

# Burlington Police Department



## 2012 Annual Report

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Dear Mayor Davidson and Fellow Council Members:

On behalf of the men and women of the Burlington Police Department, it is our privilege and honor to present our 2012 annual report. The year represented completion of another year of service by the Department to our community. It was a year of progress and accomplishment for our agency, made possible not only by the dedication and professionalism of the Department's employees, but also by the outstanding support we receive from the City Manager, Council and our community at large.

Over the past year the Burlington Police Department has undergone a series of changes to include a new Chief of Police, a redefined command structure and a reduction in patrol and civilian staff, all while continuing a progressive move forward. While remaining vigilant in our effort to provide the most professional service to it's citizens, our department has begun the process of evaluating current processes in an effort to maximize efficiency during our difficult economic times. Our vision has always been and will continue to ensure a safe, prosperous community and to align ourselves in partnerships with other local and state agencies, schools, community organizations and most importantly our citizens.

Developing new strategies, incorporating new technology and expanding the knowledge and abilities of our personnel became priorities in 2012. We have assessed our current training initiatives and have begun the process of cross training to provide versatility in all personnel and improve efficiency department wide. Over the past year, we have realized by providing unique training and assignment opportunities this will allow for streamlined interaction of personnel in all divisions.

I have again included our mission statement and core values to emphasize our commitment to the community with the promise that we will work everyday to meet these standards.

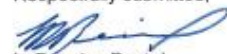
#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*The mission of the Burlington Police Department is to guarantee a peaceful community through the enforcement of state and local laws, impartially and without prejudice, and to uphold the Constitution of the United States. We are committed to the protection of human life, individual rights and personal property through continuous care and professional service.*

#### **CORE VALUES**

- 1. We will maintain a leadership role through training, education, use of technology, and continuous improvement of police service.*
- 2. We will respect the individual and cultural differences that make up our community.*
- 3. We will be sensitive and responsive to citizen needs and treat all people with dignity, respect, and fairness.*
- 4. We will be proactive in the reduction of crime.*
- 5. We will utilize our resources in the most efficient and effective manner.*
- 6. We will be professional, cooperative, and respectful to fellow employees.*
- 7. We will provide leadership and direction to reach our vision.*

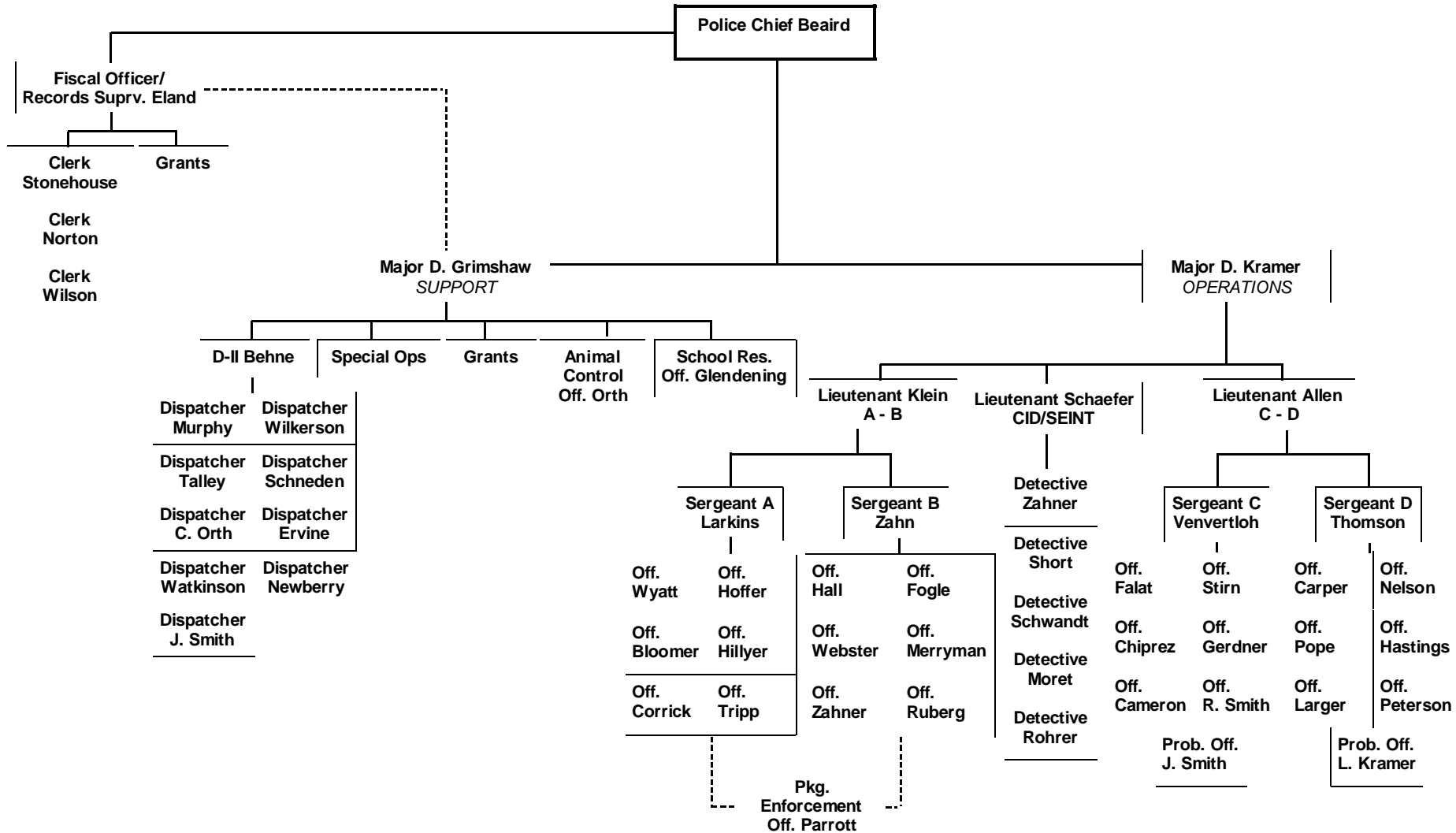
Respectfully submitted,

  
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Major of Operations

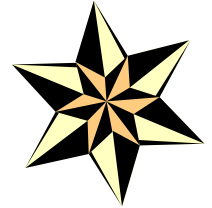
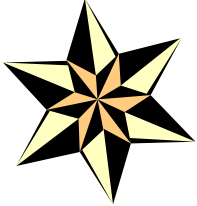
  
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Major of Administrative Services

# BURLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# **Burlington Police Department**

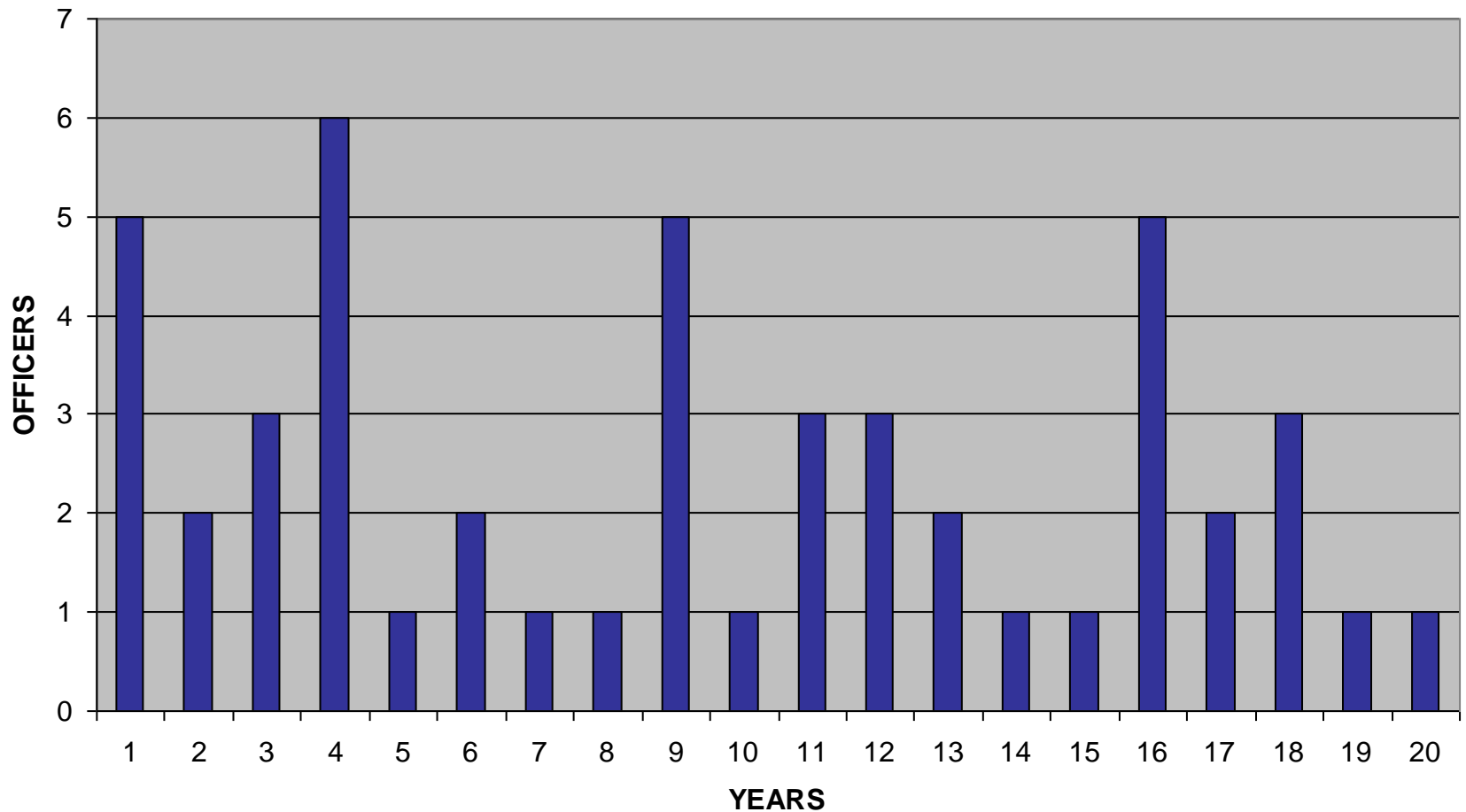
## **2012 Key Accomplishments**



- **Installation of a digital Eventide emergency communications recorder.**
- **Updated Pursuit Policy to include a review process.**
- **Restructured the Command Staff within the Department.**
- **Reprioritized the goals and objectives of the Southeast Iowa Narcotics Task Force.**
- **All sworn officers received Firearms Automated Training Scenarios.**
- **Per Federal mandate, converted all UHF/VHF radios to narrowband countywide.**
- **Established a Hostage Negotiation Team for the first time in Department history.**
- **Enhanced our ability to communicate and assist Landlords with tenant relationships.**
- **Introduced a school safety program whereby officers visit every school, every day.**

