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The Fiscal 2022-2023 Annual Report for the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security (TDOSHS) showcases the noteworthy achievements made by the department. We have had a productive year, where our preparedness has enabled us to respond swiftly to planned and unplanned circumstances.

At our department, we are well-equipped to handle the challenges that come with ensuring public safety. These challenges are not setbacks but rather opportunities for us to improve our mission. Whenever we respond to situations, we not only get to demonstrate the strengths of our department but also strengthen our partnerships throughout the state.

TDOSHS celebrated the groundbreaking of a Multi-Agency Law Enforcement Training Academy (MALETA) at Cockrill Bend in Nashville. The \$415 million campus will include training facilities for state and local law enforcement, housing and dining for cadets and in-service staff, and a new administrative headquarters building for the Tennessee Department of Correction and the Tennessee Department of Safety & Homeland Security. Most law enforcement officers across the state will receive training at MALETA.

Governor Bill Lee and the Tennessee General Assembly have made significant investments to enhance public safety while supporting law enforcement throughout Tennessee and our department. They have approved an additional 100 trooper positions to ensure the safety of schools and the public. The Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security is constructing three new district headquarters for the Tennessee Highway Patrol in Cookeville, Chattanooga, and Memphis over the next two years.

The Driver Services division started issuing REAL IDs to the people of Tennessee on July 1, 2019. Since then, more than 2.2 million REAL IDs have been issued to Tennesseans; however, the national implementation date was extended to May 7, 2025. The department is installing 285 self-service kiosks across the state to make many driver's license services available to the public without going to a Driver Service Center.

Ensuring school safety is paramount for the Tennessee Office of Homeland Security (OHS). OHS has funded 122 new Homeland Security Agent positions across 95 counties to achieve this goal. The agents are responsible for developing close working relationships with local law enforcement and boards of education. Additionally, OHS is in the process of establishing a 24/7 threat analysis unit. The department thoroughly reviews and takes action on all submissions and collaborates with law enforcement, mental health crisis response teams, and school administrators to intervene based on the information received.

The Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) plays a vital role in promoting traffic safety in the state. In collaboration with our federal partners at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), THSO staff have implemented proven strategies to reduce fatalities. After analyzing data on the increasing number of pedestrian fatalities, The THSO is committed to changing driver behavior to end the senseless loss of life on our roadways. We are encouraged to report through education and enforcement that Tennessee continues to see an observed seatbelt usage rate above 90 percent, with this year at 91.49 percent.

Tennessee Advanced Communications Network (TACN) is a radio system that covers the entire state and provides communication infrastructure for local, state, and federal first responders for 60,000 users. TACN offers reliable communication capabilities to law enforcement, fire, EMS, healthcare providers, and other first responders for their daily operations. It also enables them to coordinate with each other across Tennessee. The state has invested over \$500 million to ensure proper coverage by building additional towers.

As the Commissioner of Safety & Homeland Security, I have had the privilege to serve as a leader in public safety for over 50 years. Throughout my time in this role, I have witnessed the incredible dedication of employees in every division of our department. It is an honor to be a part of this team and to ensure that my contributions positively impact our great state's staff and citizens.

Sincerely,

Jeff Long Commissioner & Governor's Homeland Security Advisor

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Mission

To serve, secure, and protect the people of Tennessee.

Agency Overview

The Tennessee Department of Safety & Homeland Security (TDOSHS) is responsible for ensuring the safety and general welfare of the public. The department's general areas of responsibility include:

- Law enforcement
- Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
- Criminal Investigations
- Homeland Security
- Safety Education
- Driver license issuance, renewal, and replacement
- Handgun permit issuance, renewal, and replacement
- Traffic safety initiatives
- Land Mobile Radio (LMR) communications and interoperability for State agencies and local stakeholders

Headquartered in Nashville, the TDOSHS maintains a strong presence statewide, with more than 50 field offices. It comprises a highly professional staff of over 1,800 employees, approximately half of whom are commissioned law enforcement officers.

The TDOSHS has undergone various modifications since its creation to ensure it is equipped to meet the needs of Tennessee's citizens. Below is a list of historical highlights for the department.

Historical Highlights

- 1929 The first state police force was patterned after the Texas Rangers;
- 1937 Tennessee became the 32nd state to enact a driver's license law;
- 1939 The Department of Safety was formally established;
- 1971 Driver license issuance was established as a function separate from the THP;
- 1972 The THP created its first special operations unit called the "Tact Squad;"
- 1980 The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) was removed from the department and established as a separate agency;
- 1984 The first photo license was issued;
- 1996 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE) was established, which incorporated the Public Service Commission (PSC) functions and Motor Vehicle Enforcement (MVE);
- 1996 Handgun carry permits moved from local sheriff's offices to the department;
- 1999 The department gained international accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA);
- 2001 The THP created the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT);
- 2004 The department's CVE Division merged into the THP;
- 2006 The Title and Registration Division transferred to the Department of Revenue;
- 2007 The Office of Homeland Security (OHS) merged into the department;
- 2011 Tennessee Advanced Communications Network (TACN) is formed and funded for developing statewide connectivity for THP, Phase I;
- 2012 The TDOSHS gained accreditation through the Tennessee Law Enforcement Accreditation (TLEA);

Historical Highlights - continued

- 2016 The Governor's Highway Safety Office (GHSO) became the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) and transferred to the TDOSHS;
- 2019 The THP celebrated its 90-year anniversary;
- 2021 TACN receives additional funding for Phase II to replace all THP mobile and portable radios and enhance capacity, redundancy, and resiliency;
- 2023 Motor Carrier Plus was established as a District Division within the THP to oversee all commercial motor vehicle and pupil transportation training and enforcement within the state; and
- 2023 TACN was established as a division separate from THP and receives funding for the completion of infrastructure build-out as Phase III.

Tennessee Highway Patrol

The Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) enforces all duties set forth by state law, including motor vehicle laws, investigation of traffic crashes, assistance to motorists and other law enforcement agencies upon request. While this is the primary assignment for Troopers assigned to the eight regional districts, the THP affects public safety in many ways.

Our highly trained Special Investigations Bureau (SIB) is comprised of several specialized units including the Criminal Investigation Division (CID), Interdiction Plus, the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT), Special Operations, and Aviation. Units within SIB are responsible for investigations of criminal activity including identity theft, auto theft, odometer fraud, and insurance fraud. They support THP's hiring efforts and, upon request, provide investigative assistance to local, state, and federal partners. They work to safeguard the lives of officers and the public by responding to emergency situations and unusual occurrences (e.g., disasters and civil disturbances). The THP makes these specialized resources available to federal agencies, fellow state agencies, and city and county agencies statewide upon request.

