

ESSEX COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. STATE OF VERMONT

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Essex County Sheriff's Department Report to Concord Select Board for

the period of January 01, 2020 to December 31, 2020

During 2020, we responded to 91 incidents in Concord. We wrote 146 tickets and 140 warnings for motor vehicle violations. Throughout the county we responded to 451 incidents.

The year was punctuated by Covid-19. Our Department reduced our officer's traffic stops during periods which appeared to be having higher transmission rates in our area and raised our thresholds for the purposes of the stops. During 2020, we made 571 traffic stops within Essex County. From the 571 traffic stops, we issued 288 traffic citations and 273 warnings.

Our Department continues to conduct Special Investigations Unit Services for the Essex county cases of sexual assault and child abuse. We are continuing another year of patrolling V.A.S.T. trails through a contract with V.A.S.T. This year we will be conducting Occupant Safety Checks, distracted driving patrols, and DUI patrols under grants from Governor's Highway Safety. These grant programs enhance the services delivered to your community. I also wrote a grant for and received a speed trailer for roadside notice to traffic of speeds zones. These funds were made available through the Governors Highway Safety Program. I will be bringing the cart throughout the county to the communities where we have been receiving the most complaints.

We are happy to continue putting in time patrolling the area as we normalize our patrol schedules. We are continuing to have an uptick in thefts of catalytic converters and small tools and saws. I would continue to encourage citizens to record locations and plate numbers, as well as descriptions of people who you are witnessing that appear to be located in suspicious places.

Thank you for your continued support,

Sheriff Trevor Colby