MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date: **September 23, 2026**
Time: **07:00 p.m.**
Location: **Montgomery Township Board Conference Room**
Attendees:

Board of Supervisors Liaison:	Eric Pelletier
Township Manager:	Not Present
Police Department Representatives:	Chief William R. Peoples
Fire Department Representative:	Not Present
VMSC of Lansdale Representatives:	Not Present
Public Works Department Representative:	Director Greg Reiff

Resident Appointees:	Chair John O'Connor
	Dan Gormley
	John Nolan
	Matt Shinton
	Bernie Heinze

Resident in Attendance:	Supervisor Audrie Ware-Jones
	Jay Washeski
	Walter Zwoliski
	Neil Franklin
	Tom Alesi

NOTE: Simple majority of resident appointees is need for a quorum.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**: John O'Connor

2. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTHS MINUTES:**

Motion made to accept the minutes by: John Nolan

Motion to accept the amended meeting minutes seconded by:

Dan Gormerly

Motion carried: 5-0

1. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None received.

2. **OLD BUSINESS: None**

3. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Police Department: See attached reports.

FDMT/DFS: See attached reports

VMSC: See attached reports.

Public Works: See attached reports

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Residents Walter Zwoliski, Neil Franklin, and Tom Alesi, residents of the Stump Road area between Witchwood Drive and Welch Road, expressed concerns regarding speeding and tractor-trailers traveling on Stump Road in violation of a recently enacted Township ordinance and posted signage. The concerns were noted and will be referred to the Montgomery Township Police Department Highway Safety Unit for enforcement and educational follow-up.

Resident Jay Washeski requested clarification regarding the Police Department's monthly report, specifically why the Calls for Service numbers do not correspond with the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Part I and Part II crime statistics. An explanation was provided regarding the differences between Calls for Service and UCR Part I and Part II crimes. It was clarified that Calls for Service include a broad range of activities to which the Police Department responds or that officers initiate, many of which do not constitute reportable UCR crimes. As a result, the

number of Calls for Service will generally be greater than the number of UCR Part I and Part II crimes reported.

Committee Member Matt Shinton requested information regarding the fire study and when it would be completed. Supervisor Eric Pelletier advised that the fire study has been completed but has not yet been presented to the Board of Supervisors. A formal presentation of the fire study is scheduled for the Board of Supervisors meeting on September 28, 2026.

Committee Member Bernie Heinze asked the group whether the Volunteer Medical Service Corps (VMSC) has an ambulance specifically equipped to respond to stroke victims, similar to one used by a local jurisdiction. As the group was not aware of such a specialized ambulance, Committee Member Heinze stated that he would contact VMSC to inquire about its availability and capabilities.

5. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made to adjourn by: Dan Gormerly

Motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by: John Nolan

Motion carried.5-0

Meeting concluded at 8:08 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for October 21, 2026 @ 07:00 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Chief William R. Peoples 9/24/2026

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT









MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

AUGUST 2026

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

August Activity Report for 2026

Crime Data:	Total Calls for Service:	2,465
	Total Part I Crimes:	37
	Total Part II Crimes:	106
	Total Criminal Arrests:	59
Crash Data:	Total Crashes:	64
	Reportable Crashes:	16
	Non Reportable Crashes:	48
	Injuries:	15
Traffic Enforcement Activities:	Traffic Stops:	662
	Traffic Citations:	309
	Warning Notices:	9
	Field Contact Cards:	513
	Traffic Complaints Received	31
	Selective Enforcements:	99
Other Police Activities:	Assist Fire Department:	19
	Building Alarms:	69
	Direct Patrols:	408
	Lockouts:	12
	Medical Assistance:	142
	School Walk-Through:	0
	Vacant Home Checks:	10
	Training Hours:	513.8
Specality Unit Usage:	Canine Unit:	8
	Mobile Incident Response Team:	0
	Montgomery County SWAT-CR:	0
Bus Patrol Violations	Violations reviewed	16
	Civil Citations Issued	12
Red Light Camera Violations	Violations reviewed	249
	Civil Citations Issued	231

Violation Statistics - Workflow (Law Enforcement)

