



WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



August 2026 Monthly Report



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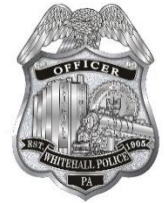
For: Mayor Joseph Marx, Jr.
Whitehall Township Commissioners

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WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT



Patrol Division August 2026 Report



*Prepared by Lieutenant Mark Schwendeman
Patrol Commander
For Chief of Police Michael J. Marks*

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Patrol Division Report **August 2026**

OFFICER STATUS REPORT

- PPO Ken Andris is in Field Training.

PATROL ACTIVITY

- Officers completed 905 initial reports this month.
- Patrol Officers investigated 32 reportable and 73 non-reportable crashes.
- Patrol charged 66 Crimes & Vehicle Code (associated with criminal charges) sections this month. See attached list of charges.
- Patrol Officers conducted 509 vehicle enforcement actions for the month of June (Citation, Warning, Parking Ticket).
- Year to date, the Patrol Division has conducted 5,443 vehicle enforcement actions (Citation, Warning, Parking Ticket).
- Year to date, the Patrol Division has made 425 criminal arrests.

LEHIGH COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (LCERT) ACTIVITIES

- We currently have five members assigned to the team.
- ERT was utilized for a warrant service in Allentown on August 25, 2026.
- ERT was activated for a barricaded subject in the Township on August 26, 2026.

WHITEHALL WARRANT UNIT

- WPD Officers assigned to the warrant unit apprehended two individuals with outstanding warrants from our agency.

TRAINING

- Two officers attended the Pennsylvania State Police, Basic Crime Scene Processing class, and will be added to the departments Crime Scene Processing Unit.
- The department's Firearms Instructors completed a two day Firearms Course taught by Viking Tactics.

Name	Count of Charges
2709(a)(1) Harassment	11
3503(b)(1)(i) Criminal Trespass - Defiant Trespass (Actual Communication)	4
3922(a)(1) THEFT BY DECEPTION (FALSE IMPRESSION)	4
3929(a)(1) Retail Theft	3
5104 Resisting Arrest or Other Law Enforcement	2
5104.2 Evading Arrest or Detention on Foot	2
3743(a) Accidents Involving Damage To Attended Vehicle or Property	2
3744(a) Duty To Give Information and Render Aid	2
1543(b)(1)(iii) Driving While Operating Privilege Is Suspended or Revoked - DUI/ARD	2
2701(a)(1) Simple Assault	2
3304(a)(5) Criminal Mischief - Intentionally Damages	2
1543(a) Driving While Operating Privilege Is Suspended or Revoked	2
5505 Public Drunkenness and Similar Misconduct	2
3714(a) Careless Driving (General)	2
6113(a) Indirect Criminal Contempt	2
3921(a) Theft by Unlawful Taking or Disposition (Movable Property)	1
3323(b) Stop Signs and Yield Signs	1
3802(a)(1) Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Controlled Substance - General	1
9135 Fugitive From Justice	1
459-305(a)(3) Confinement and control	1
780-113(a)(16) Simple Possession	1
3742(a) Accidents Involving Death or Personal Injury	1
3934(a) Theft from a motor vehicle	1
15-39 Parking a trailer prohibited	1
3809(a) Restriction on alcoholic beverages	1
1301(a) Registration and Certificate of Title Required	1
4914 False Identification to Law Enforcement Authorities	1
3309(1) Driving on Roadways Laned for Traffic	1
912(b) Possession of a Weapon on School Property	1
780-113(a)(32) Drug Paraphernalia	1
2709(a)(3) Harassment	1
780-113(a)(31)(i) Small Amount of Marijuana	1
4105(a)(1) Bad Checks	1
2709(a)(2) Harassment	1
3310(a) Following Too Closely	1
4106(a)(1)(ii) Access device fraud	1
3921(a) Theft by Unlawful Taking or Disposition	1
Total	66



