



# Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department Newsletter

## MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF



**Cliff Pinkney**  
Cuyahoga County Sheriff

Happy Spring, everyone! On April 23rd, the Sheriff's Department will host the Buckeye State Sheriff's Association's North Eastern District monthly meeting for the 3rd consecutive year. During the planning phase, we try to think of a venue that would be of interest to our guests, who are mostly Ohio Sheriffs and dignitaries. This year, the event will be held at FirstEnergy Stadium. We would like to thank our contacts at the venue for their assistance and gracious accommodations as well as US Marshal Pete Elliott for taking time out of his busy schedule to be our guest speaker.

March 21st marked the first class of our 3rd Annual Sheriff's Department Citizen's Academy program, which consists of 15 students. The feedback from the previous years' attendees has been quite positive so we are pleased to be able to offer another session to the citizens of Cuyahoga County.

I would like to use this outlet to publically commend two of our deputies, Michael Cyrus and David Rowe, for saving a woman's life on February 14th. While driving on East 152nd, the deputies were flagged down for a possible heroin overdose. After administering two doses of Narcan and CPR, they were fortunately able to revive her. Cleveland firefighters arrived and took over and the woman was taken to the hospital. She is expected to recover. I am proud of deputies Cyrus and Rowe, and I applaud their hard work and humble demeanor. They are a true testament to what law enforcement is about; helping others and keeping our community safe.

Additionally, I would like to congratulate Lt. Nestor Rivera for graduating from the FBI National Academy, Session 271. This is an incredible accomplishment that you will carry with you always.

## SHERIFF'S CCW UNIT – HOW IT WORKS

The CCW Unit was created in May of 2004, upon the inception of Ohio's Concealed Carry Law. This year marks fifteen years since this unit has been in operation. The unit is currently staffed by one employee, Marie Bogle, who is responsible for the retention and maintenance of over approximately 30,000 records.

Marie Bogle is responsible for accepting and processing applications submitted by those individuals interested in applying for Ohio's Concealed Handgun License. Once an applicant applies, and their fingerprints have been captured

using Web Check, a background check is performed, and a determination is made based on the applicant's background whether or not they meet the criteria set forth in the Ohio Revised Code to obtain a Concealed Handgun License. The staff also works with other Sheriff's Offices, Police Departments and Courts (Municipal and County) to maintain an accurate status of those licensed individuals. Should a status change relating to residency, criminal proceedings, etc., the staff is responsible for obtaining the proper court documentation, journal entries and police reports which are

all used to make a determination to suspend or revoke an active license.

Marie Bogle also works with the instructors for CCW courses, military and retired law enforcement, keeping track of their credentials and making sure the certificate meets the law's requirements.

In 2004, the CCW Unit began performing Public Web Check services which consist of background checks by fingerprint with BCI, the FBI or both combined.

**Submitted by: Marie Bogle**

# PUTTING A STOP TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The Cuyahoga Regional Human Trafficking Task Force is the law enforcement arm of a collaborative approach to combat human trafficking in Northeast Ohio. It is comprised of several agencies that currently include the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department, Homeland Security Investigations, Ohio Organized Crime Investigative Commission, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office, Independence Police Department, MetroHealth Police Department and numerous partnering agencies and non-profit collaborators. In addition to the criminal investigation, the task force acts as a conduit to ensure victims receive the resources they need, ranging from medical to long-term housing needs.

The task force also conducts multiple community engagements in an effort to bring greater public awareness to human trafficking. These range from providing speakers to small community groups, such as church groups, or to large speaking engagements such as medical or law clinic symposiums. We also provide training sessions for target rich environments such as the hotel industry or other service industries. If you, or someone you know, are with an organization and want to host a discussion or training session on human trafficking please contact [jmackey@cuyahogacounty.us](mailto:jmackey@cuyahogacounty.us) or (216)443-6282 and I would be happy to assist you.

