

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



2019 ANNUAL REVIEW



MESSAGE FROM THE SHERIFF

On behalf of all the great employees of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, it is my pleasure to present this year's Annual Review. I am very proud of the great accomplishments we achieved this year, and the dedication from our team members to tackle challenges and develop solutions and goals to overcome them. It is through these challenges that we grow as an organization to serve you, our citizens, better.

As you read through the report, you will notice some important statistics. Jail bookings increased this year countywide, but the number of inmates released early due to overcrowding went down. These statistics are a key indicator that our Pretrial Justice program is working. The number of arrests for the Sheriff's Office decreased, and we responded to fewer calls for service than the previous two years.

In 2019, we added three Corrections positions: two deputies and a support services specialist. The deputies increased capacity for courthouse security screening and improved security in the courtrooms. The additional Support Services Specialist performs many duties including assisting visitors in the jail lobby, answering telephone calls, processing inmate mail, organizing jail volunteer programs, and assisting with inmate attorney visits. This position was a great addition for the jail allowing Corrections Deputies to focus on safety and security issues within the facility and providing them more time to address inmate needs. We are very appreciative to the Lincoln County Commissioners who helped find funding for these positions.

We are already working on major projects for the upcoming year including finding a location and designing a new animal shelter, launching the Mobile Crisis and Outreach Team, and updating our strategic plan for the next four years.

I hope you enjoy the 2019 Annual Review and find it informative. We have a great team dedicated to serving you—thank you for allowing me the honor and privilege to represent them as your Sheriff.

Sheriff Curtis Landers

2019 Action Plan Accomplishments

PATROL

- Implemented analytical program to compile traffic stop data
- Conducted combined Sergeants Academy with Patrol and Corrections
- All TRT members completed OSSA Basic Tactical School
- Acquired preliminary drug testing equipment to provide safer field testing

CORRECTIONS

- Completed analog and digital camera replacement
- Implemented sign language and interpretive services with outside contractor
- Enhanced Pretrial program to include housing
- Completed medical policy review

SUPPORT SERVICES

- Updated payment processing to meet industry standards
- Transitioned to a new centralized digital evidence storage program

ANIMAL SHELTER

- Established online crowdfunding
- Enrolled and participated in Animal Shelters Count, a national data sharing program

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- Developed Wildfire Readiness Presentations and Self Learning Guides including 12 public presentations
- Completed Naval Beach Site Assessments for Lincoln County
- Installed grant-funded tsunami wayfinding signage in unincorporated areas of Lincoln County

SHORT TERM RENTAL PROGRAM UPDATE

During 2019, the Short Term Rental (STR) Program underwent some relatively significant changes to improve the program as a whole. Most notably was the adoption of Ordinance #509 on September 4, 2019, which amended Lincoln County Code (LCC) sections 4.405 through 4.460 SHORT TERM RENTAL OF DWELLING UNITS.



This amendment was meant to address long term public health concerns with licensees operating short term rentals in dwelling units with onsite wastewater treatment systems (septic) to handle effluent from these homes. A number of STRs are located in dwelling units with onsite systems for which there are no permit records, incomplete records, or have records where the number of permitted bedrooms differs from the number of sleeping areas authorized under the short term rental license. Ordinance #509 also modified language to clarify issues with signage, garbage, and renewal license expiration dates.

Additionally, the following items were approved and are either completed or pending completion:

- GIS mapping project to better assist the Board of Commissioners and citizens determine location of STRs operated in Lincoln County.
- Approval for purchase of software to better manage the STR data and track potentially unlicensed STRs.
- Creation of online complaint form available on Sheriff’s Office website.
- New Community Services Deputy position approved for inspections and enforcement of program.

To date, the County has held two STR public workshops. The purpose of these workshops is to allow citizens to present topics and suggestions for improvement of the program, as well as allow the County the opportunity to share information about additional work completed since the adoption of Ordinance #509 and any noteworthy plans moving forward.

