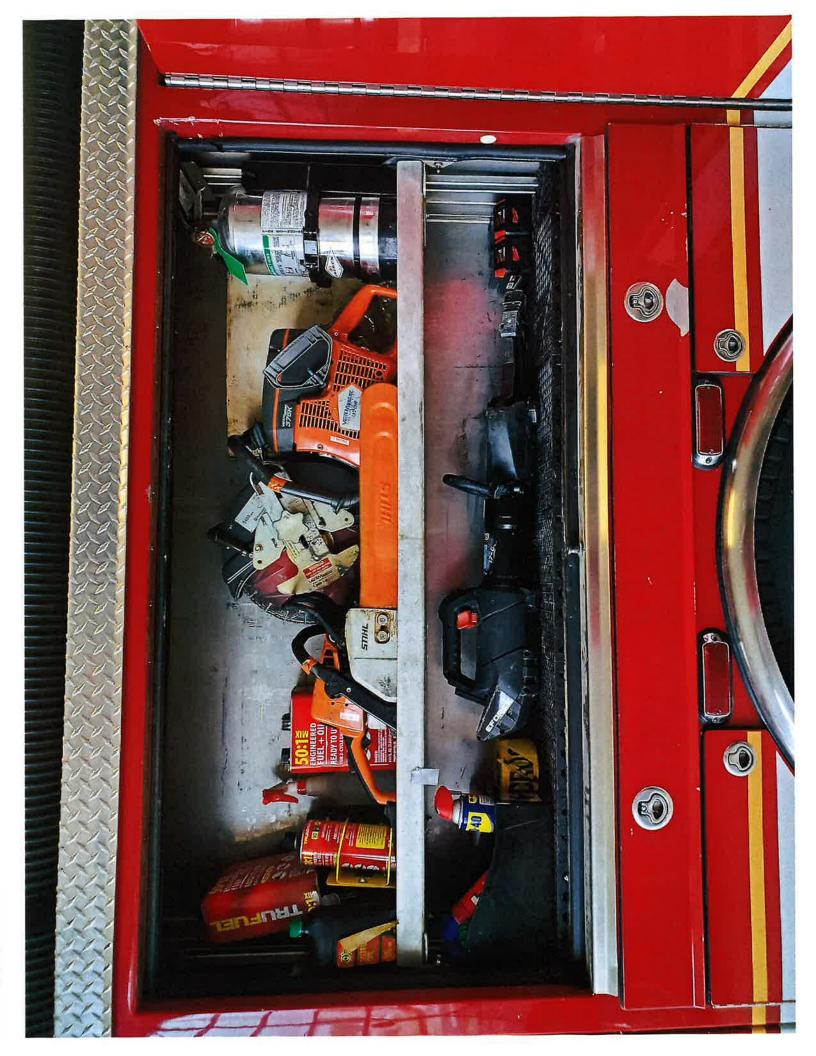
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Item	Description	Qty	'	Unit Price	Total
Item  //ISC1648	Overwheel Door Left Hand Lift Unpainted Sales Tax	Qty	1	3,070.99 0.00%	3,070.99 0.00
*This estimate do	es not include shipping. Shipping cost is the responsibility of the esponsible for shipping and restocking fees for parts returned. Spe	customer *	Tot		\$3,070.9

are non-returnable \*\*











TINA DUNN
Recorder-Treasurer

### City of Covington

#### **POST OFFICE BOX 768**

200 West Washington Avenue, Covington, Tennessee 38019 Telephone (901) 476-9613 Fax (901) 476-6699

April 16, 2024

Board of Directors Tipton County Emergency Communications District 220 Highway 51 N, Suite 4 Covington, TN 38019

First, thank you for the opportunity to be heard. You have gone above and beyond to provide opportunities for your customers to be heard on the matter of proposed user fee increases and I am hopeful that after tonight's meeting there will be additional discussions as we strive to reach a mutually satisfactory agreement.

Due to this called meeting conflicting with the City of Covington's long-established Finance and Administration Committee meeting, I am unable to attend. The Finance Committee will discuss next year's proposed budget tonight and I felt it imperative that I attend. Thank you for allowing Chief Channell to present this letter to the board.

Here are a few thoughts I would humbly request this board consider and act upon:

- 1. rescind your motion and approval for the user fee increases you recently approved Covington was already well into budget formulation, and I had already met with department heads to review their budget proposals. Moving forward, I would ask that any proposed user fee increases be conveyed well in advance municipalities have adequate time to prepare for and include in their budget calculations.
- 2. continue the discussion for user fee increases with a proposed start date of July 1, 2025 more discussion and stakeholder education are needed as we move forward with the process. I suggest a member or designated representative of your board meet with the elected representatives of each municipality to further explain the need for increases and gain their concurrence.
- 3. consider spreading the total needed increase in user fees over a greater number of years a four-year timeframe placed too large a burden on municipalities. I would suggest a ten-year, or longer, time frame.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to be heard. I look forward to hearing the outcome of your meeting and our continued working together on this issue.

Respectfully,

Jan W. Hensley

Mayor

City of Covington

Jan W. Hendey



#### TIPTON COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT 220 HIGHWAY 51 N, SUITE 4 COVINGTON, TN 38019

OFFICE: 901-476-0252 FAX: 901-475-4377

#### Interlocal Agreement for Dispatching Services

This agreement is by and between the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications</u> <u>District</u> and the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u>.

