



2017 Annual Report

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Message from Sheriff Tom Jones

2017 has been an incredible year. With that, it is my honor to release the Grant County Sheriff's 2017 Annual Report.

One of our biggest changes in 2017 was the amount of new employee I had the privilege to bring aboard. We have a large and diverse group of employees who are very dedicated with an incredible work ethic. It is humbling for me to watch our agency grow and change at the same time. Our staff has made this possible, and I am really excited for what opportunities 2018 has to offer.

The Sheriff's Office brought a lot of new tools to the table in 2017. We have completely implemented our Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) program. It has been a valuable tool that we have used to assist in locating missing persons, criminals, and the like.

Another exciting addition was our third patrol K-9, Edo. (Edo is short for Torpedo). Together with his handler Deputy Voss, they have been very busy.

Effective January of 2017, we acquired the Department of Emergency Management. We immediately set forth to improve the services which could be delivered by that new division, especially during rapidly evolving major emergencies such as large wildland fire. With limited resources across the county, the support offered by the Emergency Management Division helps manage resources and coordinate on scene activities. It's been a great addition to our agency as we really focus on communication with our partners.

The Sheriff's Office has also been very active in 2017 preparing to reach WASPC re-accreditation in 2018. It has been a long process, and one that is well worth the effort.

Because of some personnel shortages we experienced in 2017, I would like to thank our staff for stepping up and taking care of business during this transition period. Without them, our operation and level of service would have suffered. I also believe that we delivered great customer service to our county residents. Staff was extremely busy keeping up with the amount of calls for service and bookings at our correctional facilities. Our support staff at our Correctional Facility has absolutely stepped up to the task as well with running short on manpower. They all made customer service a priority.

I would also like to recognize and thank the volunteers of our agency who give their time to make Grant County a better place to live. We have a robust volunteer group that ranges from Reserve Deputies, Posse, Search and Rescue and Explorers. They really do give a lot of time back to their communities and I am proud of each and every one of them. Thank you for your services.

And finally, I cannot say enough what an honor it is for me to serve as your elected Sheriff. I am going into my eighth year and I believe our agency gets better and better each year. I have always said to you that I will be your progressive Sheriff that does not stop trying to reduce crime and make Grant County the safest place in the State of Washington.

Sincerely,



Tom Jones, Sheriff

Quick Facts 2017

Grant County Demographics	
Population per 2015 U.S. Census estimate	93,546
Land Area (2015)	2,679.51 square miles
Persons per square mile (2015)	34.9
Grant County Sheriff's Office	
Number of employees	123 Full-time Employees
	3 Contract Employees
	25 Mounted Posse Volunteers
	14 Search and Rescue Volunteers
	4 Reserve Deputies
	8 Explorers
	2 Volunteer Public Information Officers 1 Volunteer Chaplain
Patrol Deputies	24
Patrol Deputies to Citizen Population Ratio	1 : 3,897.75
Total Calls for Service	15,520 (down 612 calls from 2016)
Individual Crimes	16,769 (down 702 crimes from 2016)
Traffic Citations Issued	4,583 tickets for 5,782 violations
Jail Bookings per day average	15.4
Civil Papers Processed	2,746

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Mission, Vision, and Core Values

Our Mission: Enhance the quality of public safety through unbiased public service, in cooperation with the communities we serve.

Vision Statement: To provide a consistent, cohesive organization based upon communication, education, accountability and loyalty to ourselves and the community.

Core Values:

Professionalism - We are committed to service by our actions and behaviors to a higher standard of conduct and responsibility.

- To maintain ethical behavior on and off duty
- To maintain a high level of personal appearance to represent the organization

Integrity - We value candor, honesty and ethical behavior and we are committed to doing the right thing for the right reason.

- Demonstrate trustworthiness, confidentiality and sound decision making
- Embrace and uphold the highest standards, values and principles.
- Display undivided courage to withstand adversity
- Accept and respect differences

Accountability - We acknowledge that we are accountable to everyone we serve and to each other for our actions and decisions and we welcome that responsibility.

- Communicate with honesty and timeliness
- Perform at the highest standard
- Use resources effectively
- Admit and correct mistakes

Promotions, Retirements, New Hires and Recognitions in 2017

Employees of the Year –

- **Support Staff:** Pam Dove
- **Corrections Staff:** Jim Weaver
- **Commissioned Staff:** Tyson Voss

New Hires –

- **Support:**

Sandi Duffey
Tonya Steele
Joslin Anderson

Stacy Sanislo
Melissa Noah
Andrew Ritchie

- **Corrections:**

Joseph Enderton
Michael Renick

- **Commissioned:**

Luis Jimenez
Tom Tufte
Alex Bushy
K-9 Edo

Promotions –

- **Support:**

None

- **Corrections:**

None

- **Commissioned:**

Dean Hallatt, Lieutenant
Beau Lamens, Sergeant
Jason Ball, Corporal

Rick Char, Corporal
Rick Pitt, Corporal

- **Administrative:**

None

Retirements –

- **Support:**

Karen Schwabauer

- **Corrections:**

Paul Rohweder

- **Commissioned:**

Kieth Siebert (hired as the new Quincy Police Chief)

- **Reserve Deputy:**

None

- **Administrative:**

None

Recognitions -

Lifesaving Award: Deputy Ryan Haring

The criterion for this award is that an employee (or citizen assisting an employee), while acting in an official capacity, saves a human life.

