



# 2024 Annual Report

The mission of the Red Bank Police Department is to affect a positive difference to the citizens of this community through effective and efficient law enforcement services while adhering to ethical values and standards.

# Message from the Chief of Police

I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the Red Bank Police Department for 2024. As your Chief of Police, I am proud to share with you the accomplishments, challenges and ongoing efforts of our department in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community.

Throughout the past year, we have worked diligently to maintain and enhance public safety through a commitment to professionalism, transparency, and community collaboration. Our officers continue to serve with integrity, dedication and a focus on building trust with all residents. We recognize that community policing is vital to our success, and we are grateful for the support and partnership of our citizens.

In 2024, our department focused on enhancing community engagement, reducing crime, and fostering transparency. Together, we:

- Expanded our community policing initiatives, participated in community functions and hosted a coffee-with-a-cop.
- Decreased overall violent crime, thanks to strategic patrols and collaborative efforts.
- Enhanced distracted driving education and enforcement.
- Established a Violent Crimes Detective position to enhance response times and investigative capabilities, with the position's salary funded through the state's Violent Crimes Intervention Fund (VCIF) grant.

I am also pleased to report that the overall crime rate for our community has shown a consistent downward trend over the past decade. In 2014, the crime rate for Red Bank was reported at 108.57, decreasing to 56.94 in 2023. The crime rates are based on the number of reported crimes per 1,000 persons. These trends inform our strategies and help us focus resources where they are most needed.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration is making Red Bank a great place to live, work and raise families. Together we are building a safer, stronger community.





# Organizational Chart

The Red Bank Police Department is authorized  
for 28 full-time staffed positions

