



CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

SHERIFF MIKE MORRISON

-Sheriff-
Mike Morrison

Citizens of Chelan County,

I am humbled and honored to present to you the 2023 annual report for the Chelan County Sheriff's Office. As your Sheriff, I want to express my deepest appreciation for the trust and confidence you have placed in our agency to provide law enforcement services in this beautiful county.

2023 marked the beginning of my tenure as Sheriff, a responsibility I have not taken lightly. It is with great humility and a sense of duty that I assumed this role, fully aware of the magnitude of the task at hand and the weight of the responsibility it carries.

Upon taking office, my appointed administrative team and I were committed to fulfilling the promises made during the election campaign. Our foremost objective was to ensure that the focus of our agency returned to its core mission: protecting and serving the citizens.

With this commitment in mind, we introduced a new agency Mission, Vision, and Motto, which serves as the guiding principles for all our operations. Our Mission - "With the resources entrusted to us, we will be a steadfast ally to all citizens and their safety, adversary to those who would threaten either" - underscores our unwavering dedication to the safety and security of our community.

The Vision we hold is of a community where safety, justice, and security are ensured for all through an unwavering commitment to service. Our Motto, "Of the People. For the People," encapsulates our pledge to serve and protect the interests of every citizen in our county. These guiding principles, along with our Core Values of Integrity, Teamwork, and Excellence, form the bedrock of our agency's operations and guide us in our daily endeavors.

Before assuming office, it was evident that certain aspects of our agency required attention and restructuring. Patrol units had been overburdened, and supporting entities such as Marine Patrol, Traffic Enforcement, School Resource Officers, and Detectives had not been given the resources and time they needed to perform their duties effectively.

In response, we implemented significant changes, including the removal of these units from patrol and training backfill assignments. This strategic shift allowed each unit to focus on its specialized area, leading to remarkable improvements across the board.

Marine Patrol, through commitment and sheer determination, exceeded state requirements and elevated itself to a benchmark for excellence in the state. Traffic Enforcement focused on the three E's (Education, Enforcement, and Engineering) and achieved levels of performance unseen since the program's inception in 2013. School Resource Officers dedicated themselves fully to enhancing school safety and Detectives were allowed to return to full staff and quickly got to addressing complex cases while taking on several more and still maintaining a high closure rate.

The increased productivity of these units freed up patrol to increase their visibility and proactive service in the communities we proudly serve. Additionally, our agency actively participated in numerous community events throughout the year, strengthening partnerships and fostering relationships with our citizens.

I am pleased to report that we were also able to fill several long-standing vacancies within our agency, and funding was secured for the 2024 budget, allowing us to expand our commissioned staffing from 57 to 60 positions. This increase will no doubt assist in providing greater coverage.

Despite the successes of 2023, we remain focused on the future, anticipating emerging issues and evolving our strategies to meet new challenges. Our commitment to serving and protecting the citizens of Chelan County remains unwavering.

I want to close by extending our gratitude to the citizens of Chelan County, our dedicated agency personnel, and our neighboring law enforcement partners for their unwavering support and collaboration. Together, we will continue to strive for excellence and ensure the safety and well-being of our community.

Respectfully,



Mike Morrison
Sheriff of Chelan County



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-Chief of Patrol-
Seth Buhler



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PATROL

The patrol division of the Chelan County Sheriff's Office operates with a commitment to the agency's mission, vision, motto, and core values. Comprising four squads, with two on day shift and two on night shift, each squad is led by a sergeant, supported by a corporal, and includes up to seven patrol deputies. This structure ensures round-the-clock coverage, 365 days a year, reflecting our agency's dedication to being a steadfast ally to all citizens and their safety, while standing as an adversary to those who pose threats. The division's duties encompass a wide range, from responding to emergency calls and conducting routine patrols to enforcing traffic laws and actively engaging with the community to foster a sense of safety.

In the face of challenges, the patrol division remains resilient. With a large geographical area to cover, public safety concerns to address, and complex situations to overcome patrol demands a blend of integrity, teamwork, and excellence. The agency's vision for a community where safety, justice, and security are ensured for all guides the division in overcoming any obstacles. The commitment to service, encapsulated in the motto "Of the People. For the People," underscores their dedication. Moreover, the division's ability to adapt to a constantly changing legislative environment showcases its responsibility in meeting the evolving needs of the communities they serve, ensuring that safety, justice, and security remain at the forefront.



TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Traffic Enforcement Unit (TEU) of the Sheriff's Office routinely responds to all things traffic related in the county. Our TEU squad is comprised of one Sergeant and up to three deputies. We also work in a strong partnership with our Chelan County Public Works Department. The mission of the unit under the umbrella of the CCSO mission is to incorporate the "Three E's" into everything we do:

"In partnership with Public Works, we will strive to increase the traffic related safety of the citizens we serve through public education, engineering improvements, and reasonable enforcement."

Although the enforcement piece is the most obvious and is certainly critical to the safety and compliance of our laws, we also place a strong emphasis on public education and engineering. These represent the primary crossover points in our partnership with Public Works. This greatly serves our citizenry by more efficiently directing our collective resources and allows us to address concerns from multiple avenues rather than just "writing more tickets". This is regularly achieved through both those concerns brought by the public we serve, as well as through our own proactive information gathering.

