



Sutter County Sheriff's Office

2019 Annual Report

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Sutter County Sheriff's Department



MOTTO:

Serving and Protecting Your Community

VALUES:

For our community:

- Treat all with candor, empathy and respect
- Be accountable to the public trust
- Develop strength through partnerships and collaboration

For our duties:

- Lead through exemplary conduct, demeanor and appearance
- Maintain order and custody of inmates in a safe, professional fashion
- Encourage excellence through self-improvement, education and training
- Recognize our actions today will have everlasting effects on those we serve

For our fellow employees:

- Treat each other with respect, courtesy and fairness
- Appreciate and accept our differences
- Ensure positive recognition and encouragement of all employees
- Work as a team to accomplish our goals

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Sutter County Sheriff's Office will strive to enhance public safety while remaining loyal to the principles of the Constitution of the United States of America and the State of California. We will champion the civil liberties afforded to our citizens. We will celebrate our diversity and strive to improve the quality of life to those we protect and serve.



Brandon Barnes

*It is an honor to lead
this department and
follow in the footsteps
of those who have
served before me...*

Sutter County was incorporated by the California State Legislature on February 18, 1850, as one of the state's original 27 counties. Since the establishment of the Sheriff's Office, 24 sheriffs have faithfully served the people of this county:

1850-1851..... John Pole
1851-1853..... Joseph Hopkins
1854-1857..... M. F. Gaar
1858-1861..... S. E. Kennard
1862-1865 D. D. Stewart
1866-1867 J. A. Friend
1868-1869..... J. B. Clark
1870-1871..... T. Cooper
1871-1873 Samuel McClure
1874-1892 W. P. Harkey
1893-1898..... T. L. Smith
1899-1902..... James Elwell

1903-1906..... Newt Wilson
1907-1918..... Fred Noyes
1919-1930..... Bert Manford
1931-1942..... Bert Ullrey
1943-1946 Dick Kimerer
1946-1964..... G. W. Carpenter
1964-1970 H. P. Ollar
1971-1990..... Roy D. Whiteaker
1991-1998..... Art Brandwood
1999-2008 Jim Denney
2008-2018 J. Paul Parker
2019-Present Brandon Barnes

Greetings from the Office of the Sheriff. My name is Brandon Barnes and I am the 24th Sheriff elected to Sutter County. I am a long time Sutter County resident and my wife Jennifer and I make our home in Live Oak. Together, we share four children, ages 17 to 26 years old. My policing philosophy is one that is community based. As an organization, we rely on good community partnerships to help us be successful as public servants. My staff and I have been focused this past year on community outreach and ensuring we are focused on meeting the needs of our communities.

This report marks the end of my first year as your Sheriff. This report is designed to inform the Board of Supervisors as well as the public about what goes on in "their" Sheriff's Office. There have been a lot of positive organizational changes this past year. Some of those changes you will see highlighted throughout this report. One area we are extremely proud of is our social media outreach, which allows us another way to interact with the public. Office members volunteered their time to make a dance challenge video this past year, and to date that video has more than 4.5 million views. This was a wonderful way to promote the County of Sutter.

In this report, you will get an overview of our three main divisions within the department: Operations, Corrections, and Support Services. Each division is unique and serves the community in a variety of ways. This year, we developed the first ever Sheriff's Citizen's Academy allowing members of the public to come in and get an in-depth overview of how the Sheriff's Office functions. This program proved to be successful and will be offered again in 2020.

You will receive some insight into the Sheriff's Budget, which is comprised of 9 different budget components. The Sheriff's Office also relies on grant funding to help offset costs and ensure all local tax dollars are being maximized within the department.

The Sheriff's Office is required to report Uniform Crime Reporting statistics, more commonly referred to as UCR stats, to the Federal Government. In 1930 the FBI was tasked with compiling crime data to show crime trends throughout the country. Agencies can use this information to compare trends occurring in their jurisdiction to national averages. The UCR stats for Sutter County are included in this annual report.