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Patrol Division Sergeant Report

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PROACTIVE POLICING ACTIVITY

10 selective traffic enforcements

Citations: 3

Warnings: 1

Locations:

Hokendauqua Park

School Bus Stops

MacArthur Road

- The following **Assaults** were reported:
 - 1) 02 August, Hokendauqua Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for terroristic threats, simple assault, harassment and disorderly conduct.
 - 2) 03 August, Cementon Area, domestic disturbance, for terroristic threats, simple assault, and harassment.
 - 3) 03 August, Ring Road, altercation between victim and two suspects, 2 arrests for harassment.
 - 4) 06 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for simple assault, harassment, criminal mischief and disorderly conduct.
 - 5) 09 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 6) 11 August, Mauch Chunk Road Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 7) 13 August, Egypt Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 8) 13 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for simple arrest and harassment.
 - 9) 17 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 10) 19 August, Walmart, altercation between co-workers, 1 arrest for simple assault and harassment.
 - 11) 25 August, Cementon Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 12) 26 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 13) 29 August, Fullerton Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 14) 30 August, Hokendauqua Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for harassment.
 - 15) 31 August, Presidential Drive Area, domestic disturbance, 1 arrest for strangulation, simple assault and harassment.
- The following **Burglaries** were reported:
 - 1) 12 August, Fullerton Area, residential burglary, investigation on-going.
 - 2) 15 August, MacArthur Road, commercial burglary, referred to LCATTF.
 - 3) 19 August, Fullerton Area, attempted residential burglary, investigation on-going.
 - 4) 25 August, Mechanicsville Road Area, commercial burglary, investigation on-going.
 - 5) 28 August, Fullerton Area, residential burglary, investigation on-going.
- The following **Robberies** were reported:
 - 1) No robberies reported in August.

- The following **Thefts of Motor Vehicle** were reported:
 - 1) 12 August, Fullerton Area, attempted theft of vehicle, referred to LCATTF.
 - 2) 13 August, Fullerton Area, theft of motorcycle, referred to LCATTF.
 - 3) 14 August, Egypt Area, attempted theft of vehicle, referred to LCATTF.
 - 4) 24 August, MacArthur Road Area, vehicle stolen and recovered, referred to LCATTF.

COORDINATED ACTIVITIES WITH OTHER AGENCIES

- 1) 01 August, Presidential Drive Area, assisted Allentown PD.
- 2) 07 August, Maryland Circle Area, assisted Ryan Township PD.
- 3) 09 August, Allentown, assisted Allentown PD.
- 4) 09 August, South Whitehall, assisted South Whitehall PD.
- 5) 09 August, Egypt Area, assisted Pennsylvania State Police.
- 6) 11 August, Egypt Area, assisted Catasauqua PD.
- 7) 11 August, Coplay, assisted Coplay PD.
- 8) 12 August, Lehigh Valley Mall, assisted New York PD & LCATTF.
- 9) 12 August, WPD HQ, assisted Bethlehem PD.
- 10) 14 August, Schadt Ave Area, assisted Upper Perkiomen PD.
- 11) 17 August, WPD HQ, assisted Palmer Twp PD.
- 12) 18 August, Cementon Area, assisted Northampton PD.
- 13) 19 August, Lehigh Valley Mall, assisted Coplay PD.
- 14) 24 August, Burger King, assisted Fountain Hill PD.
- 15) 25 August, Allentown, assisted Allentown PD.
- 16) 27 August, WPD HQ, assisted Upper Macungie PD.
- 17) 29 August, Egypt Area, assisted Catasauqua PD.
- 18) 29 August, West Catasauqua Area, assisted Allentown PD.

NEXT MONTH'S PLANNED ACTIVITIES

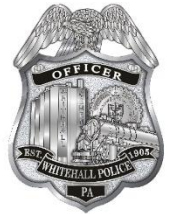
- 1) Officers are assigned proactive/directed patrols based on citizen complaints.
- 2) Officers are assigned to Whitehall-Coplay HS Football Games.
- 3) Officers will continue to monitor the Hokendauqua Park area due to an increase in complaints about E-bikes in and around the park.



