



WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



# April 2026 Monthly Report



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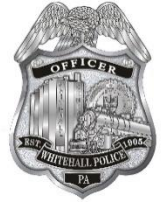
*For: Mayor Joseph Marx*  
*Whitehall Township Commissioners*

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*Bureau of Police*  
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# Patrol Division April 2026 Report



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**Patrol Division Report**  
**April 2026**

**OFFICER STATUS REPORT**

- PPO's McBride and Hunsicker continue their Field Training Program.

**PATROL ACTIVITY**

- Officers completed 973 initial reports this month.
- Patrol Officers investigated 21 reportable and 61 non-reportable crashes.
- Patrol charged 100 Crimes & Vehicle Code (associated with criminal charges) sections this month. See attached list of charges.

**LEHIGH COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (LCERT) ACTIVITIES**

- We currently have five members assigned to the team.
- LC ERT assisted the Lehigh County Drug Task Force with two warrants in the City of Allentown.

**TRAINING**

- This month all officers completed their Spring Firearm Qualifications. Additionally, some officers participated in policy and procedure review, and an Advanced Field Training program.
- Next month officers are scheduled for training in a supervisory school and crime scene processing.

Name	Count of Charges
Title 24 13-1333.2	7
2709(a)(1) Harassment	7
3929(a)(1) Retail Theft	7
3802(a)(1) Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Controlled Substance - General	6
3112(a)(3)(i) Traffic-Control Signals	5
3309(1) Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic	4
780-113(a)(31)(i) Small Amount of Marijuana	4
5503(a)(1) Disorderly Conduct (Threatening Behavior)	3
780-113(a)(32) Drug Paraphernalia	3
1543(b)(1)(iii) Driving While Operating Privilege Is Suspended or Revoked - DUI/ARD	3
1786(f) Required Financial Responsibility	3
3714(a) Careless Driving (General)	3
1372(3) Unauthorized Transfer or Use of Registration - other vehicle	2
2701(a)(1) Simple Assault	2
6113(a) Indirect Criminal Contempt	2
5104 Resisting Arrest or Other Law Enforcement	2
3127(a) Indecent Exposure	2
1301(a) Registration and Certificate of Title Required	2
1501(a) Drivers Required to be Licensed	1
3304(a)(5) Criminal Mischief - Intentionally Damages	1
1543(b)(1)(i) Driving While Operating Privilege Is Suspended or Revoked - DUI/ARD	1
4106(a)(1)(ii) Access device fraud	1
780-113(a)(16) Simple Possession	1
5505 Public Drunkenness and Similar Misconduct	1
3304(a)(1) Criminal Mischief	1
6306.1(a)(1) USE OF TOBACCO IN SCHOOLS PROHIBITED	1
3921(a) Theft by Unlawful Taking or Disposition	1
3308(b) One-Way Roadways	1
3743(a) Accidents Involving Damage To Attended Vehicle or Property	1
3304(a)(2) Criminal Mischief - excess of \$1000.00 less than \$5,000.00 tampers with property	1
2706(a)(1) Terroristic Threats	1
3503(a)(1)(ii) Criminal Trespass - breaks into building	1
16-3 In Township park after hours	1
3745(a) Accidents Involving Damage To Unattended Vehicle or Property	1
6105(a)(1) Person not possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms	1
5503(a)(1) Disorderly Conduct substantial harm serious inconvenience - misdemeanor	1
3802(d)(2) Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Controlled Substance - Safe Driving	1
5503(a)(2) Disorderly Conduct (Unreasonable Noise)	1
4703(a) Operation of Vehicle Without Official Certificate of Inspection	1
3809(a) Restriction on alcoholic beverages	1
2701(a)(3) Simple Assault	1
2709(a)(3) Harassment	1
5104.2 Evading Arrest or Detention on Foot	1
6106(a)(1) Firearms not to be carried without a license 1	1
3334(a) Turning Movements and Required Signals	1
3733(a) Fleeing or Attempting to Elude Police Officer 1	1
6501(a)(1) Scattering rubbish	1
1543(a) Driving While Operating Privilege Is Suspended or Revoked	1
3304(a) Overtaking vehicle on the right	1
5532(a)(1) Neglect of Animal	1
5503(a)(4) Disorderly Conduct (Hazardous Condition)	1
TOTAL	100



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**Patrol Division Sergeant Report**  
**April 2026**

**PROACTIVE POLICING ACTIVITY**

19 selective traffic enforcements

Citations: 27

Warnings: 76

Parking Tickets: 3

Locations:

S. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave & Center St.