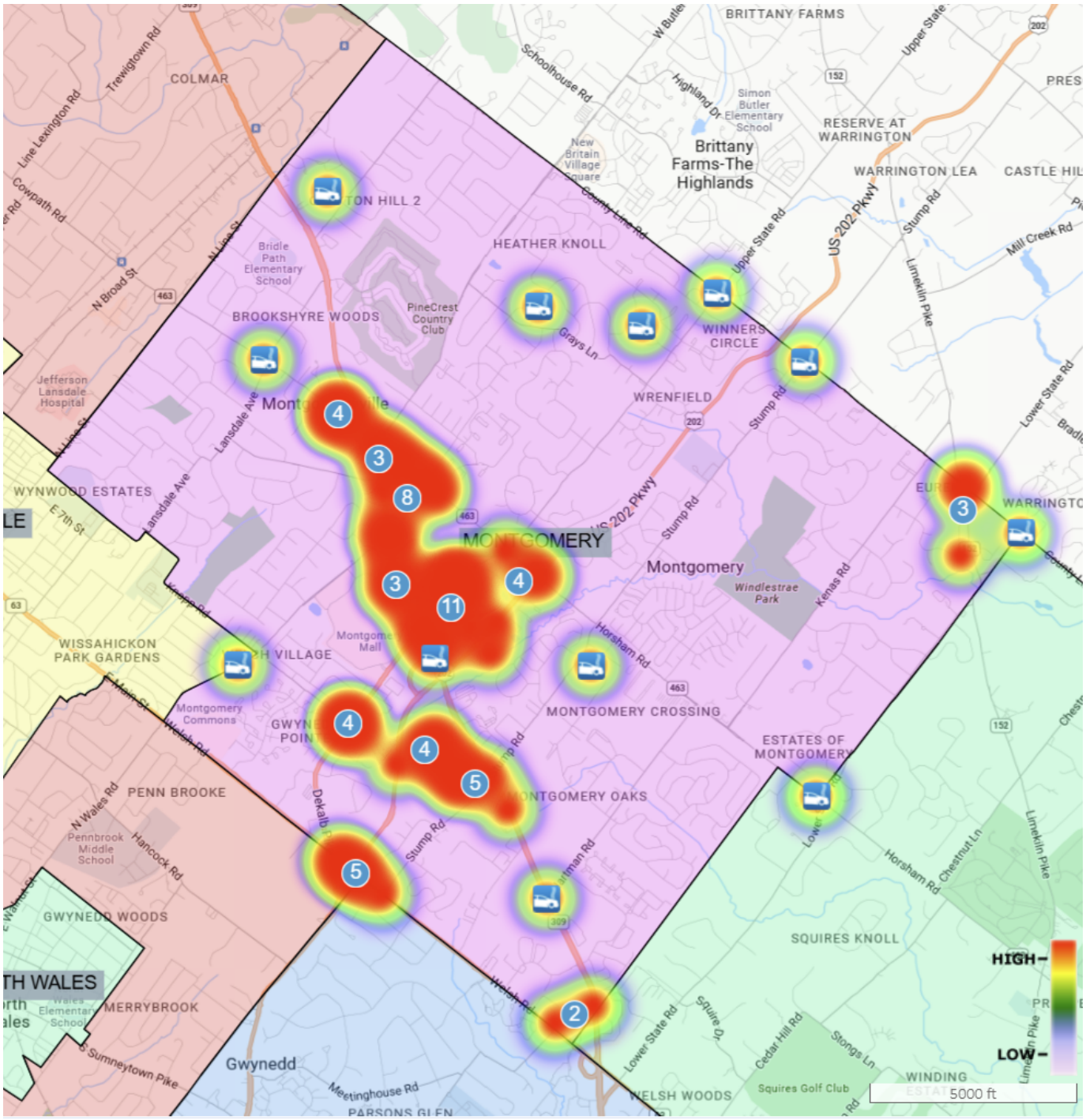
Selection Criteria:

Violation Event Date From: 08/01/2026
Violation Event Date To: 08/31/2026

Law Enforcement Stage Review:

Total Accepted Events (Backoffice)		435	
Violation Not Processed			
New Violations	186		42,76%
In Review	0		0%
		186	
Violation Processed			
Rejected Violations	18		4,14%
Accepted Violations	231		53,1%
		249	

