

A REPORT TO OUR CITIZENS 2022

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# **Mission** We make safer places for you to live, work and play.

#### 2022 Highlight

The City of Star has a new Police Station. In the past the Star Police Department has worked out of the Star City Hall and for the first time, Star Police Department has a fully operational police station. We cannot thank the city enough, to include Mayor Trevor Chadwick, Councilman David Hershey, Councilman Kevin Neilsen, Councilwoman Jennifer Salmonsen and Councilman Kevan Wheelock for their support in providing this new facility to the City of Star. A special thanks goes to Star Fire Chief Greg Timinsky and the Star Fire District for their support and help getting the station built and allowing us to be their neighbors. This new building will be very beneficial to all residence of Star with new interview rooms, more office space, and a training/conference room. We invite all members of the community to come by and see the new station. The front lobby hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 am to 5 pm and Friday from 8am to 12pm. The City of Star also added two patrol sergeants to increase the officer-to-citizen ratio and provide more support to our patrol deputies. This allows for more deputies in the community for a better response to calls, increased officer safety and to ensure work quality.

This report provides a good snapshot of how our rapid population gain in Star has not brought higher crime rates with it, so that is good news. Check it out If you want to get an idea of what is happening in our city.

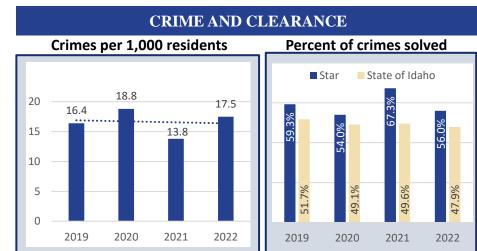


### Message from Star Police Chief Zach Hessing

We would like to thank the residents of Star for their unwavering support of law enforcement. It is a privilege to serve such a great community as we work with one another to keep our crime rate low and each other safe.

2022 was a busy year for Star as we continue to grow. The City of Star has grown the population to approximately 16,000 people, like the rest of the Treasure Valley, we're having some growing pains. The Star Police Department now has 8 patrol deputies, 2 patrol sergeants, 2 detectives and 1 admin assistant. Even though we are growing, I am amazed how the community members get to know each other and watch out for one another. The City of Star truly is a great City to live in.

The Star Police Department remains committed to working hard, enforcing the laws that keep our community safe, helping our citizens solve problems when we're able, and keeping a great relationship with our community. We look forward to 2023 and working with all of you to make Star a safer place to live, work and play.



\*State of Idaho Clearance % estimate, Feb-2023.

## **CRIMES BY TYPE**

	2020	2021	2022
Person Offenses*	60	74	107
Person Felony Cases	25	26	13
Person Misdemeanor Cases	29	42	23
Property Offenses*	99	59	92
Property Felony Cases	54	27	48
Property Misdemeanor Cases	40	27	38

\*Offenses are a count of severity of offenses, for Persons Offenses they represent when there are multiple victims, per NIBRS standards.

Star Calls	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Community Call	1,342	2,132	2,615	2,207	2,567
Officer Initiated	5,464	6,452	6,745	5,727	10,045
Total	6,806	8,584	9,360	7,934	12,612
Priority Calls	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
P3 - Emergency	26	38	22	34	35
P2 - High Priority	2,555	3,007	2,887	2,539	3,987
P1-0 - Low Priority	4,225	5,539	6,451	5,361	8,590
Call Activity / Arrest	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Case Arrests*	128	93	98	114	123
Traffic Crash Call	57	106	121	132	105
DUI Call	63	102	89	89	47
Crisis/Mental Hold /Suicide type Calls	51	51	50	50	78
Narcotic Type Call	10	9	12	7	15
Juvenile Issues Call	83	92	101	149	134
School Security Call	309	450	444	453	630
Offense Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mental Hold Cases	17	17	20	16	14

#### **Training and Specialties**

The Star Police Department is fortunate to have 1 SWAT Deputy, 2 Emergency Vehicle Operation Course Instructors, Crisis Negotiator, Honor Guard, 2 Drone Operators, 4 Patrol Training Officers, Fraud investigator, 2 Trained Acting Field Commander's, Breath Test Specialist, 2 Crime Scene Investigator's, Defensive Tactics Instructor, Cell Phone Investigations, Interview Techniques, Commercial Vehicle Specialist, Motorcycle Patrol, Child Crimes Investigator, Terrorism Liaison Officer and a Fusion Liaison Officer (Intelligence).

City	Population	Budget 21-22	Cost per Resident
Garden City	13,040	\$5,295,397	\$406.09
Boise	243,570	\$74,086,034	\$304.17
Unincorporated	66,240	\$17,141,672	\$258.78
Nampa	109,120	\$28,512,340	\$261.29
Meridian	133,470	\$27,651,625	\$207.17
Caldwell	66,450	\$12,049,998	\$181.34
Kuna	27,480	\$2,715,073	\$98.80
Eagle	33,960	\$3,572,671	\$105.20
Star	15,230	\$1,518,780	\$99.72
TOTAL Pop/\$	708,560	\$172,543,590	
Average	78,729	\$19,171,510	\$243.51

**Star Police Team Chief Zachary Hessing** Sgt. Jonathan Steele Sgt. Travis De Bie **Administrative Assistant** Jada Butterfield **Blue Team Deputy Derick Brashears Deputy Jon Cleveland** Deputy Dale Morehouse **Deputy Jacob Breckon** Silver Team **Deputy Justin Prather Deputy Jason Woodcook Deputy Michael Henderson Deputy Austin Eckhardt** Detectives Det. Damian Rodriguez- Property Crimes Det. Ashley Turner – Person Crimes School Resource Officers Det. Rob Fowler

Star Budget Breakdown	%	
Personnel	90%	
Vehicles	2.3%	
Operational	1.2%	
Equipment / Uniforms	6%	
Support	.004%	
Total Star Police Cost	\$ 1,633,097	
Shared Services Credit	\$ (114,317)	
Net Star Police Contract	\$ 1,518,780	

Data references: CAD Data is from CAD SQL database, Offense and Arrests from RMS database: Ada County Sheriffs Office