5<sup>th</sup> St. & Florida Ave.

5<sup>th</sup> St. & Grape St.

Orchard Dr. & Ellsworth Dr.

S. Front St. & Quigg St.

MacArthur Rd. & Fairmont Ave.

MacArthur Rd. & Eberhart Rd.

New York Ave. & N 6<sup>th</sup> St. Ext.

Street Sweeping

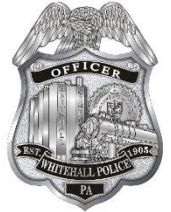
WCSD Bus Stops

**SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS AND INCIDENTS**

- The following **Assaults** were reported:
  - 1) 05 April, Mauch Chunk Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for simple assault and harassment.
  - 2) 08 April, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
  - 3) 10 April, Cementon Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
  - 4) 14 April, MacArthur Road, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
  - 5) 16 April, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
  - 6) 18 April, MacArthur Town Centre, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
  - 7) 21 April, Wawa, altercation and damaged property, 1 arrest for simple assault, criminal mischief, person not to possess, firearms not to be carried without a license, theft by unlawful taking and terroristic threats.
  
- The following **Burglaries** were reported:
  - 1) 03 April, Stiles Area, residential burglary, investigation on-going.
  - 2) 14 April, Hokendauqua Area, commercial burglary, referred to LCATTF.
  - 3) 26 April, Fullerton Area, attempted residential burglary, investigation on-going.
  
- The following **Robberies** were reported:
  - 1) No robberies reported in April.
  
- The following **Thefts of Motor Vehicle** were reported:
  - 1) No theft of motor vehicles were reported in April.



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### **COORDINATED ACTIVITIES WITH OTHER AGENCIES**

- 1) 02 April, Hokendauqua Area, assisted Wilkes Barre PD.
- 2) 02 April, Walmart, assisted Coplay PD.
- 3) 02 April, Fullerton Area, assisted Pennsylvania State Police.
- 4) 04 April, Fullerton Area, assisted Pennsylvania State Police.
- 5) 06 April, Presidential Drive Area, assisted Bethlehem PD.
- 6) 11 April, WPD HQ, assisted North Catasauqua PD.
- 7) 11 April, WPD HQ assisted Allentown PD.
- 8) 14 April, Cementon Area, assisted Lebanon County Sheriff's.
- 9) 15 April, Stiles Area, assisted Florida Department of Child Services.
- 10) 16 April, Catasauqua, assisted Catasauqua PD.
- 11) 17 April, Sheetz, assisted Walnutport PD.
- 12) 18 April, North Catasauqua, assisted North Catasauqua PD.
- 13) 23 April, Jordan Creek Parkway, assisted South Whitehall PD.
- 14) 23 April, Fullerton Area, assisted Allentown PD.
- 15) 24 April, Fullerton Area, assisted FBI.
- 16) 26 April, Presidential Drive Area, assisted Bethlehem PD.

### **NEXT MONTH'S PLANNED ACTIVITIES**

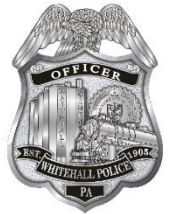
- 1) Officers are assigned proactive/directed patrols based on citizen complaints.
- 2) Officers are directed to monitor bus stops and school campuses for traffic violations.
- 3) Officers can also elect to volunteer for a Lehigh County DUI checkpoint/roving patrols and seatbelt enforcement.



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# Criminal Investigations Division April 2026 Report



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## *Criminal Investigation Division Report* *April 2026*

### **Significant Arrests or Incidents:**

The Detective Division assisted patrol with several follow-ups, including photo lineups for suspect identifications and identifying suspects in various incidents.

The Detectives had a total of **22** cleared cases and **61** cases assigned between 4 Detectives for this month. They also began background investigations for new Police applicants from the recently certified entry level Police list. A total of 12 background investigations have been started and will continue through next month. This is on top of new and existing cases they are already responsible for.