During 2023, TEU was able to have its largest impact to date by effecting the most contacts in its 10-year history. This was achieved while maintaining a contact to infraction ratio of 18%; this means less than one in five violations actually received a billable infraction. Those issued infractions represent the more egregious safety violators in our county. These simple numbers represent a measurable confirmation to our citizens that *public education* and *engineering improvements* are often the answer to many of our perceived problems, while still reserving a *reasonable amount of enforcement* necessary to maintain accountability with those who choose to violate the law. These efforts are sure to continue into 2024 as we continually look for more ways to improve our efficiency.



2023 CCSO TRAINING

Training Mission:

Maintain a unified training program that prioritizes deputy's operational performance and safety, legal knowledge, and service. The program will consider a schedule that maximizes time management, teaching principal based tactics, and with the goal of surpassing federal, state, and case law requirements in all areas. An optimal program will be adaptable and continuously evolving.

Why does CCSO Train:

CCSO has a wide variety of community needs that require the office to encompass a diverse set of training disciplines spanning from investigations, search and rescue missions, and patrol field work. Along with the specific and unique needs of the community there is the foundational requirement that is upheld by the sworn oath of the deputies to serve and protect. CCSO utilizes the Patrol Tactics De-Escalation curriculum and principles to provide an overarching framework for all policing operations and missions. This approach increases the likelihood for a favorable outcome for all persons involved in any law enforcement contact, regardless of the nature of the contact.

How does CCSO Train:

Utilizing the noted adult learning concepts below with open and closed skills/environments while taking into account the laws of primacy and recency, CCSO strives to provide the most affective training possible to its deputies.

Utilization of Adult Learning Concepts:

Practical

Show me this skill/task can be performed by me.

Relevant

Show me why this matters to me.

Active Participation

Let me be a part of the discussion about my tactics.

Reflection (Debriefs).

Let me tell you how I feel about me and my performance. Everyone brings their own experience/expertise.

Chelan County In-House Training Student Hours: 36

In-Service = 24 hours (20 hours with travel time)

Bi-Monthly = 12 hours (3 hours x 4 sessions) (Dec. sessions canceled due to OT Restrictions)

Regional and State Student Hours: 4

CJTC Required Online Course: 2 Hours

EVOC - Regional: 2

2023 Total Hours Per Deputy: 40

** Annual Ongoing Required Trainings: Hours Vary Depending on number of students annually

CJTC Required 24 Hour Patrol Tactics In-service

Duty to Intervene Training

Blood borne Pathogen update

2022 CCSO In-House Training Student Hours: 40

In-Service = 24 hours (20 hours with travel time)

Bi-Monthly = 12 hours (3 hours x 5 sessions) (Two sessions canceled due to OT/Staffing Restrictions)

Regional and State Student Hours: 4

CJTC Required Online Course: 2 Hours

EVOC - Regional: 2

2022 Total Hours Per Deputy: 44

2023 Topics Covered:

Patrol Tactics

Emotional Intelligence

Communication

Applied Skills

Operational Doctrines

Firearms

Qualifications

Low Light

Decision Makers

Manipulations

Vehicle Close Quarters

Less Lethal

Shotguns

Pepperball

Taser

OC

Baton

Active Shooter Response

Integrated Arrest Tactics (Formerly DT)

Handcuffing

Team Arrests

Control Tactics

EVOC

Low Speed Skills

High Speed Course

Legal Updates

D.V.

New Laws

First Aid

Basic

Critical Life Saving



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) School Resource Officer (SRO) program, serves Cascade School District, Cashmere School District and the Chelan School District. Each assigned district SRO exemplifies dedication and commitment to ensuring the safety and security of students, faculty, and staff within their respective districts. Through proactive engagement, CCSO's SRO's have fostered trust and strengthened relationships with stakeholders, implementing preventive measures and crisis response protocols to mitigate potential risks and maintain a conducive learning environment for all. Despite challenges such as resource constraints and diverse community dynamics, CCSO's SRO's have demonstrated resilience and adaptability, leveraging collaborative partnerships and innovative approaches to address evolving safety concerns. As this program looks to the future, it remains focused in its mission to uphold the wellbeing of all students while contributing to the development of the county's educational communities.

Through their dedication and proactive initiatives, CCSO's SRO's have made a significant impact on the safety and security of their assigned districts. Their commitment to community engagement, preventive measures, and crisis response has not only enhanced preparedness for emergency situations but also empowered students with essential life skills beyond the classroom. As the agencies SRO program continues to evolve, the selected deputies remain focused on building upon their achievements, fostering inclusive partnerships, and leveraging technology to address emerging safety challenges. With a shared vision of promoting safety and a nurturing learning environment, our SRO's are poised to continue making meaningful contributions to the well-being of the educational communities we serve.



K9



K9 ASA



K9 RUBEN



K9 ROUX

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit stands committed to bolstering the efforts of patrol units, other Sheriff's Office divisions, and external government agencies by deploying appropriately trained police dogs to uphold laws, maintain order, and support the community. Comprising three distinct roles, the unit's patrol dog is entrusted with tracking suspects, conducting building searches, and apprehending suspects when necessary; the drug dog, equipped with specialized training, aids in drug enforcement operations and interdiction efforts by detecting narcotics; and the emotional support dog offers invaluable comfort and assistance to victims of trauma, playing a crucial role in crisis intervention situations. The dedication of the K9's handlers is commendable, as they tirelessly train and work alongside these dogs to ensure their effectiveness in diverse situations. Such programs significantly enhance law enforcement capabilities, foster trust within the community, and contribute to overall public safety, highlighting the invaluable role of the K9 Unit in serving both the community and the agency as a whole.

