MPD MARCH PSRC REPORT

Climate Change Rally

This event is being organized by students from all four Madison Public high Schools, in an effort to call attention to climate issues. This event is part of a nationwide effort for simultaneous demonstrations in state capitols and other major metropolitan areas. Simultaneous events are also being planned in Eau Claire, Green Bay, and Milwaukee. Organizers are expecting a medium turnout with crowd estimates in the hundreds. East High School (EHS) has been designated as the rally point.

The event is planned for Friday March 15, 2019. Students will rally at East High School at 11 AM, and will then march to the Capitol, commencing at 11:45 AM. Rally commences at 12:45 PM and is scheduled to conclude at 2:15 PM. The route of the march is most likely to be East Washington Ave to capitol square, then looping around the square to the top of State Street. Organizers have obtained a permit for the use of the Capitol steps on the State St. side for a rally from 1pm – 2pm.

Due to the number of persons involved, it has been determined that for safety reasons the entire three lanes of inbound traffic on E. Washington Avenue may be shut-down to facilitate this march. MPD SET, along with mobile squads and stationary traffic posts will assist. Additionally, a number of EHS staff may be escorting the group. SET Command will meet with student organizers prior to the march.

Staffing

As of today the next recruit class that is scheduled to start May 28 is projected to be 50 Police Officer positions. Since the beginning of the year we have lost 15 positions, due to retirements, resignations and medical or long term military obligations.

February 2019 Crime Summary – Shots Fired

In There were 3 reported "shots fired" calls for service in the month of February. Year-to-date, there have been 13 "shots fired" calls for service through 2/28/2019. Last year, there were 30 "shots fired", year-to-date, thus, the 13 "shots fired" calls for 2019 have resulted in a **56.7% decrease over last year** at this same time.

Through February of 2019, we have 8 instances where shots fired resulted in property damage and 2 incidents where subjects were struck by gunfire (includes direct/or indirect harm.) Year-to-date, we have recovered 27 shell casings.

During the month of February, 2019, the South District reported two incidents, Midtown reported one, (East, North, West, and Central did not have any incidents.)

The highest volume of "shots fired" incidents occurred from 4:00 pm - 12:00 am (2); 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (1), and there were no "shots fired" calls occurring between 12:00 am - 8:00 am.