On February 27, 2018 Detective John Morgan had the opportunity to testify before the Ohio Senate Judiciary Committee in support of Senate Bill 244. The bill allows for an escalation of penalties for those convicted of promoting prostitution. Detective John Morgan and the Cuyahoga Regional Human Trafficking Task Force have been instrumental voices in the development of the legislation. It is an honor to be asked to testify as a subject matter expert and to have that come from our own ranks shows the caliber of professionalism within our own agency! If the Bill passes it will have a positive impact in reducing recidivism with a criminal offense closely linked to human trafficking.

Resources: <http://www.happensheretoo.org/>

<https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign>

<http://ohiosenate.gov/dolan/press/dolan-and-manning-partner-with-local-law-enforcement-to-increase-penalties-for-promoting-prostitution>

Submitted by: Sergeant James Mackey

## NEW HIRES

**Correction Officer:** Jason Adams, Deyonna Banks, Tierra Barnett, Christina Berman, David Bleigh, Kevin Boll, Anthony Bowen, Robbin Bray, Anthony Brown, Francisco Cacho, James Clay, Shawan Davis, Michael Dickson, Lynneese Douglas, Sheena Facey, Michael Fraganpane, Tiffany Franklin, Shannon Gerhart, Diamonique Green, Dylan Halaska, Brian Heppner, Giorgio Higdon, Anna Hines, Bruce Huff, Lori Lanier-Robinson, Markia Lashley, Cynthia Lee, Patricia Lee, Shonta Love, John May, Sheria McElrath, Dessie Michalic, Jamal Miles, Latasha Miller, Jose Miranda, Paul Moore, Nicole Moss, Kiera Newsome, Robbin Oulds, Christopher Perdue, Derrick Phillips, Nathan Pohlbel, Leonor Rivera, Corey Rose, Rehina Savchuk, Icysis Scott, Eileen Sherman, Bryan Smith, Vennetta Smith-Waller, Jaime Soto, Dorie Starkey, Jessica Sullivan, Bradley Sumbry, Stephen Thomas, David Walker, Christopher Whisenant, Beverly Witt, Adrienne Wyley

**Deputy Sheriff:** David Belt, Antonio Camargo, Roderick Campbell, Ricardo Caraballo, Darryl Day, Kevin Harvey, Jack Justus, Michael Marniella, Terricko Marshall, Matthew Phillips, David Thomas

**Security Officer 2:** Vida Johnson, Joel Molina, SirVon Scott Sr.

**Licensed Practical Nurse:** Tiffany Jones

**Communications Clerk:** Rita Fabian, Sierra Rudolph, Wonderful Thomas

**Transport Clerk:** Gordon Lilly, Victoria Woods

**Security Monitor:** Ronnette Rahmon

## CCSD EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Corrections Sergeant Jowharah Price has been with the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department for approximately 28 years. She began her employment as a Corrections Officer in April of 1990, and over the years worked her way through the ranks to become the respected Sergeant she is today.

Currently, she is the Training Coordinator for the Corrections Center. Since 2016, she has spent most of her time at the Tri-C Public Safety Training Center conducting the Corrections Basic Training Academies. The Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department's partnership with the college has been a successful one and Sergeant Price enjoys working with the law enforcement professionals in the community.

"Thus far, we have conducted 11 academies, with only 1 participant unable to successfully pass the state exam. I attribute the success of the academies to the instructors who do such a great job teaching. The participants are eager to tap into the decades of experience that the instructors bring to the table." -Sergeant Price.

She says that she is grateful for the opportunity to work with and support the officers who do such a difficult job daily.

Sgt. Price enjoys her role as a wife and a mother of two. "On a daily basis, I attempt to honor my mother by putting a conscience effort into making any place better than I found it." "Although I have 28 years of service, I can say that I remain excited about my career choice and enjoy interacting with my co-workers. I believe that when we work together, we are all successful. I am humbled by the recognition."