DETECTIVES



The investigative unit of the Chelan County Sheriff's Office comprises four seasoned detectives under the supervision of a diligent detective sergeant, all who also serve as members of the region's special investigative unit. Throughout the year, this dedicated team has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to addressing complex cases that require meticulous attention and expertise. Leveraging their collective experience and specialized skills, they have navigated intricate investigations ranging from homicide, child abuse, fraud, burglary and other high-profile violations of the revised code of Washington, each time ensuring thoroughness and integrity at every step of their investigations. The collaborative efforts of this unit have not only led to successful resolutions but have also reinforced the public trust in the agency's ability to tackle intricate challenges within the communities we serve. Their contributions stand as testament to their unwavering dedication and professionalism in upholding the principles of justice and accountability.



SEPTEMBER 20, 2021



HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Callie Childers, age 25, was located deceased at MP73 on US 2 Stevens Pass on Tuesday 09/07/21. Her vehicle, a black 2013 Chrysler 200, was found on fire in the 6200 block of Lowell Snohomish River Road, Snohomish County, WA, on the evening of Tuesday 09/07/21. The time frame of occurrence would be Monday evening 09/06/21 until 11 PM Tuesday 09/07/21.

Callie used a Marysville address, but she was most recently known to be transient in the Everett area.

Anyone with information pertaining to her death on Stevens Pass and/or her vehicle being left on fire in the 6200 block of Lowell Snohomish River Road in Snohomish County is asked to use the P3 Tips App, or the Chelan County Sheriff Webpage, or the Chelan County Sheriff Tipline 509-667-6845.

2023	2022
142 Total Cases Investigated	168 Total Cases Investigated
57 Sex Offenses	61 Sex Offenses
19 Death	20 Death
1 Homicide	2 Homicides
1 Officer Involved Shooting (IIT)	2 Officer Involved Shootings (IIT)
7 of the 8 burglaries resulted in an arrest	12 of 18 burglaries resulted in an arrest
14 After Hours Call Outs	16 After Hours Call Outs

COLUMBIA RIVER DRUG TASK FORCE

In 2023, the CRDTF had some personnel changes. Chief Moody from the Chelan County Sheriff's Office was added as the new Commander. Det. Rubi Ramirez was selected as a detective from the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. The CRDTF also started a partnership with the Washington State Department of Corrections. DOC specialist Officer Tom Grabski was added to the unit.

During 2023, the CRDTF opened 119 new cases, closed 69 of those cases with an arrest and arrested a total of 104 persons. This included the arrest of 26 gang members. The CRDTF seized over \$76,000 in cash and bank accounts holding over \$175,000. The unit served approximately 56 search warrants that resulted in the recovery of 21 guns, many of which were stolen. Additionally, the unit seized nearly 5,500 grams of methamphetamine, 750 grams of cocaine, 24,970 fentanyl pills, and 74.6 grams of pure fentanyl powder. Other drug seizures included heroin, marijuana, and a variety of different prescription type drugs that were illicit.

In 2023, the CRDTF tried to be very flexible and versatile in the cases they worked and how those cases related to the expectations and needs of the community. The unit continued to work cases that related to drugs, firearms, gangs, violent crimes, and serial offenders. This focus had a positive impact on our community's concerns related to juvenile gang violence and increasing drug use and overdose from fentanyl. Some of this work also links back to homelessness, the most visible concern of our public currently. The CRDTF worked one case that led to an arrest of a resident of Safe Park 1. That investigation led to two additional arrests of drug dealers that were supplying drugs to residents of the Safe Park locations. Additionally, this unit met with all the principals from Eastmont School District to educate them on youth gang trends and fentanyl. CRDTF members also did presentations at two other local schools including Orchard Middle School and participated in the WPD Citizen's Academy.



Fentanyl Or Other Illicit Drug Deaths

2023	2022
19	31

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office Code Enforcement team is responsible for investigating and enforcing civil code violations within the county. Their work is done in conjunction and in partnership with our county Community Development team. Code Enforcement handles complaints brought by the citizens as well as those observed by law enforcement. During 2023, Code Enforcement was able to affect much needed fines on violators who refused to come into compliance. This is often after numerous attempts and warnings to do so. The system was much improved in 2023, encouraging better compliance moving forward. This included the shutting down of so called "flop houses" and has offered more hope to frustrated citizens than we have had available in the past. While we are still discovering improved ways to utilize this resource, 2024 is looking to have increased and measurable compliance in the areas that have traditionally frustrated many of our citizens.

2023

119 cases pulled

\$8,250 collected*

\$127,048.44 currently in collections process*

1,700 paper services (approximate; based on the total number of paper services generated in 2023 = 1793)

*Primarily received over the last 5 months with the new processes in place.

2022

78 cases pulled

\$0 collected**

\$0 in collections process**

1,400 paper services (approximate; based on the total number of paper services generated in 2022 = 1498)

**Ability to retrieve fines was not yet in place.



CAMPUS SECURITY

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office Campus Security team demonstrates strong interdepartmental relationships as they are primarily responsible for the safety of ALL the county employees and those that visit our campus on a daily basis. Campus Security is responsible for courtroom security, building security and the screening of visitors. Campus Security screens several thousand visitors annually and have been extremely successful in helping those visitors follow the legal requirements in county buildings while assisting all our visitors in any way necessary. The overall security and efficiency of the campus was greatly improved in 2023 due to the opening of our new single-point entry vestibule located between the Law and Justice and District Court buildings. Through the more efficient processes now in place, many weapons and illegal items have been located prior to gaining entry into county buildings; arrests were made where applicable. The personnel, procedures and facilities in place have demonstrated a much safer environment for all of those citizens doing business on the Chelan County Campus. 2024 looks to be the safest year on campus thanks to the efforts by all this past year.