The Whitehall Crime Scene Processing Unit (CSPU) will be assisting the Lehigh County Accident Investigation Team, in processing scenes outside Whitehall Township. Those crime scene statistics are not included in the monthly report.

The Whitehall Police Crime Scene Processing Unit (CSPU) processed **2** scenes this month consisting of a death investigation and a burglary. They also processed evidence from a retail theft investigation for the Patrol Division.

The Cellebrite analyzer was used **2** times this month for a death investigation and a cybtertip report investigation.

### **Arrests**

The Detective Division had **4** arrests this month. The following is a summary of those arrests:

#### **Forgery**

##### **WH-26-03354**

Whitehall Police took a report from an employee of a bank to report fraudulent checks being deposited by a customer. The employee reported that the customer deposited 5 checks, for a total of over \$4,000, where the customer then made multiple transactions to send the money to his own Cash App account, Apple Cash wallet and also made an Atm withdrawal of the funds. The bank receive notification shortly after the movement of this money that the checks were fraudulent and altered. The assigned Detective spoke with the customer who admitted to receiving the checks and using the money for sneakers and hoodies. The male was charged with:

**-Forgery, F2**

**-Theft by Deception, F3**

**Criminal Trespass**

**WH-26-03861**

Whitehall Police responded to a local business who reported their store had been broken into the night before. The business owner had received an alarm notification the night before and when he checked his cameras, he did not find anyone inside. Upon arriving at the business the following morning, he discovered one of the doors to the business had been kicked in. The assigned Detective reviewed the video surveillance from the store where it showed two males, who appeared to be juveniles, attempt to open doors at this business and an attached business. One of the juveniles kicked in the door to the business where they proceeded to walk through the building. The males were identified as juveniles where they admitted to this incident. They were both charged with:

- Criminal Trespass, F2
- Criminal Mischief, M2

**Fraud by Impersonation**

**WH-26-04159**

Whitehall Police took a report from a local contractor who reported that an ex-employee had rented a truck at a local business, using their company's information, without their permission. The assigned Detective obtained the information for the rental as well as video surveillance from the business which showed the male who rented the truck under the reporting company's name. The male was positively identified as the ex-employee of the reporting company. The male was contacted by the investigating Detective who admitted to renting the truck. The male was charged with:

- Theft by Deception, M1

**Investigators were assigned:**

**Assigned Investigations:**

**Detective Arrests:**

1	Auto Theft/Related		1	Forgery
1	Sex Offense		2	Criminal Trespass
2	Terroristic Threats		1	Theft by Deception
5	Wire Fraud			
2	Death Investigation			
1	Check Welfare			
2	Pornography			
6	Information			
1	Extortion/Blackmail		4	Total Arrests
1	Burglary/Attempted			
2	PICS			
1	Home Improvement Fraud			

9	Childline Referral			
4	Access Device Fraud			
1	Stalking			
2	Suspicious Activity			
2	Pick Pocket			
12	Background Investigations			
1	Fraud by Impersonation			
2	Identity Theft			
3	Theft			
61	<b>Total Assigned</b>			

**Detective Other Clearances:**

2	Access Device Fraud
1	Sex Offense
6	Information
1	CyberTip
1	Death Investigation
1	Suspicious Activity
10	Childline referral
22	<b>Total Other Clearances</b>

Summary:

<b>Total department reports April 2025</b>	<b>932</b>
<b>Total department reports April 2026</b>	<b>973</b>
<b>Detective Cases April of 2026</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>Detective Case Arrests April of 2026</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Detective Cases Cleared April of 2026</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Whitehall CID Clearance rate average April 2026</b>	<b>43%</b>
<b>Lehigh County Clearance rate average April 2026</b>	<b>27%</b>
<b>Crime Scenes processed by Crime Scene Unit April 2026</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Crime Scenes processed by Crime Scene Unit year to date</b>	<b>9</b>