Security of select state officials, property, and dignitaries are overseen by the THP's Protective Services Division. They maintain the internal security of the State Capitol, Tennessee Supreme Court Building, Executive Residence, Cordell Hull Building, and the external security of the Legislative Plaza, War Memorial Building, and other state property. The THP is also responsible for the protection and security of the Governor and First Family, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, Attorney General, and visiting dignitaries.

Various units and programs managed by the THP aim to educate the public, act as liaisons between the public and the THP, provide training, increase public safety and awareness, and improve and complement the enforcement efforts of Troopers. These include the Handgun Unit, Motorcycle Rider Education Program (MREP), Ignition Interlock Program, D.A.R.E. Program, Tennessee Integrated Traffic Analysis Network (TITAN) Unit, Support Services, Training and Ordnance, Recruitment and Accreditation, the Motor Carrier Plus Unit which includes Pupil Transportation, and Dispatch.

Colonel Matt Perry is the Commander of the Tennessee Highway Patrol.



Tennessee Highway Patrol



FY 22/23 Highlights

- Interdiction Plus (IP) made 233 felony arrests, seized 19.54 pounds of cocaine, 3.81 ounces of heroin, 498.23 pounds of marijuana, 26.27 pounds of methamphetamine, 7.70 pounds of fentanyl, 43 firearms, and removed more than \$2.3 million worth of narcotics from Tennessee's roadways.
- **Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT)** conducted 126 felony investigations, 89-assists to other agencies, 190 internal assists, and instructed 63 training classes.
- **Special Operations** had one Trooper graduate from the FBI's Hazardous Devices School (HDS) and is now certified as a public safety bomb technician (PSBT), giving the Department eight certified PBSTs. Four Troopers successfully completed the ATF's Advanced Explosives Disposal Techniques (AEDT) and are now certified in the proper disposal of commercial, military, and homemade explosives. Two more full-time positions were added to the Special Operations Unit. There were 37 tactical calls for service, and 79 explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) calls, in addition to several other types of calls for service statewide.
- **Aviation** completed 100 calls for assistance from multiple agencies, 54 patrol missions, 36 criminal searches, and 26 non-criminal searches. These were in addition to several other types of calls for service. The Aviation unit played a major role in the recovery of 22 stolen vehicles, 135 arrests, and locating 20 missing persons.
- The Knoxville District participated in the 313 Initiative with multiple other law enforcement agencies. The Initiative's purpose is to identify, target, and dismantle individuals and groups who have chosen Knox and surrounding counties in which to distribute prolific amounts of narcotics. This has ultimately led to increased numbers of associated violent crimes and overdose deaths. The 313 Initiative utilizes a short-term investigative approach such as traffic stops, buy/busts, and search warrants, therefore resulting in a reduced period of dynamic enforcement in an effort to address more targets in a shorter period of time. The 313 Initiative has been highly successful, resulting in the seizure and recovery of 73 pounds of Methamphetamine, 42.82 pounds of Fentanyl/Heroin, 5.16 pounds of Cocaine/Crack, 67 grams of MDMA, 128 firearms, \$512,000 U.S. Dollars, and 208 arrests.
- The Chattanooga District participated in 3, Hands Across the Border Events. The events took place at locations with the North Carolina State Patrol, Georgia State Patrol, and Alabama State Patrol. During these events, the Chattanooga District also worked with THSO, Sheriff's Departments, and numerous municipal agencies. As a result, the Chattanooga District made 6 DUI arrests, 4 felony drug arrests, 12 misdemeanor drug arrests, 3 weapons seized, 11 seatbelts citations, and 20 other citations during the events with over 1,000 citizen contacts. The Chattanooga District participated in the boxing event Guns and Hoses. The event is a fundraiser for the Forgotten Child Fund and YCAP. Troopers took home the inaugural Colonel's Cup. THP personnel participated in a rowing competition to raise funds for the Special Olympics by rowing 26.2 miles. District Troopers conducted a toy drive in Franklin County during the holiday season, assisting 30 families and 60 children ensuring a memorable holiday. Troopers assisted with fundraising during 3, Tip A Cop events in the Chattanooga Area. Tips received were donated to the Special Olympics Foundation.

FY 22/23 Highlights - Continued

- **The Nashville District** closely partnered with the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department (MNPD). Historically, Davidson County leads the district in traffic fatalities, and this year, THP had tripled the number of road-working troopers. With the successful recruiting and hiring, THP will double its manpower during this fiscal year. THP and MNPD conducted several multiday operations, to reduce crashes in the designated areas of those operations. Williamson County Troopers increased their presence on the interstate systems, which led to more than a fifty percent reduction in fatal crashes. This was accomplished by creating a visual presence and targeted enforcement of hazardous moving violations.
- The Memphis District utilized several enforcement operations in the 22/23 fiscal year to reduce the number of fatal crashes in the greater Memphis area. In January and February, Troopers participated in Taking Back the Loop Memphis Interstate Saturation. Troopers made contact with 2,002 violators, issued 869 moving violations, 739 non-moving violations, and 633 warnings. Additionally, 40 misdemeanor arrests and 5 felony arrests were made. In March, the Memphis District began Operation Grizzly 2023 in conjunction with the THP Jackson District and Haywood County Scales Troopers. Troopers saturated high-crime areas around the greater Memphis area through the end of September. Troopers made contact with 18,468 violators, issued 15,133 warnings, 1,022 moving violations, and 3,323 non-moving violations to motorists, and made 232 misdemeanor arrests and 29 felony arrests. In addition to these enforcement efforts, Memphis Troopers made a total of 297 misdemeanor arrests and 72 felony arrests in other counties throughout the Memphis District.
- **The Fall Branch District** on January 9, 2023, Troopers assisted the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI), Sullivan County Sheriff's Office, and the Johnson City Police Department with locating and apprehending a double homicide suspect in Washington County. After a brief pursuit, the suspect was taken into custody without incident.
- The Cookeville District joined forces with THSO and local agencies to curb fatal crashes in Putnam County. Troopers assisted TWRA at Willow Grove Marina with the coordination and search for a boating accident/fatality. Our Troopers participated in various school-related events, including a mock DUI at a local High School. Cookeville District Troopers have provided ALERRT, CRASE, and AAIR Training for local schools, churches, civic groups, and local agencies. A motor unit Trooper placed 5th overall in the 2023 Music City Police Motorcycle Skills and Training Competition, and the 2023 Andy Wall Challenge Ride. The Cookeville District won first place in the Tennessee Highway Safety Office Challenge Book in 2023. In addition, the Cookeville District seized \$57,441 related to criminal activity/drugs, recovered 10 stolen vehicles, made 183 felony arrests, 400 DUIs, confiscated 29 guns, and conducted 5,492 exterior school safety checks.
- The Lawrenceburg District participated with other agencies in numerous mock crash scenarios at different high schools across the district. A trooper looking beyond the stop in Hickman County identified and secured a missing juvenile that was being used in a sex-trafficking operation. The Lawrenceburg District conducted an "Operation Safe Driver" totalling 148 CMV inspections, including 85 out of service drivers or vehicles. 285 citations and 162 warnings were amassed during the operation. Members of the Lawrenceburg District joined with local law enforcement in Bedford County and participated in "Cops & Bobbers," where they spent an entire day fishing with approximately 75 at-risk youths.