In the future, the County intends to revisit the following ideas for potential consideration and/or implementation:

- Should the County place a cap on the number of STRs allowed in Lincoln County?
- Should the County reduce the current maximum occupancy calculation? If yes, should this maximum occupancy apply to just overnight, any period, and how would it impact events?
- Should the County modify the provisions for a local contact?

If you are interested in keeping up-to-date on the Short Term Rental Program and changes as they occur, please visit our website at <https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/sheriff/page/short-term-rental-licensing> or the Board of Commissioners website at www.co.lincoln.or.us/boc.

CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSES ISSUED	805
SHERIFF'S SALES ON FORECLOSED PROPERTIES	20

CRIMINAL SUBPOENAS SERVED	1700
CIVIL PAPERS SERVED	1522
SHORT TERM RENTAL APPLICATIONS	550

ANIMAL SHELTER MOVES INTO INTERIM FACILITY

The oldest section of the Lincoln County Animal Shelter was built in 1966. Due to ongoing issues caused by the building's age and design, and other county needs, the County Commissioners began planning for a new animal shelter building in 2018. While everyone was aware that the building's useful life was reaching its end, the discovery of mold within the walls and HVAC system prompted evacuation of the building. Last July, emergency animal care operations were set-up at the Commons while business was conducted from the emergency trailer.



Temporary Animal Shelter

In November, all animal shelter operations moved back to 510 NE Harney Street. The interim operations consist of modular buildings with space for animals, offices, and members of the public. All essential programs and services including adoptions, reunification of lost and found pets, licensing, protective custody care, food bank distribution, and emergency boarding continue at the interim facility.

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SECOND CHANCE TRANSFERS SAVE LIVES

Every year, the Animal Shelter relies on our transfer partners to assist us with our life-saving work. This year, we relied on transfers more than ever due to our emergency evacuation and limited space. We transferred 188 pets, more than double our normal rate, to Cat Adoption Team, Oregon Humane Society, Homeward Bound Pets, Willamette Humane Society, Best Friends Forever, Heartland Humane Society, and Greenhill Humane Society where everyone was adopted into loving homes.

DOG ADOPTIONS	122	NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	51
CAT ADOPTIONS	308	VOLUNTEER HOURS	2393
OTHER ADOPTIONS	18	VALUE OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$50,059
PETS REUNITED WITH FAMILIES	210	DOG LICENSES ISSUED	1845

Emergency Management experienced another positive year in 2019.

We were awarded over \$54,000 in state and federal grant funds for the purchase of two new response trailers for our amateur radio operators and public health response staff for point of dispensing, as well as EMS supplies and a fuel exercise.

We also finalized our military beach site assessments with our Oregon Military Dept. & Pacific Third fleet Naval partners.



CALL CENTER UPGRADES

In 2018, we established a trial call center and trained local CERT/ACS volunteers to staff it. In 2019, thanks to the County Commissioners, the call center was permanently relocated to our county training room with extra phones and headsets.

LINCOLN COUNTY
EMERGENCY PUBLIC INFORMATION CALL CENTER
541-265-0621

Are you impacted by an emergency response?
(Floods, wildfire, hazardous materials, outbreaks, distant tsunami, etc.)
When the call center is activated, they can help you stay informed, request assistance and locate recovery information.

STAY INFORMED

- Get updates from Call Center Staff or listen to the recorded current information update available 24/7.
- Locate process for reporting damages to your home, property or business.

REQUEST ASSISTANCE

- Ask for help to evacuate people, pets, and livestock.
- Ask to find resources for response and recovery efforts.

EVACUATION LEVELS

- Confirm evacuation levels, affected areas, travel routes, shelter locations for people and animals.
- Learn when it is safe to return to your property.

541-265-0621
Public Health
Lincoln County

WWW.CO.LINCOLN.OR.US/EMERGENCYMANAGEMENT

Lincoln County Wildfire Readiness

Wildfire Season: June – Oct 2019

Emergency Management and the Lincoln County Fire Defense Board developed a new presentation to promote community protection and preparedness.