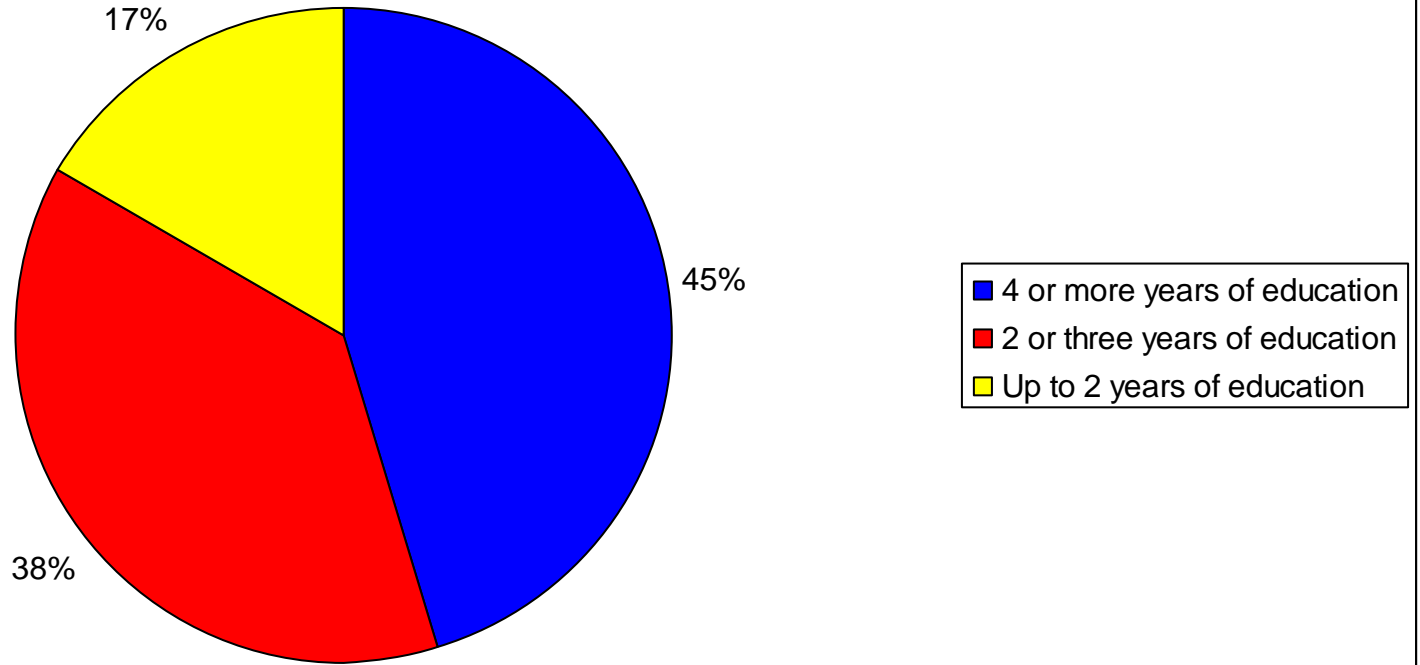
## YEARS OF SERVICE

AVERAGE 13.5 YEARS



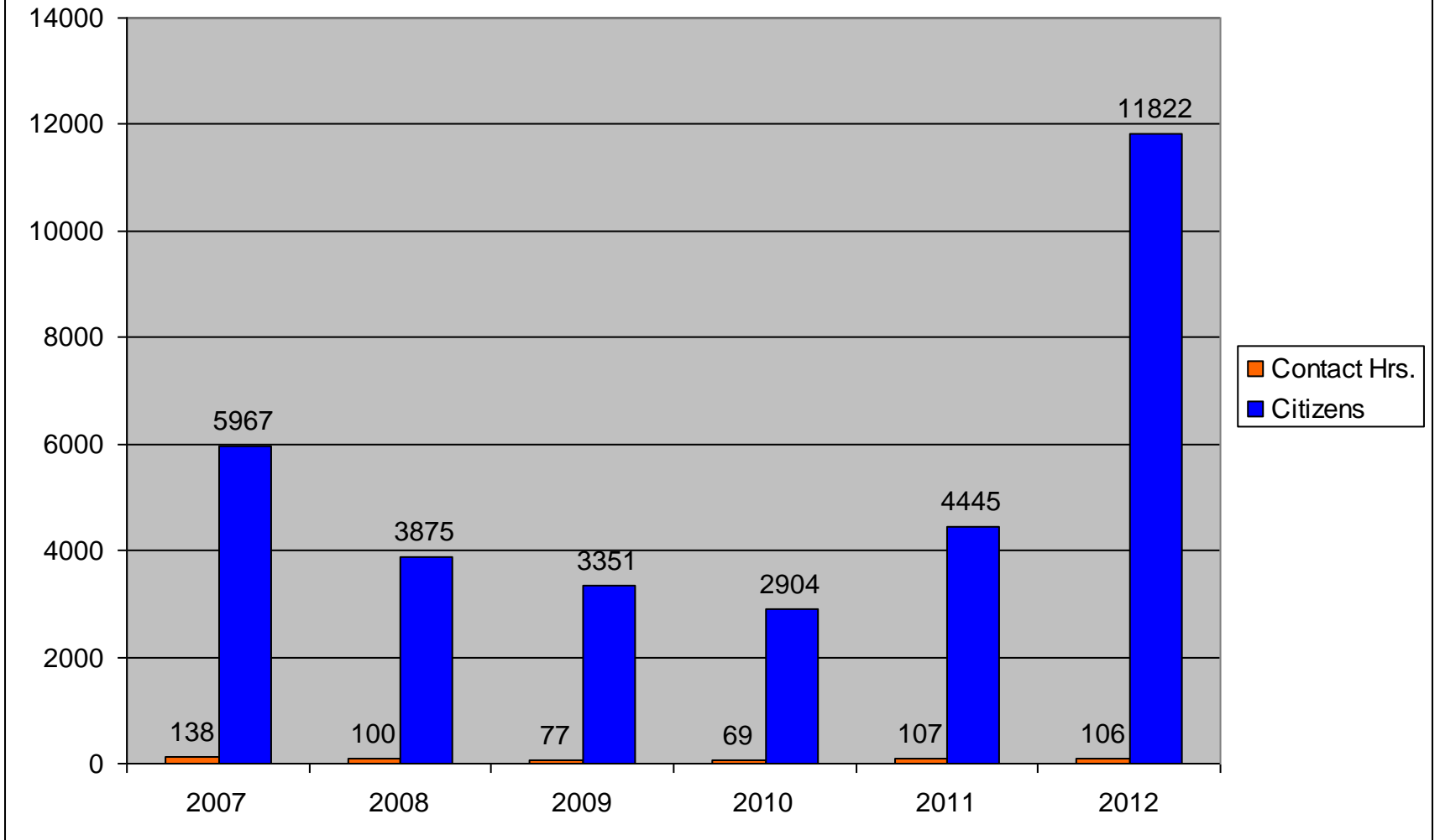
This graph indicates the number of years sworn police officers have worked for the Burlington Police Department as of December 31, 2012. The average number of years of service to the Burlington Police Department by sworn officers is 13.5 years.

## Years of Education



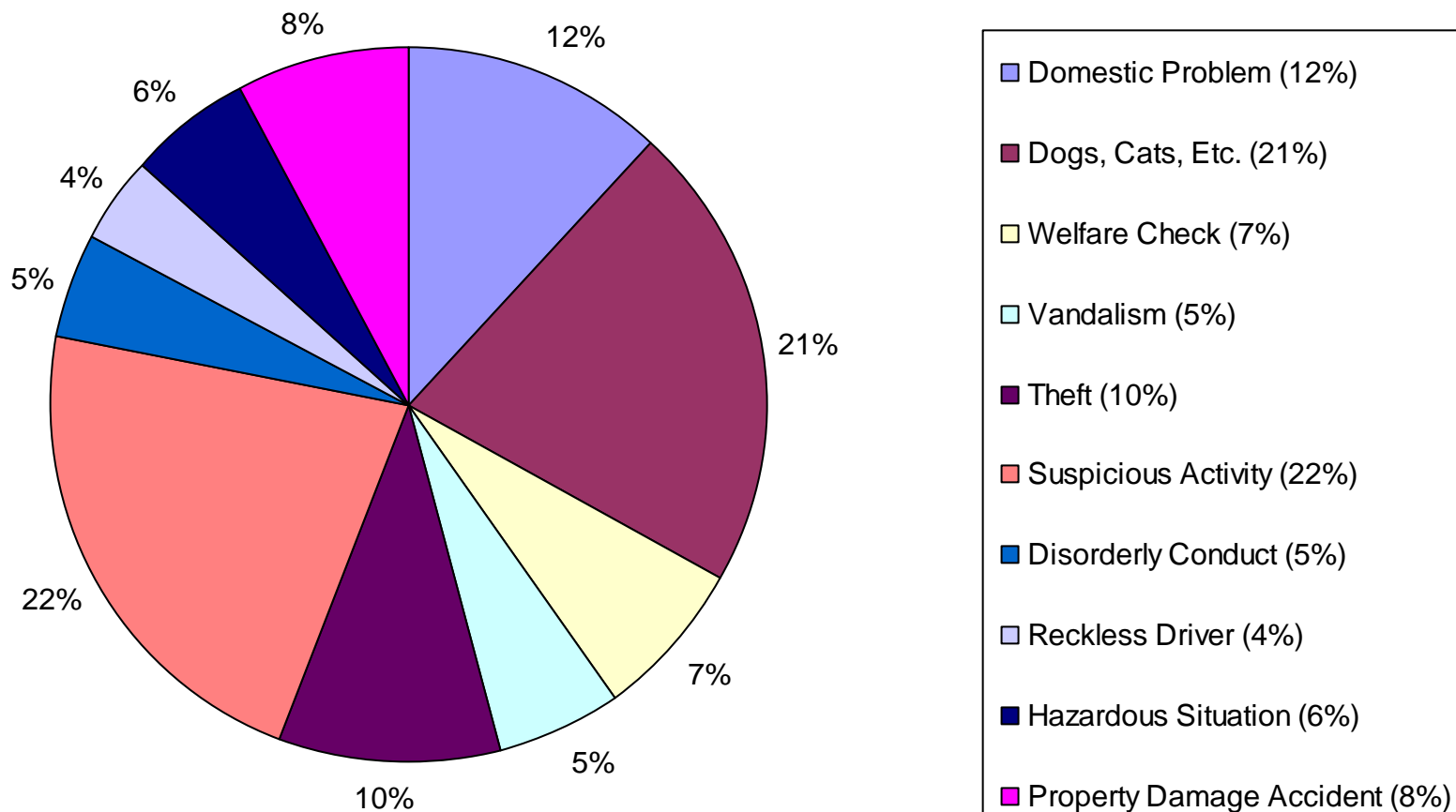
This graph demonstrates the years of education, following high school, that each sworn officer of the Burlington Police Department has obtained as of December 31, 2012.