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Criminal Investigations Division August 2026 Report



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Criminal Investigation Division Report

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Significant Arrests or Incidents:

The Detective Division assisted patrol with several follow-ups and on-scene incidents. They also assisted patrol with photo lineups for suspect identifications and identifying suspects in various incidents.

The Detectives had a total of **25** cleared cases, including **4** arrests, and **38** cases assigned between 4 Detectives for this month.

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/Suicide (WH-26-10118), Death Investigation/Suicide (WH-26-11350).

The Cellebrite analyzer was not used for any incidents this month.

Arrests

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

Access Device Fraud

WH-26-10375

Whitehall Police took a report about a wallet being stolen out of a locker at a local fitness center and the victim's credit cards being used with the transaction being denied. Through video surveillance from the fitness center and from the business the card was used at, the assigned investigator was able to identify the female suspect. The female suspect was interviewed where she eventually admitted to the theft and unauthorized use of the victim's credit card. The female was charged with:

-Access Device Fraud, Misdemeanor 1

-Theft by Unlawful Taking, Misdemeanor 3

Theft From Vehicle**WH-26-07340**

Whitehall Police took a report about a male suspect entering their work truck, overnight, and going through it. Nothing was reported to be taken but while the male suspect was inside the truck, a dashcam captured a video of the male suspect. Through investigation into another incident (listed below) the assigned Detective was able to positively identify the male suspect for this incident and the male suspect for the incident listed below, as being one in the same. The male was charged with:

-Loitering & Prowling, M3

-(Attempted) Theft from Vehicle, M3

Theft From Vehicle**WH-26-07027**

Whitehall Police took a report about a check being deposited by a person that it was not issued to. The victim had written out a check as a deposit on a park building for an event, but the park representative discovered it was missing from his truck and did not deposit or cash it. Through a search warrant, the assigned Detective was able to obtain the bank records from the deposit which gave the name of the account holder the check was deposited into. This account holder's name matched the male suspect from the above-described incident (comparing the dashcam video). The male suspect was interviewed and admitted to both incidents. He was charged with:

-Theft by Unlawful Taking, Misdemeanor 1

Theft by Deception**WH-26-11098**

Whitehall Police took a report from an elderly female who reported being victim to a scam. The victim stated she was contacted via phone by someone whom she believed to be a representative from her financial institution. They convinced her that her bank account had been compromised and she needed to withdraw \$9,000. They then convinced her to give that money over to a bank representative for 'safekeeping' and met her at her residence where she gave the male the \$9,000 in cash. Through investigation, the male was identified and a warrant has been issued for the following charges:

-Theft by Deception, Felony 2

-Receiving Stolen Property, Felony 2

Investigators were assigned:

1	Auto Theft/Related			
5	Auto Theft/Related	1		Loitering & Prowling
1	Forgery	1		Theft by Unlawful Taking
1	Rape	1		Access Device Fraud
1	Sex Offense	1		Theft by Deception
1	Aggravated Assault			
1	Pornography/Obscene Material	4		Total Arrests
1	Wire Fraud			
2	Death Investigation			
4	Childline			

5	PICS			
4	Burglary/Attempted			
1	Theft from Vehicle			
1	Fraud			
2	Suspicious Activity			
2	Theft by Deception			
6	Theft			
38	Total Assigned			

Detective Other Clearances:

2	Burglary
4	PICS
1	Death Investigation
1	Intimidation (Verbal Threats)
1	Aggravated Assault
1	Theft from Building
2	Home Improvement Fraud
1	Forgery
2	Suspicious Activity
1	Identity Theft
2	Pornography/Obscene Material
2	Theft
4	Childline
1	Sex Offense
25	Total Other Clearances

Summary:

Total department reports August 2025	954
Total department reports August 2026	1029
Detective Cases August of 2026	38
Detective Case Arrests August of 2026	4
Detective Other Cases Cleared August of 2026	25
Whitehall CID Clearance rate average August 2026	76%
Lehigh County Clearance rate average August 2026	33%
Crime Scenes processed by Crime Scene Unit August 2026	2
Crime Scenes processed by Crime Scene Unit year to date	12



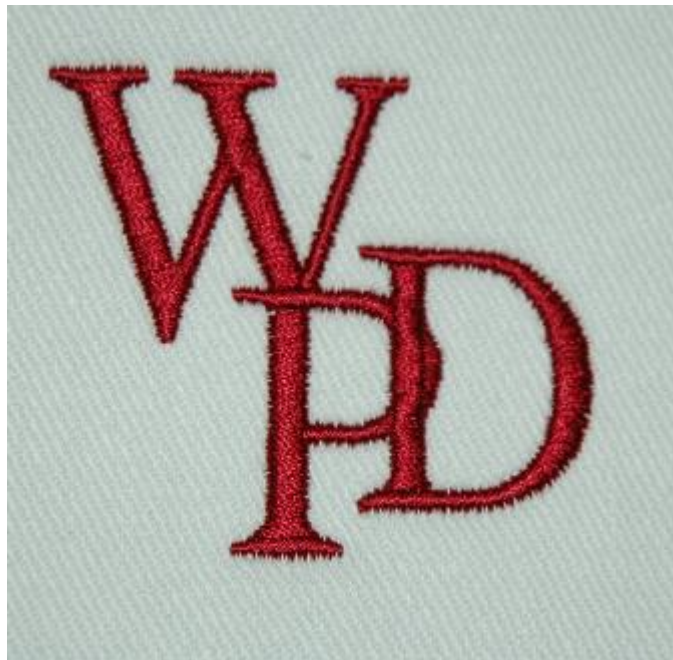
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Administration Division August 2026 Report



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Administration Division Report

August 2026

The below listed data was data entered and or reviewed by administrative staff during the period 01–31 August 2026

REPORTED INCIDENTS **1,029**

NIBRS REPORTABLE	181
CLEARED BY ARREST	59
NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS	20
ALL ACCIDENTS	105
ALL OTHER/MISC/INFO	733

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT **524**

TRAFFIC CITATIONS	171
PARKING TICKETS	42
WRITTEN WARNINGS	311

SERVICE REQUESTS/PAYMENTS **\$2,305**

INCIDENT/CRASH REPORTS	97
RECORD CHECKS	16
EXPUNGEMENTS	17

ALARM REGISTRATIONS	5
PARKING TICKETS	23
PERMITS / LICENSES	1
VALIDATIONS	43
COURT DISPOSITIONS	15
CIVIL CASES	0
CRIMINAL HISTORY	0



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School Resource Officer Report

August 2026

ARRESTS/REFERRALS/CITATIONS

Non-Traffic Citations: 0
Impact Referrals: 1
Juvenile Allegations: 0
Adult Criminal Complaint: 0

INCIDENT REPORTS:

Drug Possession: 1
Information Report: 1
Sex Offense: 1
Burglar Alarm: 1

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:

- 5 contacts with students made assisting administration with discipline issues and regular contact.
- Conducted the Advanced Police Youth Academy.
- Performed emergency preparedness training at St. Stephens.



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Middle School Resource Officer Report **August 2026**

ARRESTS/REFERRALS/CITATIONS

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

INCIDENT REPORTS:

- Handle with Care: 3
- Check Welfare: 1
- Medical: 1
- Information: 1

NON-POLICE REPORT CONTACTS

- Presence around the student drop off and pick up areas.
- Presence in the cafeteria during 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:

- WPD Youth Academy.
- Court Hearings.
- 4 contacts referred to school administration/nurse/or counseling for various school related incidents.



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