Twelve presentations were held across the county with 197 participants. Information presented included how to prepare for and protect yourself, your property, and your animals in the event of a wildfire.

The presentation was set-up as a self learning guide and can be viewed at anytime on our emergency management webpage under hazards-wildfire.

2019 EXERCISES

- Public Health (March & April)
- Call Center (May)
- Emergency Operations Ctr. (May)
- Fuel Management (May)
- Wildfire (May)
- Great OR Shake Out (October)
- Winter Weather (October)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT VOLUNTEERS	7
AUXILIARY COMMUNICATIONS VOLUNTEERS	68

VOLUNTEER HOURS	2173
VALUE OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$53,650

CORRECTIONS DEPUTIES PRESENTED WITH LIFE SAVING AWARD



While conducting an inmate welfare check (IWC) on November 2, 2019 Deputy Hugh Smith observed an individual in his cell laying on the floor on his back. Deputy Smith then asked the individual if he was okay but received no verbal response. Deputy Smith entered the cell to further evaluate the individual—neither a pulse nor breathing were

detected. EMS was requested and Deputy Smith immediately began administering chest compressions. The AED was deployed and placed on the individual by Deputy Page Beutler. Deputies Christopher Read and Geoffrey DeHaan helped continue life-saving efforts until medics arrived. The Lincoln County Jail facility physician advised staff that the first aid that was provided to this individual did save his life. The individual was released from the hospital with one follow up appointment.

The actions of the staff on duty during this incident truly speak to their character and dedication to the profession. Had their prior training and quick actions not been administered, the outcome for this individual would have been much different. After a review of the event, Jail Commander Lt. Jamie Russell formally proposed that Smith, DeHaan, Beutler, and Read receive a Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Life Saving Award.

RESTRUCTURING LINCOLN COUNTY JAIL OPERATIONS

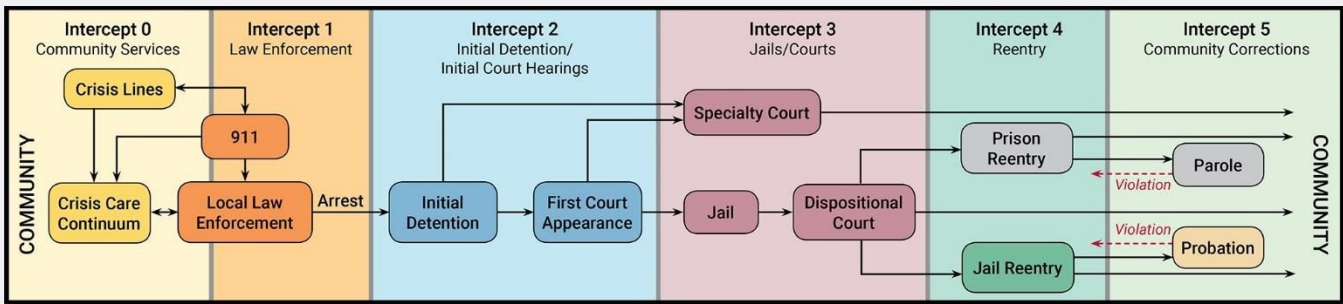
During the spring of 2019, first line supervisors (Corporals) participated in a three-day training/leadership academy led by Corrections Sergeants. Prior to the conclusion of the training, the Corporals were tasked with reviewing current jail operations to ensure we were following best practices while also maintaining staff and inmate safety.

Since 2014 the facility has included an 8 bed Inmate Management Unit, which historically was a place to house individuals, who for many different reasons were unable or unwilling to follow the rules. As part of the restructure, the proposal included elimination of this housing unit. Discussions surrounding this recommendation included evaluating if this level of restriction is still needed. Restricting one's ability to interact with others has a potentially negative impact on their future success, but we also know that holding these individuals accountable for their behavior can have a positive impact on future success.