Sheriff's Coin: George Garrett, Citizen
Allan Mathyer, Citizen
Junior Alvarado, Citizen
Dave Canfield, Citizen
Leslie Overman, Corrections Deputy
Ryan Haring, Deputy
Dustin Canfield, Deputy

The Sheriff's coin is presented by Sheriff Jones to those agency employees, members of emergency services or citizens who display exemplary service in their employment or in their communities. Sheriff Jones believes this is a great way to recognize individuals that go "above and beyond" and are dedicated to making our communities better.

Administrative Support Specialists

Supervisor: Chief Deputy Ryan Rectenwald

Support Specialists fulfill an extensive amount of responsibilities, including direct customer service to visitors conducting business at the Sheriff's Office. Support Specialists maintain evidence and seized property; conduct the civil law responsibilities to the courts; maintain records, data and statistics; help manage agency finances, grant funding, accounts receivables and payables; issues licenses for dogs and concealed weapons; and provide fingerprinting for identification.

Licensing

Dog Licenses	2015	2016	2017
Spayed and neutered dogs	84	79	76
Non-spayed or neutered dogs	6	7	12
TOTAL	90	86	88

Fingerprinting	2015	2016	2017
TOTAL	1,536	1,417	1,177

Concealed Pistol Licenses	2015	2016	2017
New license	934	1,063	894
License renewal	348	444	570
Late renewal	149	169	204
Replacement license	105	167	123
TOTAL	1,536	1,843	1,791

Golf Cart	2015	2016	2017
Permit	-	383	400

Evidence and Property Unit

This unit maintains the physical integrity and control of evidentiary items in the custody of the Grant County Sheriff's Office.

The Sheriff's Office has one full-time Evidence Specialist, Jaynese Granger, working in the property room.

The main objectives of the Evidence and Property Unit are:

- Provide safe and physical integrity of property and evidence items for temporary and permanent custody, and
- Maintain a continuous permanent record showing a chain-of-custody signature log of all items under Property Room control.

Some of the duties include but are not limited to:

- The control transmission and receipt of evidentiary items required for forensic analysis by the Washington State Crime Laboratory entities.
- The introduction of evidentiary items into Superior and District Courts.
- The placement of legal items for public auction for those items unclaimed or seized by competent authority.
- To have direct contact with individuals about property that is authorized to be returned.
- To dispose of all evidentiary/property items upon completion of criminal court proceedings when authorized by competent authority.

Evidence and Property Unit Statistics

Entered into inventory	2015	2016	2017
Pieces of evidence logged	4,429	4,020	4,113
Removed from inventory	2015	2016	2017
Pieces returned to owner	352	400	412
Pieces destroyed	1,860	1,715	1,976
Pieces sent to auction	73	115	447
Released to other LE Agency	6	37	49
TOTAL REMOVED	2,291	2,267	2,884

Civil Unit

The Civil Unit carries out the Sheriff's Office statutory responsibilities to the Superior Court. These responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Service of civil and criminal subpoenas, summons and complaints, protection and anti-harassment orders
- Service of other civil and criminal court documents
- Attaching, maintaining custody of and selling personal and real property
- Executing court ordered evictions

The Civil Unit is staffed by one Civil Specialist, Theresa Sheets.

Civil Unit Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Domestic Violence Protection/Restraining Orders	553	563	482
Anti-Harassment Orders	137	183	157
Sexual Assault Protection Orders	48	34	35
Juvenile Court Subpoenas	5	56	5
Vulnerable Adult Protection Orders	2	3	9
Anti-stalking Orders	1	6	4
District Court Subpoenas	185	159	287
Superior Court Subpoenas	1,387	1,536	938
Court Ordered Evictions	111	107	137
Writs of Habeus Corpus/Execution/Replevins	20	29	41
Summons and Complaints	192	172	126
Small Claims Notices	45	36	34
Summons and Petitions	504	533	431
TOTAL DOCUMENTS	3,164	3,330	2,746

Volunteer Public Information Officers

Two Public Information Officers (PIOs) connect the Sheriff's Office and citizens through the publicizing of newsworthy events, major crimes and emergency messages to guide citizens on personal protection.

PIOs report directly to the Sheriff and respond to major incidents to serve as liaison to the news media and the public. PIOs also maintain the Sheriff's website, manage the Nixle® mass notification system, communicate with citizens via the GCSO Facebook and Twitter social media accounts, and produce publications such as wanted posters for distribution to the public.