In 2019, there were several retirements, promotions and accommodations throughout the organization. Those accomplishments are memorialized in this report, as well.

I sincerely hope you find this report beneficial. This report serves as a testament to the work our staff has produced over this past calendar year. I am very proud of the work we do, and I am honored to share our accomplishments with each of you. We work to serve this community and to that end it is our obligation to keep the community properly informed.

Sincerely,



Sheriff Brandon Barnes





Volunteer of the Year

Reserve Deputy Steve Carney

Reserve Deputy Carney joined the office in February of 1998. During his time at the Sheriff's Office, he has contributed in a wide variety of areas. Reserve Deputy Carney is a range master, less lethal instructor, use of force instructor, and he operates the mobile incident command vehicle. He also serves the Reserve Association as their treasurer and is actively involved in a variety of community events. We thank Reserve Deputy Carney for all his contributions.



Non-Sworn Employee of the Year

Administrative Services Officer Kamaljit "Kim" Randhawa

ASO Randhawa joined the Sheriff's Office in July of 2018 and handles finances for the Sheriff's Office. She has been instrumental in presenting a balanced budget to the Board over the past two years. ASO Randhawa has been innovative in finding ways to maximize financial resources and she also manages several grants for the Sheriff's Office that help to offset operational costs. We are fortunate to have ASO Randhawa as part of the Sheriff's Management Team.



Corrections Officer of the Year

Officer Pablo Arana

Officer Arana began his career as a Correctional Officer in January of 2008. He serves the office as a Jail Training Officer and is well respected by his peers and supervisors. Officer Arana receives high marks in all areas of his performance and sets a standard for others to follow. As a training officer, Officer Arana has a great deal of influence on the next generation of our correctional staff. Through his knowledge and experience, the Sheriff's Office knows its future is in good hands. Congratulations to Officer Arana for being our Correctional Officer of the Year.



Deputy Sheriff of the Year

Deputy Carlos Mendoza

Deputy Mendoza began his career with the Sutter County Sheriff's Office in 2009 as a cadet. He later became a reserve deputy and began his career as a sworn deputy in 2013. Deputy Mendoza has served as a Field Training Officer and Cadet Advisor. He was assigned to the Narcotics and Gang Task Force in April of 2018 and is recognized as a court certified gang expert in the Yuba-Sutter area. In February of 2020, Deputy Mendoza was recognized for his contributions by the Marysville Exchange Club at their annual recognitions banquet.

2019 Retirements

Thank You!

Communications Manager Brenda Baker began her career with the Sheriff's Office in 1984. She was hired as a Deputy Sheriff 1 classification and throughout her career, served as a Dispatcher and as the Sheriff's Administrative Assistant before promoting to Communications Manager. Affectionately known to all as "Momma B" she retired in March of 2019 after 35 years of dedicated service.



Correctional Sergeant Lester Eaton started his career with the Sheriff's Office as a Reserve Correctional Officer in 2003. He was hired as a full time Correctional Officer in 2005 and then promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2009. Sergeant Eaton also served as the President of the Deputy Sheriff's Association and helped organize numerous community events over the years. Sergeant Eaton retired in August of 2019. We wish him well as he enjoys his well-deserved retirement.



Correctional Sergeant Ernest Schuck began his career with the Sheriff's Office in 1990 as a Reserve Officer. He was hired full time in 1993 as a Correction's Work Release Coordinator and became a Correctional Officer in 1997. He served with distinction and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2002. Sergeant Schuck retired in September of 2019 with 29 years of distinguished service.

Bravo!

Sheriff's Legal Specialist Margie Johnson began her career in 1993. She is well versed in all aspects of civil procedures and was a true asset to the community. She also served as a notary for the Sheriff's Office. Legal Specialist Johnson retired from our Support Services Division in November of 2019. The members of the Sheriff's Office thank Legal Specialist Johnson for her years of service and wish her a happy retirement.