Whereas the district is an Emergency Communications District established pursuant to **Tennessee Code Annotated** § 7-86-101 *et.seq*. to provide emergency communications and dispatch services within Tipton County, Tennessee; and

Whereas the <u>City of Covington</u> is a municipality in **Tipton County**, **Tennessee**, which has an operational need for the services the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications</u> <u>District</u> provides.

**Now, therefore**, in accordance with the provisions of **Tennessee Code Annotated** § 12-9-101 *et.seq*. and applicable interlocal cooperation and agreements, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. Purpose: the purpose of this agreement is to set forth the parties' understanding regarding the provisions by the <u>Tipton County Emergency</u>

<u>Communications District</u> of certain emergency communications and dispatch services to the *City of Covington*, *Tennessee*.

Section 2. No separate entity created; this agreement does not create, nor seek to create, a separate legal entity.

**Section 3. No property acquired**: No real or personal property will be acquired or held in connection with this agreement and, accordingly, there shall be no such property disposed of upon the termination of this agreement.

Section 4. Provision of communication services: in consideration of the fee for services as set forth in Section 5 of this agreement, the district will:

a.) Receive from persons within the <u>City of Covington</u>, <u>Tennessee</u>, on a twenty-four (24) hour, 365 days per year basis, telephone calls for law enforcement and/or fire services and will, in return, dispatch as appropriate, personnel from the <u>City of Covington</u>, <u>Tennessee</u> police department, fire department and/or if a response is needed, emergency medical services. If requested, or otherwise appropriate, <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u> will

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transfer the information to the **Baptist Ambulance Services** in order that personnel at **Baptist Ambulance Services** may determine and provide the appropriate response.

- b.) Maintain equipment in the call-center and sufficient personnel to operate said equipment as necessary to perform the services set forth in paragraph 1.a.
- c.) Perform the services identified in paragraph 1.a in a timely and professional manner.

Section 5. Payment of fees and manner of financing. In consideration of the undertaking of the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u> as set forth in section 4 and paragraphs a, b, c., <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u> will pay the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications</u> District the percentage of the municipalities' call volume use of a pro-rata amount based on a total sum of the call volume for the Tipton County Emergency Communications District out of a base price of \$665,917.29 for year one. Such amount owed per year on a pro-rate use basis shall be adjusted each year based on prior year's use if the agreement is renewed. The agency percentage for the period is 22.47%

Payment shall occur via the customary means utilized by the <u>City of Covington</u>, <u>Tennessee</u> to raise revenue for services it obtains from vendors. The <u>City of Covington</u>, <u>Tennessee</u> shall adhere to its customary budgeting and accounting practices regarding the expenditure of such funds. Payments shall be made on a quarterly basis in the amount of \$37,407.90

In addition to the foregoing, in the event the <u>Tipton County Emergency</u> <u>Communications District</u>, utilizes legal services in connection with the non-payment or non-timely payment of the amount set forth herein, the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u>, here-with agrees to pay any and all cost, including attorney fees, expert fees and expenses, incurred by the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u> in obtaining payments.

**Section 6. Term of Agreement**: Subject to the appropriate prior governing body approval as by the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u> and the Board of Directors for the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u>, this agreement shall become effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 and shall expire June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The parties agree on or before January 1, 2025, they will enter into negotiations for an extension of, or a successor to,

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this agreement. The <u>Town of Covington, Tennessee</u> agrees any extension of this agreement or a successor agreement, as the case may be, for the payment for services to be rendered by the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u> shall be based on the increase in call volume received by the <u>Tipton County Emergency</u> <u>Communications District</u> from the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u> during the terms of this agreement; except that, in any event, the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u> agrees that the total payment for twelve (12) months of service, or for any agreed period of extension of less that twelve (12) months of service, to be paid to the <u>Tipton County Emergency</u> <u>Communications District</u> in any extension of, or successor to this agreement will not be an amount less than the amount set forth in Section 5 above, or as said amount may be prorated to apply to a period of extension of less than twelve (12) months.

Section 7. No Waiver: No officer, employee, or agent or otherwise of the <u>City of Covington, Tennessee</u> or the <u>Tipton County Emergency Communications District</u> has the power, right, or authority to waive any of the conditions or provisions of this agreement. No waiver of any breach of the agreement shall be held to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. All remedies afforded in this agreement at law shall be taken and construed as cumulative; that is, in addition to every other remedy provided herein or by law. Failure of any party to enforce, at any time, any of the provisions of this agreement or to require, at any time, performance by any other party of any provision shall not, in any way, effect the validity of this agreement or any part hereof, or the right of any party to thereafter enforce each and every provision.

**Section 8. Entire Agreement**: This agreement contains all of the agreements of the parties with the respect to any matters covered or mentioned in this agreement and no prior agreements or understandings pertaining to any such matters shall be effective for any purpose.

**Section 9. Severability of Terms**: Any provisions of this agreement, which is declared invalid, void, or illegal, shall in no way affect, impair, or invalidate any other provision hereof: and such other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 10. Amendments**: This agreement may be amended only in writing and upon satisfaction of all requirements for the amendment of Interlocal Agreements as set forth in **Tennessee Code Annotated** § 12-9-101 *et.seq.* or any other applicable statute.