In 2017, our PIOs:

- Responded to and were on-scene at 18 major incidents;
- Prepared and issued over 170 news releases;
- Assisted fire agencies with evacuations and fire updates during multiple large wildfires in Grant County;
- Worked closely with local, regional, state and federal law enforcement agencies;
- Worked with local, regional, and national news agencies;
- Coordinated efforts with Chelan, Okanogan and Douglas counties, Washington State Emergency Management and the Washington State Patrol;
- Conducted multiple television, radio, print and internet news interviews.

Social Media (stats as of 01/30/2018)

Followers on Facebook (facebook.com/GrantCoSheriff)	Over 21,000
Followers on Twitter (@GrantCoSheriff)	3,791
Nixle subscribers	3,284 email, 5,887 text message

Field Operations Division

Commander: Chief Deputy Ken Jones

Patrol Unit

The four patrol crews are comprised of six-man teams which handle all initial calls for service.

	2015	2016	2017
Incidents Handled (Calls for Service)	15,807	16,132	15,520
Crimes Recorded	17,445	17,471	16,769

Motor Traffic Unit

- The Motor Traffic Unit provides traffic safety education, enforcement, and collision investigation.
- Four Deputies and one Sergeant are assigned to the MTU.

Accidents by Severity	2015	2016	2017
Fatality	7	9	8
Incapacitating	4	2	2
Minor Injury	20	15	18
Non-Incapacitating	1	2	3
Property Damage Only	406	394	372
Non-Reportable	211	220	228

Statistics include data from all GCSO responses – not just the MTU

Honor Guard

- The Grant County Sheriff's Honor Guard is a ceremonial unit dedicated to upholding the highest values and traditions of the men and women of law enforcement. Those deputies assigned to the Honor Guard are committed to representing Grant County and the law enforcement family, both locally and nationally.
- The Honor Guard honors our fallen officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. They remain ready to serve at the direction of the Sheriff and participate at various local, state and national events. The Honor Guard is civically minded and remembers our military veterans, as well as individuals and organizations that are dedicated to public service.

Special Operations Division

Commander: Chief Deputy Ryan Rectenwald

Training

- 12,730 hours of training was completed by patrol, corrections, administration and clerical support staff.

Animal Control

Enforcement	2015	2016	2017
Citations	34	54	32
Animal Impounds at Grant County Animal Outreach	547	524	689
Dogs Impounded by GCSO	155	166	247
Aggressive Dogs Seized by Animal Control	33	36	22
Aggressive Dogs Euthanized	9	14	7
Outcomes			
Adoptions	711	1,363	1,265
Euthanized	162	140	119
Returned to Owner	282	406	611

Gorge Amphitheater Events Unit

- Seventeen separate event days at the Gorge between May and October, 2017.
- Over the year, the amphitheater saw nearly 340,000 ticket holders. Concerts included Sasquatch Festival, Tool, Paradiso Festival, Train, John Mayer, Jack Johnson, Watershed Festival, Pretty Lights, Zac Brown, Kings of Leon, Guns-n-Roses, and Above and Beyond.
- Deputies assigned to the concerts responded to 242 calls for service. Some of the offenses were alcohol or drug charges, trespassing, assaults, and theft.

Reserve Deputies

Grant County Reserve Deputy Sheriffs are volunteer law enforcement officers who assist regular deputies in the performance of their duties. This includes answering emergency calls, rendering aid, making arrests, and testifying in court. Reserve Deputy Sheriffs wear the same uniforms and use the same equipment as their full-time counterparts.

- Seven Reserve Deputies volunteered 1,826 hours protecting citizens.
- Reserve Deputies issued 138 citations and infractions and were assigned to 299 incidents.

Major Crimes Detectives

Four detectives performed 107 investigations. The following numbers represent the majority of these incidents.

Abuse	1
Assault	5
Assault with a firearm	0
Child Abuse/Neglect	9
Criminal Mistreatment	0
Explosives/Incendiary Problem	0
Family Fight	2
Fraud	0
Harassment	2
Homicide	2
Luring	0
Polygraphs	29
Pornography/Obscene Materials	1
Forcible Fondling	9
Non-forcible Statutory Rape	0
Rape	3
Theft	0
Vandalism	0
Voyeurism	2
Witness Tampering	0

Registered Sex Offender Address and Residency Verification Program

This unit is responsible for tracking, locating, verifying and recording 301 offenders who live within Grant County.

Deputy Sheriff Greg Hutchison is assigned to track and monitor the whereabouts of registered sex offenders in Grant County. Deputy Hutchison kept tabs on:

Registered Sex Offenders in Grant County	2015	2016	2017
Level 1 Sex Offenders (categorized as least likely to reoffend)	240	252	234
Level 2 Sex Offenders (categorized as less likely to reoffend)	30	44	40
Level 3 Sex Offenders (categorized as likely to reoffend)	15	27	21
Kidnapper	0	1	6
TOTAL	285	324	301

Most offenders live in the Moses Lake area. Citizens can access information on where sex offenders live in Grant County by visiting the Offender Watch website, www.sheriffalerts.com/wa/grant.

RCW 9A.44.135 lays out the process and requires the Chief Law Enforcement officer of the County to locate and verify the residency of a registered sex offender within their jurisdiction. This also includes kidnapping offenders if required to register.