Items Safeguarded	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Firearms	13	9	9	7	11	6	4	8	3	8	14	6	98
Ammunition	190	92	99	70	133	61	13	129	43	78	171	23	1102
Knife	287	283	424	310	259	231	256	300	280	257	256	215	3358
Handcuff keys	5	7	8	1	1	7	7	12	11	4	8	9	80
O.C. Pepper Spray	37	36	47	18	28	32	27	55	54	44	44	40	462
Tool/ Leatherman	41	49	58	70	50	50	55	83	50	51	33	36	626
Scissors	9	13	6	4	6	22	1	2	2	6	0	0	71
Drugs/ Paraphernalia	2	0000	6	2	1		1	1	0	2	0	0	15
THC Products	35	47	36	18	17	17	20	11	18	19	20	33	291
Syringes	2	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	11
Vapes/ Pens	204	216	201	183	213	240	279	309	231	265	258	215	2814
Cigarette Lighters	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	280	239	234	753
Misc. Items	164	157	304	418	295	95	58	57	55	50	3	42	1698
Monthly Total	989	910	1202	1102	1015	761	721	967	747	1064	1046	855	11379
Total Visitors	8555	6565	9731	7083	7275	9932	7762	9329	6906	8840	6960	6379	95317

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT

The Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) is based in the field, responding to behavioral health-related 911 calls and providing problem identification, crisis interventions, referrals, and linkage to resources for individuals in Chelan and Douglas County. The Behavioral Health Unit is primarily responsible for face-to-face interventions, temporary transitional case management, assessments, and specific law enforcement second-responder duties.

The Behavioral Health Unit provides outreach services to individuals experiencing acute emotional crises, to divert the individual from incarceration or hospitalization into the least restrictive setting possible, and conducts assessments across systems to determine eligibility for diversion into safe and appropriate treatment options. When appropriate, coordinates requests for evaluation under the Involuntary Treatment Act and appropriately utilizes crisis intervention techniques for individual and community stabilization.

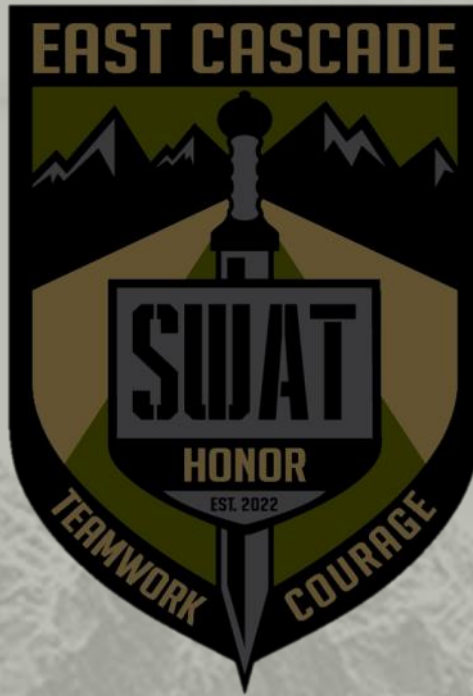
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2023

Jan-22	36	Jan-23	676
Feb-22	98	Feb-23	612
Mar-22	154	Mar-23	747
Apr-22	206	Apr-23	724
May-22	222	May-23	452
Jun-22	235	Jun-23	364
Jul-22	210	Jul-23	424
Aug-22	347	Aug-23	519
Sep-22	397	Sep-23	633
Oct-22	502	Oct-23	644
Nov-22	539	Nov-23	506
Dec-22	602	Dec-23	469
	3548		6770



EAST CASCADE SWAT TEAM



The East Cascade SWAT Team (ECST) is a regional tactical team comprised of law enforcement officers from Chelan County, Douglas County, Wenatchee, East Wenatchee, and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Chelan County Sheriff's Office has six deputies assigned to the team. The mission of the East Cascade SWAT Team is to preserve lives and protect the community during high risk and critical incidents. During 2023, ECST had 12 deployments. These missions included barricaded subjects, high risk warrant service, fugitive apprehension, and in progress felonious acts. ECST members train on a monthly basis. During 2023 ECST members received a total of 180 hours of tactical training and approximately 72 hours of firearms training. Additionally, the Chelan County Sheriff's Office ECST members also provided 20 hours of active shooter training to CCSO deputies.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

During 2023, the Chelan County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management continued its ongoing mission to respond, prevent, protect, and recover from emergency situations occurring in the county.

The Chelan County Emergency Management (CCEM) team is comprised of 3 full-time Sheriff's Office personnel (a Sergeant, EM Specialist 2 and EM Specialist 1), and 2 permanent part-time EM Specialist 1 positions. One of the part-time positions is our primary "planner". Emergency Management maintains and updates a Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan as required by the State of Washington. The other part-time EM Specialist is assigned to "logistics" and is responsible for all interoperable communication needs for the Sheriff's Office. An inter-local agreement exists between the US Forest Service and the county to provide deputy patrol coverage and enforcement throughout the three USFS districts in Chelan County.

