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Vision

Our Vision is for Jefferson County to be a safe place for all people to live, learn, work, and play.

Mission

Protect, Serve, Enforce

Values

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Respect

Safety in Faith Workshop

On April 2, the JCSO hosted its first Safety in Faith workshop of the year for 200 faith leaders, administrators, and safety team members. Attendees were taught de-escalation techniques by Officer Page with the Golden Police Department. Deputy Byrne with the Sheriff's Office described how to recognize suspicious people, and several deputies role-played de-escalation scenarios more likely to occur at houses of worship. The faith community is also encouraged to join us for the Safety in Faith Summit on August 22 from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Jeffco Fairgrounds.



Women in Law Enforcement

On April 6, more than 30 women attended a Women in Law Enforcement Career Fair at the Sheriff's Office. Guests were able to visit with sworn and professional female employees from all divisions, including detention specialists, inmate services technicians, patrol and detention deputies, animal control officers, records technicians, investigators, administrative coordinators, victim advocates, and recruiters. Undersheriff Patsy Mundell welcomed the audience and participated in a panel discussion about career opportunities and personal experiences at the Sheriff's Office. Attendees were also able to tour the jail during the fair.



Columbine Threat

In the twenty years since the Columbine High School tragedy, hundreds of misguided individuals have shown inappropriate interest in the shooting, as well as in the shooters. The level of interest has varied from visiting the school in hopes of gaining access to the scene, to making credible threats against the school or other institutions in an effort to emulate the Columbine shooters.

Such was the case of 18-year-old Sol Pais, who posed a credible threat to Columbine and the Denver Metro area after arriving at DIA on April 15 from Miami-Dade County in Florida, purchasing a rifle and multiple boxes of ammunition at a gun store in Littleton, then disappearing in Clear Creek County that afternoon.

Local authorities, including the Sheriff's Office, became aware of her presence in Colorado on April 16 after personal documents found at her home and online research confirmed an obsession with the Columbine shooters. More than two dozen schools in Jefferson and Clear Creek Counties were placed on lock-out that day, and schools were closed metro-wide on the 17th while the manhunt for Pais continued. Late on the morning of April 17, she was found deceased from a self-inflicted gunshot wound near a remote lake in Clear Creek County.

The credible threat Sol Pais posed in such close proximity to the 20th anniversary prompted Sheriff Shrader to order a law enforcement presence at all public schools in unincorporated Jefferson County during arrival and dismissal times on Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19. With the help of Colorado State Patrol, more than 50 schools benefitted from this additional security that provided students, staff, and parents peace of mind during an especially anxious time for the community.

Other Notable Law Enforcement Activity

Homicide

On April 13, deputies responded to a report of a gunshot wound at a residence on Kilmer Street in Golden. The victim was pronounced deceased at the hospital a short while later. Within two days two suspects were arrested in connection with this homicide. Both are being charged with First Degree Murder and Unlawful Distribution of a Controlled Substance, with additional individual charges for each.

Gun Theft

On June 5, a 15-year-old juvenile disabled the security system of a relative's home he was staying at in Pine, broke into a secured gun safe at the home, and stole multiple firearms and boxes of ammunition before leaving the premises. JCSO deputies and investigators worked diligently to locate the juvenile and two accomplices the following day. The stolen firearms were also quickly recovered. The three suspects face multiple charges including Burglary, Theft, Possession of Handguns by a Juvenile, and Possession of Burglary Tools.

Officer Involved Shooting

On June 18, members of the regional SWAT team were involved in a shooting near the intersection of Alkire St. and Belleview. A suspect wanted out of Denver was followed in his vehicle to the area by Denver PD and the Safe Streets Task Force, who requested SWAT assistance for the arrest. After the suspect fired shots, SWAT team members returned fire, killing the suspect. The officer involved shooting is being investigated by the Critical Incident Response Team and will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review; however, no JCSO employees were involved in the shooting.

Axe Assault

Also on June 18, deputies responded to a disturbance call at a campsite near Buffalo Creek. Upon arrival, deputies found a victim with severe head trauma due to being assaulted with an axe. The victim was flown to a hospital for treatment and the suspect was arrested on-scene. A co-worker of the victim, the suspect is facing charged with First Degree Assault and Felony Menacing. The District Attorney's Office may elevate the charge to Attempted Homicide.



Authorized Sworn Personnel

Sheriff	1
Undersheriff	1
Division Chief	3
Captain	9
Lieutenant	14
Sergeant	60
Deputy Sheriff Investigator	42
Deputy Sheriff State and Dept. Certified	440
Specialty Assignment	1
TOTAL	571

Staffing the JCSO

As of June 30, the Sheriff's Office was considered 96% staffed with sworn personnel (550 out of 571 authorized). Six sworn employees were in light duty assignments, five on military leave, and four on continuous FMLA. In addition, 26 sworn employees were in field training: 16 in Patrol, four in Detentions, and six in the academy. Effective staffing was 89%.

In 2018, the turnover rate for sworn, including retirements, was 7.69%. The projected turnover rate for the remainder of 2019, based on the past six months, is expected to be 7.52%.