The classification system was updated to ensure there was a more defined structure and incentive to encourage proper behavior amongst the inmates. Time out of cells is seen as a significant incentive. As part of the restructuring, inmates will be receiving more time out their cells, which allows for additional program opportunities that can enhance their ability to be productive members of our community.

The staff worked as a team to outline current practices, while also evaluating the needs of the facility as well as the needs of the inmates. A presentation was provided to command staff which outlined their proposed operational changes. Due to their impressive proposal, implementation began in the fall of 2019 and all procedures are now in place.

SEQUENTIAL INTERCEPT MAPPING: A BETTER ROUTE TO SUCCESS



The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners declared Lincoln County as a Stepping Up Community three years ago. Stepping Up is a national effort, focused at the county level, designed to promote collaboration and best practices to address the growing crisis of people with mental illness within the justice system.

The county has developed and recently updated a road map to accomplish our goals: Sequential Intercept Mapping, or SIM. The chart above illustrates six distinct intercepts: Community Services, Law Enforcement and Emergency Services, Initial Detention/Initial Court Hearings, Jails and Courts, Re-entry and Community Corrections/Community Support. This support system is designed to get everyone the services they need without slipping through the cracks.

Commissioner Claire Hall and Sheriff Curtis Landers, co-chairs of the county’s Stepping Up Initiative, hailed the plan as an important tool in driving continued results that will improve community safety, help people find recovery, and make better use of scarce resources. Top priorities identified in the plan update are: pro-active mobile crisis to address individuals during crisis and detect individuals before a crisis; establishing diversion programs; and a drop-in crisis/sobering shelter.

For more information on Sequential Intercept Mapping and the Stepping Up Initiative, follow this link to our website: <https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/boc/page/stepping-initiative>.



Booking Area



Inmate Culinary Class

TOTAL BOOKINGS	3424
MALE	2456
FEMALE	968

INDIVIDUALS RELEASED EARLY FROM CUSTODY	458
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NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	50
VOLUNTEER HOURS	2760
VALUE OF CONTRIBUTIONS	\$68,117

AEDs NOW IN PATROL CARS

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office has equipped patrol vehicles with ZOLL brand Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). Patrol vehicles equipped with AEDs have prominently displayed "AED" decals. CPR, use of AEDs, and First Aid are part of the Sheriff's Office's regular, ongoing training to ensure high-quality, competent customer service in Lincoln County.

Sheriff Curtis Landers stated, "The lifesaving tools we've implemented in the past, such as the opioid overdose reversal drug NARCAN, field tourniquets, and hemostatic agents, have allowed deputies to save lives. These AEDs provide our deputies with an additional lifesaving tool and further our mission to enhance public safety."

Early access to an AED and high-quality CPR are integral components of surviving cardiac arrest and Sheriff's Deputies are routinely dispatched to all known cardiac arrest incidents in Lincoln County to provide this care. If an AED delivers a shock within the first three to five minutes after a person's heart stops, studies show, the odds of survival are 60 percent to 70 percent. In recent years, the availability of these lifesaving tools and training has allowed Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputies to provide immediate emergency medical care in situations where Law Enforcement arrives prior to Emergency Medical Services (EMS); effectively supplementing our Fire Department and EMS partners and saving lives.



In 2019, Deputies responded to **26,915** calls for service covering 996 square miles.

NO REST FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPUTY



The laws of Lincoln County sprawl across 10 chapters of codes that regulate land use, environmental and health matters, construction, business, elections and taxes. But Jesse Hess's beat is focused on scofflaws who degrade the county's livability.

The Community Services Deputy investigates violations of county land use, unapproved construction, illegal RV camps and unlawful dump sites.

The overall objective is to enforce county regulations in an effort to maintain livability for all residents. Below is a recap of 2019 showing the impact that Deputy Hess has been able to make in Lincoln County.