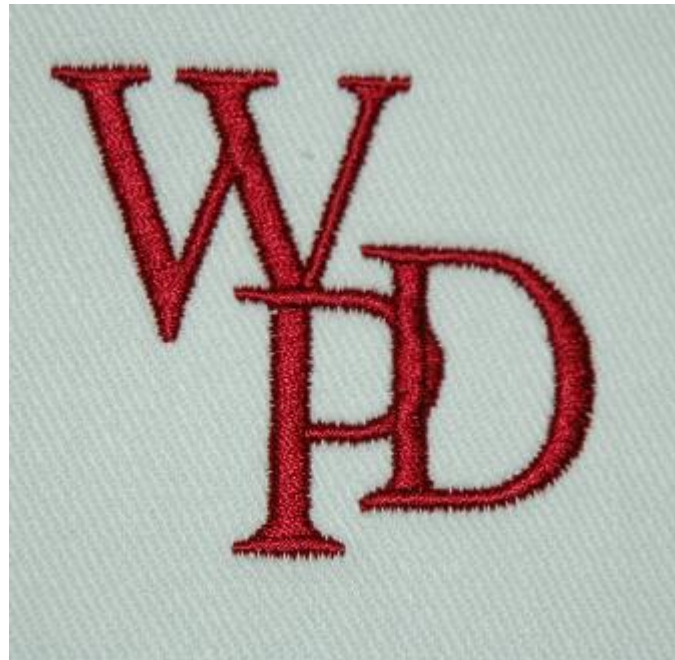
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# Administration Division April 2026 Report



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**Administration Division Report**  
**April 2026**

The below listed data was data entered and or reviewed by administrative staff during the period 01–30 April 2026

REPORTED INCIDENTS **935**

NIBRS REPORTABLE 161  
CLEARED BY ARREST 47  
NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS 41  
ALL ACCIDENTS 83  
ALL OTHER/MISC/INFO 774

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT **723**

TRAFFIC CITATIONS 249  
PARKING TICKETS 45  
WRITTEN WARNINGS 429

SERVICE REQUESTS/PAYMENTS **\$3,075**

INCIDENT/CRASH REPORTS 100  
RECORD CHECKS 19  
EXPUNGEMENTS 8

ALARM REGISTRATIONS 0  
PARKING TICKETS 50  
PERMITS / LICENSES 0  
VALIDATIONS 42  
COURT DISPOSITIONS 12  
CIVIL CASES 0  
CRIMINAL HISTORY 0



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## School Resource Officer Report April 2026

### ARRESTS/REFERRALS/CITATIONS

<b>Non-Traffic Citations:</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Impact Referrals:</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Juvenile Allegations:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Adult Criminal Complaint:</b>	<b>1</b>

### INCIDENT REPORTS:

<b>Drug Possession:</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Possession of Tobacco:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Information Report:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Simple Assault:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Truancy:</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Pornography:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Traffic Complaint:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Disorderly Conduct:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Fire Alarm:</b>	<b>1</b>

### MONTHLY ACTIONS:

- Regular presence at student arrival and dismissal.
- Regular presence in the cafeteria during the lunch periods.
- Regular presence in the hallways when classes are changing and during classes.
- Visited the other school buildings for a walk-through student arrivals and dismissals.
- Informal/Formal counseling with school staff, students and families.
- Attended the School Board meetings.

### MISCELLANEOUS:

- 32 contacts with students made assisting administration with discipline issues and regular contact.
- Attended 3 out of school suspension hearings.
- Attended 4 Student Assistant Program meetings.
- Attended the Lehigh University Study Council on school safety.
- Safety and Security monthly meeting.
- Attended 1 incentive lunches for elementary students.
- Attended WCSD Family Night.
- Attended Northern Red School.



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## *Middle School Resource Officer Report* *April 2026*

### *ARRESTS/REFERRALS/CITATIONS*

- Juvenile allegations: 0
- Non traffic citations: 2
- Impact Project referrals: 1

### *INCIDENT REPORTS:*

- Information: 5
- Traffic: 3
- Threat: 2
- Disorderly conduct: 2
- Truancy: 2
- Disturbance: 2
- Medical: 1
- Alarm: 1

### *NON-POLICE REPORT CONTACTS*

- Presence around the student drop off and pick up areas.
- Presence in the cafeteria during the breakfast/lunch periods.
- Presence in the hallways during/after class changes.
- Monitoring of the school surveillance cameras on campus.
- Informal/formal counseling with staff/students/families.

### *MONTHLY ACTIONS:*

- School safety meetings.
- WPD Youth Academy planning/meetings.
- Court hearings.
- WCSD Family Night.
- Gun range training.
- Boyle legal updates.
- 9 contacts referred to school administration/nurse/or counseling for various school related incidents



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