Chelan County Emergency Management staff are trained in the coordination of all-hazard incident response as well as search and rescue operations for the county and the contracted municipalities we serve. We work closely with fire districts, local city governments, school districts and other law enforcement agencies, as well as state and federal agencies to accomplish our mission. Hazardous material reporting - EPCRA Tier II Reports - from local companies and public agencies are funneled through CCEM and made available to local emergency response personnel should a hazmat emergency arise at a specific facility. CCEM currently holds two board positions on the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) which is in place to monitor, review and plan for hazmat and other all-hazard situations occurring in Chelan County.

The cities of Wenatchee, Cashmere, Leavenworth, Entiat and Chelan all contract with the Sheriff's Office via inter-local agreements for emergency management services. This involves response to incidents, event planning, public outreach, and general emergency planning for the various municipalities. Emergency Management provides Emergency Action Plans for local events such as Apple Blossom in Wenatchee and the Lighting Festival in Leavenworth. The emergency management team plays a major role in the coordination of all reported search and rescue missions within the county to include federal forest lands and, upon request, North Cascades National Park. To adequately coordinate and respond on search and rescue missions, personnel must train and conduct field exercises with local volunteer search and rescue groups on a regular basis. Emergency Management works year-round with the volunteer groups that assist with Search and Rescue missions in the county.

In 2023, Emergency Management worked closely with community groups to enhance preparedness within the county. This included several presentations in the community discussing wildfires and evacuation preparedness. Chelan County EM also worked with the Local Emergency Communication Committee which has continued its mission but had not met for several years. The LECC plan was updated and the Committee will now be meeting twice a year.

2023 was fortunately a slow year for fires in Chelan County with low impact to the community for evacuations. There were two significant slides that obstructed roadways and effected the community. In May, 25 Mile Creek overflowed covering the roadway and caused significant damage to campsites in 25 Mile Creek State Park. In December, EM responded to Milepost 3-4 on White River Road for significant flooding due to snow melt and rain.

Chelan County Emergency management took part in two exercises this year, one being an active shooter scenario at Wenatchee Valley College, the other being the TriACE crash exercise at Pangborn Memorial Airport. This is a required scenario simulating the response to a crash of an airliner at the airport. This was a great learning exercise that involved agencies from all over Chelan and Douglas Counties.

On the Search and Rescue side, CCSO responded to over 80 Search and Rescue incidents in 2023. The Enchantments Loop and Colchuck Lake area contained the most responses. The most significant incident occurred in February when a group of climbers were attempting to climb Colchuck Peak. An avalanche struck the group killing three of the climbers and injuring another. Recovery efforts lasted until the middle of June.



SEARCH AND RESCUE

Chelan County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue (SAR) Team has developed a comprehensive program that addresses a diverse array of missions, demonstrating a commitment to community safety. SAR Team members undergo extensive training in navigation, technical rescue operations, and emergency medical response, ensuring their readiness for a wide range of missions. The SAR program is equipped to handle scenarios such as locating missing persons, responding to natural disasters, and conducting wilderness rescues.

The SAR Team works closely with local medics to provide enhanced medical support during missions, ensuring a comprehensive approach to emergency response. Collaborations with local fire departments contribute firefighting expertise and resources, while the Chelan County Volunteer Search and Rescue Team brings additional manpower and specialized skills to the table. Furthermore, partnerships with the military and neighboring agencies allow for efficient coordination and access to resources in large-scale emergencies. Additionally, the agency values its alliance with Chelan County Mountain Rescue, drawing on their expertise in navigating challenging terrains. This collaborative effort, integrating professionals and volunteers from diverse backgrounds, enhances the SAR Team's ability to execute successful missions and fulfill its commitment to public safety.



HIGH ANGLE ROPE RESCUE



The CCSO High Angle Rope Rescue Team (HARRT) is a specialized unit operating within search and rescue, specializing in high angle (60-90 degree slope) and steep angle (30-60 degree) terrain. Comprised of eight commissioned Deputies, the majority of whom hold technician level certification in rope rescue, HARRT conducts vital rescue and recovery operations in challenging terrains. Additionally, several dedicated volunteers, many with technician level certification, undergo consistent training with the HARRT team. The collaboration extends to working closely with Chelan County Mountain Rescue, a team of highly experienced volunteers who willingly respond to emergencies, playing an essential role in the effective operation of CCSO HARRT.

Equipped with personal gear, all CCSO HARRT team members are ready to respond promptly, whether on duty at patrol locations or from their residences when needed. The team's ability to swiftly respond to high and steep angle rescues within Chelan County is a testament to their consistent training regimen and unwavering dedication, ensuring a quick and efficient response to challenging rescue scenarios.

SWIFTWATER RESCUE

The Swift Water Rescue Team (SWR) is a specialized unit composed of deputies and supported by dedicated volunteers. Primarily operating in the west end of the county, the team is adept at responding to rescue scenarios involving moving water wherever the need arises. All SWR team members hold SRT1 certification and undergo continuous training throughout the year to maintain and enhance their rescue capabilities. This training encompasses the use of various tools, including rafts, inflatable and hard shell kayaks, and standup paddleboards. In the execution of rescue operations, the SWR team employs a range of techniques, including the utilization of complex rope systems to access victims. Additionally, simpler tools such as throw bags and reaching devices are deployed when necessary. The team collaborates closely with other local agencies to bolster resources at the rescue scene. Given the remoteness of certain areas along the county's rivers, this collaborative effort helps contain situations until SWR team members can arrive. Over the past few years, the Wenatchee River has experienced a significant surge in usage, primarily attributed to commercial inner tube rentals and the popularity of new river activities. In response, the SWR team strongly advocates for the public's use of Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) to ensure safety during river-related activities.