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• The Jackson District is assisted with Operation Grizzly Bear in Shelby County, which began in February 2023. The manpower supplied has enhanced the operation and elevated the sense of safety felt by the public in Memphis through enforcement and educational initiatives. District troopers assisted McNairy County Emergency Services with search, rescue, and recovery efforts caused by a deadly April 2023 tornado. District troopers provided security for the 2023 Miss Tennessee Volunteer Pageant held in Jackson. Troopers partnered with local agencies throughout the year and assisted the agencies with high-risk arrests, manhunts, and search and rescue operations. In addition to these efforts, the regular duties of the members of the Jackson District produced 66,628 traffic stops, resulting in 788 DUI arrests, 534 drug arrests, 204 felony arrests, 27 stolen vehicles recovered, and 40 firearms confiscated. Troopers throughout the district collaboratively conducted 7,784 school safety checks and 4,653 motorist assists.

Office of Homeland Security



The Office of Homeland Security (OHS) has the primary responsibility and authority for directing homeland security activities, including conducting homeland security investigations and homeland security preparedness, prevention, protection, and response operations. This responsibility includes developing and implementing a comprehensive, coordinated strategy to secure the state from terrorist threats and attacks. The office serves as a liaison to related agencies of the federal government, local government, other states, and private sector stakeholders on matters of homeland security.

The OHS, in partnership with the TBI, operates an intelligence processing fusion center, which enhances the state's ability to analyze terrorism-related information and improve information sharing among local, state, and federal agencies with the goal of preventing terrorist activities.

Greg Mays serves as the Director of the Office of Homeland Security.

FY 22/23 Highlights

- Homeland Security Special Agents conducted threat, suspicious activity, cyber, and other related investigations, assisted local law enforcement investigations and operations, and trained local law enforcement officers and investigators on the topics of terrorism, suspicious activity, and conducting homeland security investigations;
- Passed through over \$6.3 million in Homeland Security Grant funds to local governments and state agencies;
- Assisted nonprofit organizations across Tennessee in being awarded over \$3.4 million in nonprofit homeland security grant funds;
- Participated in national-level data calls, including the National Critical Infrastructure Prioritization Program (NCIPP) and the Special Events Data Call. These data calls drive metrics the DHS uses to calculate its risk assessment, which determines the amount of grant funding received by Tennessee. These data calls also determine Special Event Assessment Ratings (SEAR);
- Continued to support the State's Safe Schools Initiative by partnering with the Tennessee Department of Education on physical security standards and assessments and school emergency operations planning for the state's 1,800+ schools;
- Managed the SafeTN app, which allows school students, staff, faculty, and the community to report suspicious activity anonymously;
- Partnered with the Tennessee Higher Education Commission by establishing physical security standards for and conducting physical security assessment reviews of Tennessee's Colleges and Universities;
- Hosted the annual Three Stars of Tennessee Award and First Responders Recognition ceremony on September 9, 2022;
- Continued a State-funded Houses of Worship Security Grant program to assist Houses of Worship with costs associated with improved security in their facilities.

Driver Services



The Driver Services Division is responsible for the issuance of driver licenses, processing handgun carry permit applications, and voter registration applications, in addition to handling many other services. The division is strives to provide the best possible customer service experience. In addition to the 45 service centers throughout the state, the division has 46 partners, including county clerks, municipal government entities, and its first public-private partnership. The division offers e-commerce services through its website for the convenience of its customers and has 37 self-service kiosks strategically located throughout the state.

The division is also responsible for coordinating the cancellation, revocation, and suspension actions against driving privileges resulting from crashes, moving violations, weapons violations, child support violations, and failures to appear in court. The division is also responsible for the reinstatement of driving privileges.

Michael Hogan serves as the Assistant Commissioner of the Driver Services Division.

FY 22/23 Highlights

- More than 117,000 teenagers ages 15-17 years old have taken the driver license knowledge test online since its debut on May 16, 2022;
- New Driver Services Express Center opened in Murfreesboro;
- Remodels took place in Murfreesboro, Downtown Nashville Express, Athens, Sevierville, and Gallatin Driver Service Centers, with Franklin to follow soon;
- New Driver Services Centers were opened in Savannah and West Knox;
- Hickory Hollow Driver Services Branch Manager, Lauren Swords, earned the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC) Examiner of the Year Award for Tennessee. Lauren was recognized at the AAMVA Region 2 conference in Norfolk, Virginia;
- The Driver Services division won a "Community Service Recognition Award" for their efforts to assist inmates who are close to reentry into society to obtain a license or an ID so they can be productive members of their community;
- Negotiations began with both Google and Apple for Tennessee to offer a mobile Driver License to its citizens;
- REAL ID implementation was moved to May 7, 2025;
- As part of the Governor's Open Roads initiative, the CDL Division Training Team has conducted twelve (12) training classes to date. Five (5) classes were held for new examiners with thirty- nine graduates. Seven (7) recertification classes were held for existing examiners with sixty-four graduates. There are four (4) additional classes scheduled in these two areas through December 31, 2023. In addition, the Training Team took a proactive approach as to over the road test route performance and has reviewed and/or approved thirty-nine routes for compliance with FMCSA standards;
- The division instituted an intrastate SPE program for Tennessee commercial drivers;
- The Driver Training and Testing Program (DTTP)implemented the TEDI system to streamline and simplify registration for participating entities;

FY 22/23 Highlights - Continued

- Finalized the THP Citation upgrade project achieving a more efficient, modernized process;
- Revised internal mail handling and scanning and improved operational efficiency for processing a monthly average mail volume of 20,000 mail pieces;
- Upgraded processes and efficiency in the Datacap Scanning System;
- Collaborated with internal and external stakeholders to improve all methods of court reporting and reduce error volume;
- Completed the Mainframe Decommission Project and transferred all mainframe records to FileNet.



Tennessee Highway Safety Office



The Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) works with law enforcement officials, judicial personnel, and community advocates to coordinate activities and initiatives relating to the human behavioral aspects of highway safety. Its mission is to develop, execute, and evaluate programs designed to reduce the number of fatalities, injuries, and economic losses resulting from traffic crashes on our roadways. The THSO works closely with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to implement programs focusing on occupant protection, impaired driving, speed enforcement, pedestrian, bicycle, motorcycle, teen driver, senior driver safety, and crash data collection and analysis. Programs administered by this office are 100 percent federally funded.

Clyde "Buddy" D. Lewis serves as the Director of the Tennessee Highway Safety Office.