These requirements are codified in RCW 36.28A and include that address verifications are based on the following:

- Level 1 offenders: every 12 months;
- Level 2 offenders: every 6 months; and
- Level 3 offenders: every 3 months.

Marine Unit

Grant County Marine Unit Deputies are active all year patrolling the waters of Grant County. The Marine Unit routinely responds to boaters and persons in distress. The Marine Deputies are specially trained in the following areas:

- Boat Crew Member – NASBLA Course
- Enhanced Vessel Operation – NASBLA Course
- Marine Law Enforcement and Education
- Basic/Advanced Boat Collision Investigation
- Instructors in Boating Safety
- Personal Watercraft Operation and Swift Water Rescue
- Captains License-Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels

The experience and training of the Marine Unit provides a valuable 24 hour service to the citizens and those that visit the waters of Grant County.

The Marine Unit patrols the waters of Grant County to promote boating safety and to enforce Grant County Ordinance (6.08) and Washington State Boating Laws RCW 79A.60.

Marine Unit Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Hours spent on the water	2,597	722	669
Warnings issued	704	681	619
Infractions and citations issued	261	230	199
Written vessel inspections completed	835	657	617
Assistance provided	25 incidents, 40 hours	23 incidents, 84 hours	5 incidents 35 hours
Boating Accident Reports	14 (4 fatalities)	9 (1 fatality)	3 (0 fatalities)
Public outreach presentations	348 hours	236 hours	219
Boating safety activity	3,888 hours	1,614 hours	1,259

Interagency Narcotics Enforcement Team

Staffed in 2017 by one support specialist, two detectives and one sergeant from GCSO, INET includes detectives from the Quincy Police Department, the Moses Lake Police Department and Washington State Patrol.

INET targets street gangs and drug trafficking organizations. One detective is responsible for focusing on the gang intelligence. In 2017, there was broad involvement between all law enforcement agencies with tracking gang members.

INET Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Number of narcotics cases	55	72	104
Number of agency assist cases	15	51	51
Number of Citizen Tips	-	-	87
Processed marijuana seized	3,964 gr.	2,779 gr.	52,837 grams
Marijuana growing operations (legal)	4	4	0
Marijuana growing operations (illegal)	0	2	39+
Butane honey oil	42 dose units	10.8 gr.	400 grams
Marijuana plants destroyed	0	2,717	5,458
Methamphetamine seized	62.8 gr.	10,676.26 gr.	11,820 grams
Heroin seized	529.25 gr.	3,477.37 gr.	3,296 grams
Cocaine seized	92 gr.	827.93 gr.	489 grams
LSD hits seized	0	251 doses	20 doses
LSD liquid seized	-	33.5 gr.	18 grams
Prescription Drugs (doses seized)	0	577	49
Psilocybin mushrooms seized	0	2,220.3 gr.	180 grams
MDMA (Molly) does units seized	0	135	61
MDMA Powder seized	-	248.1	210 grams
Civil Seizure Cases	-	-	41
Money seized	\$4,676	\$17,708.00	\$82,711.85
Money forfeited	\$3,359	\$14,288.00	\$26,038.02
Vehicles seized	1	10	27
Vehicles forfeited	5	11	15
Firearms seized	37	46	68
Firearms forfeited	-	66	29

School Resource Officer

- Deputy Jon Melvin works in the Wahluke School District campuses in Mattawa, ensuring schools are safe and serving as a direct line of communication between students, teachers, parents and administrators.
- Deputy Melvin provides law enforcement presence for extracurricular activities such as football games, basketball games, soccer games and graduation.
- Deputy Melvin supplements the Field Operations Division (*patrol*) during the summer months.

SRO Statistics	2015	2016	2017
911 Hang-up	1	2	1
Abuse	0	1	0
Administrative	4	14	5
Alarm	0	1	0
Agency Assist	1	1	7
Animal Problem	0	1	1
Assault, Intimidation	1	2	1
Assault with a Weapon	1	1	1
Assault, Simple	2	10	11
Burglary	0	0	3
Bomb Threat	1	1	1
Child Abuse/Neglect	0	3	11
Citizen Assist	0	4	0
Citizen Dispute	0	1	0
Criminal Mischief	1	1	0
Controlled Substance / Possession	6	7	6
Controlled Substance / Poss. Para	1	3	2
Controlled Substance Sale/Manu/Marijuana	0	1	1
Custodial Interference	1	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	2	4	1
Disturbance	0	2	0
DUI - Alcohol or drugs	0	2	0
False Statement to Public Servant	0	1	1
Family Fight	0	4	0
Gang Related Incident	2	0	0
Graffiti	2	0	0