As a consequence of the budget reduction directive in early April, we have been holding certain positions vacant and have intentionally ramped down Detentions staffing by postponing the remainder of this year's academies. In 2018 we held four detentions academies; this year we have had one.

Vacancies	April	May	June
Sworn	17	19	21
Professional	21	25	24
Total	38	44	45

Priority One Calls

A priority one call is a "call for service which is critical or in-progress, where immediate intervention is required to avert personal injury, or where prompt arrival is necessary to effect criminal apprehension."

In the second quarter deputies responded to 849 priority one calls. This is a .01% decrease from the first quarter of 2019. The table below illustrates the number of priority one calls for each precinct and average response time from when a call is created in dispatch to a deputy arriving on scene. The target response time varies by precinct.



Priority One Response Times		April	May	June
Mountain Precinct	Priority One Calls Received	45	44	53
	Average Create to Arrival Response Time	00:11:21	00:12:48	00:10:54
	Target Response Time	0:10:00	0:10:00	0:10:00
North Precinct	Priority One Calls Received	78	69	77
	Average Create to Arrival Response Time	00:11:27	00:12:21	00:09:33
	Target Response Time	0:07:00	0:07:00	0:07:00
South Precinct	Priority One Calls Received	157	192	134
	Average Create to Arrival Response Time	00:08:07	00:08:56	00:08:16
	Target Response Time	0:05:00	0:05:00	0:05:00
Total Priority One Calls		280	305	264



Prevention & Education

Crime Prevention

The Sheriff's Office has two crime prevention deputies who address citizen concerns and share vital information with the public through on-site visits, public presentations, tours, special events, Nextdoor.com notifications, and other opportunities. Crime Prevention deputies are available to speak on a variety of public safety topics. They also offer home and business security surveys and attend homeowner and realty watch association meetings.

Crime Prevention's second quarter activities included hosting the annual Citizens' Academy and:

- Completing 22 presentations, security assessments, and group tours to citizens or businesses
- Posting 29 crime trend information and prevention tips to Nextdoor.com
- Managing 140 citizen inquiries on a wide range of topics related to the Sheriff's Office
- Participating in 10 public events throughout the county, including
 - ◇ April 13: 26th Annual Courage Walk
 - ◇ May 3: Kendallvue Elementary's 5th Annual Community BBQ
 - ◇ June 15: Evergreen Rodeo
 - ◇ June 22: Foothills Field Day (pictured)



School Resource Officers

The JCSO has 14 School Resource Officers (SRO) who work 208 days each year at Jefferson County public schools. Their activity increased significantly in April due to heightened security needs as a result of a credible threat to local schools in the days leading up to the 20th anniversary of the Columbine shooting, as well as for events and activities surrounding the anniversary itself. Incident reports in April nearly doubled from the average of 79 per month during the first quarter.



Report Type	April	May	June
Felony	5	5	3
Misdemeanor	45	16	32
Incident	137	107	39
Supplemental	39	37	29
Total	129	164	129



Second Quarter Runaway Cases

Cases Assigned	62
Cases Closed	65
Cases Open	2

Crime Victims' Rights Week

National Crime Victims' Rights Week concluded with the 26th Annual Courage Walk to the Courage Garden at the courthouse on April 13. The walk demonstrates support and honors the strength and courage of crime victims and those who have lost loved ones to acts of violence. The garden was established as respite for victims and their families. Sheriff Shrader, victim advocates, investigators, crime prevention, and many others attend on behalf of the Sheriff's Office.



Crimes Against Children

In the second quarter the Crimes Against Children Unit investigated 178 new cases. Notable activity for the unit included sentencing of a suspect for sexual assault on a 15-month old child that occurred last April. The suspect, the child's stepfather, was sentenced to nine years to life for causing significant trauma to the girl's genitals that was consistent with child abuse. He was also sentenced to 20 years to life on parole upon release and is required to register as a sex offender .

In addition, the unit hosted a public meeting in Golden on June 12 regarding a sexually violent predator currently sentenced to work release for one year. Over 6,000 residents living within a one-mile radius of the jail were notified and more than 150 attended the public meeting, which included panelists from the Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Probation, and the Sex Offender Management Board.

Family Crimes

In the second quarter the Family Crimes Unit reviewed 360 new cases, including 113 domestic violence-related cases in April, 104 in May, and 103 in June. Of these 320 DV cases, 12 were felony assaults that involved strangulation. Notable activity for the unit also included sentencing of a defendant charged with Felony Vehicular Assault, Third Degree Assault, and Theft.

On the morning of August 30, 2018, the defendant punched his girlfriend more than 30 times with a closed fist in the head and chest while driving to a hotel. Once at the hotel, the victim exited the vehicle and was intentionally struck by the vehicle as the defendant drove away. After pleading guilty, the suspect was sentenced to six years in the Department of Corrections.

Sex Offender Statistics

In the second quarter two employees maintained more than 400 sex offender records and verified 103 addresses.