AIR SUPPORT UNIT



The Chelan County Sheriff's Office Air Support Unit (ASU) is a crucial component of the agency's operations, employing two Bell OH-58 helicopters for a range of missions. Primarily dedicated to search and rescue operations for lost and injured individuals within the county, the unit is a lifeline during critical situations. In addition to its SAR role ASU extends its capabilities to counter drug operations, responding to unusual occurrences, and providing aerial support to patrol teams in specific circumstances. The helicopters' versatility allows for swift and effective response to diverse situations, contributing significantly to public safety.

Comprising of three pilots, six tactical flight officers, and one flight mechanic ASU boasts a wealth of experience and expertise. With a legacy spanning over two decades, the unit's roots trace back to veteran search and rescue pilot Pete "Rescue Pete" Peterson, who initiated the program with a Bell 47 helicopter. Since then, the helicopter program has played a pivotal role in rescuing numerous individuals both within and outside Chelan County. This enduring legacy underscores the unit's commitment to excellence in search and rescue operations and its vital role in enhancing the overall capabilities of the agency.



MARINE PATROL

The Marine Patrol Unit for the Chelan County Sheriff's Office serves a multifaceted purpose in patrolling the waters of the county. Its primary mission is to prevent crime by enforcing state statutes and county ordinances related to water activities. Beyond law enforcement, the Marine Patrol Unit takes on a critical role in performing rescue operations for both individuals and vessels in distress. The unit collaborates with other divisions and agencies, contributing to a seamless and coordinated response in emergencies. Additionally, the responsibilities of the Marine Patrol Unit extend to the maintenance of buoys and navigational markers, investigation of marine accidents and incidents, and removal of objects from the water posing hazards to vessels. As part of its commitment to public safety, the unit conducts boating safety classes and presentations, fostering awareness and education within the community.

In a notable achievement for 2023, the Marine Patrol Unit transitioned into a model program for the state, underscoring its excellence and effectiveness. Lead Marine Patrol Deputy Churchill was recognized as the Marine Law Enforcement Deputy of the Year, a testament to the dedication and leadership within the Marine Patrol Unit. This recognition reflects the unit's outstanding contributions to marine law enforcement, rescue operations, and safety education, setting a high standard for other programs in the state to follow. The Marine Patrol Unit stands as a beacon of excellence in maritime law enforcement and safety, exemplifying its commitment to safeguarding the well-being of individuals and promoting responsible water activities within the community.



HONOR GUARD

Chelan County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard Team serves as a distinguished unit tasked with representing the organization during ceremonial occasions, funerals, and other formal events. Comprising of select members who embody the highest standards of professionalism, discipline and respect, the honor guard team has meticulously executed their ceremonial duties throughout its prestigious history with precision and solemnity, paying tribute to fallen officers, dignitaries, and veterans. Continuing the tradition of being clad in meticulously tailored uniforms, often adorned with symbolic regalia, honor guard members routinely perform other rituals such as flag folding and rifle drills while also representing the colors with unwavering perseverance and precision, symbolizing the agency's commitment to honor, duty and sacrifice. Through their dignified presence and impeccable performance, the honor guard team does not only uphold tradition but also serves as a solemn reminder of the profound respect and gratitude owed to those who have served and sacrificed in the line of duty.



Records / Civil

Our Records and Civil Divisions are staffed with 7 Records Administrative Specialist, 1 Civil Deputy, and 1 Records Supervisor. The Records and Civil staff independently coordinate and perform a broad range of technical support services to the operations of the Sheriff's Office.

The Records Division has the responsibility to maintain and file all reports taken by Sheriff's Office commissioned personnel. These files are inclusive of all criminal offense reports, auto collision reports, traffic citations, missing persons, and other types of reports. The Division is responsible for processing and issuing concealed pistol licenses, public disclosure requests, dissemination of police reports to the prosecutor, warrant and protection order entry, Sex Offender tracking and data entry, and dissemination of information within the Sheriff's Office, along with assisting the public at the counter and on the phone. The Division is responsible for maintaining law enforcement crime scene photographs, videos, and other law enforcement information according to established policy and procedure.

The Civil Division is the civil process service function of the sheriff's office and covers a wide variety of court papers filed in our courts. The Division's responsibility and priority is to process for service the court documents directly requiring the Sheriff of Chelan County to serve, including Protection Orders, Writs of Execution, Restitution, Attachment, Replevin, and Habeas Corpus, Orders of Sale, Criminal Subpoenas, and other court documents such as Small Claims, Notices, Summons, Complaints, Petitions, etc.

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Concealed Pistol Licenses Issued	1683	1374	1511	1564	1658
Civil Process	1413	1180	1657	1314	1500
Public Disclosure Requests	2346	2489	2008	2196	2309
Warrants	1398	1079	1012	1295	2161





2023 AWARD RECIPIENTS

DEPUTY OF THE YEAR - ANDREW TILTON

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE YEAR - JILLIAN SIMMONS

LIFE SAVING AWARD: ANDREW TILTON;
CY BOWTHORPE; JEREMY MANNIN;
JOSE HERNANDEZ

MERITORIOUS CONDUCT AWARD:
ROB HUDDLESTON;
CARLOS RODRIGUEZ; BRETT PETERSON;
MIKE BATTIS - BALLARD AMBULANCE; ELGIN SHAW

MERIT AWARD: CHRIS EAKLE; CY BOWTHORPE;
ANDERS WIGGUM; LEE RISDON; BRENT FRANK;
AUSTIN KEY; JAMES PETERSON; JERROD BIGGAR;
IAN SUTTON; ZACH WENZEL; HAL MARSHALL;
JILLIAN SIMMONS; CARLOS RODRIGUEZ;
BRIAN LEWIS; BRAD NORTON;
COURTNEY BEUTLER