## Presentations



This graph indicates the number of citizens in attendance and the amount of hours police officers utilized to educate and inform about various law enforcement topics during 2012.

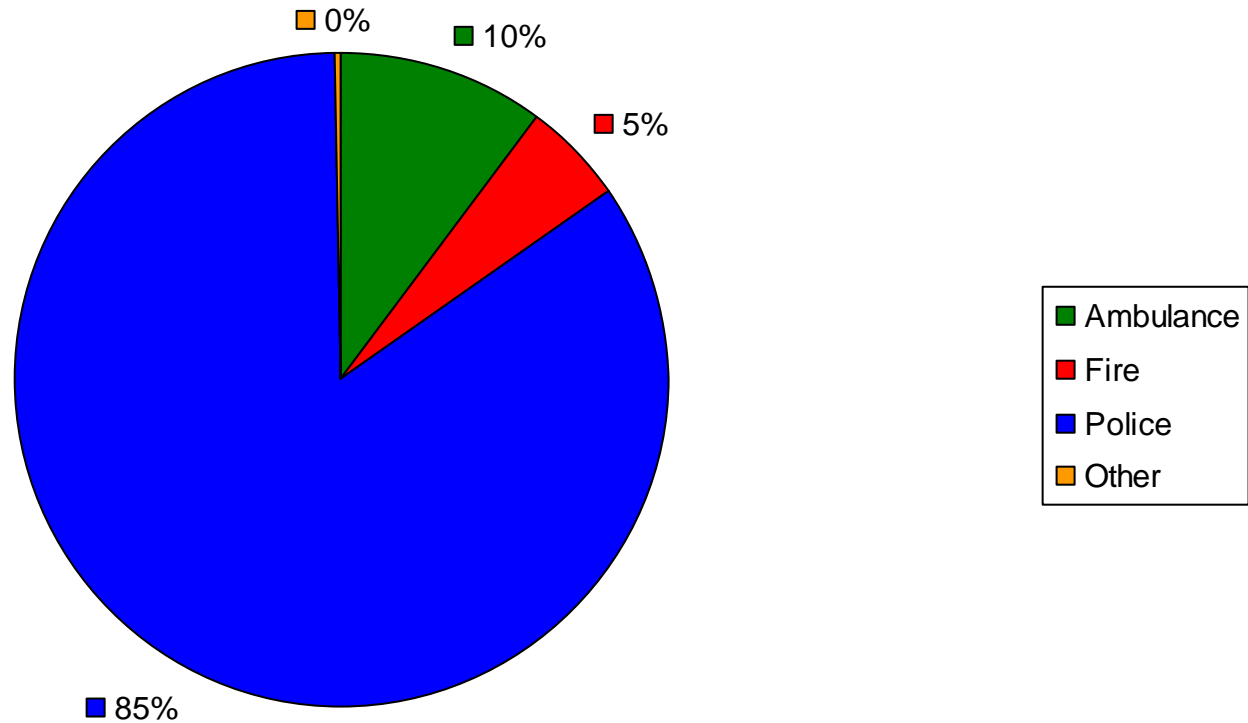
## Top Ten Calls For Service 2012



This graph represents the top ten calls for service that Burlington police officers responded to during 2012.