FY 22/23 Highlights

- In FFY 2023, the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) awarded 364 grants among 320 different agencies, aiding the cause of highway safety across the state;
- The Tennessee Impaired Driving Advisory Council commemorated its 10th anniversary. Its dedicated members helped Tennessee secure an additional \$30,000,000 in federal funding for impaired driving over the course of those ten years;
- Tennessee elected to conduct an Impaired Driving Assessment, inviting specialists to perform a comprehensive analysis of the highway safety program and identify areas of improvement and innovation;
- The THSO's training program offered 112 classes this year, with an impressive 92.3 percent attendance rate. Over 2,300 individuals successfully completed and passed their training courses;
- Even with inclement weather, the Fairfield Glade Police Department held a successful Older Driver CarFit event, where more than 110 cars were served. This was in conjunction with a one-day reduction: a new strategy that produced significantly improved results;
- The 35th Annual Tennessee Lifesavers Conference hosted 15 breakout sessions focused on traffic safety, including new drug trends, pedestrian safety, and legislative updates, emphasizing the state's commitment to highway safety;
- During the 2023 Director's Awards Luncheon, six individuals/teams were recognized for their exceptional efforts in all fields of traffic safety, highlighting the outstanding contributions of the THSO's partners in a wide range of disciplines;
- The Law Enforcement Liaison Program hosted the annual National Highway Traffic Safety Safety Administration (NHTSA) Region 4 Law Enforcement Liaison Conference, which had over 130 attendees from five states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, and Tennessee;
- The conference covered diverse topics and featured several guest speakers, making it a resounding success;
- Ten schools in Tennessee completed over 386 traffic safety activities through the ReduceTNCrashes Program. At the top of the leaderboard were Dyer County High School and Cumberland County High School which completed over 20,000 points each, an awe-inspiring feat;

FY 22/23 Highlights - Continued

- The Tennessee Law Enforcement Challenge program was updated this year to be web-based, providing law enforcement agencies with an opportunity to more easily showcase how they promote traffic safety initiatives in their communities. With 73 agencies applying, this was double the number from 2022 and the first significant increase in applications in many years;
- Over the course of FFY 2023, there were eleven different media campaigns, resulting in over 159 million estimated impressions. These campaigns covered a range of important topics including pedestrian safety, distracted driving, impairment, motorcycle safety, speeding, and occupant protection. Overall, these campaigns helped raise awareness about critical road safety issues and promote safer driving habits;
- In FFY 2023, 212 child passenger safety events were held by various agencies and attended by 407 highly skilled technicians who specialize in child passenger safety. During these events, a total of 758 child restraint devices were checked, of which 248 were replaced with new ones. Currently, Tennessee has 952 certified child passenger safety technicians. These numbers reflect a strong commitment towards ensuring the safety and security of children on the road;
- Tennessee's seatbelt usage rate reached a record high of 92.0 percent, marking a significant improvement in road safety.



Tennessee Advanced Communications Network (TACN)



The Tennessee Advanced Communications Network (TACN) is comprised of three divisions: P-25 (statewide radio system), Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC), and Public Safety Broadband. The P-25 radiocommunication system provides support for all state and local agencies.

The SWIC provides statewide coordination between state and local entities concerning interoperable communications needs, and serves as the point of contact for the State of Tennessee. The SWIC works with emergency response leaders across all levels of government on a state and national level in order to implement a statewide strategic vision for interoperability.

The Broadband Communications Section serves as the single point of contact for the National Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN) within the State of Tennessee. They also are the managing piece of the Mission Critical PTT (MCPTT) connectivity for state and local users on the P25 radio system, and state subscribers on the FirstNet broadband network.

Jeff Gray serves as the Wireless Communications Director for TACN, and Christine Massengale serves as the SWIC.

FY 22/23 Highlights

- TACN purchased multi-band and LTE-equipped portable radios for TEMA, HS, THP, TBI, and TBR as part of the state agency consolidation plan;
- The Tennessee Statewide Interoperability Plan (SCIP) was updated through a series of stakeholder webinars and a workshop facilitated by CISA; the document was finalized for publication in September 2023;
- 26 new agencies have joined the TACN network this year;
- TACN subscriber additions: Total new users 4285; total overall users 61,423 as of July 2023;
- New TACN Network Operations Center (TNSOC) at the TN tower, 25th floor;
- TACN as a new division of TDOSHS has submitted a 4-year plan emphasizing statewide public safety interoperability, tower infrastructure buildout plan, proactive monitoring and response plan and an annualized maintenance plan;
- TACN facilitated the deployment of surplus mobile and portable radios to nine distressed counties and four at-risk counties;
- TACN provided LTE portable radios for the State EMS strike team for Hurricane Ian efforts;
- TACN deployed Site on Wheels (SOW) resource and Compact Rapid Deployable (CRD) for Bonnaroo 2023 and Memphis City for the release of indictments;
- SOW resource deployed for the 2023 Governors' Inauguration;
- Completed Dynamic System Resiliency (DSR) system redundancy upgrades at all 4 TACN zones (Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Jackson).

Communications

The TDOSHS strives to keep the citizens of Tennessee fully informed of its objectives, functions, and accomplishments by maintaining a policy of open communication. This is done through the Communications Division, which serves as the primary point of contact for the agency for media relations and community outreach activities. The division develops and disseminates news releases, media advisories, reports, and social networking updates.

The division ensures compliance with all laws pertaining to public records. The division maintains the integrity of the TDOSHS's investigations and actions by safeguarding the safety, evidence, and the rights of suspects, defendants, and other citizens. The division leads the TDOSHS's public awareness efforts for many statewide law enforcement initiatives, including coordination and cooperation with other state departments and agencies.

Wes Moster serves as the Director of the Communications Division.

Criminal Investigations Division

The Criminal Investigations Division's (CID) primary mission is to provide investigative support to the uniform division of the Tennessee Highway Patrol and other department divisions. Additionally, the CID is the State investigative agency responsible for investigating crimes related to Auto Theft, Odometer Fraud, Identity Theft, and Insurance Fraud.

Upon request, CID provides investigative assistance to local, state, and federal partners. CID has members assigned to federal task forces on a full-time basis, including DEA, FBI-Joint Terrorism Task Force, FBI-Cyber Task Force, FBI-Violent Crimes Task Force, and the United States Marshals Service. Members of CID also participate in the United States Secret Service-Electronic Crimes Task Force and Financial Crimes Task Force on a part-time basis.

R.C. Christian serves as the Captain of the Criminal Investigations Division.

Critical Incident Response Team

The Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT) Unit is responsible for providing technical expertise to assist in the investigation of serious motor vehicle crashes, crime scenes, and any other critical incidents involving the THP or other law enforcement agencies. The Critical Incident Response Team applies technology, training, and experience to seek out, identify, and defend the truth.

Robert T. Johnson serves as the Captain of the Critical Incident Response Team.