Chelan County Sheriff's Office Personnel



**Sergeant
Rob Huddleston**



**Sergeant
Chris Foreman**



**Sergeant
Jason Mathews**



**Sergeant
Jason Reinfeld**



**Sergeant
Adam Musgrove**



**Sergeant
Brent Frank**



**Sergeant
Dan McCue**



**Sergeant
Brian Lewis**



**Sergeant
Lee Risdon**



**Corporal
Monika Haynes**



**Corporal
Jeremy Mathena**



**Corporal
Randy Lake**



**Corporal
Jeremy Mannin**



**Detective
Josh Mathena**



**Detective
Ernie Senseney**



**Detective
Brett Peterson**



**Detective
Paul Nelson**



**Detective
Cy Bowthorpe**



**Deputy
Mike McLeod**



**Deputy
Aaron Seabright**



**Deputy
Carlos Rodriguez**



**Deputy
Matt Franklin**



**Deputy
Mark Hegberg**

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Chris Eakle**



**Deputy
Brad Norton**



**Deputy
Dominic Mutch**



**Deputy
David Flick**



**Deputy
Jerid Sutherland**



**Deputy
Lucas McComas**



**Deputy
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Will Tuengel**



**Deputy
Ian Sutton**



**Deputy
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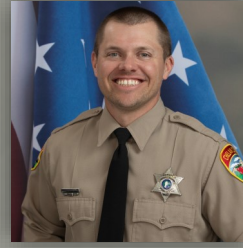
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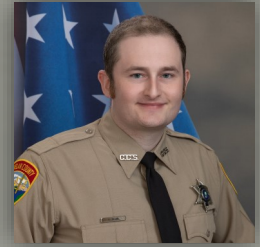
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Matt Barnes**



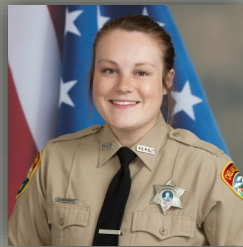
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Andrew Tilton**



**Deputy
Alex Bushy**



**Deputy
Amber Dupleich**



**Deputy
Bryan Clark**



**Deputy
Anders Wiggum**



**Deputy
Angel Guerra**

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**Deputy
Javier Reyna**



**Deputy
Patrick Williams**



**Deputy
Zach Moran**



**Code Enforcement
Bruce Anderson**



**Code Enforcement
Zach Wenzel**



**Campus Security
Elgin Shaw**



**Campus Security
Mike Kenny**



**Evidence Custodian
Hal Marshall**



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Lynne Orendor**



**Administrative Specialist
Rachel Jones**



**Civil Deputy
Jen Ramm**



**Administrative Specialist
Karrie Wolsborn**



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Dana Vivian**



**Administrative Specialist
Elizabeth Hagen**



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Rebecca Gollehon**



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Jillian Simmons**



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Brittany Ward**

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Emergency Management
Rich Magnussen



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Stan Smoke



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Laura Kozma



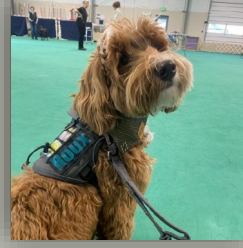
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K-9 Ruben



K-9 Roux



BHU Manager
Ana Gonzalez



BHU Case Manager
Erika Hamilton



BHU Case Manager
Jose Hernandez



BHU Case Manager
Courtney Beutler



**Deputy
Daane Martin**



**Administrative Specialist
Jan Brincat**



**Deputy
Sean Duke**

CONTRACT CITY STATS



City of Cashmere	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
City Patrol Hours	9048	8316	7540	5958	5917
Calls for Service	1207	1166	931	924	1024
Adult Arrests	88	100	41	57	97
Juvenile Arrests	2	0	2	1	2
Violent Offenses	2	4	3	4	2
Injury Traffic Collision	7	2	4	2	3
Non-injury Collisions	46	65	54	41	54



City of Chelan	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
City Patrol Hours	15799	14245	13432	14457	16709
Calls for Service	2345	2384	2401	2224	2230
Adult Arrests	191	149	146	184	307
Juvenile Arrests	10	2	3	17	17
Violent Offenses	8	2	2	6	2
Injury Traffic Collision	8	8	10	9	8
Non-injury Collisions	135	146	145	106	126
Marine Related Offenses	61	58	97	81	70

CONTRACT CITY STATS

City of Entiat	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
City Patrol Hours	1577	1432	1143	807	1129
Calls for Service	345	347	302	320	337
Adult Arrests	9	11	14	32	26
Juvenile Arrests	0	0	0	0	0
Violent Offenses	0	2	1	1	3
Injury Traffic Collision	4	1	4	1	5
Non-injury Collisions	15	16	19	14	14



City of Leavenworth	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
City Patrol Hours	11564	12224	9557	8664	10512
Calls for Service	1545	1502	1502	1319	1716
Adult Arrests	75	89	58	53	137
Juvenile Arrests	0	1	0	2	5
Violent Offenses	4	2	3	6	2
Injury Traffic Collision	4	5	3	1	5
Non-injury Collisions	95	104	95	62	112