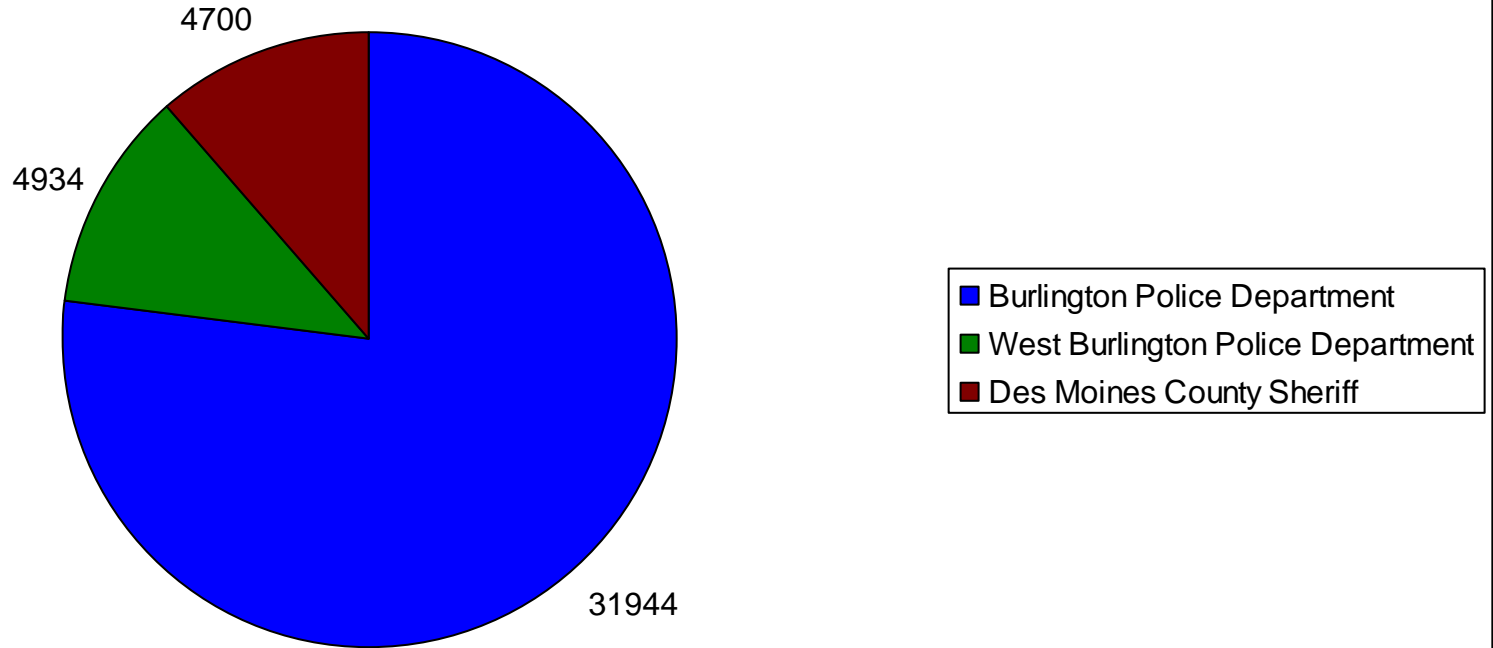


## Police Fire Ambulance Comparison of Calls for Service 2012



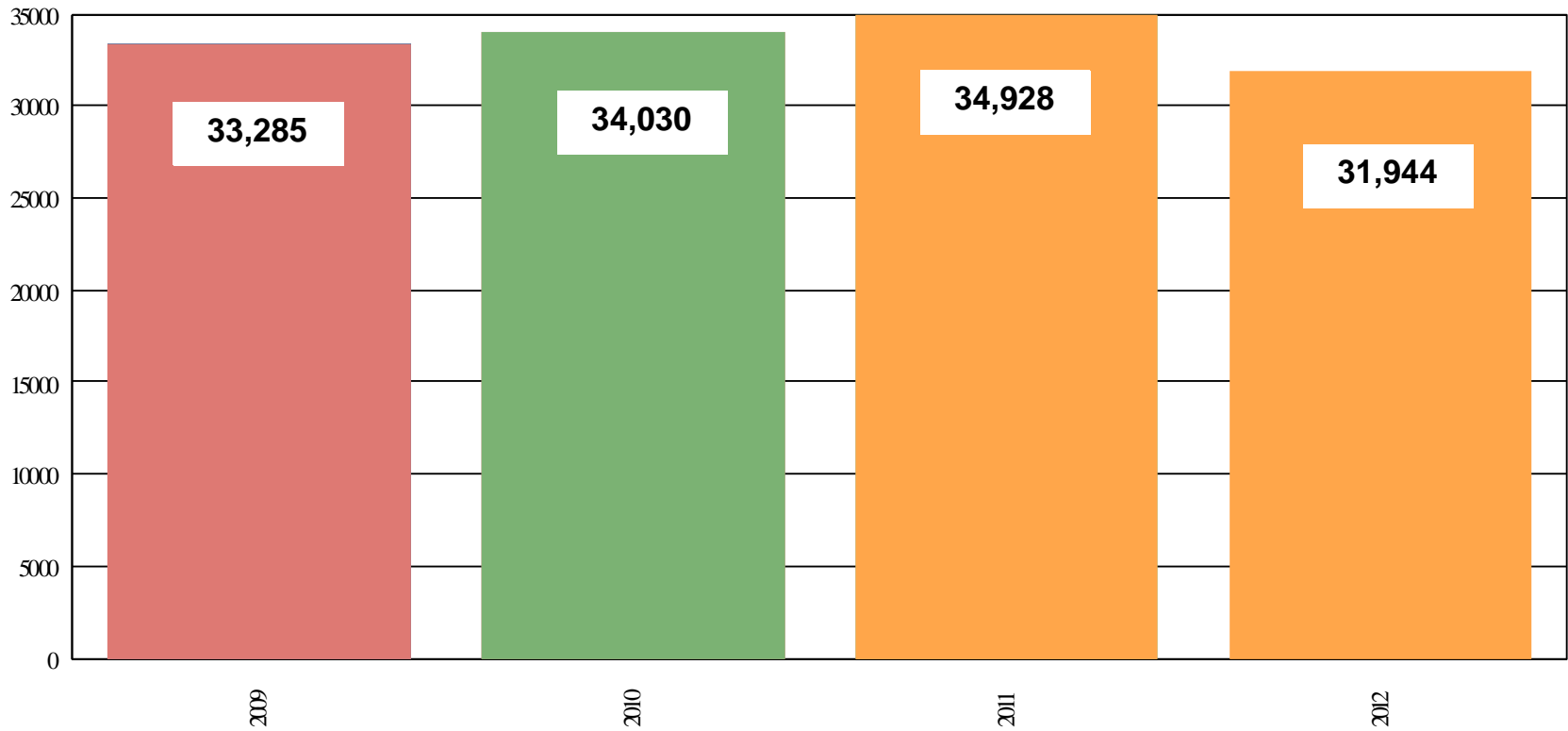
This graph represents the percentage of calls that the ambulance (EMT's/Paramedics), fire (fire fighters/command), police (police officers/deputies/command) and other (streets department, sanitation department, etc.) responded to during 2012. This graph represents all of Des Moines County

# Calls by Police Agency 2012



This graph represents the number of calls for service that each law enforcement agency was assigned to in 2012 thru our dispatch center. A call for service is when someone requests a police response.