AUGUST 2026 CRASH HEAT MAP



MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
0510	BURGLARY	**2**
0610	THEFT	**1**
0613	THEFT SHOPLIFTING	**16**
0615	THEFT AUTO PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	**1**
0617	THEFT FROM BUILDING	**4**
0619	THEFT ALL OTHERS	**8**
0710	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	**2**
0800	SIMPLE ASSAULT	**2**
1130	FRAUD ALL OTHERS	**21**
1342	RECOVER STOLEN PROPERTY NOT FOR LOCAL THEFTS	**3**
1440	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF ALL	**3**
1445	PROPERTY DAMAGE REPORT	**6**
1810	DRUG POSSESSION OFFENSE	**18**
1850	OVERDOSE	**1**
2040	FAMILY OFFENSES - DOMESTIC	**11**
2111	DUI-ALCOHOL/UNDER INFL	**5**
2420	DISORDERLY CONDUCT / HARASSMENT	**1**
2450	NOISE COMPLAINT	**6**
2619	PFA/ICC VIOLATION	**2**
2640	MUN ORD VIOLATIONS	**2**

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
2654	DISTURBANCE	**15**
2656	THREATS	**1**
2657	HARASSMENT	**10**
2660	TRESPASSING	**1**
2665	FIREWORKS	**1**
2670	ALL OTHER OFFENSES (EXCEPT TRAFFIC)	**2**
4014	OPEN DOORS/WINDOWS GENERAL POLICE	**3**
4020	SUSPICIOUS AUTO	**37**
4021	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	**32**
4022	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	**2**
4023	SHOTS FIRED - REPORTS	**1**
4026	DOWN-WIRES / POLES /TREES / LIMBS	**1**
4051	ALARM BURGLARY OR HOLD UP RESIDENCE	**53**
4052	ALARM BURGLARY OR HOLDUP NON RESIDENCE	**8**
4081	JUVENILE MATTER (NON CRIMINAL ONLY)	**1**
4100	ALARMS (FIRE ALARMS)	**7**
4102	ALARM - CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM	**1**
4504	ATTEMPTED SUICIDES	**1**
4510	UNATTENDED DEATHS	**1**
5004	FOUND ARTICLES	**9**

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
5008	LOST ARTICLES	**5**
5010	MISSING PERSON	**3**
5502	BARKING DOG/ANIMAL NOISE	**3**
5506	LOST / FOUND / STRAY ANIMALS	**4**
5510	ANIMAL COMPLAINTS ALL	**23**
6006	REPORTABLE MV CRASH W/INJURY	**8**
6008	REPORTABLE MV CRASH NO INJURIES	**6**
6016	NON REPORTABLE MV CRASH	**39**
6017	NON REPORTABLE MV CRASH HIT & RUN	**10**
6305	SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT TRAFFIC	**99**
6308	TRAFFIC MV COMPLAINT	**31**
6310	TRAFFIC ENFORCE / STOP	**633**
6335	TRAFFIC HAZARD	**15**
6336	DISABLED MV	**27**
6510	PARKING ENFORCEMENT	**10**
6511	PARKING VIOLATION COMPLAINT	**9**
6602	ABANDONED IMPOUND/TOWAWAY	**12**
6612	SIGNALS SIGNS OUT	**7**
6615	TRAFFIC COUNTER DEPLOYMENT / RADAR SIGN	**5**
7004	VACANT HOME CHECK	**10**

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
7006	LOCK OUT	**12**
7008	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	**142**
7010	NOTIFICATIONS	**8**
7014	OTH PUB SERV/WELFARE CHK	**40**
7015	ASSIST CITIZEN	**56**
7025	EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED PERSON (EDP)	**5**
7502	ASSISTING-FIRE DEPT	**19**
7504	ASSISTING-OTHER POLICE DP	**26**
7506	ASSISTING-OTHER AGENCIES	**14**
7522	ASSISTING OTHER OFFICER	**1**
7552	PROCESS OTHER AGENCY PRISONER	**1**
7818	K9 MEDICAL TREATMENT / VET VISIT	**1**
8110	WARRANTS-OTHER AGENCIES	**8**
8252	WARRANT ATTEMPT TO SERVE	**6**
8504	PRISONER WATCH /JAIL DUTY/TRANSPORT	**17**
9002	ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES	**133**
9003	COMMUNITY POLICING	**5**
9008	COURT	**25**
9016	LOCAL ADMIN USE	**50**

