

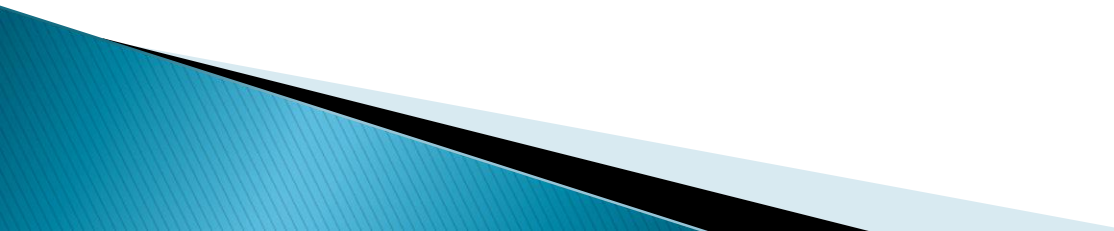
Speeding in Neighborhoods

Sgt. Mike Barnes
Owasso Police Department

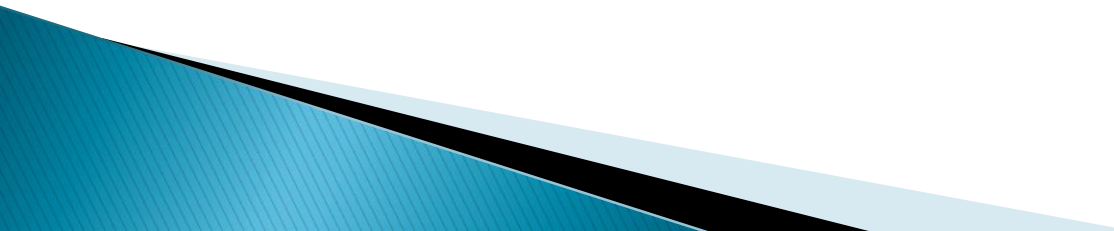
Owasso Police Department Mission Statement

- ▶ “To work in partnership with the citizens of Owasso to prevent crime, enforce the laws and to enhance the quality of life in our community.”

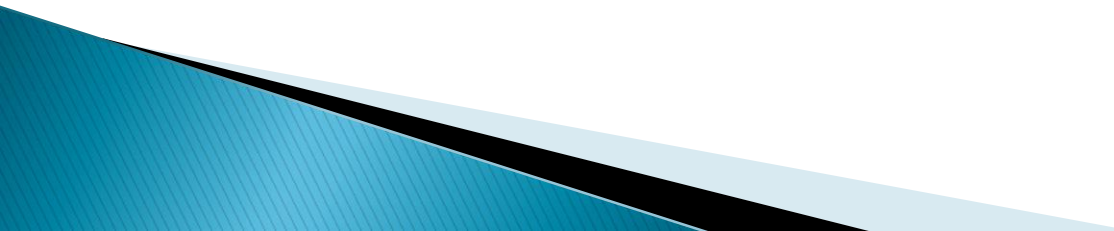
About Me

- ▶ Owasso Police Department 19 years
 - ▶ Sergeant past 9 years
 - ▶ Current assignment Patrol Shift Supervisor
 - ▶ OPD Range Master and Firearms Instructor
 - ▶ OPD Special Events Coordinator
 - ▶ OHSO Traffic Grant Coordinator
 - ▶ Very passionate about traffic safety, education, and enforcement
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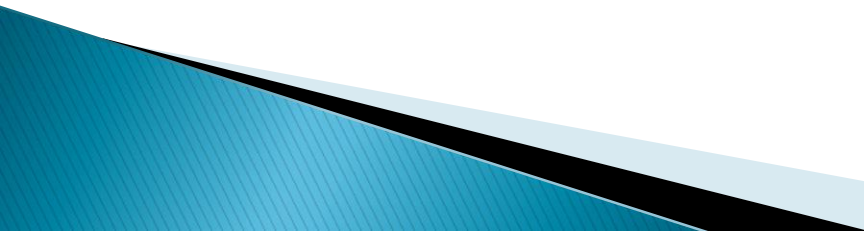
Why So Passionate