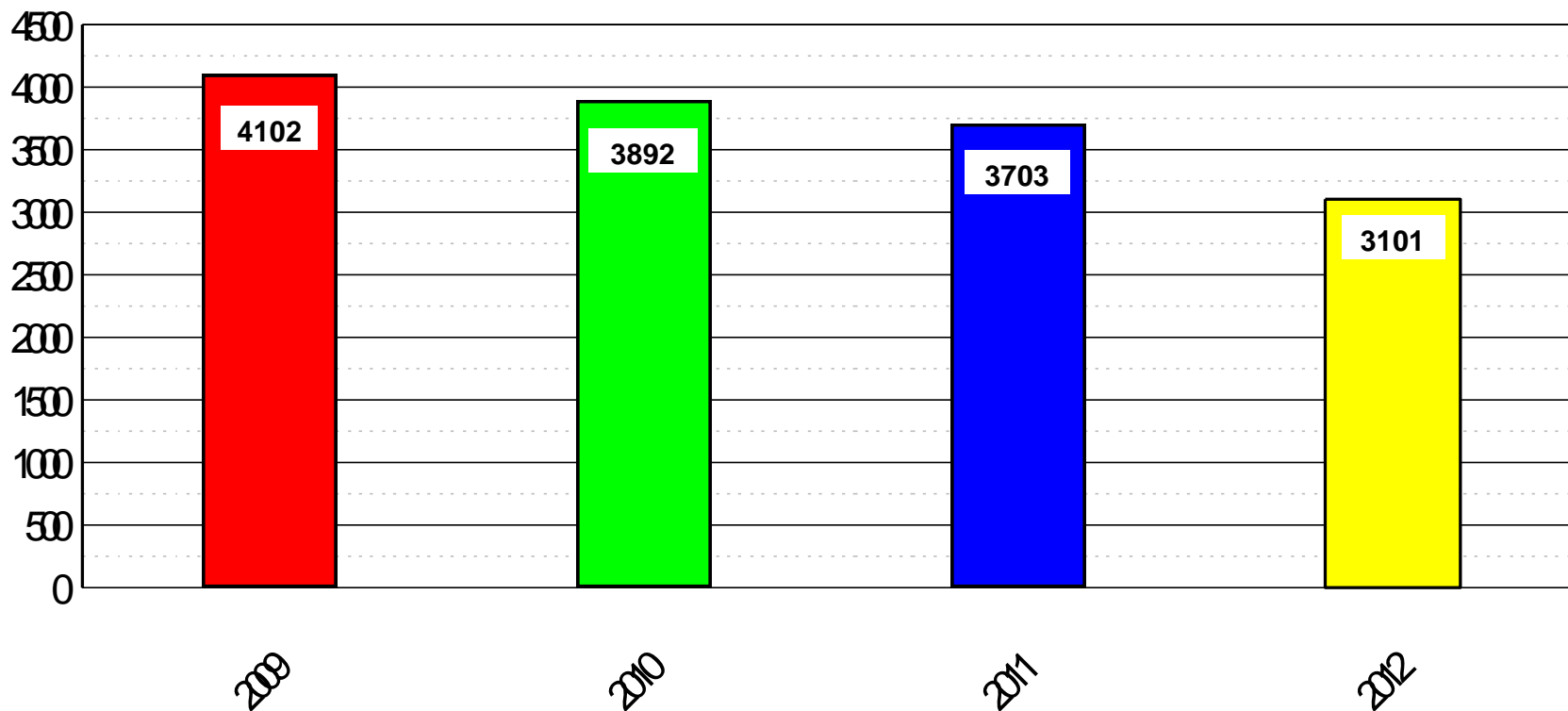
## Calls for Service 2009 - 2012



This chart represents the total number of calls for service for the Burlington Police Department from 2009 through 2012.

The following table further breaks down the information into specific call types.

## Yearly Comparison of Citations Issued 2009 - 2012



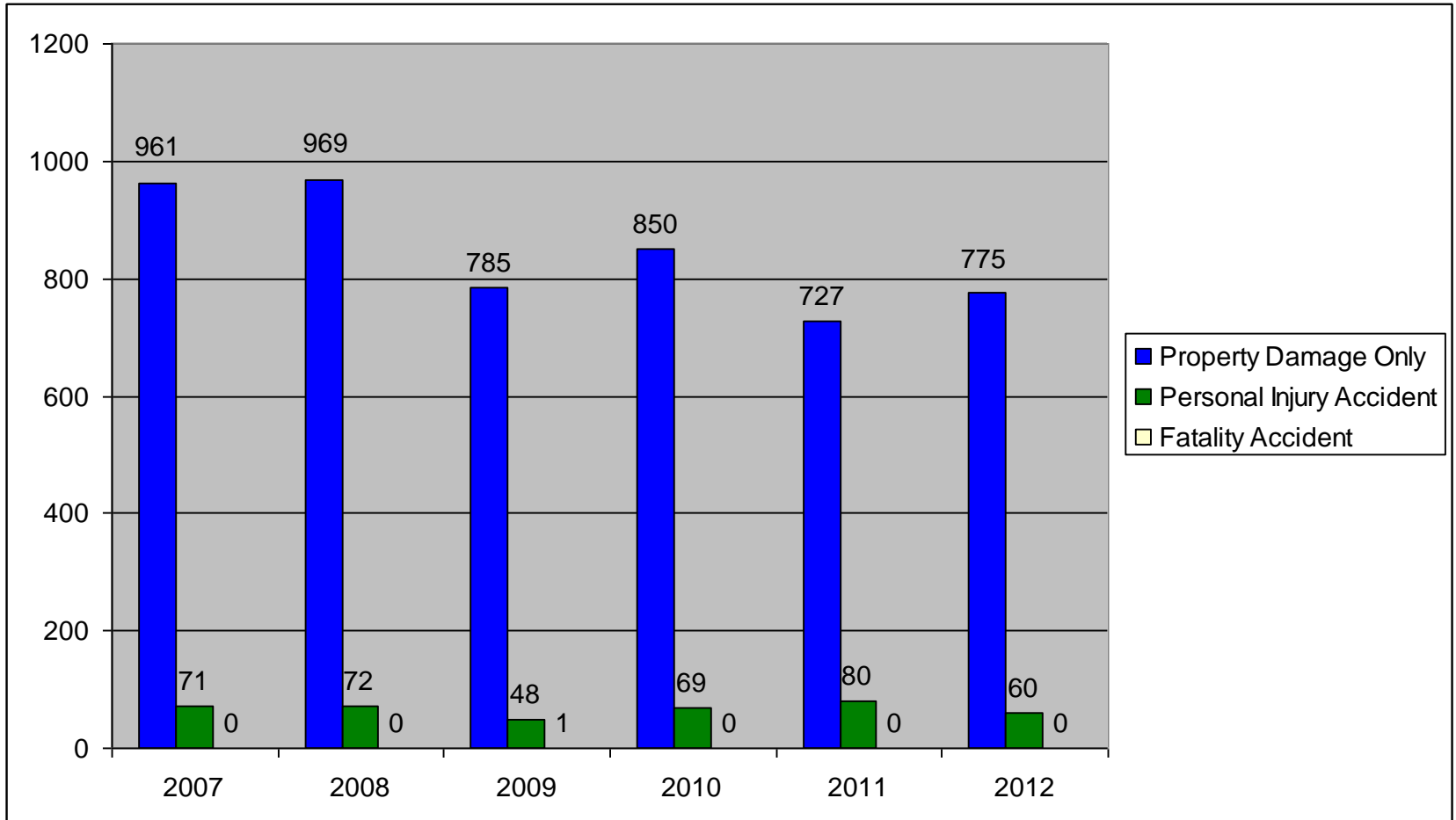
This graph represents the total number of citations issued by the Burlington Police Department from 2009 through 2012.

