

REPORT OF THE FREMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Fremont Police Department is to protect our residents and all those who pass through our community by establishing high standards of impartial and professional law enforcement. We, as dedicated officers, must learn from the past, meet the present challenge and plan for the future.

During 2008 we saw an increase in patrol activity including 5357 calls for service. We did 963 directed patrols, 516 vacant house checks, and 5061 business checks. There were 1730 motor vehicles stopped that resulted in 428 summonses and 1302 warnings issued. We arrested 109 individuals, had 537 court cases. As the Town of Fremont continues to grow, the strain on all emergency services also continues to grow.

The year 2008 had a unique problem this being the December ice storm that left us without power for many days and closing several of our roads.



Photo courtesy of Allie Burke

Unfortunately due to the ice storm we had to cancel our third annual "Gift of Time". This is an annual event where parents are able to bring their children, minimum age three, to the safety complex for a day of childcare. This allows parents a day to complete their Christmas shopping. We are planning to again offer the program in December.

The Fremont TEAM, Police, Fire Rescue, Emergency Management, and Highway Departments all pulled together. Roads were opened for emergency response. The emergency shelter at the safety complex was activated. With the much-appreciated help of a number of volunteers we were able to offer a place to stay, a hot meal, and showers for those who wanted it.



People Helping People

The bulletin board in front of the Fremont Safety Complex during the December 2008 Ice Storm

With the continuing financial support of many of our residents and local businesses and the continuing cooperation and dedication of the staff at the Ellis School, Investigator Joseph Fussell from the New Hampshire State Liquor Commission and Mary Wheaton-Pinder of the Fremont Police Department, we were able to complete our fifteenth D A R E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program. D A R E started in the Ellis School in the fall of 1993. It is a 10- week program that is taught by a full time police officer that has completed a D A R E Instructor's Program. Including the 2008 class, over 750 students have received certificates of completion in the program at Ellis School. We held a combined graduation / field day with the Brentwood Swazey School D A R E program at the Town of Fremont Memorial Fields.

2008 D A R E Graduation and Field Day



The OHRV program headed by Lieutenant Reese Bassett continues to have a positive impact on our community; the number of OHRV complaints has dropped since the start of the program. The Rockingham Trail has become a family oriented place for recreation. We are seeing more families using the Rockingham Trail for other types of recreation including hiking, biking and horse back riding, Fremont has one of the trailheads that are commonly used by residents and non-residents wanting to operate their ATV's and access the Rockingham Trail System. We still work to enhance the quality of the trail system through our consistent education, engineering and enforcement programs. The OHRV patrol resulted in 734 machines being checked with 18 warnings and 21 summonses being issued.



Lt Bassett teaching an ATV Safety Course for Public Safety Personnel

Our community service program continues to beautify our town. The workers have picked up “tons” of trash that is discarded along our streets. It has resulted in the cleaning of most roads in town.

The Town of Fremont has adopted an Alarm Ordinance that requires any alarm installed within the town to be registered with the Police Department. Without the information we are unable to contact the owners or a key holder in the event of alarm activation. Most alarm companies do not inform their customers that the alarm has to be registered with the Police Department. This is a simple matter that requires a one page form to be completed. This information is entered into our database and is available to the duty officer when he responds to the alarm.

Our database also tracks persons with special needs in the event of an emergency, such as the need for power for life support and persons who need special vehicles or are unable to leave their residence without assistance during an evacuation. This information is kept strictly confidential and is only available to the Safety Services responding to the event. We offer "Vacant House Checks". With this program we try to check your residence daily while you are on vacation or away for the winter. All three registration forms are available at the Safety Complex, or can be downloaded from our website www.fremontnhpd.com.

We have seen an increase in the number of reports of Identity Theft. Identity theft is a serious crime. It occurs when your personal information is stolen and used without your knowledge to commit fraud or other crimes.

TIPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IDENTITY THEFT:

Report lost or stolen credit cards immediately. If you applied for a credit card and didn't receive it when expected, call the financial institution. Sign new credit cards immediately--before someone else does. Memorize your Social Security number and passwords.

Don't use your date of birth as your password and don't record passwords on papers you carry with you. Never leave transaction receipts at ATM machines, on counters at financial institutions, or at gasoline pumps. Don't carry your Social Security card or birth certificate--leave them in a secure location. Don't disclose credit card or other financial account numbers on a Web site *unless* the site offers a secure transaction. Closely monitor the expiration dates.

If you suspect you have become the victim of Identity Theft, immediately make a report to your Police Department

I have listed by category the type and number of reportable offenses to which the Fremont Police Department responded:

Administrative	234	Aggravated Assault	0
Alarms	76	Animal Control	534
Arson	0	Assaults	8
Assist Citizens	47	Assist Other Agencies	345
Assist Fire/Ambulance	271	Assist Other Fremont Depts.	37
Assist Motorist	52	Burglary	13
Civil Matters	48	Criminal Threatening	9
Criminal Trespass	11	Disorderly Conduct	11
Domestic	59	Drug Offenses	1
D.W.I.	9	Fraud	11
Harassing Telephone Calls	13	Harassment	11
Juvenile	88	Motor Vehicle Accidents	28
Motor Vehicle Complaints	82	Motor Vehicle Lock Outs	24
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	Motor Vehicle Abandoned	14
Noise Complaints	54	O.H.R.V. Accidents	2
O.H.R.V. Complaints	29	Open Doors	39
Paper work Service	236	Police Information	233
Rape	1	Recovered Property	7
Restraining Order Service	10	Robbery	0
Sex Offenses	3	Speed Compliance check Point	833
Town Ordinance Violations	20	Theft	49
Untimely Deaths	3	Vandalism	24
V.H.C. Requests	28	VIN Verification	35
Weapons Violations	1	Well Being Checks	52
911 Hang Up Calls	34		

As our community grows and the nation's economy tightens our problems increase, the TEAM concept becomes essential. I am once again asking the residents of Fremont for their help. Be aware of your neighborhoods. If you see anything that makes you suspicious, call the Police Department at 679-2225. If you have an emergency, call 911 for help.

If you observe a crime or if it happens to you, be alert to what you observe and make mental notes of what you see and hear. It will help you maintain your presence of mind as well as helping the police later. Report a crime immediately. Time is a factor in apprehending a criminal and even a few minutes delay can mean his/her escape.

To the residents of Fremont, the Board of Selectmen, the Town Office Staff, the members of the Fire Rescue Department, Highway Department and the members of the Police Department: Administrative Mary Wheaton-Pinder, Lieutenant Reese Bassett, Sergeant Jason Laroche, Officers Robert Allore, Joseph Gordon, Jason Grant, Daniel Whitman. Christopher, St. Onge, Sirena Lemieux, Adam Raymond, Wayne Ingersoll, Scott Cole, Renee King, and Sean St. Onge - THANK YOU for your continued support and cooperation.



RESPECT, HONOR, REMEMBER

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Neal R. Janvrin".

Neal R. Janvrin
Chief of Police