Dispatch

THP Dispatch serves Tennessee out of four regional dispatch centers in Jackson, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Knoxville. Each dispatch center receives calls for service from the public along with other agencies within the state and provides support to THP state troopers. Collectively, the four dispatch centers entered a total of 700,878 events and took over 500,000 phone calls.

Jeremy Luna serves as the Dispatch Regional Manager in the West, and Caitlin Medling serves as the Dispatch Regional Manager in the East.



Facilities Management

Facilities management directs the running of statewide facilities and creates a safe and efficient work environment that improves business performance and optimizes staff productivity. Responsibilities include directing facilities functions, implementing policies and safety procedures, engaging with vendors and contractors, minimizing hazards, preparing facilities budgets and monitoring expenditures, designing and planning workstations, coordinating remodeling and refurbishment initiatives, testing equipment, forecasting space needs, coordinating relocations, and facilitating lease agreements.

Mike Boshers serves as the Director of Facilities.

Fiscal Services

Fiscal Services is responsible for preparing the annual budget, maintaining, processing, and accounting for all expenditures, revenue, and department payroll.

Sonya Hadley serves as the Director of Fiscal Services.

Handgun Permit Unit

The Handgun Permit Unit issues, denies, suspends, and revokes handgun carry permits. Per statute, background rechecks are run every 4 years for 8-year permits and every 5 years for Lifetime permits. The unit also regulates handgun safety schools and instructors to ensure state and federal law compliance. This unit is governed by federal and state law and directed by promulgated rules, policies, and departmental procedures.

Vern Grilliot serves as the Director of the Handgun Permit Unit.

Human Resources

Human Resources provides service and support to the department's divisions in all processes, impacting the department's staffing and providing strategic support for the organization.

Brian Hughes serves as the Director of Human Resources.

Information Technology Services

Information Technology Services for TDOSHS are provided by the Law, Safety, and Correction Domain of Strategic Technology Solutions (STS) in the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration. This dedicated team is responsible for the TDOSHS technology system and platform design, installation, maintenance, providing business and project management solutions, and security and operations.

Chris Dowell serves as the Executive Information Technology Director with the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration.

Internal Audit Division

The Internal Audit Division provides independent consulting services designed to add value and improve TDOSHS operations. The division's mission is to enhance and protect organizational value by providing risk-based and objective assurance, advice, and insight. The division helps TDOSHS accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of governance, risk management, and control processes.

Sharron Waugh serves as the Director of the Internal Audit Division.

Learning and Development

Learning and Development is responsible for developing leaders, administering training, and helping employees improve their skills and expertise to contribute to the overall success of the TDOSHS.

Dr. Alyssa Cave serves as the Director of Learning and Development.



Legal Services

Legal Services functions in an advisory capacity to all other divisions of the TDOSHS and stays informed of changes in state and federal laws. The division works in conjunction with the Attorney General's Office in all appealed asset forfeiture cases and any claims filed against the TDOSHS or its employees. The division includes the Commissioner's legislative liaisons, who serve as the TDOSHS's points of contact with the Tennessee General Assembly.

Legal Services evaluates and maintains compliance with the Tennessee Public Records Act and the production of documents and information related to litigation involving the TDOSHS. In addition, the division reviews contracts related to agency procurement processes in conjunction with the Department of General Services. Legal Services attorneys also represent the TDOSHS in Human Resources matters.

The asset forfeiture program is an integral part of the state's enforcement of the Tennessee Drug Control Act, DUI enforcement, license revocation, and altered vehicle identification seizures. Attorneys in the program represent the Commissioner in asset forfeiture cases as well as provide training to law enforcement officers on case preparation and statutory and other legal changes, including case law involving asset forfeiture.

Legal Services- continued

Driver improvement evaluates the driving records of Tennesseans based on crashes and/or convictions of traffic violations to identify and rehabilitate high-risk drivers. They conduct hearings concerning points, medical/mental conditions, financial responsibility, and other driver's license issues and monitor defensive driving schools across the state.

Roger Hutto serves as the Deputy Commissioner/General Counsel of Legal Services.

Motor Carrier Plus (MC+)

Motor Carrier Plus oversees all commercial vehicle enforcement programs, eight fixed-scale facilities, and their personnel across Tennessee, and manages all federal grants between the Tennessee Highway Patrol and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) ensuring that required guidelines are met. This division serves the department as a liaison to the trucking industry and local law enforcement agencies, providing crucial training, insight, and guidance to promote safer Tennessee Highways.

The Pupil Transportation Administration Section provides regulations for children's safe transportation to and from school and extracurricular activities. This section is tasked with inspecting all school and daycare buses and all Tennessee school bus drivers' training.

Allen England serves as the Captain of Motor Carrier Plus.

Office of Professional Accountability

The Office of Professional Accountability (OPA) is responsible for documenting compliments and investigating complaints against employees and processes all employee disciplinary actions. The OPA ensures that the department's employees maintain the highest standards of integrity, ethical performance, and professional standards.

Chris Ray serves as the Captain of the Office of Professional Accountability.

Protective Services Division

The Protective Services Division encompasses the Executive Protection Unit, the Capitol Protection Unit, and the Facilities Protection Unit. The Executive Protection Unit provides security for the First Family, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House, and the State Attorney General. Other duties of the detail include the security and transportation of out-of-state Governors, their families, and other dignitaries who visit the State of Tennessee. The primary responsibility of the detail is the protection and transportation of the First Family and the physical security of the Tennessee Executive Residence and grounds, providing 24-hour day security with them at all times.

The Capitol Protection Unit is responsible for the internal and external security operations at the State Capitol, the Cordell Hull Building, and the Tennessee Supreme Court. This unit is staffed with specially trained State Troopers, including three explosives detection K-9 teams, one certified EMT, and one Crisis Negotiator. The Capitol has a specialized team trained and equipped in Field Force Extrication. The unit also responds to and investigates calls for service at any other state facility in the downtown Nashville area.

Protective Services Division - continued

The Facility Protection Unit is responsible for the state contract to provide armed protection services through a limited jurisdiction commission. The responsibilities include reviewing the state contract on an annual basis, writing post orders, establishing the training curriculum, conducting security assessments of state facilities, and conducting site visits to ensure the state's interests are met in accordance with the contractual agreement. The contract currently has 103 officers assigned to 36 facilities across the state, which requires extensive statewide travel and oversight.



Tommy Fyke serves as the Captain of the Protective Services Division.

Recruitment and Accreditation

The Recruitment Unit oversees the strategic goals and objectives of increasing the THP's applicant pool, focusing on recruiting, attracting, and retaining Troopers into law enforcement career paths for the department. They are also responsible for the Citizens Trooper Academy (CTA), Youth Academies, and the Explorer Program.

The Accreditation Unit ensures the department complies with standards promulgated by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and the Tennessee Law Enforcement Accreditation (TLEA).

Krystal Thaxter serves as the Captain of Recruiting and Accreditation.