The table on the following page gives additional information about citations issued.

**Eight Most Frequent Traffic Citations Issued  
2009 - 2012**

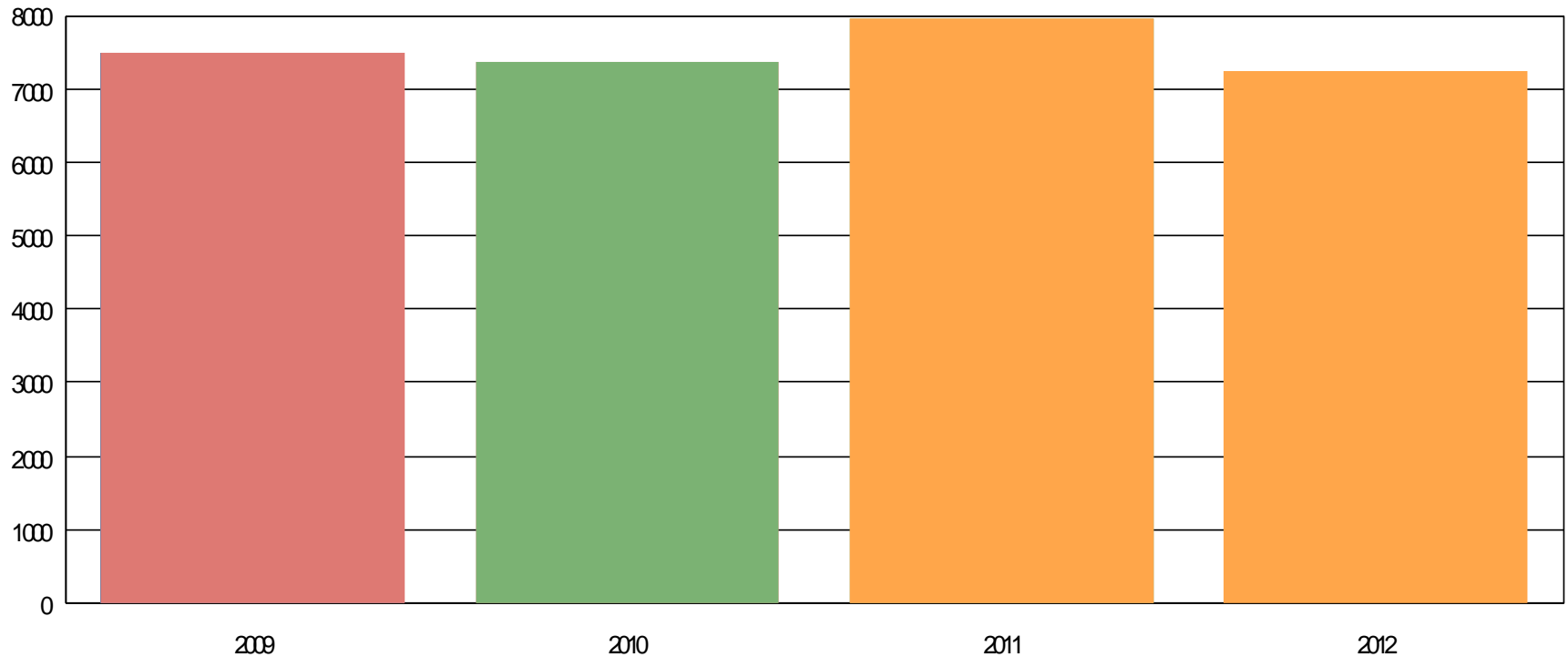
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>SPEEDING</b>	1000	1056	845	1056
<b>SEATBELT VIOLATION</b>	707	579	385	492
<b>CHILD RESTRAINT VIOLATION</b>	33	38	45	48
<b>NO PROOF OF INSURANCE</b>	116	152	142	234
<b>LICENSE SUSPENDED OR REVOKED</b>	588	585	652	619
<b>OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED</b>	116	152	142	184
<b>FAILURE TO STOP AT TRAFFIC SIGNAL</b>	127	163	152	178
<b>NON-REGISTERED VEHICLE</b>	506	437	498	333

## Motor Vehicle Accidents 2007 - 2012



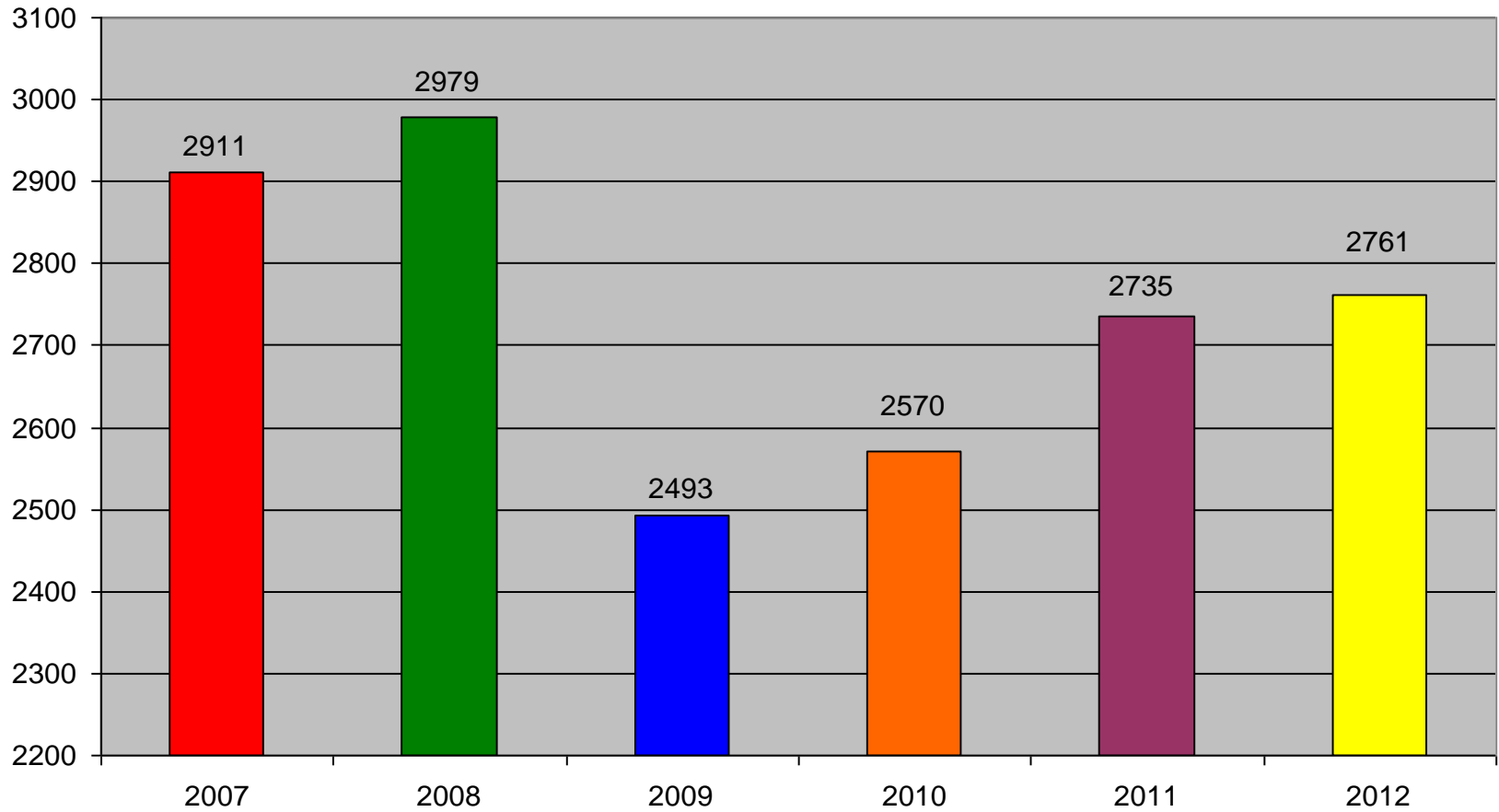
This graph represents the number of motor vehicle crashes that police officers responded to from 2007 through 2012. The accidents are further broken down based on if only property damage occurred, if a person was injured or if a person was killed.