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## Administration

Chief of Police, Deputy Chief, Professional Standards Sergeant

**4**

## Criminal Investigations Division

1 Sergeant, 3 Detectives

**19**

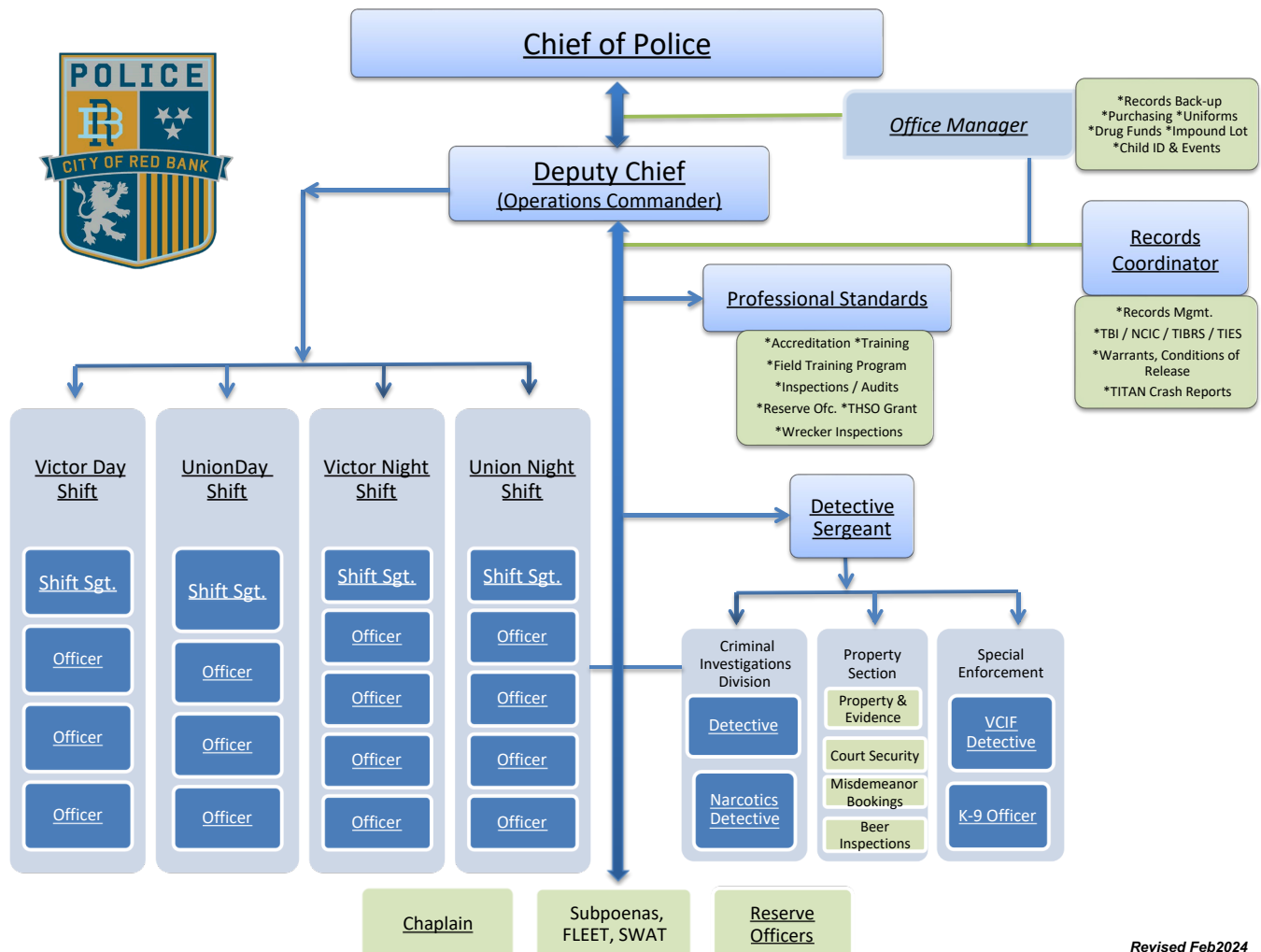
## Uniformed Services

4 Sergeants, 15 Patrol (including bike patrol and K9 Officer)

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## Civilian Employees

Office Manager, Records Coordinator



# Personnel Changes



## February: Sergeant Jay LaMance Retired

The City of Red Bank thanks Jay LaMance for his 30 years of faithful service with the Police Department. Jay also spent 2 years serving with the Red Bank Fire Department. Congratulations and best wishes for a relaxing retirement!

## February: Patrol Officer Jason Keown Promoted to Sergeant

Jason Keown began his law enforcement career in 2003, and joined the Red Bank Police Department as a patrol officer in December, 2014. After a promotional assessment process, which included a supervisory interview panel, Officer Keown was selected from a pool of 7 total applicants to earn the Sergeant position.



## August: Patrol Officer John Pain Hired



John Pain graduated from the Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training Academy in 2023. He has previous experience as a correctional officer and college campus police officer.

## August: Patrol Officer Jaycee Tharp Hired

Jaycee Tharp was hired in August and enrolled in the Cleveland State Law Enforcement Training Academy shortly after. After 520 hours of comprehensive training, Jaycee graduated in December and was honored with the Academic Excellence Award. Officer Tharp will now begin Field Training.



# VCIF Detective and K9 Program

Through funding from the Violent Crimes Intervention Fund grant, VCIF Detective Kyle Dennis focuses on identifying, investigating and reducing violent crimes in Red Bank. Detective Dennis is also a K9 officer with his partner, Harry.



## 2024 Statistics

- 192 felony arrests
- 112 misdemeanor arrests
- 29 domestic violence related arrests
- 9 firearms recovered
- 22 search warrants executed
- 4 vehicles seized
- 68 K9 deployments
- 164 agency assists with K9

## Training

Detective Dennis and Harry attended the South Georgia K9 Seminar for yearly re-certification with the National Narcotic Detector Dog Association. 152 dog teams competed in several competitions during this training. The following is Harry's placement in each category, out of 152 dog teams.

**Obedience 3rd**

**Tracking 4th**

**Apprehension 7th**

**Narcotics 9th**

**Overall K9 Team 15th**



# Training

All Red Bank officers completed their yearly required 40 hours of in-service training to stay in compliance with Tennessee POST- Peace Officer Standards and Training. This training, along with other specialized training, helps to ensure officers stay updated on the latest laws, policies and techniques necessary for effective law enforcement.

The knowledge and skills gained from this training help officers enhance public safety, as well as their own personal safety.

The list below highlights a small portion of the training completed in 2024

**Field Training Officer School-** Two officers attended the Collegedale Police Department's Field Training Officer School. They are now certified as Field Training Officers, and are responsible for the training and evaluation of newly hired patrol officers.

**Spanish Classes-** One officer has completed several online Spanish classes through the Chattanooga School of Language.

**Gang Specialist Course-** One officer completed a basic and intermediate course related to gang identification techniques and how to investigate a gang-related case from start to finish. The course was presented by Tennessee Gang Investigator's Association.

**Narcotics Search Warrant Planning and Execution-** One officer attended this course, which was conducted by the Regional Counterdrug Training Academy.

**First Line Leadership-** Presented by the Law Enforcement Innovation Center with the University of Tennessee, this course helps prepare first line supervisors for the transition from team member to team leader.

**Child Abuse Investigations and Internet Crimes Against Children-** Two officers attended this course, which was provided by Advanced Police Concepts.

**Basic Criminal Investigations Course-** One officer attended this 5 day course presented by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office.



Percentage of officers who completed more than the minimum yearly required training

**1,068**  
TOTAL IN-SERVICE TRAINING HOURS

**820.5**  
TOTAL SPECIALIZED TRAINING HOURS



# Equipment/Upgrades

- Two additional AXON in-car camera systems were purchased through grant funding from the Tennessee Highway Safety Office.
- Three new patrol vehicles and a new K9 vehicle were purchased and outfitted with required emergency equipment.
- Two additional patrol vehicles were finally put in-service after delays in shipping of the required emergency equipment that was purchased in a previous fiscal year.
- Outdated radios and Panasonic in-car camera systems were sold. Also sold were 4 vehicles (2 from seizures and 2 that were unclaimed).