Harassment	1	6	11
Hazardous Materials	0	1	0
Indecency	0	1	0
Indecent Liberties	0	0	0
Juvenile Problem	0	7	0
Juvenile Runaway	0	1	2
Lost and Found Property	0	0	2
Medical Emergency	0	2	0
Mental Health Problem	1	2	4
Minor in Possession	0	1	2
Missing Person	0	1	0
Neglect	0	1	0
Non-criminal marijuana	0	1	0
Not classified	0	1	0
Obstructing Justice	0	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Materials	1	0	0
Reckless Endangerment	0	1	0
Recovered Stolen Property	0	1	0
Sex Offense – Forcible Fondling	1	1	3
Sex Offense – Forcible Sodomy	0	1	0
Suicide Attempt	0	1	0
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	2	2	2
Threats	0	1	0
Threats – Intimidation	1	1	0
Theft	5	2	6
Traffic Accident - Hit and Run	0	1	0
Traffic Accident - Non reportable	0	2	0
Traffic Accident - Property Damage	0	2	3
Traffic Offense	0	1	7
Trespassing	1	4	5
Vandalism	4	3	6
Violation of a Court Order	1	1	2
Weapon Offense	0	1	5

Deputy Melvin helps students and educators in a variety of ways, such as

- Coaching and counseling of students ranging from ages of 8 to 20,
- Providing parents with education on social skills and how to communicate better with their children, and
- Providing drug and gang education to parents, teachers, administrators and staff.



Gang Unit

The Sheriff's Gang Unit was formalized to handle gang-related crimes throughout Grant County, focusing on violent crime in the Larson Community. The Gang Unit includes Detectives, Patrol Deputies and Corrections Deputies who aggressively patrol the communities of Grant County focusing on street level crimes and violent crimes that may be gang related. The Gang Unit is a part-time function due to the inability to financially staff a full-time unit. The Gang Unit currently organizes specific missions throughout the year to address criminal activity.

Statistics on gang-related crime has been collected for several years in Grant County. Below is a three year snapshot:

County-wide Violent Gang Related Calls	2015	2016	2017
Total Weapons Offenses	6	28	2
Homicide	0	2	0
Assault w/ Firearm	0	25	0
Assault w/ Knife	0	6	0
Assault w/ other weapon	0	8	0
Robbery	0	7	0

Off Road Vehicle Unit

ORV Enforcement	2015	2016	2017
No ORV Tag on Vehicle (warnings)	94	100	30
No ORV Tag on Vehicle (infractions)	36	7	1
No Spark Arrestor (warnings)	1	0	5
No Spark Arrestor (infractions)	0	0	0
No Operators License (warnings)	0	0	0
No Operators License (infractions)	11	18	15
Improper/Illegal Equipment (warnings)	82	158	200
Improper/Illegal Equipment (infractions)	46	50	17
Unlicensed Vehicle on the Road (warnings)	18	12	40
Unlicensed Vehicle on the Road (infractions)	15	20	6
Other (warnings)	256	250	150
Other (infractions)	130	223	13
Total Warnings	451	520	425
Total Infractions	238	318	51
ORV Education			
Informal Field Contacts	802	968	1,250
Dealer Visits	11	6	11
Patrol Miles (4X4 Pickup)	32,564	40,000	40,000
Patrol Miles (M/C - ATV)	94	513	350
Response to ORV Complaints	106		103
ORV User Field Assists	266	190	250
Landowner/Manager Contacts	9	7	0
School Presentations	23	24	23
Number of Students	625	1,000	980
Skills Training Courses	3	0	2
Number of Students	30	0	46
Competitive Events Attended	1	1	1
Number of Students	1,000	1,000	2,500
Speaking Engagements	2	0	3
Number of Attendees	313	0	2,000
ORV Club Meetings	0	0	0
Number of Attendees	0	0	N/A
Fairs Attended	3	3	3
Number of Attendees	50,000	50,000	50,000
Mall Shows Attended	0	0	0
Number of Contacts	0	0	N/A
News Articles Written	0	0	1
Public Service Announcements	2	0	0
Maintenance and Operations			
Motorcycle (spectators)	0	0	0
4X4 (spectators)	0	0	0
ATV (spectators)	0	0	0
Other - horse/ snowmobiles (spectators)	0	0	0
Total Spectators	0	0	0
Motorcycle (participants)	11,291	11,300	17,000
4X4 (participants)	17,942	17,000	23,800
ATV (participants)	22,822	24,000	24,200
Other - horse / snowmobiles (participants)		20,000	22,500
Total Participants	43,300	72,300	90,500
Total Users (Spectators and Participants)	112,883	72,300	90,500
Volunteer Hours			
Time donated by volunteers and inmates	152	120	160

Emergency Management Division

Commander: Chief Deputy Darrik Gregg

The Grant County Sheriff's Office accepted control and management of the former Department of Emergency (DEM) Management on January 1, 2017. Previously under the direction of a director appointed by the Board of County Commissioners the Emergency Management Division (EMD) is now the responsibility of the Sheriff.

This transition included an increase of personnel assigned to the EMD from what was previously assigned to the DEM. DEM, as it was formerly staffed, continued to lose staff over the past few years and decreased from 3 employees to 1. The loss of federal grant funding was the primary reason for this staffing reduction. Now assigned under the direction and leadership of the Sheriff's Office, the total number of personnel assigned to the EMD has increased to three again. One of these positions came directly from the conversion of funding for one of the Sheriff's Office current support specialist positions to the EMD.