- ▶ Owasso 16th in state for total collisions (2015)
 - ▶ 2016– 1,300 total collisions
 - ▶ 593 collision reports taken
 - ▶ 117 Injury collisions
 - ▶ 3 fatality collisions
 - ▶ More likely to be hurt or killed in a traffic collision in Owasso than a violent crime.
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Owasso Police Department Staffing

- ▶ 56 Total Sworn Police Officers
 - ▶ 5 Administration
 - ▶ 7 Detectives
 - ▶ 3 School Resource Officers (SRO)
 - ▶ 41 Patrol Division
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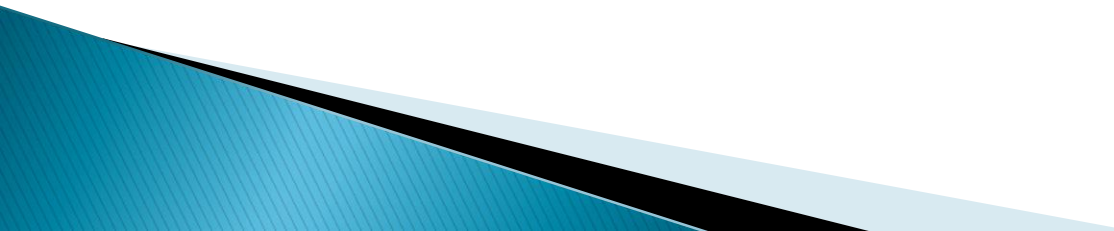
Owasso Police Department Staffing Continued

- ▶ 41 Patrol Division Officers (2 in training)
 - ▶ 8 Supervisors
 - ▶ Leaves 33 Patrol Officers to respond to calls 24/7
 - ▶ 11 Assigned to Dayshift (Average 8)
 - ▶ 9 Assigned to Nightshift (Average 6)
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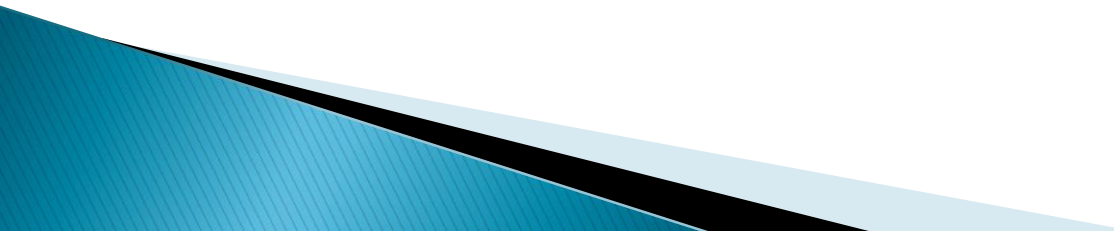
Owasso Police Department 2016

- ▶ Calls for Service 25,136
 - ▶ Reports taken 3,617 (1,026 supplementals)
 - ▶ Arrests made 1,268
 - ▶ Collision Reports 593
 - ▶ Average 69 calls per 24 hour day
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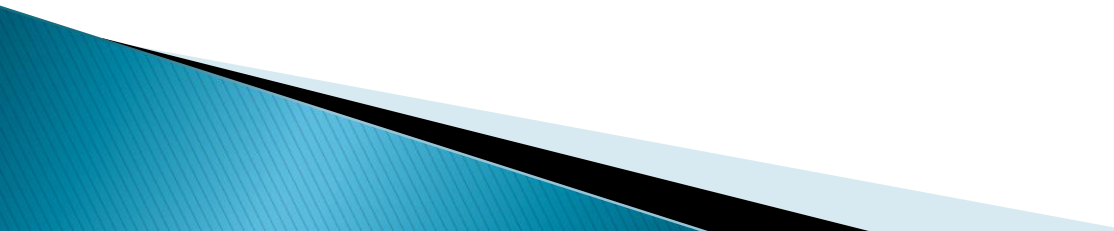
Speeding in Neighborhoods