Section 11. Jurisdiction: This agreement is made and entered into in Tipton County, Tennessee. The internal laws of the State of Tennessee shall be applicable governing

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any dispute arising hereunder. In the event of a dispute which leads to litigation, the non-prevailing party agrees to pay the attorney fees, expert fees, Court costs and expenses of the prevailing party in such litigation.

Agreed to this	day of	2024.	
Town of Covin	gton, Tennessee	<u>Tipton County Eme</u> <u>Communications Di</u>	
By:		By:(Chairperson)	
By:(Budget & Accounts N		By:	
		By:(Attorney for District)	

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23 April 2024

Public Safety Committee Meeting

Law Enforcement Agenda

March 2024

- Personnel
- Training
- Monthly Activity
- March Press Releases
- March Major Expenses
- Total Calls for Service
- Traffic Stops Totals
- K9 Statistics
- March 2023 Statistics

#### **Personnel**

The CPD currently has seven (7) vacant positions.

March - April staffing changes:

Evidence Technician position posted – 4 applicants, interviews to be scheduled.

Officer Jeffery Norton resignation – Patrol Division (Position at Collierville PD)

Sgt William Nelson – Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave

K9 Officer Alex VanVleet – On the Job Injury (OJI) – Light duty assignment

Three new Officers began in the Patrol Division on 01 April 2024 and are currently in the Field Training Officers Program: Officer James Barnes, Officer Michael Dowell, Officer Michael Olive

Officer Woodard and Officer Perry are attending the TLETA Academy in Donelson, TN.

#### **Training**

<u>March 4 – 8</u>: Instructor Development - Sgt. Templeton, Cpl. Muex, Cpl. Westbrook attended Instructor Development in Gallatin, TN. The training is mandatory for Officers to lead training for law enforcement officers for the training to be recognized as POST approved training.

<u>March 5-6:</u> Executive Leadership Development Program - Lt. Sarah Dillingham completed and graduated from the Two-part Executive Leadership Development Program in Franklin, TN. The program provides leadership development opportunities and addresses key competencies. For example: Learning how to develop a strategic vision, policies, and how to communicate with the public. The program also covered topics like budgeting for law enforcement entities, risk management, and leadership skills traits and behaviors. In summary, it teaches officers how to operate in an executive position.

March 7 – Lt. McCurry, Lt. Avery, Det. Doss, Det. Isbell, Det. Norwood, and Officer Jeff Norton attended a Combat Medical Training at the EMA Building. TCSO Staff conducted Combat Medical Training at the EMA Building. CPD Staff attended the training which included medical triage of injuries, proper use of tourniquets and first aid.

<u>March 8</u> – TLETA Orientation – Officer Woodard and Officer Perry attended orientation to qualify to attend the Academy 31 March to obtain their POST certification.

March 10 - 13: Sgt. Nelson attended the TIES Conference. The mandatory annual training is for CPD to maintain a certification to enter information in the TIES system, directed by the TBI.

March 11 - 13: Officer Gill attended TLETA Transition School. The training is the first phase of the 3-week POST training for officers who have been certified in the past but not in law enforcement for an extended period of time. The training is in lieu of having to reattend the 12-week training academy training.

<u>March 13</u> – Lt McCurry, Lt Avery, Analyst Hayes, and Analyst Ferrell attended updated training on the Flock license plate reader devices. The training was presented by Flock but hosted by the Jackson Police Department.

#### **March - Monthly Activity**

03/01 – Chief Turner attended First Friday Coffee at Atoka City Hall.

- 03/04 CPD Staff presented cases to the action of the Tipton County Grand Jury. CPD had **28 cases** indicted for Patrol and CID.
- 03/04 CPD Staff participated in an Active Shooter Drill at the DSCC Covington Campus.
- 03/06 Lt Avery and Chief Turner participated in an Active Shooter Tabletop Drill at the Nike Facility in Memphis.
- 03/07-08 Lt. McCurry and Analyst Hayes attended Pathways to Possibilities in Brownsville, TN.
- 03/07 Chief Turner attended E911 User meeting at the EMA Building to discuss changes in User Fees.
- 03/07 Lt Dillingham attended the Special Events Committee Meeting.
- 03/08 Chief Turner attended the March TACP Training Committee meeting virtually.
- 03/09 CPD conducted at THSO Saturation for traffic enforcement in Covington.
- 03/11 Chief Turner attended a virtual Drug Take Back Event planning meeting.
- 03/13 Chief Turner and Nic Shaw conducted a Drone Policy meeting to finalize the policy.
- 03/14 Chief Turner spoke at the monthly meeting for Women's Entrepreneur Group at Crafted Coffee.
- 03/15 Officer VanVleet read a book to the students at TCA.
- 03/19 Chief Turner, Lt Avery and Lt McCurry attended a Verizon FirstNet and Emergency Response Team Demo meeting at the EMA Building.
- 03/20 Lt Avery and Sgt Templeton attended an AT&T FirstNet and Emergency Response Team Demo meeting at Shelby County EOC Building.
- 03/21 Analyst Hayes and Lt. McCurry attended the monthly Drug Free Tipton meeting.
- 03/21 Lt. Avery attended the UASI meeting at the Shelby County EOC Building in Memphis, TN.
- 03/22 Chief Turner attended TCECD User Fee meeting at City Hall with Mayor Hensly, COS Fleming and Chief Griggs.
- 03/23 CPD Staff conducted a THSO Saturation for traffic enforcement in Covington.
- 03/25 Recruit James Barnes 1st day! WELCOME!
- 03/25 Chief Turner attended TCFCD meeting at the EMA Building.
- 03/26 CPD and CFD assisted in a Active Shooter Drill at Charger Academy.
- 03/27 Chief Turner, Lt. Avery, Lt. Dillingham, and Lt. McCurry attended Ready Rebound at North Fire Station.
- 03/27 Covington Police department escorted Methodist Presbyterian Nursey School in their Easter Parade.
- 03/28 Chief Turner met with Officer Perry and Officer Woodard before sending them off to the Police Academy.
- 03/28 Chief Turner attended a TACP Training Committee meeting virtually.