Research, Planning, and Development

Research, Planning, and Development (RPD) assists in creating and providing policies and procedures to all TDOSHS employees. They administer programs, including the ignition interlock device and digital in-car camera initiatives. They are also responsible for the management of the TDOSHS's grants, forms, and publications and for working with the department's legislative liaisons on various laws and initiatives.

The Safety Education Unit Program develops, promotes, and offers a wide range of activities, presentations, and events that promote public safety to the local communities, with programs such as Tenny C. Bear, the Litter Bug Program, and partnering with THSO and the Ollie Otter Program.

Travis Plotzer serves as the Captain of Research, Planning, and Development.

Special Operations

The THP Special Operations Unit is utilized for safeguarding the lives of the general public and officers as they safely resolve unusual occurrences. The unit is charged with handling situations outside the typical duties performed by members within the department. The department trains and utilizes the members of this unit to facilitate the needs of other enforcement personnel in the completion of specific duty-related tasks. This specialized unit is based out of Nashville to allow for deployment throughout the State of Tennessee.

All Special Operations Unit members are trained in the special weapons and tactics (S.W.A.T.) discipline. Their duties consist of conducting high-risk search/arrest warrant service, resolving barricaded and hostage incidents, and providing security for foreign and domestic dignitaries. They also assist to all Federal agencies, fellow state agencies, and city and county agencies statewide with prison riots or escapes, felony manhunts, and man-made or natural disasters.

Members of the Special Operations Unit are certified Public Safety Bomb Technicians, having completed the FBI's Hazardous Devices School in Huntsville, Alabama. Their duties require them to locate and render safe explosive devices and or components that could potentially harm them or the citizens of Tennessee. This duty also calls for Bomb Technicians to properly dispose of old and unstable explosives located across Tennessee. The Special Operations Unit also has members trained as rappel masters, ready for deployment when called upon to perform search and rescue missions either by the helicopter hoisting system or rappelling.

The Aviation Unit is responsible for all air support and any other aviation-related responsibility that assists the department and other public safety agencies. The unit utilizes its helicopter fleet for criminal and non-criminal searches, hoist rescue, tactical operations, stolen vehicle location, marijuana eradication, and other tasks. Helicopters are equipped with various types of equipment, including Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) cameras, searchlights, LoJack receivers, and the Downlink system. Helicopters and pilots are stationed in the THP Knoxville, Nashville, and Jackson Districts. TDOSHS, the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, and the Tennessee National Guard collectively form the Governor's Task Force on Marijuana Eradication and fly missions across Tennessee.

Special Operations-continued

The Interdiction Plus (IP) Unit is responsible for combating criminal activity and providing assistance in cases that include, but are not limited to: terrorism; drug trafficking; firearm and explosive violations; human trafficking; immigration violations; fraudulent document detection; terrorist and/or gang-related activity; fugitive apprehension and any other organized criminal activity. The IP Program assists members of the department and other agencies in cases where the Commissioner, Colonel, or their designee determines the services of IP are needed.

Steven Lowery serves as the Captain of Special Operations.



Support Services

Support Services is responsible for over 1200 vehicles throughout TDOSHS. They acquire, prepare, upfit, deliver, and decommission all vehicles for TDOSHS. They are responsible for ensuring the vehicles are assigned to the correct operators and location of personnel within the State of Tennessee. Support Services is the hub of the department for receiving, stocking, distributing, and issuing equipment and supplies to each of the ten (10) districts. They are also responsible for the department's physical inventory (ICS) and any departmental surplus to be submitted and picked up by General Services. Support Services provides support during major events, including the logistics for the event.

Brandon Douglas serves as the Captain of Support Services.

Tennessee Integrated Traffic Analysis Network

The Tennessee Integrated Traffic Analysis Network (TITAN) Unit provides technical support and training for traffic records software applications used by THP and local law enforcement, including eCrash, eCitation, eCrime, and other related applications. Additionally, TITAN provides statistical data and traffic safety analytic services, including predictive analytics, dashboards, and other tools. This division also houses the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) Unit, which reports traffic fatality data to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Chris Osbourn serves as the Director of the TITAN Unit.

Training

The Training Center is committed to providing a unique educational experience for the new and senior members of the TDOSHS. Using traditional teaching techniques and innovative technology, we continue to see a sizeable increase in the number of personnel utilizing our services. The Training Center continues to develop courses that are pertinent to the basic application of fundamental practices within law enforcement and advanced courses that provide members the opportunity to specialize in certain areas to meet the goals and mission of the agency. Through the development and offering of new leadership courses that challenge each supervisor to transition their mindset from supervisor to leadership with an emphasis on mentoring, the Training Center continues to encourage personal and professional growth.

The Ordnance Division is housed within the training center. Ordnance is responsible for all activities pertaining to firearms for TDOSHS. This unit maintains records on all departmental firearms and places state numbers on all firearms in the departmental inventory. Ordnance is also responsible for repairing departmental weapons as needed. Additionally, it maintains and destroys seized weapons and maintains corresponding seizure records obtained by TDOSHS because of confiscation and/or criminal prosecution. The staff generates the required specifications for all the department's weapons and ammunition, evaluating and testing issued gun holsters and ballistic vests.

Captain Wesley Stafford serves as the Director of the Traning Center.



FY 22/23 Highlights

- The Communications Division has a total of six Facebook pages, 13 Twitter accounts, three Instagram accounts, two YouTube accounts, one LinkedIn account, and one Flickr account that represents the department on social media. Collectively, the department's social media accounts have more than 380,731 followers and continue to grow;
- The Communications Division photographed and submitted a photo on behalf of the department for the American Association of State Troopers 10th annual, "America's Best-Looking Cruiser Contest" and placed 12th;
- The Communications Division produced virtual training videos for the THP Pupil Transportation Division for Tennessee school bus drivers to maintain their "S" endorsement for the 2023-2024 school year;
- Human Resources partnered with the Tennessee Highway Patrol and completed 4 Trooper interview sessions and hired six Trooper Cadet classes;
- Human Resources worked with the Tennessee Department of Human Resources (DOHR) and Payroll to process a July Pay for Performance increase and THP salary increases;
- Human Resources assisted the Tennessee Department of Human Resources (DOHR) with the implementation of the new salary structure plan;
- Human Resources assisted with testing 32 employees for the Lieutenant promotional exam and 111 employees for the Sergeant promotional exam;
- The Office of Learning and Development trained over 1500 people in the virtual learning space;
- The Office of Learning and Development partnered with Driver Services division on its International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC) training certifying 51 employees;
- The Office of Learning and Development oversaw the Employee Service Awards program, ensuring all employees who were due for a service award received recognition and also hosted an awards ceremony to recognize those employees;
- The Office of Learning and Development successfully submitted the department's annual Title VI Compliance report to the Tennessee Human Rights Commission;
- Learning and Development oversaw 73 Fraud Detection and Remediation (FDR) training classes available in Edison;
- During the FY 2022/2023 reporting year, 4,000 people attended training courses at the Training Center, and the Training Center offered 40 classes to commissioned and non-commissioned employees;
- During the FY 2022/2023 reporting year, a total of 8 Cadet Classes were conducted at the Training Center, these classes consisted of Basic Cadet, and Lateral Cadet classes;
- The Training Division conducted annual In-Service training for the more than 900 members of the Tennessee Highway Patrol;
- The Training Center offers its shoot house to local and federal agencies (e.g., Metro Police Department, Wilson County Sheriff's Department, Hendersonville Police Department, FBI, US Postal Inspector, and Tennessee Bureau of Investigation);
- The Motorcycle Rider Education Program (MREP) remains a Commissioned position within the department;