New Registrations	74
Re-registrations	188
De-registrations	62



Traffic Operations

The primary goal of the JCSO Traffic Unit is to reduce traffic accidents involving fatalities and injury. Each month the Traffic Unit provides Patrol with strategic deployment recommendations based on monthly crash analysis. The unit includes one sergeant, four motorcycle deputies, and two DUI enforcement cars.

Traffic Summonses

Summonses include those issued by the Traffic Unit and Patrol for Model Traffic Code violations or state violations. The variance between 2018 and 2019 is due to staffing being down by one motors unit.

Summonses	2nd Quarter
2018	2,803
2019	2,646

Speed Mitigation Grant

A speed mitigation grant allows for additional hours of enforcement along Highway 93 and Highway 285, resulting in the following summonses:

Speed Mitigation Grant	April	May	June
Time Dedicated (in hours)	72	54	82
Summonses	179	144	202

DUI Arrests

In the second quarter efforts of both DUI enforcement cars resulted in 44 DUI arrests; 61% of the 72 total DUI arrests.

The Traffic Unit also receives federal grant funding for DUI enforcement to increase traffic safety. During the second quarter the unit participated in a DUI saturation on June 14 that resulted in two DUI arrests.



DUI Arrests	April	May	June
Total DUI Arrests	19	25	28

Click It or Ticket

This year the Traffic Unit also received grant funding for three seat belt enforcement campaigns. The second was held May 20 - June 2 and resulted in 399 seat belt violations. The next enforcement is scheduled for July 15 - 21.

Crash Data

Common causal factors for fatal and injury crashes in the second quarter were inattentive driving, DUI, and speeding.

Crash Type	April	May	June
Fatal	1	2	0
Injury	25	25	24
Property	168	153	166
Total	194	180	190



Focus Crimes

Property Crimes

In Jefferson County property crimes such as residential and commercial burglaries, motor vehicle trespasses, and motor vehicle theft are the most common crimes we investigate. Therefore, we expend considerable effort reviewing these focus crimes that are of great concern to the community and we continually seek effective ways to prevent them from occurring at an increasing rate.



The Patrol and Criminal Investigations Divisions research occurrences of focus crimes to determine if there are similarities that would indicate a spree or a crime series involving the same suspect or suspects. This research, combined with scene saturations at the time of occurrence, leads to the identification and arrest of suspects for these common crimes.

Second Quarter	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Burglary	173	156	117	129	134
Motor Vehicle Trespass	122	176	198	209	156*
Motor Vehicle Theft	54	70	49	72	67

*Factors contributing to the decrease in vehicle trespasses over 2018Q2 include a longer duration of adverse weather this spring and increased Patrol operations focused on certain individuals and residences.

To further illustrate focus crimes, Jefferson County experienced the following during the second quarter:

- On April 19, between noon - 4:30 p.m., a series of vehicle trespasses occurred at several trailhead parking lots, including Beaver Brook, Three Sisters, and Beaver Ranch. Windows of six vehicles were broken and purses, wallets, and credit cards were stolen.
- On May 1, between 4:00 - 4:40 a.m., a series of commercial smash & grabs occurred in the area of Bowles and Kipling, with four businesses being burglarized. In the preceding hour, two businesses were also burglarized in the same manner in both Golden and Lakewood PD's jurisdictions, for a total of eight smash & grabs that morning.
- Between April 7 - June 25, 13 residential burglaries occurred at unoccupied residences and cabins in the Mountain Precinct. For most, force was used to gain entry and items were stolen. It is unknown if these burglaries are related; their investigations are ongoing.



Crime Statistics

Crime Analysis

Crime analysts in Patrol and Investigations review data to help identify crime patterns, sprees, series, and trends for their respective divisions. Once these are identified, initiatives are implemented to address areas of concern for the agency and the community, to ensure Jefferson County continues to be a safe place for all people to live, learn, work, and play.

Second quarter five-year comparisons for Part 1 and Part 2 crimes are illustrated in the table below.

Crime Type		2Q15	2Q16	2Q17	2Q18	2Q19
PART 1	Arson	5	10	3	5	5
	Assault	216	218	251	253	267
	Burglary	173	156	117	129	134
	Homicide/Attempt Homicide	1	2	1	1	1
	Kidnap	7	3	9	6	3
	Motor Vehicle Theft	54	70	49	72	67
	Robbery	5	5	2	5	6
	Theft	373	361	404	405	367
	Unlawful Sexual Behavior	70	71	72	98	100
	Total	904	896	908	974	950
PART 2	Drugs	91	90	127	99	123
	Family	108	144	129	149	116
	Forgery	11	14	24	21	16
	Fraud	218	180	213	197	158
	Government	53	64	77	59	74
	Mischief	159	240	148	173	174
	Morals	6	22	8	12	13
	Peace	173	169	213	201	190
	Property	158	152	144	93	99
	Trespass-Dwelling	16	18	14	18	25
	Trespass-Vehicle	122	176	198	209	156
	Weapons	15	21	14	9	13
	Total	1130	1290	1309	1240	1157
Grand Total		2034	2186	2217	2214	2107

A crime analyst compiles Part 1 and Part 2 crime reports each quarter.