Sutter County Sheriff Beats



MAIN OFFICE

Misdemeanor Arrests	750
Felony Arrests	238
Self-Initiated Incidents	11,380
Calls for Service	19,700

LIVE OAK

Misdemeanor Arrests	128
Felony Arrests	55
Self-Initiated Incidents	2,230
Calls for Service	13,200

DETECTIVES

Cases Taken	420
Cases Closed	276
Arrests Made	51
Cases Filed	22

RECORDS

Live Scans	3,900
CCW (New)	245
CCW (Renewals)	225
Backgrounds Investigated	121

2019 Budget

Sheriff Coroner	\$9,158,871
County Jail	\$12,910,435
Sheriff Communications	\$3,088,979
Sheriff Live Oak Contract	\$1,456,805
Sheriff Bailiffs	\$1,105,828
Sheriff Boat Patrol	\$413,126
Sheriff NET-5	\$162,010
Sheriff Inmate Welfare	\$271,814
Sheriff Training Center	\$30,788

2019 Statistics

CIVIL

Served Papers	805
Posted	102
Keeper/Till Tap	5
Repossessions	3
Citations	15
Arrests	18

JAIL

ADP	230
Meal Costs Average	\$1.60
Total Meals	268,569
Total Bookings	5,600

TRANSPORTATION

Ground Miles	3,100
Court Hours	2,000
Prison Run (Male)	91
Prison Run (Female)	20

OUTSIDE WORK RELEASE

Work Release Inmates	196
Work Release Hours	6,784
Electronic Monitoring Inmates	45
Electronic Monitoring Days	765

2019 UCR Statistics

Homicide	1
Rape	4
Robbery	13
Assault	235
Burglary	167
Larceny	350
Auto Theft	59



Command Staff



Sheriff/Coroner
Brandon Barnes



Administrative Assistant
Sarah Davis



Undersheriff
Scott Smallwood



Administrative Services Officer
Kim Randhawa



Operations Division



Operations Captain
Chad Niswonger



Lt. (Patrol)
Rav Mann



Lt. (Detectives)
Steve Grossi



Lt. (Live Oak)
Craig Hungrige

The Sutter County Patrol Division patrols approximately 609 square miles of unincorporated Sutter County as well as a portion of Yuba City's incorporated area under contract. Of the three divisions at the Sutter County Sheriff's Office, the Operations Division is the most visible to the public. There are many units and specialty assignments within the Operations Division with include:

Patrol	SWAT (SED)	Patrol Reserves
Boat Patrol / Dive Team	Investigations	Coroner Unit
Volunteers	Cadets	Sheriff Posse
Gang / Intelligence Unit	Drug / Intelligence Unit	Aero Squadron

The Sheriff's Office is also the County Coroner and is responsible for determining the circumstances, manner, and cause of all deaths reportable to the Coroner. Field death investigations, postmortem examinations, and related forensic tests are used to establish a medical cause of death. Autopsies are provided to the Coroner through a contract with Sacramento County Coroner, based in Sacramento, while morgue services are provided via contract by three local mortuaries.

2019 Top Accomplishments

- Increase in community outreach programs
- Addition of Lexipol State Policy Program
- Addition of new CAD System called Central Square
- First Citizen Academy at Sutter County Sheriff's Office
- Establishment of Sutter County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team



Jail Captain
Dan Buttler



Lt. (Jail)
Norm Bidwell

2019 Top Accomplishments

- Completion of the Jail Expansion Project including new medical facility, maximum bed increase and much more
- Addition of Tablets in the jail system to include: education opportunities, mental health assistance, ability to communicate with family members and much more
- Increasing additional equipment for jail staff including tools to help protect staff
- Improving Jail Policy's and adding new updated policies

The Sutter County Jail is dedicated to the safe and human treatment of all inmates in our care and custody. We will ensure best practices and that education opportunities are available that meet community standards. While some goals may be covered in other areas of this report there are some goals specific to jail operations.