The personnel assigned to the EMD include Chief Deputy Darrik Gregg, Emergency Management Coordinator Sandi Duffey and Emergency Management Specialist Matt Klein.

Mitigation, Planning, Preparedness, Response and Recovery

The Emergency Management Division provides the framework for Grant County to prepare for, mitigate, respond to and recover from disasters and major emergencies, whether natural or human-caused. The aim is to reduce the harmful effects of all hazards and disasters. To achieve its mission, the Sheriff's Office teams with all public safety agencies, industry, businesses and stakeholders across the county.

Within our responsibilities the EMD was involved in the following:

Community Outreach Events

- Mattawa Radiation Outreach
- Quincy National Night Out
- Moses Lake National Night Out
- Grant County Fair
- Quincy Farmer Consumer Awareness Day
- Health and Wellness Expo

Declarations of Local Emergency

In the case of a county government, a Declaration of Local Emergency can be enacted in a formal resolution by the Board of County Commissioners. This generally occurs while the incident is evolving, but may occur prior to an emergency, if sufficient evidence is present to foresee that an emergency may be caused to exist, such as the prediction of severe weather, public health incidents, and the like. Such a declaration is a formal step in the process to request emergency support from the state and federal governments.

Based on local ordinances and state statutes, a local declaration can allow a city or county governing body flexibility in managing resources under emergency conditions such as:

- Diverting funds and resources appropriated for other purposes in order to meet immediate needs.
- Authorizing activation of local emergency operations plans and implementation of extraordinary protective measures.
- Initiating mutual aid and cooperative assistance agreements, and receiving resources from other organizations or individuals.
- Providing specific legal protection for actions initiated under emergency conditions.
- Setting the stage for requesting state and/or federal assistance to augment local resources and capabilities.
- Raising public awareness and encouraging the community to become involved in protecting their resources.

In January 2017, the Board of Commissioners declared a state of local emergency during the severe weather events which struck eastern Washington.

Proclamations

Proclamations by Board of Commissioners

- Proclamation for Volunteer Day - April
- Proclamation for National Preparedness Month - September

Everbridge

Everbridge is a mass notification for Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS) that takes traditional notifications to the next level, making it easier for authorized public safety officials to target and launch alerts to individuals who may be in harm's way, without the need to download an app or subscribe to a service.

These are alerts administered and directed by the EMD:

Alert Type	Number of Alerts
Soap Laker School District Bomb Threat	February 2017
Monument Hills Wildland Fire	August 2017
City of Soap Lake Water Boil Order	October 2017

These alerts are sent out automatically by Everbridge

Alert Type	Number of Alerts
Fire Weather Warning	67
Air Stagnation Advisory	9
Flood Warning	64
Freezing Fog Advisory	14
High Wind Watch	1
Wind Chill Advisory	8
Heat Advisory	19
Severe Thunderstorm Warning	39
Excessive Heat Warning	6

Flash Flood	15
Frost Advisory	10
Freeze Warning	20
High Wind Warning	4
Ice Storm Warning	10
Dense Fog	70
Winter Storm Warning	28
Winter Weather Advisory	82
Self-Initiated Alerts	9
Total	475

The Emergency Management Division also oversees:

Search and Rescue Unit

Working under the guidance and supervision of the Sheriff's Office, our Search and Rescue Unit dedicated over 50 hours of service to the citizens of Grant County in 2017. SAR has increased their number of volunteer pilots for air searches and is working toward growing their aircraft capabilities. The aircraft have been instrumental in many occasions in the recent past.

We have also introduced the Unmanned Aerial System (drone) program to the SAR team to assist in locating missing and/or lost persons.

The Search and Rescue Unit is supervised by two full-time deputies with the Sheriff's Office and consists of 12 volunteers from the community.

***NOTE:** In January 2018 all Search and Rescue operations transitioned to a privately operated unit only associated with the Sheriff's Office when requests for SAR operations requested from the Sheriff's Office.*