#### **Policy updates and actions:**

<u>Vehicle Policy</u> – policy approved and reviewed by all staff. The first five (5) patrol cars have been inspected and assigned to staff as take-home vehicles. Additional vehicles will be assigned as vehicles become available yet still maintain the pool vehicles needed daily.

<u>Drone Policy</u> – policy has been submitted for review and approval. CPD has trained and licensed (FAA) four staff with the for the Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS). Currently the Team commander, Nic Shaw is training and observing the new pilots in required flying hours and pilot skills proficiency.

#### **Monthly Press Releases:**

- 03/02 CPD and TCSO jointly launch the Violent Crime Unit in the city of Covington and Tipton County to reduce crime.
- 03/08 Former teacher indicted in the Tipton County Grand Jury related to additional allegations of sexual misconduct.
- 03/16 CPD investigates a man found shot in the Covington Police Department parking lot.
- 03/21 CPD investigates a man found severely beaten at the Economy Inn.
- 03/22 CPD makes an arrest in the assault at the Economy Inn.

#### March 2024 Major Expenses:

#### 110-42100-946 - Yearly Maintenance Contract | \$54,940.60

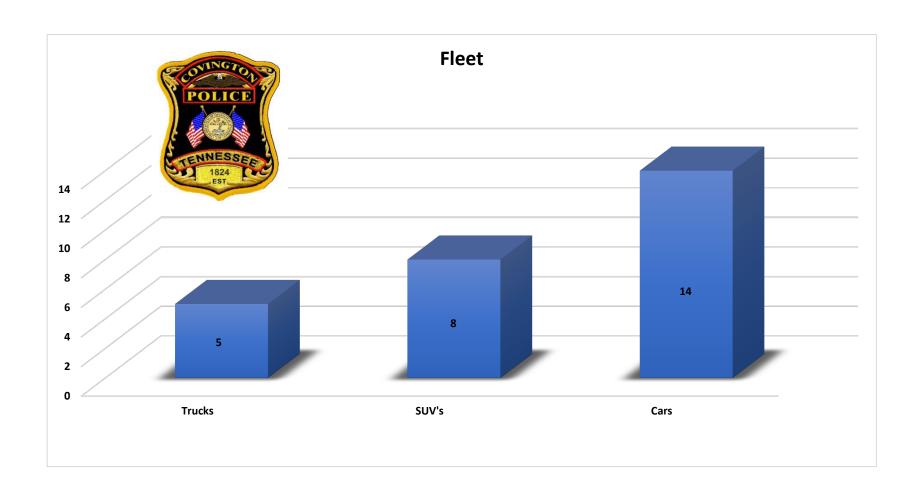
Purchase of new vests, security system at main PD, replacing expired tasers, and purchase of ana

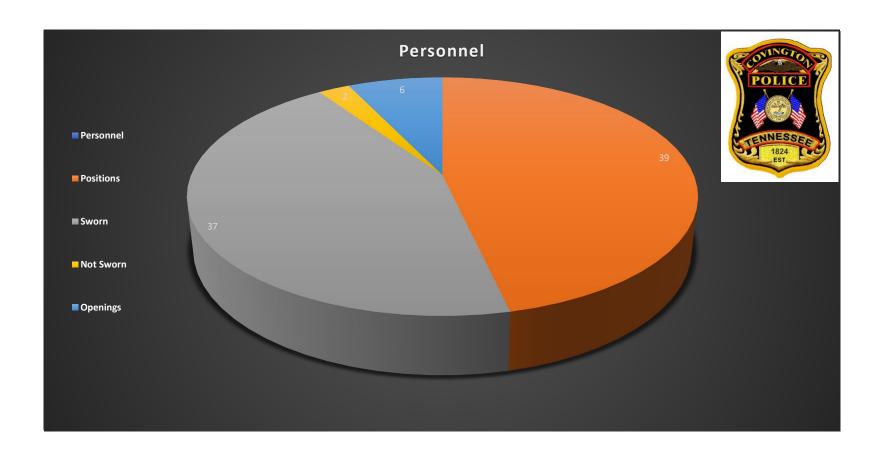
#### March Statistical Graphs and Totals:

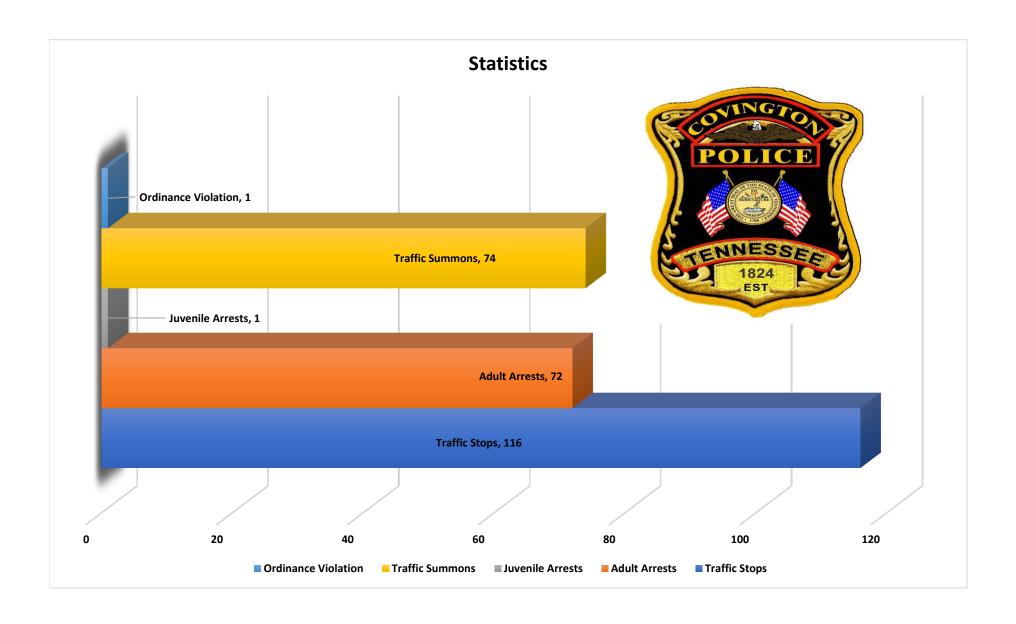
- March 2024 / Total calls for service 1607
- March 2024 / Traffic stops 116
- March 2024 / Statistics Patrol including and CID
- March 2024 Social Media Outreach 68,295

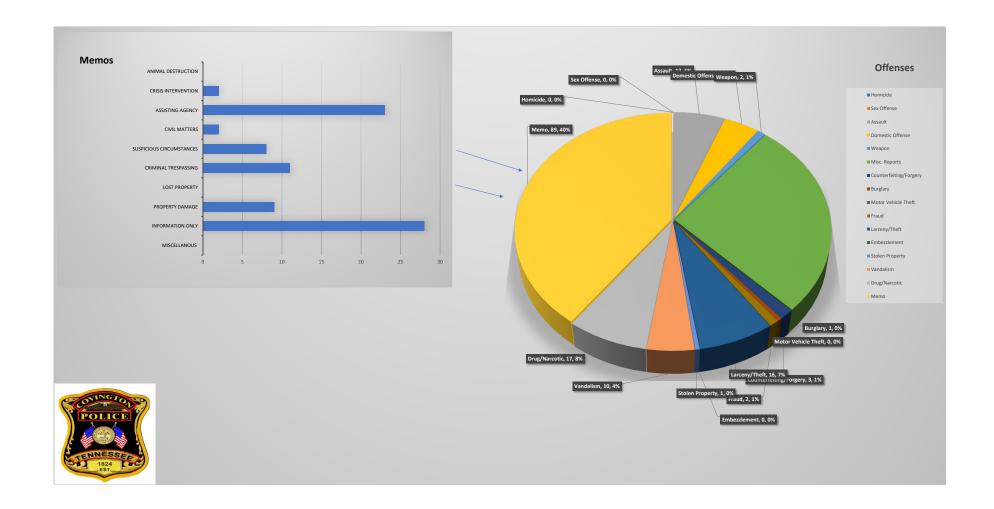
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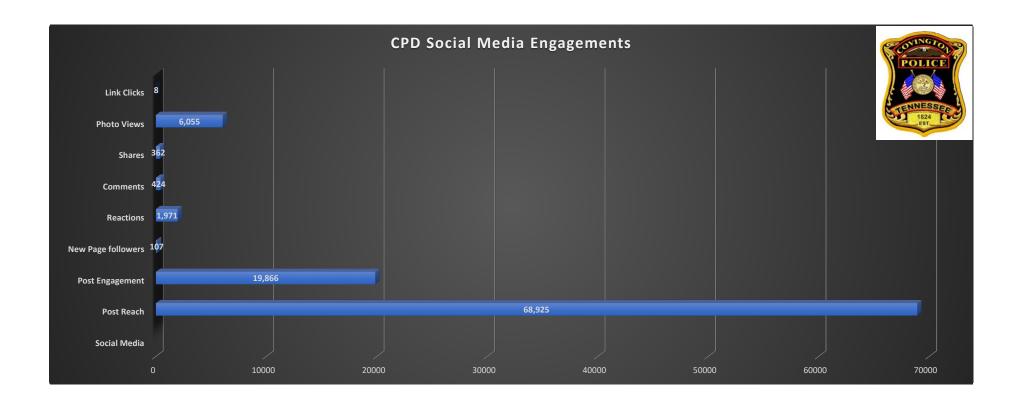
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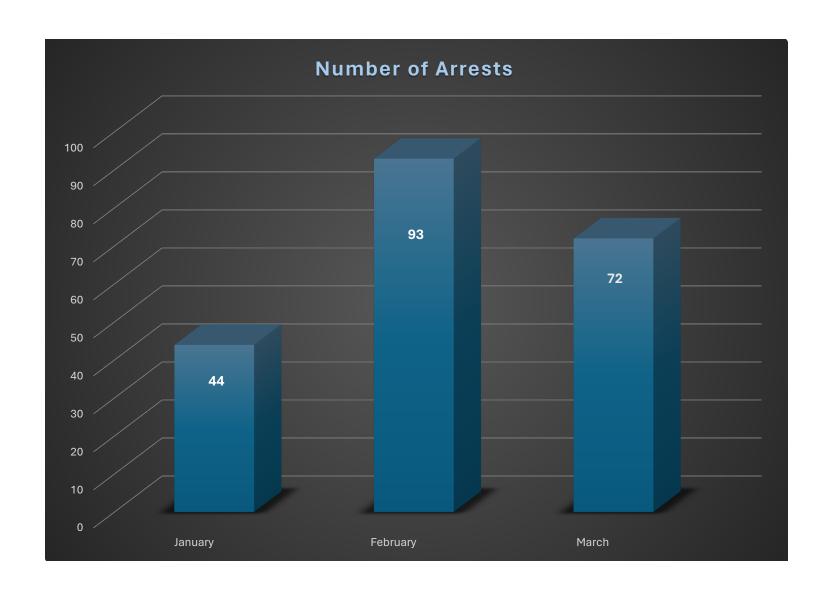