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
9020	POLICE INFORMATION	**39**
9021	TRAINING	**26**
9025	FIELD CONTACT INFORMATION	**3**
9028	FINGERPRINT	**7**
9029	CIVIL MATTER	**4**
9030	SPECIAL DETAIL ASSIGNMENT	**12**
9031	DARE / DRUG AWARENESS	**1**
9033	MUNICIPAL PERMIT APPLICATION	**1**
9034	REPOSSESSION	**2**
9050	BACKGROUND CHECK	**11**
9052	PFA INFORMATION	**8**
9060	SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM	**4**
9068	COMMUNITY RELATIONS ACTIVITY	**1**
9071	DIRECTED PATROL	**408**
9085	SURRENDER OF PROPERTY (NOT RECOVERY)	**1**
911	911 HANG UP / CHK WELFARE	**94**
9112	FOOT PATROL	**18**
9115	FOLLOW UP	**29**
9118	CHILDSEAT INSPECTIION	**2**
9119	CHILD LINE / CYS	**2**

MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls for Service

Year 2026 August

Code	Call for Service	Totals
9192	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	**28**
9193	DAMAGE TO PATROL CAR	**1**
9988	RETURN TO STATION	**1**
9989	CALL BY PHONE	**38**
9998	DAILY ASSIGNMENTS	**58**
9999	NON-CAT DATA	**11**
	Grand Total	**2651**

COMMENDATIONS:

On August 17, 2026, the department received a card from B. Kwak thanking Officer Mason Strauss for his assistance during a call for service.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING:

On August 5th and 6th, 2026, Detective Seydel attended Swat Training in Montgomery County.

On August 17th and 18th, 2026, Officer Thomas attended Drone Search and Rescue Training in Towamencin Township.

On August 19, 2026, Sgt. Woch, Officer Haber, and Officer Eufrassio attended Canine Training in Montgomery Township.

On August 30 , 2026 – September 4, 2026, Sgt. Rushin attended National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA) Law Enforcement Conference in Nashville, TN.

On August 31, 2026, Sgt. Woch, Officer Haber, and Officer Eufrassio attended Canine Training in Montgomery Township.

NOTABLE INCIDENTS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

During August 2026, Montgomery Township Police Department officers responded to a variety of incidents involving criminal activity, domestic disputes, mental health crises, drugs, traffic-related offenses, and emergency medical situations. The following represents notable incidents and enforcement activity during the month.

Retail Theft — August 10, 2026
Officers responded to Target for a reported retail theft in progress. The suspect selected and concealed approximately $326.72 in merchandise before exiting the store without rendering payment. The suspect fled in a black Honda Accord before officers arrived. Through investigative follow-up, the suspect was identified based on prior retail theft incidents. On August 14, an officer located the vehicle and conducted a traffic stop, resulting in the suspect's arrest. The suspect had two prior retail theft convictions, making the current offense a felony.

Domestic Assault — August 2, 2026
Officers responded to the 1200 block of Welsh Road for a reported domestic assault. The victim reported that the suspect arrived at the residence intoxicated, entered the bedroom, and encroached on her personal space while she was with her infant child. After the victim pushed

the suspect away, the suspect struck her in the face and back and grabbed her arm. Officers observed visible injuries, including a swollen eyelid and redness to the victim's cheek. The suspect was arrested and charged with simple assault and harassment.

Cardiac Arrest / Life-Saving Measures — August 24, 2026
Officers responded to the Spring Valley Park tennis courts for a reported cardiac arrest. A bystander had initiated CPR prior to officers' arrival. Officers immediately took over CPR and continued life-saving measures until EMS arrived. Multiple AED shocks were administered, and a pulse was restored prior to transport to the hospital. A subsequent follow-up indicated that the victim was in stable condition and expected to survive.