CALLS FOR SERVICE: 591	ZONING VIOLATIONS : 67
CASES OPENED: 123	SOLID WASTE/TRASH/JUNK VIOLATIONS: 78
CASES CLOSED: 105	DMV ABANDONED VEHICLE/ RV DISPOSAL: 76
CITATIONS ISSUED: 27	

ASSAULTS	245
BURGLARY	112
VANDALISM	150
DRUG OFFENSES	97
DUII	67
ROBBERY	0
RAPE	10
MANSLAUGHTER	1
MURDER	2
LIQUOR LAW OFFENSES	4
ARSON	6
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS	23
MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION	128
ANIMAL CRUELTY	28
RUNAWAYS	31
STALKING/RO VIOLATIONS	73
CRIME DAMAGE	54
ARRESTS	736
WARRANTS	322
PURSUIITS	6

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM TRAINING



During the first week of November, members of the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Toledo Police Department, and Benton County Behavioral Health participated in a 40 hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training coordinated by Lincoln County Health and Human Services and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office. It was attended by mental health professionals, members of

LCSO and representatives from our neighboring law enforcement partner agencies.

The week started with an 8-hour Mental Health First Aid segment which brought additional participants from the Newport Police Department and Lincoln City Police Department. This CIT course is designed to:

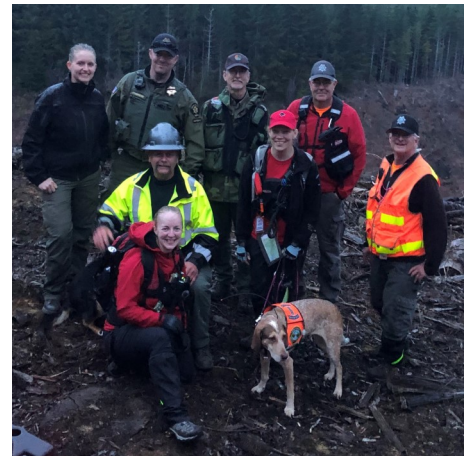
- Provide police officers more tools to do their job safely and effectively. Research shows that CIT is associated with improved officer attitude and knowledge about mental illness.
- Keep law enforcement's focus on crime. Some communities have found that CIT has reduced the time officers spend responding to a mental health call, this puts officers back into the community more quickly.
- Produce cost savings. It's difficult to estimate exactly how much diversion programs can save communities. But incarceration is costly compared to community-based treatment.
- Further enhance the tools each attendee has available when responding to crisis situations or evaluating their own health and wellness.

SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM ALWAYS READY TO DEPLOY

Beginning in late 2016, Lincoln County Search and Rescue observed a sharp increase in the number of people requiring assistance. In previous years, SAR was averaging around 7 missions annually. Most of these searches were around hunting or mushroom picking seasons. Since 2016, our program has averaged about 20 missions. Last year was no different, with 18 SAR missions in the books.

In order to expand our capabilities and support our volunteers, the Search and Rescue program has added to its Unmanned Aerial System (a.k.a. Drone) fleet. With the help of a generous local benefactor, we recently purchased a DJI Matrice with thermal cameras. The Matrice is able to operate in more severe weather than our other UAS, and the thermal imaging will help us find people faster.

Because a drone can't do all the work, additional volunteers were added to the Search and Rescue roster. SAR is now the largest it has been in recent memory, with 34 dedicated volunteers from around the community. The volunteers represent a healthy cross-section of Lincoln County; they're from every region and walk of life. What's the one thing they all have in common? They're always ready to help at a moment's notice!



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NUMBER OF MISSIONS: **18** | NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS: **34** | VOLUNTEER HOURS : **2276** | VALUE: \$ **56,164**

GRANTS FUND IMPORTANT PROGRAMS

In 2019, your Lincoln County Sheriff's Office was awarded \$510,029 in grant funds. These funds allowed the Office to purchase supplies, increase programming, fund personnel, increase mobile command resources, and improve safety resources.