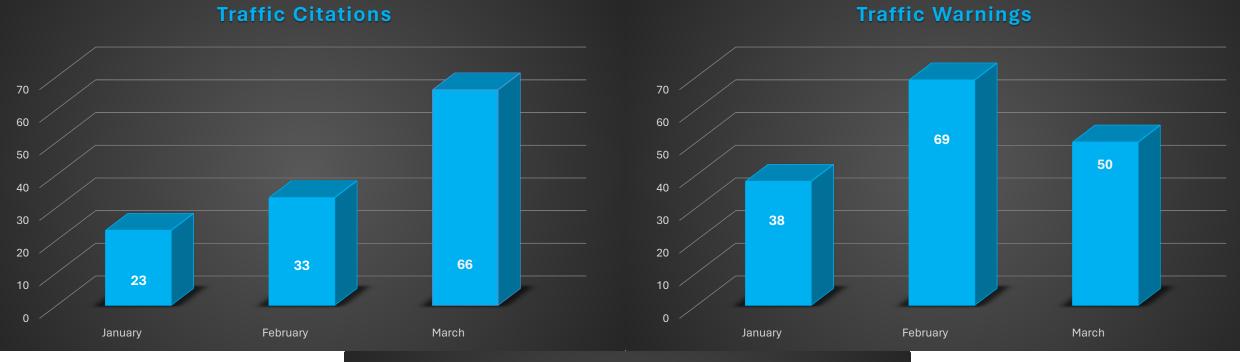














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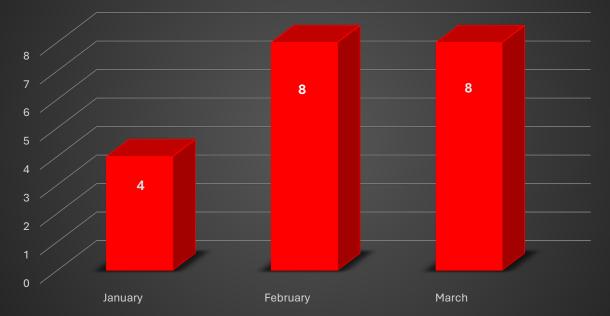


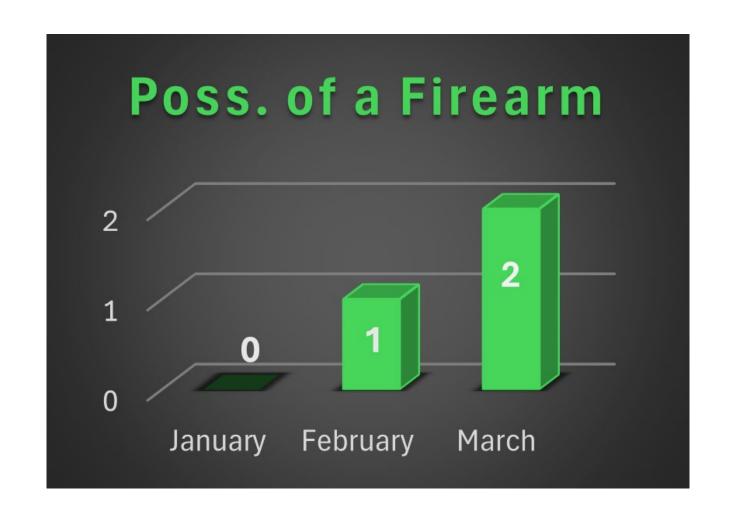






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# PRESS RELEASE \*For Immediate Release\*

02 March 2024

The Covington Police Department and the Tipton County Sheriff's Office jointly launch the Violent Crime Unit in the City of Covington and Tipton County to reduce crime.