2023 STATS

Activity Summary	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth	Outside Cities	Totals
Adult Arrests	88	191	9	75	495	858
Calls for Service	1207	2345	345	1545	7852	13294
DV Incident	24	27	5	32	143	231
Fatality Collision	0	0	0	0	5	5
Injury Traffic Collisions	7	8	4	4	83	106
Juvenile Arrests	2	10	0	0	14	26
Marine Related	0	61	1	0	101	163
Non-Injury Traffic Collision	46	135	15	95	376	667
Violent Offenses	2	8	0	4	33	47
Warrant Arrest	93	187	17	66	716	1079

Arrests (Not DV or Traffic)	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth	Outside Cities	Totals
Alcohol	7	13	0	3	32	55
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	2	4	0	2	12	20
Burglary	0	0	0	0	1	1
Drug Violations	0	0	0	0	8	8
Forgery	0	0	0	0	1	1
Harassment	1	1	0	0	2	4
Malicious Mischief	1	0	0	1	9	11
Minor in Possession	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	4	4
Theft	7	20	0	4	10	41
Trespass	3	3	1	0	8	15
Other offenses	31	64	1	20	259	375
Total	52	105	2	30	347	536

Suicides	
Chelan County	5

Civil Process	
Cashmere Area	82
Chelan Area	194
Entiat Areas	28
Lake Wenatchee Area	1
Leavenworth Area	171
Wenatchee Area	915
Total	1391

2023 STATS

Reported Offenses	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth	Outside Cities	Totals
Alarm	48	72	19	49	232	420
Arson	0	1	0	0	0	1
Assault	43	89	17	70	305	524
Bomb Threat	1	0	0	1	0	2
Burglary	8	25	4	1	108	146
Child Abuse/Neglect	1	2	1	3	16	23
Disorderly	46	86	12	67	201	412
Drugs	3	5	0	0	62	70
DUI	3	29	3	11	100	146
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forgery/Fraud/ID Theft	9	12	1	9	43	74
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homicide	0	1	0	0	1	2
Kidnapping/Child Custody	0	1	0	0	0	1
Liquor Violations	1	11	0	2	6	20
Littering	3	6	0	1	35	45
Malicious Mischief	4	6	0	1	35	45
Marijuana	0	0	0	0	2	2
Noise	18	68	5	22	248	361
Robbery	0	1	0	2	1	4
Sex Offenses	7	15	2	8	49	81
Theft	46	94	9	64	212	425
Trespass	130	116	21	80	335	682
Vehicle Theft	0	1	4	0	8	13
Weapons	3	3	0	0	25	31
Total	374	644	98	396	2005	3517

School	Cascade	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Manson	Totals
Alarm	0	0	0	0	12	12
Assault	0	1	7	1	1	10
Drugs	1	0	4	0	1	6
Harassment	1	4	4	2	1	12
Malicious Mischief	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sexual Offense	1	0	4	0	0	5
Threatening	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft	0	2	2	0	0	4
Other	21	44	26	10	15	116
Total	24	52	47	13	30	166

2023 STATS

Domestic Violence Arrests	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth	Outside	Totals
Assault	16	18	2	31	126	193
Child Rape/Molestation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Trespass	0	1	0	0	0	1
Harassment	0	2	0	0	5	7
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interfere with DV Report	0	0	0	0	2	2
Kidnap/Unlawful Imprisonment	0	0	0	0	1	1
Malicious Mischief	3	1	0	5	16	25
Rape	0	0	0	0	1	1
Violation of Court Order	3	0	0	3	20	26
Totals	22	22	2	39	171	256

Contract City Patrol Hours	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth
January	748	1348	94	860
February	749	1266	145	873
March	773	1243	163	911
April	854	1403	152	902
May	774	1377	134	916
June	863	1462	144	997
July	693	1369	152	740
August	754	1485	126	926
September	988	1279	104	1374
October	791	1391	122	1493
November	681	1310	107	1177
December	668	1250	106	966
Total Patrol Hours	9336	16183	1549	2135

2023 STATS

Violations	Cashmere	Chelan	Entiat	Leavenworth	Outside Cities	Total
Attempt to Elude Police Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cell Phone Related	0	0	0	1	6	7
Defective Equipment	0	7	0	2	55	64
DUI / Physical Control	2	32	2	11	146	193
Driving While License Suspended	25	49	0	22	315	411
Hit and Run Attended	0	0	0	1	2	3
Hit and Run Unattended	0	2	0	0	8	10
Marine Violations	0	0	0	0	6	6
Negligent Driving	0	4	0	1	26	31
No Proof of Liability Insurance	51	50	2	52	622	777
Operator License Violations	31	39	3	21	311	405
Other Moving Violations	7	23	4	19	131	184
Other Offenses	7	5	0	3	88	103
Parking Violations	0	0	0	0	24	24
Pedestrian Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reckless Driving	0	4	0	0	19	23
Seatbelt Violations	0	9	0	3	13	25
Speeding	12	49	10	12	550	633
Speeding in Construction Zone	0	0	0	0	0	0
Speeding in School Zone	3	6	0	0	14	23
Vehicle License Violations	26	51	0	29	325	431
Total	164	330	21	177	2661	3353





OUR MISSION



With the resources entrusted to us we will be a steadfast ally to all citizens and their safety, adversary to those who would threaten either.

VISION STATEMENT

A community where safety, justice & security are ensured for all through unwavering commitment to service.

MOTTO

Of the People. For the People

CORE VALUES

Integrity - Teamwork - Excellence



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