LAWRENCE PATROL SERVICE DOG PROGRAM

"WE BELIEVE IN THE PERSONAL TOUCH"

"WE ARE FAIR BUT FIRM"

"WE REPRESENT CIVILITY & ORDER IN A CHANGING WORLD"

"HOW WE GET THE JOB DONE IS AS IMPORTANT AS GETTING THE JOB DONE"

"WE EXIST TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY"

LAWRENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

STATE OF KANSAS

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Overview

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3. Logistics
4. Discussion

Background

➢ City of Lawrence

- Sixth largest city in the State of Kansas

- Only municipality in the top ten largest cities in our state without a patrol service dog unit

- Only agency in Benchmark City Survey without readily-accessible patrol service dog resources

- No staffed patrol service dog unit in Douglas County

Background

- Depend on outside agencies for PSD assistance on nearly a daily basis

  - Criminal and violent offenders

  - Locating and recovering critical evidence

  - Lost children, elderly, disabled, or suicidal persons

  - Location of illegal narcotics

Functions of
the Patrol Service Dog

PSDs are primarily used as LOCATING tools and offer several useful functions on Patrol:

➢ Responding to alarm and prowler calls
➢ Searching areas for discarded/concealed evidence
➢ Narcotics / explosives detection
➢ Tracking / apprehension of dangerous criminal offenders
➢ Locating lost or missing persons
➢ Deterring criminal activity
➢ Enriching the law enforcement relationship with the local community

Benefits of the Patrol Service Dog

- Effectiveness
  - No machine exists that can match a dog's olfactory capabilities
- Potential for reduction in use of force
- Officer safety
  - minimize risk to human officers
- Potential for worker's compensation cost reductions

- Agency patrol resource savings

  - Highly effective, especially w/ searches

Lawrence Data

- Patrol – ?
- CIP Unit –Needed over 200 times
  - K9 Responded 53 times
- Armed Felons @ Hy-Vee Gas Station
- Topeka Homicide (Cpl. Harwood)
- Robbery @ W 4th St/Michigan St
- ZERO instances where K-9s used as force tool

Moving Forward

- Selection process for officers and supervision

- Travel to kennels for selection of the K-9s

- Selecting a local veterinarian and boarding service for contract

- Equip 2 existing patrol vehicles for PSD use

Training

Kansas Highway Patrol K-9 Academy:

- Certification from a recognized agency and within the State of Kansas

- K-9 operations based in Topeka, Kansas
  - Topeka PD also certifies through KHP

- 10-week K-9 Basic Handler Academy
  - High-demand, limited openings
  - March 2015

- Academy/Training/Certification is FREE

Budget

ITEM	ESTIMATED COST
Patrol Service Dog	$9,500
Patrol Service Dog & Handler Equipment	$6,500
Veterinary Care & Food (Annual)	$1000
LE-Equipped Patrol Vehicle (using existing fleet as of now)	$45,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST PER TEAM	**$17,000**

QUESTIONS?

Benchmark City Survey - 2013 Data

Police Dogs

2013 Average Number of Police Dogs is 5.0

City Name	Assigned Police Dogs	Patrol	Narcotics	Explosives	Accelerants	Cadaver	Average years of experience for Police Dogs	Dog bites by Police Dogs	Apprehensions credited to Police Dogs	Drug finds (positive hits) by Police Dogs	Bomb searches by Police Dogs
Alameda, CA	1	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	2.3	0	8	8	0
Bellevue, WA	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	4.3	6	37	12	None
Boca Raton, FL	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	2.5	0	5	Not Tracked	41
Boise, ID	12	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	4.0	4	33	Not Tracked	280
Boulder, CO	No Program	No	No	No	No	No	0.0	0	0	0	0
Broken Arrow, OK	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	5.5	1	8	192	0
Cedar Rapids, IA	7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	7.0	3	37	551	11
Chesapeake, VA	9	yes	yes	yes	no	no	5.0	6	47	307	26
Chula Vista, CA	6	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	4.0	3	63	63	0
Columbia, MO	3	yes	yes	no	no	no	5.0	0	4	211	0
Coral Springs, FL	7	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	2.5	11	72	219	No Bomb Dog
Edmond, OK	4	Yes	yes	Yes	No	No	6.5	0	6	134	15
Fort Collins, CO	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.0	4	8	80	0
Fremont, CA	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	4.0	6	20	5	0
Garland, TX	2	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	2.0	7	42	94	0
Grand Prairie, TX	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	5.0	3	17	173	0
Henderson, NV	10	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.0	4	22	74	0
Irving, TX	2	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	4.0	3	16	147	0
Lakewood, CO	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	>1	0	20	24	0
Lawrence, KS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Lincoln, NE	5	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.8	1	27	Not Tracked	0
Naperville, IL	3	yes	yes	no	no	no	4.0	0	0	241	0
Norman, OK	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.5	0	15	67	0
Olathe, KS	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	6.0	0	11	163	0
Overland Park, KS	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	6.0	0	22	73	22
Peoria, AZ	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	5.0	5	55	90	0
Plano, TX	3	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	5.0	1	29	68	0
Richardson, TX	2	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.0	0	23	142	0
San Angelo, TX	4	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	3.6	1	9	125	0
Springfield, MO	6	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	1.6	5	40	62	Not Tracked
Average	5.0						4.4	3.0	27.8	151.1	19.8

CALLS FOR SERVICE	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	5 Yr Ave
911 Hang Up Violence	7	11	3	20	11	10
Abduction	7	2	5	3	6	5
Alarm - Burglary	3,344	3,265	3,021	3,181	3,230	3,208
Alarm - Rob/Panic	285	269	249	295	275	275
Attempt to Elude	23	41	30	64	44	40
Bomb Threat	5	2	1	3	3	3
Bomb/ Explosives Found	0	6	3	4	1	3
Building/ Residence Check	4,483	3,404	2,469	2,909	2,274	3,108
Burglary	1,253	1,058	939	1,117	928	1,059
Car Stops	12,438	15,405	12,145	10,590	20,766	14,269
Check Welfare	1,519	1,651	1,520	1,769	2,026	1,697
Comercial Vehicle Inspection	99	63	25	37	33	51
Disturbance	1,981	2,002	1,864	2,129	2,220	2,039
Disturbance w/ Weapon	108	2,002	106	133	109	492
Missing Adult	77	76	84	74	88	80
Missing Child	48	47	62	51	51	52
Narcotics	451	410	442	473	616	478
Prowler	69	43	36	63	42	51
Robbery - Armed	48	41	20	24	29	32
Robbery - Strong Armed	29	16	15	23	39	24
Run Away	342	215	254	387	236	287
Shooting	15	10	7	7	18	11
Sound of Gunshots	147	111	88	106	84	107
Special Assignment	532	573	519	391	252	453
Stabbing	10	13	13	6	10	10
Suicide Attempt	342	369	366	414	406	379
Suspicious Activity	1,226	1,191	1,084	1,295	1,126	1,184
Suspicious Activity w/ Weapon	44	38	31	1,295	43	290
Unknown Emergency	64	66	52	77	60	64
TOTAL	28,996	32,400	25,453	26,940	35,026	29,763
TOTAL CFS	112,357	115,383	112,647	111,464	121,599	114,690
Percentage Canine Usage	26%	28%	23%	24%	29%	26%