Threats With a Crossbow — August 24, 2026
Officers responded to the Willow Lane area for a report of a subject threatening a neighbor with a crossbow. Officers secured the area and detained the suspect without incident. The suspect admitted making the threats and was identified as a mental health consumer. During a protective sweep of the residence, officers located a cocked and loaded crossbow with the safety off in plain view near a rear door. The suspect was taken into custody for criminal charges and transported for a mental health evaluation after being determined to present a danger to themselves and others.

Suicidal Subject / Mental Health Crisis — August 14, 2026
Officers responded to the Stump Road area after Montgomery County Dispatch received a text message from a subject reporting that they had engaged in self-harm and were experiencing difficulty breathing. The subject initially declined to provide their location. Officers used investigative resources to identify the individual and determine their residence. Officers made contact at the residence, where the subject acknowledged the self-harm. EMS transported the individual to the hospital for treatment and a mental health evaluation.

Wanted Person / Narcotics Warrant — August 6, 2026
While conducting routine patrol at the Knights Inn motel, an officer observed suspicious behavior and identified a male subject. An NCIC inquiry revealed an active felony warrant for possession of drugs with intent to deliver issued by another Pennsylvania police department. Officers contacted the subject at his room and detained him without incident. After confirmation of the warrant, he was transported to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility pending transfer to the issuing authority.

Mental Health Incident / Assaultive Behavior — August 4, 2026
Officers responded to Clear Creek Court for a domestic-related incident involving an autistic male. During the interaction, the male became agitated and threw electronic equipment at an officer and attempted to strike the officer. Officers were able to initially deescalate the situation. When VMSC personnel arrived, the male became agitated again, struck a VMSC paramedic, and charged at an officer while attempting to strike him with a video game controller. Officers restrained the male, who was transported to Lansdale Hospital. A mental health involuntary commitment was subsequently completed.

Wanted Person / Disabled Vehicle — August 17, 2026
Officers responded to North Wales Road near Jamestown Drive for a disabled vehicle. No owner was present at the scene. An investigation determined that the vehicle's owner had an active warrant from Upper Gwynedd Police Department for indecent exposure. The vehicle was towed, and the owner later responded to Montgomery Township Police Department. He was detained and subsequently turned over to Upper Gwynedd Police Department.

Retail Theft / Outstanding Warrants — August 23, 2026
On August 23, 2026, an officer observed a Buick sedan displaying an expired temporary registration that was registered to a different vehicle. The vehicle was subsequently located in the Target parking lot. Based on the circumstances, Target Loss Prevention was notified and reviewed store CCTV footage, which identified the operator of the vehicle. The individual was located inside the store and was observed selecting numerous items of merchandise before leaving the store without paying. Officers stopped the suspect as she entered the Buick and took her into custody for a felony retail theft. Further investigation determined that she also had three active arrest warrants for failure to appear in previous retail theft charges. The total value of the merchandise stolen and recovered was approximately $1,631.91.

Drug Arrest — August 27, 2026
An officer conducted a traffic stop for motor vehicle violations. During the traffic stop, the officer observed indicators of possible criminal activity and requested consent to search the vehicle. Consent was provided. During the search, officers located 38 vials of crack cocaine and seven bags of cocaine inside a passenger's purse. The passenger was arrested and charged with narcotics violations.

DUI / Hit-and-Run — August 31, 2026
Officers responded to Stump Road near Welsh Road for a reported hit-and-run collision in progress. A description of the striking vehicle was broadcast, and an officer subsequently located the vehicle concealed from view off the roadway. The officer contacted the operator and observed signs of alcohol impairment. A DUI investigation was conducted, resulting in the operator's arrest and charges for DUI and leaving the scene of an accident with the vehicle attended.

