

## **General questions about Framingham Police Department:**

### **Staffing and budgeting**

1. What is the current patrol scheduling and beat configuration? for example:
  - How many officers are on each shift?
  - What are the physical assignments of these officers?
  - What are the patrol routes and how often do they patrol them?
2. Where have increases or decreases in police resources occurred in Framingham over the past 20 years?
3. Where are the police sub stations located, and where have they been located in the past?
4. What factors determined where they are sited, or closed?
5. Has there been any change in crime rates, calls for service or other police actions after opening sub stations? If so, what is the nature of the change?

### **Calls for service**

1. What is the total number of calls for service, per year, for the past 3 years?
2. What is the total number of arrests, per year, for the past 3 years?
3. What is the total number of reported crimes, per year, for the past 3 years?
4. What other results occur due to calls for service?
5. How do these other results fit into the big picture?
6. Do you have these calls broken down in categories? If so, please define and describe these categories. What are the number per category?
7. What are the costs associated with each type of police call inclusive of all overhead and subsequent costs?
8. How many addresses in Framingham resulted in a response to a call for service? What are the top 200 addresses with the most calls for service?
9. How does the department use this information to determine trends and changes in Framingham?
10. Can you break down the total number of calls according to housing type, non profit, or individual addresses? Can this be done in each category of offense? For example:
  - What number of these calls for service are related to social services and/or clients?
  - What number of these calls for service come from apartment complexes?
  - What number of these calls for service come from single family homes?

- What number of these calls for service come from 2, 3 and 4 family homes?
  - What number of these calls for service come from FSC
  - Other
11. Are there varying police responses to different types of housing or location? If so, please describe and explain.
  12. How many alarm calls do you have in total per year? How many are false? How much money is generated from false alarm calls? Does the fee for a false alarm call cover the actual cost of response including overhead expenses?
  13. We are interested in historical information. What information is available from the past and for how many years? How can we access this information?

### **Statistics**

1. What type of analysis has the Police department done on crime in Framingham, and for how many years? If there is a special department or person in charge of crime analysis can we meet with them for further assistance?
2. What are the available methods for accessing this information?
3. The FPD Cyber Station mentions using strategic crime analysis to detect unusual crime activities or unusual community conditions. What specific occurrences of unusual activity have been detected since the inception of this program?
4. The primary goal of tactical crime analysis as defined by Cyber Station is to identify crime trends and patterns/series. What specific trends and patterns that have been identified since the inception of this program?
5. What is the crime graph on the FPD website indicative of?
6. What location and frequency analysis has the department done using the GIS database? What has been the results of these? How has it affected department strategies?
7. Does the department have access to data of the crime statistics over the past 15-20 years? How specific is that data?
8. We are interested in seeing how these statistics have changed over time. Does the department have data for 10-20 years for some or all of this information? If not, where can we get this?
9. What exact information is included in the FBI Uniform Crime Reports? Can you please describe in terms of calls, crimes and arrests.
10. Is this information from UCR a valid way to compare Framingham to other communities?
11. What factors does the police department consider when comparing itself to other communities?
12. If it is available, please provide us a copy of the report the Police Department is preparing for Town Meeting

13. Please provide us the results of any survey regarding Framingham, done by or for the Police Dept including the 2001 survey designed and implemented by Lt. Farley and the parking survey conducted by downtown foot patrol in 2002.
14. Please provide us with a copy of the department's certification process.
15. Is there anything we have not asked that would be of value for us to know?

## **Questions Specific to Social Service Agencies:**

### **Staffing and Budgeting**

1. Have budgeting, staffing or other infrastructure issues been affected by social service agencies in Framingham?
2. How much grant money do we receive directly as a result of the social services we have in town?
3. Does the police department respond differently to social service addresses than other addresses?
4. How much do these calls cost collectively?
5. What is the total reimbursement from the agencies for these calls for service?
6. Do these fees paid cover the exact amount of all aspects of the cost of the calls or are they more or less than that amount?
7. How much time do officers spend in court on social service related issues? Does the FPD verify the addresses given? If so, can you separate out those who verify their housing? What does that cost the department? Who pays?
8. How are police buildings or sub buildings affected by social service agencies?
9. How many alarm calls do you have in total from social service addresses per year? How many are false? How much money is generated from false alarm calls? Does the fee for a false alarm call cover the actual cost of response including overhead expenses?

### **Calls for service**

1. Using the list of addresses for social service agencies can you determine the total number of calls for service the police receive for each listing?
2. If we provide this list as an excel file, can the department compare that list with some specific requests involving the departments database?
3. How many years back can you determine this information?
4. What is the total number of calls for service from these addresses, per year, for the past 3 years?
5. What is the total number of arrests, crimes or other results, from these addresses, per year, for the past 3 years?

6. How many years back can we get this information?
7. Can the FPD's GIS database create a map of the number of calls per social service address? If not, what mapping techniques would be available?
8. Can the GIS database map out this information for all other calls for service in Framingham? If not, what mapping techniques would be available?
9. How many calls for service are made as a result of an agency facility, program or client, including warrants, new and outstanding?
10. What were the results of these calls for service?
11. Can you break this total number down into each category of offense?

### **Statistics**

1. Can you determine prior addresses of those who are utilizing these services and require police response?
2. We are interested in seeing how these statistics have changed over time. Does the department have data for 10-20 years of some or all of this information? If not, where can we get this?
3. Has the police department maintained any statistics relating to how many people are homeless, where they are from and why they have come to Framingham?
4. Is there any additional measurement or concrete information that you can provide pertaining to any impact of social services in Framingham, on your department or the community?

### **Out of town use**

1. What is the total number of calls for service related to out of town people?
2. What number of social service related calls and arrests are due to people utilizing agencies from out of town?
3. Does the police department know of other town or city social service agencies that bring people to Framingham social services?
4. Does the police department know of other town or city police departments that bring people to Framingham social services?

### **Sex offenders and felons:**

1. What percentage of registered sex offenders live, work or participate at the list of social service addresses we provided?
2. What are the costs of monitoring sex offenders, including registration fees, warrants..?
3. Does the police department know how many sex offenders utilize social services in Framingham? If yes, how many and what services?

4. Please give us the total number of sex offenders in each category for as many years as you have the information.
5. Can you determine if sex offenders come from other towns to utilize Framingham's social services?
6. Is there a monetary effect or any other impact for Framingham, positive or negative, of sex offenders using social service facilities?
7. Have you made any arrests of improperly registered or unregistered sex offenders?

### **Special Programs**

1. Please name and describe any program or training, relevant to, or coordinated with social service agencies in Framingham. Please give specifics on funding, need and other relevant information.
2. What impact does locating parole and probation offices or programs in Framingham have on the town?

**Is there anything we have not asked that you think would be of value for us to know?**