Grant proposal writing is a skilled craft and can be very competitive. The vast majority of these awards are the result of well-planned, well-written and well-packaged grant proposals. Obtaining grants also involves building relationships with funders while identifying and researching opportunities.

While grants are typically a very small part of any organization's finances, they can be a critical aspect of a focused goal that enhances the overall mission.

Administration \$145,516

- Bullet Proof Vest Program
- Lincoln County "Navigation to Permanent Supportive Housing" Project

Emergency Management \$165,113

- Emergency Management Performance Grant
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness Grant
- State Homeland Security CERT Trailer Supplies
- Oregon Health Authority Health Preparedness Grant

Patrol \$199,400

- Tactical Response Team Body Armor
- ODOT Traffic Enforcement Grant
- State Homeland Security Command Post Trailer

SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP



The mission of the Community Advisory Group is to provide Sheriff staff with community insight relating to public safety priorities and developing crime prevention strategies. Establishing the advisory group represents another step in our efforts to increase strong partnerships in the community, continue transparency, and actively build positive relationships.

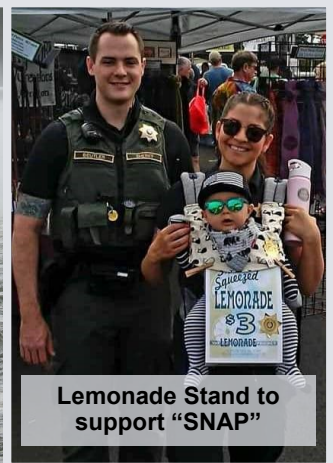
The group members have a wealth of knowledge from various experiences and offer a diverse geographic representation of the county. We are grateful for their commitment to represent the interests of the public, and to help the entire Office better serve the citizens of our community.



Coffee with a Deputy—Lincoln City



Marine Patrol



Lemonade Stand to support "SNAP"



National Night Out—Siletz



Animal Shelter Greeter



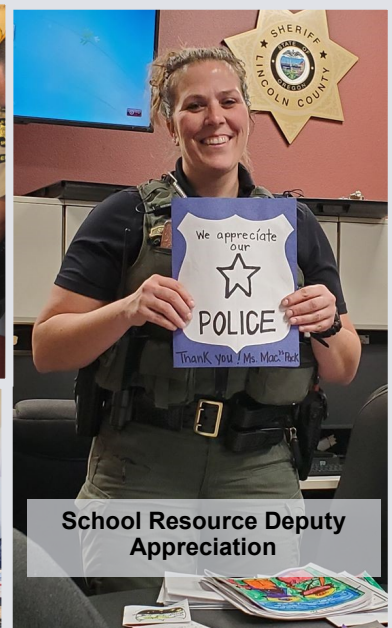
First Car Wash Customer



2019 Citizen's Academy Graduates



No Shave November



School Resource Deputy Appreciation



Emergency Management Drill



Animal Shelter Adoption Event



Coffee with a Deputy—Depoe Bay



Shop with a Cop



Halloween at Siletz Head Start

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your Lincoln County Sheriff's Office
through the following resources:**

- **Visit our website at www.LincolnCountySheriff.net:**
 - **Sign up for the quarterly NewsBites e-newsletter**
 - **Register with LINCOLN ALERTS: receive emergency notifications and community information**
 - **Access our Citizen Report Form**
 - **Find information on Sheriff Sales**
 - **Learn more about each of our divisions**
 - **Join our team through employment and volunteer opportunities**
- **Read the Sheriff's Tip of the Week in local newspapers**
- **Listen to Roll Call at KBCH AM 1400 Lincoln City, KNPT AM 1300 Newport, or KWDP AM 820 Waldport on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.**
- **Find us on Twitter at [/lcsheriffoffice](https://twitter.com/lcsheriffoffice)**
- **Follow the Animal Shelter on Instagram at [lcasoregon](https://www.instagram.com/lcasoregon)**
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Jail Division
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541-265-6610

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