The Jail Division is responsible for the operation of our 394-bed facility. The primary mission of the Sutter County Jail is to ensure public safety by the secure detention of those persons committed to our custody, and to ensure that those persons committed to our custody are provided a safe and humane environment with treatment and educational programs consistent toward that end. Some of the programs include G.E.D., Life Skills, Anger Management, Morale Recognition Therapy and Peer Relations. Programs for substance abuse and alcoholism are also offered.

In addition to housing the Sutter County inmates the jail also houses inmates for Beale Air Force Base while they are awaiting their court proceedings. On average the jail maintains 2 Beale inmates and have had as many as 6 military inmates. We also provide mutual aid to other facilities by housing inmates with special considerations and vice versa.

Daily, Jail staff are tasked with the processing of persons into and out of custody, providing custodial and security services for incarcerated and detained individuals for the Sutter County Sheriff's Office and other outside agencies. In doing so, the Jail is responsible for the health, safety, care and welfare of those individuals housed in the facility, as well as for the safety of those sworn and civilian employees who provide services within the Jail Division ensuring proper medical treatment and nutrition for the confined population, and providing access to exercise, clean clothing and laundry.

In addition to the Main Jail staff we have 6 Correctional Officers and a Sergeant assigned to the Sutter County Superior Court. The officers are responsible for the security of the court rooms and the safety of the judges and other court staff.

The Transportation Unit has daily responsibilities of getting inmates to outside medical appointments and transferring of inmates to and from other correctional facilities and court appearances.

Support Services



Support Services Manager
Tabatha Lopez



Lt. (CCW, Training, Backgrounds)
Matt Maples

The Communications Center has the responsibility of answering both incoming 9-1-1 calls and non-emergency calls for service. Radio-dispatching services for the Sheriff's Office and the Fire Department are also provided. At times, the Communications Center also assists and communicates with Animal Control, Public Works, and Fish & Game field personnel. The Communications Center is staffed 24 hours per day, 365 days per year, with a minimum of two dispatchers on duty at all times. The Sutter County Sheriff's Office Support Services Division is responsible for providing support to units and divisions within the Sheriff's Office through a wide variety of programs and services. The division is responsible for overseeing Communications, Records, Civil, and Concealed Weapons Permits. Support Services is a key part of the everyday functions ran by the Sutter County Sheriff's Office.

The Criminal Records Technicians provide a wide range of functions including fingerprinting, permit issuance, criminal offender registration, records release requests, and maintenance of agency reports and records including court mandated functions. The Records Unit of the Support Services Division is staffed with three Criminal Records Technicians. The Records Technicians provide a wide range of functions including:

- Live Scan transmissions to the California Department of Justice
- Applicant fingerprinting
- Parade permits in County jurisdiction
- Solicitor permits in County jurisdiction
- Explosive permits
- Concealed weapons permits in Sutter County
- Maintenance of agency reports and records including court mandated functions
- Process record release requests
- Process criminal offender registration such as narcotics/sex/arson and gang registrants
- Compile monthly statistical reports for the Department of Justice Uniform Crime Reporting
- Provide information to citizens either by the public counter or by telephone
- Maintain and provide information regarding towed vehicles
- Maintain information regarding the Offender Watch program

2019 Top Accomplishments

- Addition of new Dispatch System called Central Square
- Permitium System added to our CCW applications
- Records/ Civil adding the ability to take Credit Cards
- Development of Community Response Team
- Hiring of first-ever Community Service Officers (CSOs)

The Civil Unit is charged with handling civil process as prescribed by law. It is the goal of the Civil Unit to serve all received process in a reasonable and timely manner while maintaining an impartial stance between all parties involved. The civil process includes summons and complaints, small claims documents for a civil lawsuit, restraining orders, and any other notice or order from the courts. The Civil Unit is also charged with placing a levy on bank accounts, wages, vehicles, or any asset of the judgment debtor. The Civil Unit is part of the Support Services Division and is charged with the processing of civil process as prescribed by law. It is the goal of the Civil Unit to serve all received process in a reasonable and timely manner while maintaining an impartial stance between all parties involved or having an interest in a case. The civil process includes summons and complaints, small claims documents for a civil lawsuit, restraining orders, and any other notice or order from the courts. The civil unit is also charged with placing a levy on bank accounts, wages, vehicles, or any asset of the judgment debtor. All documents submitted must include a letter of instruction(s) to the Sheriff and a fee for the service (Per CCP 262).