The Covington Police Department (CPD) and Tipton County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) together were awarded a Violent Crime Intervention Fund Competitive Collaborative (VCIF) grant for \$1,419,489.00 from the State of Tennessee to help reduce the crime rates within the City of Covington and Tipton County. In our respected areas and jurisdictions, specially trained staff have been awarded this money to launch a collaboration between agencies to prevent and react to violent crimes within Tipton County. The grant was competitive, and Covington and Tipton County law enforcement programs were chosen from applicants statewide.

The main goals of this collaboration:

- Prevent adult and Juvenile violent crimes through education and awareness, identify repeat offenders, and improve the ability to prosecute violent offenders.
- Improve digital evidence processing and forensic capabilities for joint criminal investigations to identify those responsible for committing violent crimes in our communities.
- Improve citizen safety, trust, and cooperation among law enforcement and the community members with the Covington Police Department and the Tipton County Sheriff's Office.

The Covington Police Department and the Tipton County Sheriff's Office have created this unit to share resources as community-based partners and increase efficiency, expand the reach of law enforcement in Covington and Tipton County, share knowledge, create a larger footprint, and improve communications within the community. We are working closely with District Attorney Mark Davidson and the 25th Judicial District Attorney's Office staff to further strengthen evidence in our investigations and provide information to other law enforcement agencies to intensify our efforts across the Region. Included with this project will be intentional efforts to educate the public on trends of crime in their communities and to partner with citizens in providing information to strengthen our proactive enforcement efforts. We have already begun working closely with General Sessions Court Judge M.O. Eckel, III to reinforce accountability in sentencing and increase programs for treatment, counseling, and rehabilitation efforts for those who qualify and are seeking help.

The purpose of the Violent Crime Intervention Fund (VCIF) grant program is to support local law enforcement in developing and implementing proven public safety strategies to combat violent crime. CPD and TCSO have created a team who will focus on fighting violent crimes and assisting

throughout the communities in Tipton County. This team will utilize resources and equipment to accomplish their duties to serve the citizens of Tipton County.

"This major funding push has increased the ability of Covington and Tipton County law enforcement to respond to violent crimes rapidly and efficiently, it is allowing us to provide advance training for our personnel and improving the equipment to help us investigate, solve, and prosecute more cases, faster, in Tipton County," said Chief Donna Turner. "These funds will have a major impact on crime reduction. The technology will strengthen the evidence in cases to confirm those involved and responsible for the crime. I want to thank Governor Bill Lee and his staff for seeing the challenges communities are facing and designating these monies to commit in making our communities safer."

Sheriff Shannon Beasley agrees, and added, "We are very thankful to Governor Bill Lee for this opportunity and his commitment to aid law enforcement with combating violent crime. This grant allows us to join forces with the Covington Police Department and to purchase additional equipment and further train personnel to combat such crime in Covington and Tipton County. Although this grant allows us to collaborate with CPD, all of Tipton County benefits by having access to these resources that will be purchased with the funds. When violent crime hits one community, it affects our county as a whole. We are glad to partner with Chief Turner and the men and women of the Covington Police Department and look forward to getting these resources in place to target violent criminals preying on our communities."

25th District Attorney General Mark Davidson stated that "our Office is very pleased that the Covington Police Department and Tipton County Sheriff's Office were awarded this VCIF grant, which will provide support to local law enforcement in developing and implementing proven public safety strategies to combat violent crime in our communities, including juvenile violent crime. Public Safety will be enhanced by the resources this grant provides to target violent crime and by the improved cooperation among law enforcement agencies in our judicial district to investigate and charge violent criminals. Our Office looks forward to working with our partners to prosecute these violent offenders and to educate and raise public awareness of these important efforts.



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08 March 2024

A former teacher was indicted in the Tipton County Grand Jury this week related to additional allegations of sexual misconduct.

A Tipton County grand jury returned a twenty-three (23) count indictment on March 5, 2024, charging former teacher, Alissa McCommon, 38 of Covington, with multiple sexual misconduct offenses against minors. The Covington Police Department Criminal Investigations Division detectives and intelligence analysts worked in tandem with the Tipton County Sheriff's Office detectives and the District Attorney's Office to present evidence collected during the sevenmonth joint investigation.

The Detectives and Analysts extensively worked to identify twenty-one (21) potential victims during the criminal investigation. Detectives worked closely with the 25th Judicial District Attorney's Office prosecutors to present evidence in the investigation involving five (5) victims of offenses with substantiating evidence resulting in twenty-three (23) separate counts. The victims' ages ranged from 12 to 17 years of age.

The charges include Rape of a Child, 5 counts of Aggravated Statutory Rape, 4 counts of Sexual Exploitation by Electronic Means, 4 counts of Solicitation of a Minor to Commit Aggravated Statutory Rape, 2 counts of Statutory Rape by An Authority Figure, 2 counts of Coercion of a Witness, 2 counts of Aggravated Stalking, Violation of the Child Protective Act, Tampering with Evidence, and Harassment. McCommon was formally served the charges in the Tipton County jail where she is being held awaiting her next court appearance. McCommon is slated to appear in Tipton County Circuit Court on 11 March 2024.

Detectives continue to work jointly with federal agents of United States Homeland Security and the US Attorney's Office surrounding possible federal violations and prosecution. That investigation is still ongoing.