- ▶ Most common violators are your neighbors
 - ▶ Most complaints are for speeding/stop signs
 - ▶ “Cut thru” neighborhoods (Elm Creek, Three Lakes, Central Park, Burberry, El Rio Vista, Ator Heights)
 - ▶ Construction Neighborhoods
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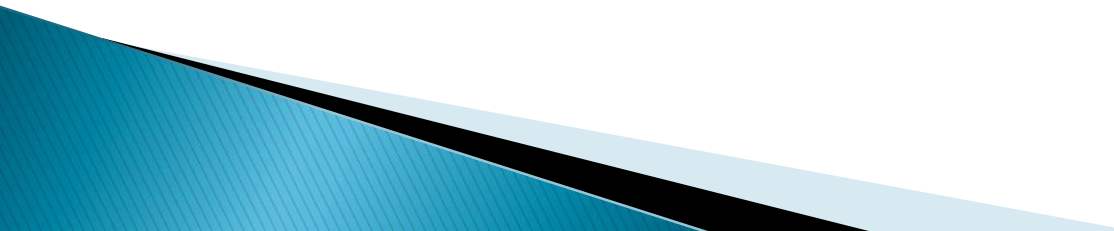
How Can You Help Us?

- ▶ Be a courteous and safe driver
 - ▶ Set the example
 - ▶ Citizen Involvement/Input
 - ▶ “Alert neighbors” is for criminal activity and traffic safety issues
 - ▶ Be specific with information to direct our limited resources
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Citizen Traffic Calming Program

- ▶ Gather information for Police Department, using a radar gun – **CONTACT Owasso Neighborhood Coordinator**
 - ▶ Non-enforceable/Non-confrontational
 - ▶ Citizens gather specific information
 - ▶ Police Department Directed Patrol
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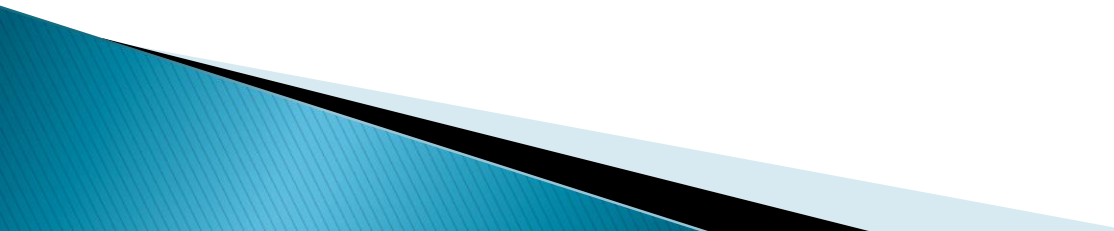
Cars and Pedestrians Don't Mix

- ▶ Vast Majority of Auto/Pedestrian crashes are caused by improper action by the pedestrian.
 - ▶ Children running into the street
 - ▶ Not paying attention to your surroundings
 - ▶ Distracted driving kills!
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Kids and Streets Don't Mix

- ▶ Roads are not playgrounds
 - ▶ Backyard and playgrounds are safest places for children to play
 - ▶ Supervisor your children
 - ▶ As a parent, you have the responsibility to ensure the safety of your children by keeping them away from the street.
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TIPS to do – Your Part!

- ▶ Drive safely, defensively, and lawfully
 - ▶ Pledge to obey the speed limit
 - ▶ Contact Owasso's Neighborhood Coordinator to organize a meeting to discuss traffic safety
 - ▶ Help develop a strategic neighborhood safety plan
 - ▶ Report traffic violations or concerns to the Owasso Police Department 918-272-2244
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Safe Driving Habits

- ▶ Aggressive driving– “Don’t drive mad”
- ▶ Wear your seatbelt (Properly)
- ▶ Distracted driving (Texting, Radio, Kids)
- ▶ Pay attention to the road, not the back seat
- ▶ Watch for Motorcycles
- ▶ Don’t drive tired
 - 100,000 crashes per year
 - 1,550 deaths
 - 71,000 injuries nation wide

Owasso Police Department

- ▶ Questions
 - ▶ Comments
 - ▶ Concerns
 - ▶ Thank you for your involvement to make Owasso a great community to live and work in!
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