Types of Services and Levies

SERVICE

Summons and Complaint
Summons and Petition
Claim of Plaintiff
Order of Examination
Order to Show Cause
Temporary Restraining Order
3 Day after or 30 Day Notice to Quit
Subpoena
Other orders from the Court
Writ of Execution

LEVIES

Till Tap
Vehicles
Bank Levies
Third Party
Earnings withholdings Order (wage levy)
Earnings withholding Order (support)
Keeper (8, 12, 24 hours)
Writ of Attachment
Real Property or Personal Property

SALES

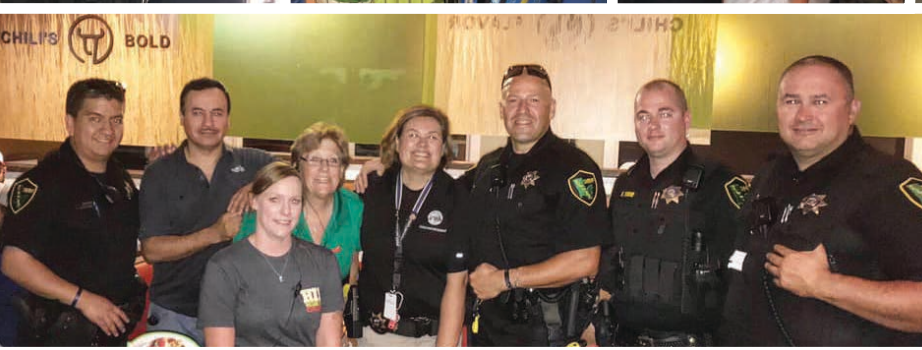
Personal Property
Real Property

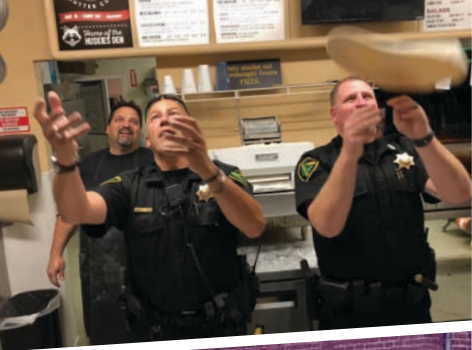
In Our Community

- SCSO K-9 / Posse Dinner
- Peace Officer of the Year Dinner
- Dine with Deputy (Starbucks)
- Touch a Truck
- K9 Trials
- Relay for Life
- Sutter Days
- Farm Bureau Parade
- Agent of Change Softball Game
- Shoot with the Sheriff
- Samosas with the Sheriff
- Special Olympics Chili's Event
- Soft Serve with the Sheriff
- Slice with the Sheriff
- Sutter Fair
- Pink October
- Halloween
- No Shave November
- Sikh Parade
- Every 15 Minutes Event
- Git Up Dance Challenge



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A LOOK AT THE FUTURE OF THE SUTTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

TOP GOALS FOR 2020

OPERATIONS DIVISION

- Central Square implementation and training (including evidence tracking)
- Lexipol implementation and training
- Community Services Officers Trained and Working in the Community
- Upgrade / Update patrol equipment and capabilities (vehicle computers, radios, investigation equipment)
- Implementing Sutter County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Policy, Procedures, and Training, so they are Mission Ready

JAIL DIVISION

- Purchasing a Body Scanner for jail intake
- Increasing and improving reports in the Corrections Division
- Additional Correctional Staff for the new jail expansion
- Additional education opportunity for inmates, tablets based and classrooms

SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

- Central Square implementation and training (including evidence tracking)
- Dispatch Phone System improvements
- Implement of the Soft Code Civil program
- Improve the understanding and usage of the Command Van: Training, Call Outs, Staffing