Mounted Posse Unit

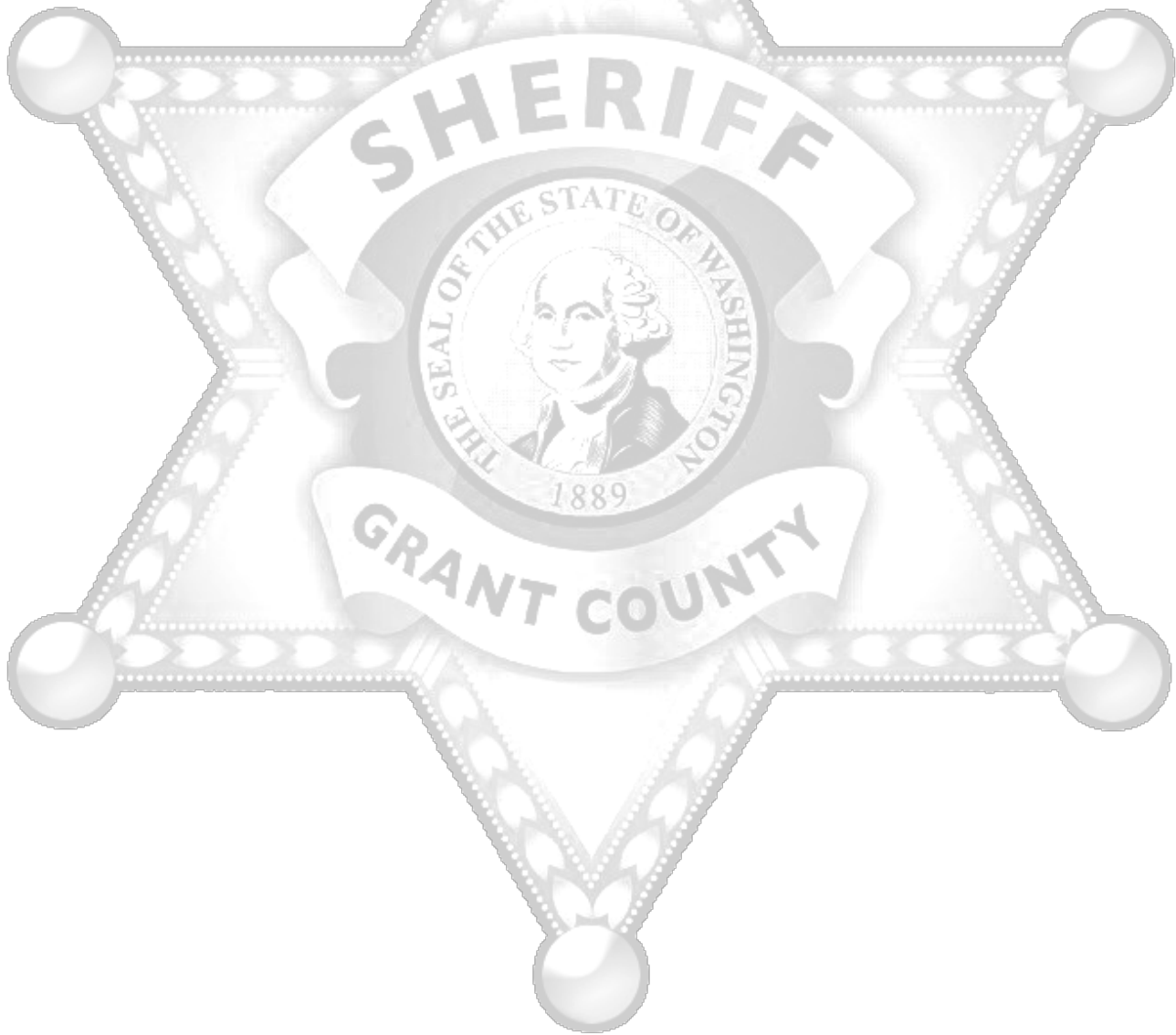
- Mounted search and rescue personnel,
- Members were involved on 30 different training events for a total of 75 hours,
- Participation in local parades,
- Mounted and un-mounted security for various functions to include the Grant County Fair/Rodeo grounds
- A series of play days for youth and adults. These are informal horse shows featuring western performance, western equitation and games for a low entry fee. 2017 saw 4 events with an average of 60 participants per event and
- Other mounted or un-mounted activities as required by the Grant County Sheriff. These activities include the Ephrata Autism Walk and the annual Chief for a Day.

Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drone) program

Under the direction of the EMD, the UAS program currently has nine pilots that are certified to fly either of the two DJI Phantom 3 drones which the Sheriff's Office owns.

In 2017 the UAS program deployed and logged 46 missions across Grant County. These missions resulted in over 92 hours of flight time and included, but were not limited to, flying post-collisions scenes, barricaded subjects, lost subjects and assisting with the application of search warrants.

Collectively we logged 36 hours of training time at seven different training events. These trainings keep our pilots up to date on changes with federal and state law, our policies and procedures and up to speed on the use and maintenance of our equipment.



Corrections Division

Commander: Chief Deputy Joe Kriete

Maximum Security Jail

The Grant County Jail has been operating in its present location since January 1986 and is a 188 bed facility.

Jail Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Average daily population	156.96	167.09	162.84
Average monthly bookings	408	381	373
Average monthly releases	409	380	363

Work Release Center

In 1999 the Work Release Center opened to provide housing for minimum to medium security post-sentence inmates, and to allow local courts the option of work release as a sentencing alternative. The Grant County Work Release Center is a 100 bed, medium security facility.

Inmate education is emphasized at the facility. Inmates who do not possess a high school diploma or Generalized Education Diploma (GED) are required to attend GED preparation classes held at the facility twice a week.

The facility also encourages inmates with diplomas to prepare for college and/or vocational courses by attending GED classes. For these inmates entry into the GED class is a little more difficult. Prior to being accepted into the class the inmate must verbalize in a 500 word essay on why they should be allowed in the course and what their future plans are. Upon review of the essay by the GED teacher and facility sergeant acceptance into the class is either granted or denied.