"I commend the intensive seven-month investigation into these allegations conducted by our CPD staff, the Tipton County Sheriff's Office staff, the District Attorney General's Office staff, the Tipton County Board of Education staff, US Homeland Security agents, the Carl Perkins Child Abuse Prevention Center staff and the forensic interviewers from across the Region," said

Chief Donna Turner. "Our goal in any of these investigations is to identify any potential victims and provide medical assistance, counseling, and support for their families throughout the investigation. Without this vital intervention, the ripple effect of trauma can last for years with the victims and the family unit."

"This has been a lengthy and sensitive investigation for seven months now', said Sheriff Shannon Beasley. "With the crossing of jurisdictional boundaries, our detectives have worked closely with the Covington Police Department and the District Attorney General's Office, as well as the School Board and Carl Perkins Center to reach these indictments. More importantly, we have worked with our victims and their families in order to bring McCommon to justice and we will allow the judicial system to run its course. For now, McCommon will remain in jail and await her day in court".





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16 March 2024

The Covington Police Department investigating man found shot in the Covington Police Department parking lot.

On 16 March 2024 at approximately 04:00 AM Covington Police Department officers, located a male subject unconscious inside of his vehicle in the parking lot of the police department located off of Washington Street. The male subject was identified as Adrian Moore, 41, of Covington, TN. Officers on scene quickly realized Moore was injured with a gunshot wound to his abdomen. Officers removed Moore from his vehicle and began rendering aid. Covington Fire Department and EMS Paramedics made the scene, and Moore was transported to Regional One Hospital (Memphis, Tn) in critical condition.

Officers on the scene located a firearm near the driver seat of the vehicle along with 1.02 grams of cocaine. CID detectives made the scene and began forensically processing the vehicle for evidence, locate a location where the incident occurred, and identify any potential witnesses. Detectives then spoke with Moore at Regional One. Moore advised he was at a residence on Wooten Street (unknown exact address) working on the plumbing when he was attempting to use his weapon mounted light as a flashlight to retrieve his keys. Moore stated he accidentally hit the trigger while attempting to turn on the light.

According to Moore, he attempted to drive himself to the hospital, but he began to feel lightheaded and dizzy. Moore, then decided to go to the police department for assistance. Moore lost consciousness once in the parking lot. CPD detectives conducted a canvas of the area described by Moore on Wooten Street but were unable to locate the exact location that the incident occurred. The investigation is ongoing.

"I am thankful that the officers and paramedics who quickly began working on the victim to provide timely emergency medical aid." said Chief Donna Turner "Detectives are still investigating the case and trying to determine the answers to the questions on where the incident occurred. We ask if you have suffered from any type of medical emergency to call 911 for emergency services to get you assistance quicker. We were blessed that the victim stopped once he felt his condition worsening."

If anyone has information in this investigation, please contact the CPD Criminal Investigations Division at 901-475-1261. Tips can be sent in through Facebook messenger Covington Police Department or the City of Covington website."





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21 March 2024

The Covington Police Department is investigating a man found severely beaten at the Economy Inn.

On 20 March 2024, Covington Police Officers were dispatched to the Economy Inn located at 112 Hwy 51 N in Covington where victim, Derrick Jackson, 43, of Covington, Tennessee was located in room 12 with severe injuries to his face and neck area. Jackson was initially treated at the scene by Tipton County EMS and then transported to Regional One Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee in critical condition. Detectives responded and began processing the crime scene. During the investigation, a suspect was developed and identified as Steven Becton, 39, of 150 Peeler Road in Covington, Tennessee. Becton was located at the intersection of Peeler Road and Simonton Road and transported to the Covington Police Department Criminal Investigation Division. Becton was interviewed by CPD Detectives, and he admitted to his role in the assault and subsequently transported to the Tipton County Jail. Becton was formally charged with Aggravated Assault, and he remains in jail with a \$50,000 bond. Becton is slated to appear in the Tipton County General Sessions on 30 April 2024. Jackson remains in the hospital and is in stable condition.

"Detectives are still investigating this violent assault and seeking assistance from anyone who may have been in the area or at the hotel." said Chief Donna Turner "Witnesses are continuing to be interviewed today to determine the timeline of events in the case. The apparent motive for the assault remains unclear but alcohol was determined to be a factor."

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22 March 2024

The Covington Police Department make second arrest in the assault at the Economy Inn.

On 21 March 2024, after further investigations, CPD detectives were able to identify a second suspect allegedly involved in the assault of victim, Derrick Jackson, 43, of Covington, Tennessee. Detectives continued to interview witnesses and arrested Joshua Peete, 29, of 112 Highway 51, in Covington, Tennessee for his involvement in the assault. CPD Officers located Peete in his room at the Economy Inn where he was arrested. While being arrested officers recovered a small amount of marijuana on Peete's person. The narcotics were collected as evidence.

Peete has been charged with Aggravated Assault and is currently in custody at the Tipton County Jail on a \$50,000.00 bond. Peete was issued a citation for the Possession of Marijuana. Peete is slated to appear in Tipton County General Sessions Court on both charges on 30 April 2024. Detectives confirmed that the victim has been released from the hospital.

"The CPD detectives will continue to identify and arrest anyone involved in this incident." said Chief Donna Turner "We are not going to stop until we identify everyone involved. If anyone has information in this investigation, please contact the CPD Criminal Investigations Division at 901-475-1261. Tips can be sent in through Facebook messenger Covington Police Department or the City of Covington website."

Booking photo courtesy of the Tipton County Sheriff's Office.