FY 22/23 Highlights - Continued

- The Training Division hosted interactive events including Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (LEOSA), Cadet Class #1021 Group Psych, DARE Officer Trainings, Honor Guard Trainings, and various specialized training classes;
- The Research, Planning, and Development Ignition Interlock Program has begun to assist in the prosecution of individuals who circumvent an ignition interlock device;
- The Tennessee Highway Patrol completed the restructuring of its Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Division. THP has unified its commercial vehicle programs by merging the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Administration Division with all eight fixed-scale facilities and their personnel creating the Motor Carrier Plus (MC+) Division;
- All scale facility troopers, New Entrant Troopers, Pupil Transportation Troopers, and CVE Administration troopers are now under the direct supervision of the MC+ Captain;
- The Office of Professional Accountability conducted and/or processed 56.21% more Administrative Investigations for job performance and/or conduct violations than the previous year. The Departmental Citizen Complaint cases decreased by 31.55% and the Information Review (IR) cases increased by 35.50% from the previous year;
- The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) opened 499 criminal cases during FY22/23, which resulted in 362 indictments and 179 felony arrests;
- CID responded to requests for investigative assistance from other divisions within the department and local, state, and federal partners resulting in 333 assist cases;
- During FY 22/23, CID recovered 48 stolen vehicles and conducted 323 background investigations;
- As part of their regulatory function, CID conducted 16 audits of salvage yards across Tennessee to ensure proper record keeping as required by Title 55, Chapter 5 of the Tennessee Code Annotated;
- CID completed 391 polygraph examinations and 69 search warrants;
- Strategic Technology Services (STS) successfully migrated several Safety applications to cloud solutions, eliminating dependencies on local data centers while expanding functionality and disaster recovery capability;
- STS eliminated all remaining Safety dependencies on obsolete Mainframe technology
- STS assisted with the issuance of 200 new Toughbook Computers and over 200 new vehicles with complete technology packages to THP resources;
- STS assisted THP with the test and evaluation of new vehicle router and video capture technology to improve functionality and ensure Trooper safety through consistent connectivity;
- STS delivered multiple purpose-built applications for Drivers Services and THP use;
- STS worked with TBI and Homeland Security to migrate several users into appropriate organization structures in support of the Fusion Center;
- STS supported Safety during two building flood emergencies in the fiscal year, relocating appropriate infrastructure and resources as required;
- Handgun personnel conducted over 135,000 background checks, approved 21,251 applications, and issued over 60,000 permits;
- Handgun inspectors conducted 191 inspections of safety schools and monitored 44 classes;
- Handgun personnel hosted a Firearms Safety Marksmanship Competition for multiple divisions and levels of expertise.

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Statistical Information







Tennessee Highway Patrol











Office of Homeland Security



Major Federal Homeland Security Grant Funding Received by Tennessee Year **Memphis UASI*** Nashville UASI* **Non-Profit Security** State 2003 \$40,058,000.00 \$6,071,695.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2004 \$42,111,000.00 \$10,008,079.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2005 \$28,070,941.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2006 \$8,260,000.00 \$4,200,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2007 \$14,140,000.00 \$4,590,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2008 \$1,783,500.00 \$0.00 \$12,880,000.00 \$4,452,500.00 \$0.00 2009 \$11,844,500.00 \$4,166,500.00 \$2,836,900.00 2010 \$11,036,637.00 \$1,110,503.00 \$757,545.00 \$0.00 \$5,518,319.00 \$0.00 2011 \$0.00 \$0.00 2012 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$2,801,316.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2013 \$3,459,364.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2014 \$3,978,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2015 \$3,978,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$3,978,000.00 2016 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2017 \$0.00 \$3,962,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 2018 \$3,980,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$200,000.00 2019 \$4,077,500.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$350,000.00 2020 \$4,287,500.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$1,100,000.00 2021 \$4,847,500.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$3,450,000.00 2022 \$4,847,500.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$3,450,000.00 \$4,847,500.00 2023 \$0.00 \$1,500,000.00 \$5,035,710.00 **Total** \$222,963,577.00 \$34,599,277.00 \$6,877,945.00 \$13,585,710.00

*Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)





Statistical Information Tennessee Highway Safety Office

Tennessee recognizes that traffic crashes are preventable. Approximately 94 percent of crashes are behavior-related. The Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) and its partners are committed to reducing the number of fatalities, injuries, and economic losses resulting from these crashes. National, state, and county-level crash data, as well as other information, are utilized to ensure that projects are data-driven. A precise effort is pursued from problem identification to project selection to program evaluation. We strive for higher standards as planners, implementers, and evaluators, emphasizing accountability as we continue our strategy for allocating federal highway funds to state and local agencies.

The specific highway safety problems that grantees choose to address must be data-driven. Consequently, grantees are required to identify an intervention focus that represents a statistically demonstrable category of a heightened traffic safety problem. To assist agencies in this effort, they can request comparative analyses of various crash categories available through the Tennessee Integrated Traffic Analysis Network (TITAN) maintained by the department. Since it is essential to determine the cause of injuries or fatal crashes, grantees are encouraged to carefully review the crash data and examine problems within their community to unmask the root causes for over-representation in the data-defined problem area. Both short and long-term performance goals evolve from the problem-identification process. Identified emphasis areas are selected from this process and reviewed to ensure consistency with the guidelines and emphasis areas established by the U.S. Department of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Year	Number of Grants	Total Funding
FY 2014	440	\$23,826,725.94
FY 2015	459	\$24,237,918.41
FY 2016	433	\$20,381,874.56
FY 2017	409	\$19,656,301.16
FY 2018	393	\$20,944,397.19
FY 2019	363	\$19,745,999.57
FY 2020	341	\$20,027,114.53
FY 2021	383	\$22,760,140.93
FY 2022	367	\$22,380,684.40



TACN Statiscal Information Fiscal Year 2022-2023				
Total number of tower sites including TVRCS	124			
Total New subscribers FY 22-23	4,285			
Total overall subscribers as of July 1, 2023	60,676			
Total system push to talks (PTT)	67,565,630			
Average daily use of capacity on TACN	13.69%			