Work Release Center Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Average daily population	38.4	32.32	42
Average monthly releases	41.6	41.6	38.25

Inmate work programs are also emphasized at the facility. The following projects are examples of work programs supervised by staff:

- **Work Crew:** Inmates are utilized for permanently assigned and temporary details where inmate labor allows governmental or non-profit agencies to save or maximize tax payer dollars. Examples of temporary details are landscaping, weed abatement, painting, brush removal and moving of office furniture.

Permanent assignments are:

- **State Parks:** Pre and post season grounds clean-up and maintenance.
- **Historical Museum:** General labor for grounds maintenance, janitorial and construction projects.
- **Port of Ephrata:** General labor for grounds maintenance, janitorial and construction projects.
- **Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife:** General labor for grounds maintenance, janitorial and construction projects.

Work Release Inmate Work Hours	2015	2016	2017
Port of Ephrata	1,026	793	1,220
City of Ephrata	630	352	44
Museum		940	1,647
State Parks	580	0	531
Maintenance/Janitorial		4,662	4,322
ORV	-	28	5
Misc. details		167	22
TOTAL	8,904	7,228	7,791

Arrest Warrants

The Grant County Jail Support Staff is charged with entering, quashing (by order of the courts), and/or removing arrest warrants from the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the Washington State Criminal Information Center (WACIC) as these warrants are issued by our courts.

Jail Statistics	2015	2016	2017
Arrest Warrants Entered	-	-	6,275
Arrest Warrants Served (someone was arrested)	-	-	3,297
Arrest Warrants Quashed (warrants removed by order of the courts)	-	-	4,207
Total Warrant Processes	-	-	13,779

Demographic Analysis of Persons Cited for Misdemeanor Crimes and Civil Infractions - 2017

	Census 2016
Grant County Population	93,546
Female	49.50%
Male	50.50%

	Cited	% of Total Cites
Female	1,376	30.02
Male	2,946	64.28
Not Specified	261	5.70
Total	4,583	100.00

Race	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
No Entry (not specified)	87	52	257	396
Asian or Pacific Islander	34	19		53
Black	53	16		69
Hispanic	1,070	416		1,486
Indian or Alaskan Native	9	6		15
Black Hispanic	1	0		1
White/Hispanic Latin	28	7		35
Indian Alaskan Native/Hispanic	3	1		4
Other	6	0		6
Unknown	1	7		8
White - Non Hispanic	1,650	852		2,502

Age	Male	Female	Unknown	Total
15 thru 25	1,084	484	105	1,673
26 thru 35	815	374	51	1,240
36 thru 45	439	246	43	728
46 thru 55	345	156	33	534
56+	263	116	29	408

GCSO Statistics – National Incident Based Reporting System

	2016	2017	2016 vs. 2017
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2	2	Even
Forcible Sex Offenses	19	15	-4
* Forcible Rape	9	9	Even
* Forcible Sodomy	1	0	-1
* Sexual Assault w/ Object	1	0	-1
* Forcible Fondling	8	6	-2
Robbery	8	11	+3
Aggravated Assault	63	61	-2
Simple Assault	293	262	-31
Intimidation	33	11	-22
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	4	0	-4
* Incest	1	0	-1
* Statutory Rape	3	0	-3
Kidnapping	9	4	-5
Human Trafficking	0	0	Even
* Human Trafficking - Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	Even
* Human Trafficking - Involuntary Servitude	0	0	Even
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	366	241	-125
Arson	7	4	-3
Larceny	780	534	-246
* Pocket Picking	0	0	Even
* Purse Snatching	0	0	Even
* Shoplifting	0	0	Even
* Theft from Building	0	0	Even
* Theft from Coin Operated Machine or Device	0	0	Even
* Theft from Motor Vehicle	293	155	-138
* Theft from Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	9	5	-4
* All Other Larceny	478	374	-14
Motor Vehicle Theft	180	123	-57
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	Even
Counterfeiting/Forgery	8	11	+3
Fraud	15	17	+2
* False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	8	13	+5
* Credit Card/Auto Teller Machine Fraud	2	1	-1
* Impersonation	4	2	-2
* Welfare Fraud	0	0	Even
* Wire Fraud	1	1	Even
* Identity Theft	0	0	Even
* Hacking/Computer Invasion	0	0	Even
Embezzlement	0	0	Even
Stolen Property Offenses	33	17	-16
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	328	283	-45
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	97	83	-14

* Drug/Narcotic Violations	94	79	-15
* Drug Equipment Violations	3	4	+1
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	Even
Gambling Offenses	0	0	Even
Prostitution Offenses	0	0	Even
* Prostitution	0	0	Even
* Assist or Promote Prostitution	0	0	Even
* Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	Even
Violation of No Contact Order	59	52	-7
Bribery	0	0	Even
Weapon Law Violations	24	27	+3
Animal Cruelty	0	0	Even
* Animal Cruelty	0	0	Even