## Count of Offenses per Year 2009—2012



This graph represents calls for service that generated a police report. The following table further breaks down the information into specific offenses for Incident Based Reporting submission to the FBI.

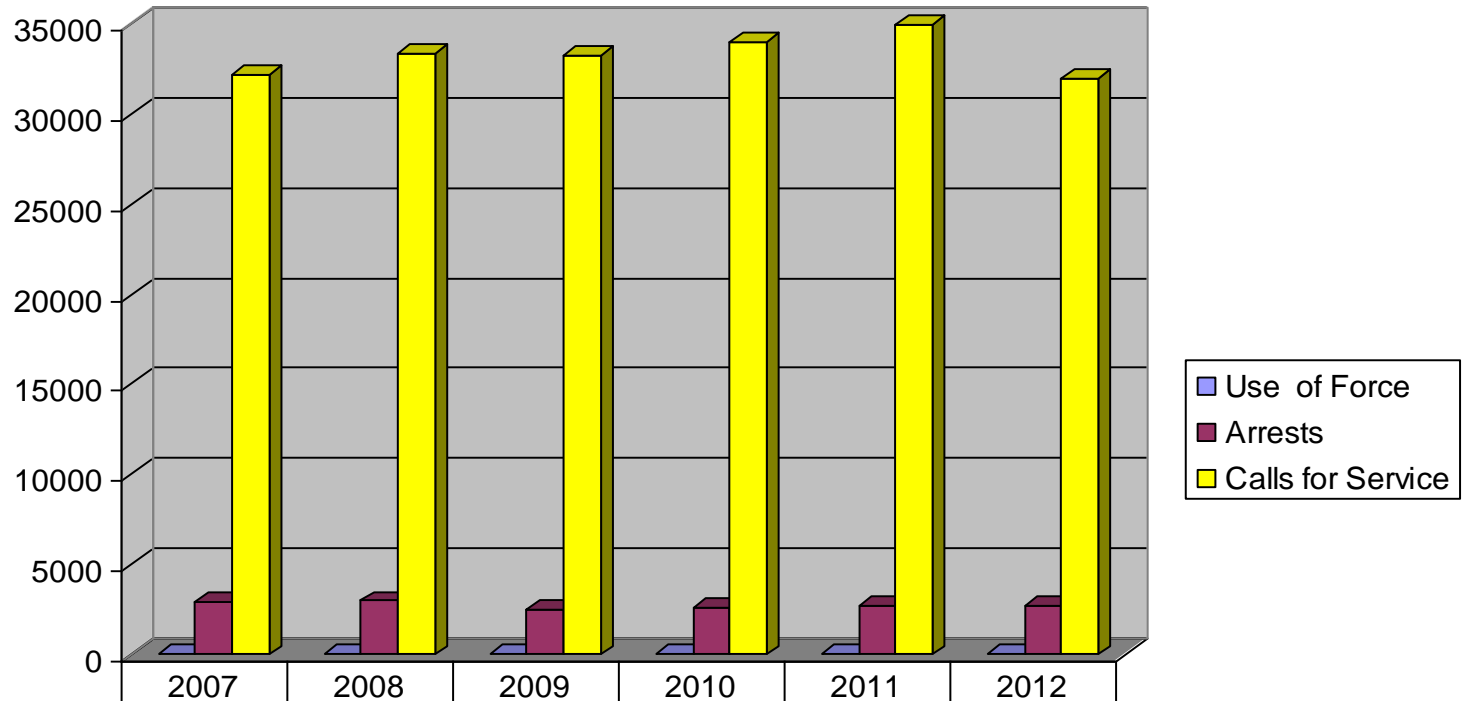
## COUNT OF ARRESTS PER YEAR 2007 - 2012



This graph represents the number of arrests made by Burlington police officers from 2007 through 2012. The following table further breaks down the number of arrests into the actual charges for Incident Based Reporting to the FBI.



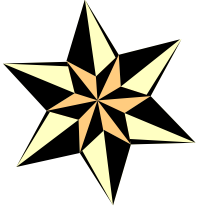
## Frequency of Force in Arrests 2007 - 2012



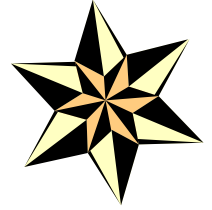
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Use of Force	28	21	26	30	26	31
Arrests	2914	2981	2492	2570	2735	2761
Calls for Service	32191	33344	33285	34030	34928	31944

This graph represents how many times Burlington police officers used force to arrest an individual from 2007 through 2012. It is valuable to compare the volume of calls for service and arrests with the smaller incidence of force. Force is defined as anything more than verbal commands needed to handcuff a noncompliant arrestee.

# Burlington Police Department



## 2013 Goals



- **Continue to move forward with the new police facility project.**
- **Maintain a 98% compliance rate for seatbelt usage with limited grant funding.**
- **Consolidate emergency communications in a four-county region.**
- **Deploy Emergency Medical Dispatching capabilities.**
- **Update the security plan for Steamboat Days.**
- **Implement a GPS System in all squad cars to enhance response time and officer safety.**
- **Increase interactions with neighborhoods, schools and local businesses by reprioritizing patrol techniques.**