^{*}Figures are represented in Millions





Handgun Permits Issued by Gender and Age						
	F	Y 21/22		FY 22/23		
Age	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
18-20	4	29	33	8	55	63
21-25	803	1,575	2,378	1,174	2,658	3,832
26-30	1,281	2,026	3,307	1,653	2,957	4,610
31-35	1,358	2,347	3,705	1,899	3,566	5,465
36-40	1,461	2,394	3,855	1,963	3,888	5,851
41-45	1,467	2,368	3,835	2,086	3,678	5,764
46-50	1,664	2,750	4,414	2,250	3,936	6,186
51-55	1,651	2,858	4,509	2,436	4,342	6,778
56-60	1,596	2,901	4,497	2,424	4,216	6,640
61-65	1,371	2,577	3,948	2,048	3,833	5,881
66-70	948	2,156	3,104	1,509	3,301	4,810
71-75	632	1,991	2,623	909	2,642	3,551
76+	276	1,320	1,506	484	1,991	2,475
Total	14,512	27,202	41,714	20,843	41,063	61,906

Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-33-216 requires the reporting of asset forfeiture information based on the calendar year. The annual report covers a state fiscal year. Numbers will vary due to the period being reported.

Seizure Cases	Calendar Year 2022 (Jan. 01, 2022 - Dec. 31, 2022)	Fiscal Year 22/23 (July 01, 2022 - June 30, 2023)
Total Number of Cases Opened*	4,869	4,278
Total Number of Cases Closed	4,894	4,961
Total Number of Cases that Resulted in Forfeiture**	4,381	4,455
Cases Resulting in Forfeiture Because No Petition For A Hearing Was Filed***	3,535	3,638
Total Currency Seized	\$ 16,991,851.41	\$ 12,136,690
Total Currency Forfeited****	\$ 14,262,291.06	\$ 14,621,436

*The total number of cases opened is the number of cases entered into the case management system. A case may be opened during the period being reported but may not be closed until a later year.

**Cases resulting in forfeiture may have been opened prior to the period being reported but closed during the period being reported.

***Of the total number of cases, this number resulted in forfeiture because no petition for a hearing was filed; the remaining cases of the total number of cases resulted in forfeiture through a contested case order (Administrative Law Judge Order) or Settlement Order (settlement between the parties).

****The currency forfeited includes money from cases opened prior to the period being reported but closed during the period being reported.

TOTAL Seizures by Vehicle Subtype							
	Calendar Year 2022						
	(Jan. 01, 2022 - Dec. 31,			Fiscal Year 21/22			
Type of Vehicle	2022)			(July 01, 2022 - June 30, 2023)			
., ype of remote	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	
	Seized	Forfeited	Returned	Seized	Forfeited	Returned	
	2022	2022	2022	22/23	22/23	22/23	
Aircraft	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Boats	4	2	0	2	1	0	
Campers/Motorhomes	4	0	1	4	3	1	
Motorcycles	34	20	4	33	29	8	
Passenger Cars/Sedans	1,431	575	422	1,220	960	487	
Recreational							
Vehicles/ATVs	11	8	2	3	7	1	
Trucks/SUVs/Vans	689	311	166	672	469	216	
Tractor Trailers	2	1	1	3	2	1	
Trailers	0	0	0	3	2	0	

TOTAL Seizures by Property Subtype							
	Calendar Year 2022			Fis	Fiscal Year 22-23		
Town of December	(Jan. 01, 2022 - Dec. 31, 2022)			(July 01, 2022 - June 30, 2023)			
Type of Property	Quantity Seized	Quantity Forfeited	Quantity Returned	Quantity Seized	Quantity Forfeited	Quantity Returned	
	2022	2022	2022	22/23	22/23	22/23	
Bank Accounts/Investment Accounts/Stocks/Prepaid Credit/Debit Cards/Cashiers' Checks/Money Orders/Gift Cards	612	586	9	4	2	0	
Building Materials (drywall, lumber, etc.) and Tools	14	17	0	5	4	0	
Camping/Hunting/Fishing/ Recreational/ Sports Equipment	24	6	0	22	22	0	
Communication Devices (cell phones, mobile phones, pagers, etc.)	35	34	4	28	28	0	
Clothes/Furs/Purses/Hand bags/Wallets	495	344	0	310	271	0	
Collections/Collectibles	503	1,081	0	12	12	0	
Computer/Hardware/Soft ware and Recordings Audio/Visual (CDs/DVDs) and Radios/TVs/VCRs/Cameras	54	65	0	31	24	2	
Counterfeit Currency	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Documents/Personal or Business (affidavits, applications, certificates, pawn shop slips, patents, blueprints, bids/proposals, U.S. mail; no identity documents)	3	4	0	3	1	2	
Drones/Remote Control Vehicles	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Firearm Accessories	9	21	0	17	17	0	
Firearms	60	85	3	39	38	0	
Gambling Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Legal Services

TOTAL Seizures by Property Subtype (continued)							
Type of Broporty	Calendar Year 2022 (Jan. 01, 2022 - Dec. 31, 2022)			Fiscal Year 22-23 (July 01, 2022 - June 30, 2023)			
Type of Property (continued)	Quantity Seized 2022	Quantity Forfeited 2022	Quantity Returned 2022	Quantity Seized 22/23	Quantity Seized 22/23	Quantity Forfeited 22/23	
Household Goods/Appliances	28	23	3	22	22	0	
Jewelry/Precious Metals	78	24	37	139	37	43	
Lawn/Farm/Construction Equipment	39	47	0	33	32	0	
Medical/Medical Lab Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Motorized Transportation Parts/Accessories (aircraft, vehicle, watercraft parts/accessories)	7	3	0	6	2	4	
Musical Instruments	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Office Equipment/Safes/Digital Scales	12	14	0	5	2	0	
Trailers	10	4	2	10	6	0	
Weapons (other than firearms)	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Medical and DL Re-Examination Referrals FY 22/23				
Medicals	Number	Re-Examinations	Number	
Medical referrals on drivers received from officers, citizens, physicians, etc.	1,642	DL re-examination referrals received from officers, citizens, physicians, etc.	89	
Incoming medical reports received from drivers or their physicians	1,586	DL suspended for failure to appear for DL re-examination	46	
Incoming medical reports approved by Driver Improvement - DL remains valid	439	Passed DL re-examination - DL remains valid	67	
Incoming medical reports approved by Driver Improvement subject to passing DL re-examination	210	Passed DL re-examination after failing prior DL re-examination - DL reinstated	8	
Incoming medical reports disapproved - DL suspended	927	DL re-examination failed - DL suspended	9	

Driver Improvement

Hearing Officer Activity FY 22/23						
District	Hearings Scheduled	Hearings Conducted				
1	278	238				
2	238	180				
3	342	276				
4	339	285				
5	232					
Total	1,463	1,211				



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