April 2020

OSSEO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Blue Line Dispatch

COVID-19 Update

In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Osseo Police Department will not be responding to any medical calls where the patient is ill or experiencing flu like symptoms. Officers will use judgement if there are underlying circumstances such as shortness of breath, or other life threatening concerns. Osseo residents are encouraged to review COVID-19 infor-



mation available from the Minnesota Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control.

Osseo City Hall has implemented social distancing procedures recommended by the CDC and the Minnesota Department of Health. As part of this effort City Hall will be closed for in-person business through April 30th.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 763-424-5444 or via e-mail at osseopd@ci.osseo.mn.us.

From your Chief

Hello everyone,

I wanted to convey to you that the Osseo Police Department is here to help you 24 hours a day during these uncertain times. I am so proud of the reaction of our police department here in Osseo. The police department has gone all-in with our response to Covid-19. All full-time officers are working without any time off. They have been told they have to work overtime hours to cover holes in the schedule to protect each person here in Osseo.



Chief Shane Mikkelson

In our mission statement, we highlight Leadership, Commitment, and Service. Each officer working the streets of Osseo has shown they are leaders in our community, committed to the job they have been hired to do even when they must sacrifice so much. They serve our community at significant personal risk. Our job cannot be done from home, and they put their health and their family's health on the line every day by coming to work.

Each officer has done what is asked of them without a complaint. They have changed plans, canceled vacations, and working during their scheduled time off to complete this enormous task of policing. I would like to say thank you to our officers, and I hope you can too.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU OSSEO! WHENEVER YOU NEED US JUST CALL 911!

Your Chief,

Shane Mikkelson

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Pedestrian safety is everyone's responsibility. Failure to yield the right-of-way and driver inattention/distraction are the main contributing factors in pedestrian crashes. Below are a few safety tips.

Safety for the driver

- Anticipate pedestrians especially in urban areas, around school and colleges
- Before you turn, look in all direction for pedestrians.
- Look carefully behind your vehicle before backing up, especially for small children.
- Watch for people in wheelchairs and motorized carts, who may be below the eye level.
- Stop for crossing pedestrians at every intersection, even those without crosswalks or stoplights

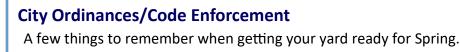
Safety tips for pedestrians

- Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections;
- Make eye contact with drivers and ensure they see you and will stop.
- Clearly show your intentions to cross.
- Watch for turning and passing vehicles.
- Look across all lanes for moving vehicles before proceeding.

Crime Prevention Tips

In order to protect yourself and your belongings, the Osseo Police Department encourages you to follow these tips below:

- Always lock your doors and windows
- Leave a light when you go away, even in the evening.
- Install motion sensor lights outside your home and out of reach so they can not be tampered with.
- Never prop open a door or let someone in behind you if you live in an apartment building.
- Be vigilant. If you suspect suspicious activity around your home, your neighbors homes, or in your neighborhood, please call 911 and report it immediately.



- Yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, weeds, garden waste, pine cones, acorns, twigs, and pruning's less than for inches in diameter.
- Yard waste does not include trees or brush having a diameter of more than four inches, rocks, concrete or other similar materials, fruit, ashes, dead animals, sod, lumber, or pond weed.
- Brush and branch trimmings less than four inches in diameter should be bundled (no more than 4 feet long and 20 inches in overall diameter.





What's Happening in your neighborhood?

Arrests:

A 29-year-old Maple Grove man was arrested for driving with a suspended driver's license. He was released with a citation.

A 51-year-old Crystal man was arrested for 3rd Degree DWI. He was booked and released from the Osseo Police Department following evidentiary testing.

A 42-year-old Minneapolis man was arrested for 5th degree sale of a controlled substance. He was transported and booked at Hennepin county jail.

A 66-year-old New Hope man was arrested for DWI, driving after cancellation-inimical to public safety, and possession of stolen property. He was transported to Hennepin County jail and booked.

A 42-year-old Osseo man was arrested for domestic assault. He was transported and booked at Hennepin County jail.

Incidents:

An officer was dispatched to the 200-block of 8th Avenue NE for a suspicious person. The reporting party stated that a male was walking on the edge of the road, stopping, and punching holes in the snowbank. They believed that he was hiding something. The officer checked the disturbed areas, but did not locate anything. After the snow began to melt the officer returned to check the area again and located drug paraphernalia in the snowbank.

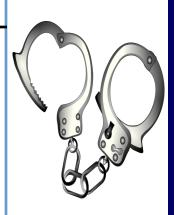
An officer was dispatched to the 200-block of 3rd Street NE for a disturbance; people arguing loudly. The officer encountered two people and identified them as the suspects. The officer learned that the dispute was verbal only and no physical violence occurred. The officer mediated the argument and verbally warned the suspects before sending them on their way. There were no criminal charges.

An officer responded to the 100-block of 8th Avenue NE for a disturbance. The complainant stated that a woman was outside yelling and screaming. The officer mediated the situation and verbally warned the suspect. There were no criminal charges.

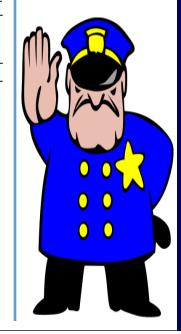
Officers responded to the 100-block of Regan Lane on a complaint of unwanted people on the property. Officers located two individuals matching the description; walking away from the area. They were trespassed from the property for a period of one year. There were no criminal charges.

An officer was dispatched to the 100-block of Central Avenue for a theft of merchandise. Following an investigation there was not sufficient evidence to identify the suspects. There were no criminal charges.

Officers responded to an audible intrusion alarm at a business in the 400-block of County 81 Service Rd. West. The premises was found to be secure. The cause of the alarm is unknown.



"Look Officer,
I'm not trying to
be difficult. All
I'm saying is, If
you caught me
then you were
speeding too."



Osseo Police Department Mission Statement

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OF ITS CITIZENS AND STRENGTHEN
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AND SERVICE



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