VMSC Montgomery Township EMS Report

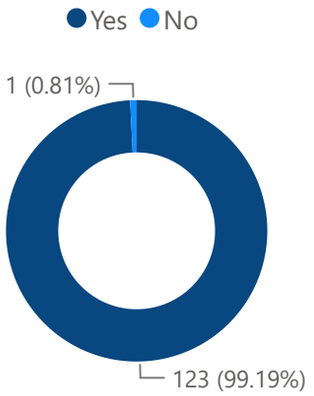
Emergency Medical Services

August 2026

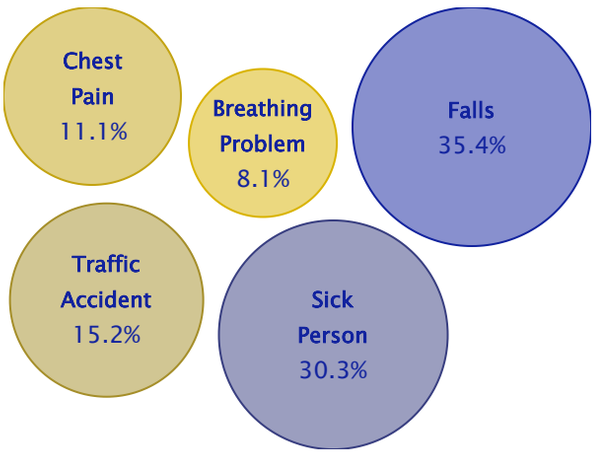
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All 911 Calls
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161	0m 35s	6m 29s	54m 13s	100%
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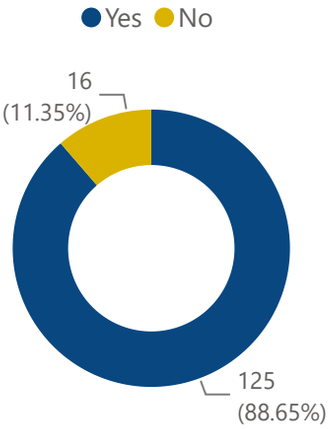
Did the Patient's Condition Improve because of our Care?



Top 5 Call Types

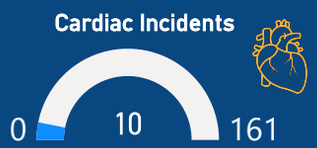


Was the Patient Transported?

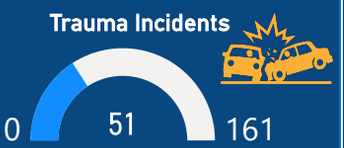


VMSC Critical Response Triad

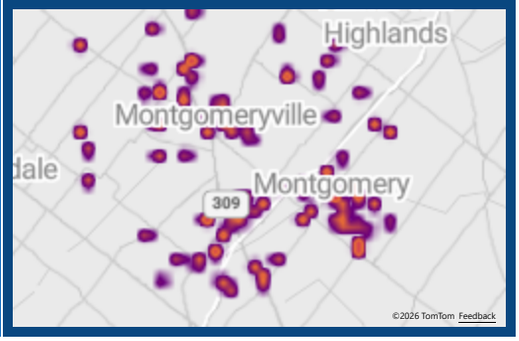
VMSC emphasizes its review of the Critical Response Triad—cardiac, trauma, and stroke-related calls—because timely intervention in these cases can significantly improve patient outcomes and survival rates.







Where are our calls?



VMSC's August Global Scale

Mental Health | Responded to **66** behavioral health-related calls.

Community Harm | Handled **45**Overdoses, up from 37last month, resulting in **7** Narcan administration by EMS. Also responded to **45** incidents involving deliberate injury, up from 37 last month.

Climate | Dispatched to **5** weather related motor vehicle crashes.

Diversity | 86 patients had language barriers. **27** patients were morbidly obese. **32** were in a state of emotional distress. And **31** were developmentally impaired.

August 2026 Patient Satisfaction Rating



"Your team was caring, kind, professional, personable and easy for me to trust. They listened as I explained how I got injured... Every step they were taking, they explained as they did them."

This month VMSC provided Mutual Aid 88 times: NPV Total= 43,
Chal-Brit=10, Ambler=9, Penndel-Middletown=7, Cheltenham=4, Horsham=4, Grandview=3, Others=5.
DelCo Total=45, Brookhaven=10, Broomall=7, Ridley Park=5, Eddystone=4, Essington=3, Aston=2, Others=14

This month VMSC received Mutual Aid 19 times in NPV: Grandview=4, Freedom Valley=4, Plymouth=3, Chal-Brit=3, Second Alarmers=2, Ambler=1, Skippack=1

VMSC provides the public with opportunities to learn lifesaving skills throughout our entire service area. Follow us on social media or call to find out when and where you can learn with us!