## New Police Vehicle Graphics

In October, several police vehicles were upgraded with new, modern graphics, intended to give a more streamlined, polished appearance. Eventually, all of our police vehicles will have this updated design.





# Spike Strip Deployment

## *Tire-deflation device successfully ends two high-speed pursuits in Red Bank in 2024*

In July, Officer Brantley Young assisted the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office with a vehicle pursuit that entered Red Bank's jurisdiction. Officer Young deployed the spike strips in the area of Gadd Rd. Two of the suspect vehicle's tires deflated, which rendered the car unable to drive. The suspect fled the vehicle, but was apprehended and charged with numerous felony drug charges, driving under the influence, several traffic offenses, evading and resisting arrest.



In November, Officer Tim Brown assisted the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office with a vehicle pursuit that entered Red Bank's jurisdiction. Officer Brown deployed the spike strips on Hwy 27 S near the Signal Mountain Rd exit, and the right front was deflated. The suspect vehicle managed to make it to the Martin Luther King Blvd exit, where the occupants fled on foot. Three people were apprehended and arrested for felony drug charges, felony theft, evading and resisting arrest.



# New Electric Patrol Bike

Law enforcement agencies are continuously seeking innovative solutions to improve community policing, and the integration of e-bikes represents a significant advancement. By combining the benefits of bicycle patrols with electric assist technology, police departments can enhance their effectiveness, strengthen community relationships, and contribute to a more sustainable future.

Our police department has utilized bicycle patrol services for over ten years. Red Bank officers use bicycles to patrol special events, apartment complexes, and neighborhoods. This approach has proven to be a valuable community engagement tool as well as an enforcement tool.

**With the introduction of an e-bike,  
bike patrol services can be further enhanced**

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Officer Tim Brown has been with the Police Department for over seventeen years, initially serving as a reserve officer and transitioning to a full-time officer for the last three years.

Officer Ken Yasenchack has dedicated over seventeen years as a reserve police officer, volunteering his time to the Red Bank Police Department and the Red Bank community.

Both officers serve as bike officers alongside their other responsibilities.

# Awards and Recognition

Tennessee Highway Safety Office presented awards to law enforcement officers from the Cumberland Region District 2.

Sergeant Rusty Aalberg was honored for his efforts in promoting education and enforcement of Distracted Driving. Sergeant Jason Keown received a Beyond the Stop Award.



*Sergeant Jason Keown, Chief of Police Dan Seymour, Sergeant Rusty Aalberg*



*THSO Assistant Director Jason Ivey, Sergeant Rusty Aalberg*



Tennessee Highway Safety Office hosted the 20th Annual Law Enforcement Challenge, recognizing agencies who excel in various categories.

Red Bank Police Department was awarded First Place in the 11-25 Officer Category for efforts related to traffic safety.

## Annual Awards and Recognition

### Years of Service

Bob Bedell	5 years
Kyle Dennis	10 years
Matt Goins	10 years
Jason Keown	10 years
Edward Noojin	10 years
Steve Hope	20 years
Shane Dockery	20 years

### Traffic Awards

Distracted Driving	Tracy Montgomery
Occupant Protection	Dan White
Speed Enforcement	Tim Brown
Impaired Driving	Michael Glenn

Supervisor of the Year	Bruce Erlinger
Officer of the Year	Tim Brown
Stop Stick Award	Brantley Young
	Tim Brown
Leadership Award	John Wright
	Dan White
Excellence in Service	Steve Hope
Lifesaving Award	Brantley Young
	Dan White
Excellent Service	Valarie Cowell (Office Manager)



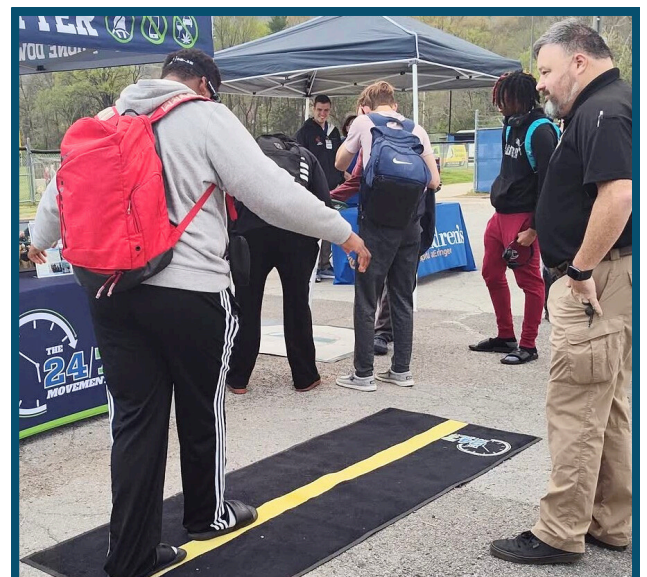
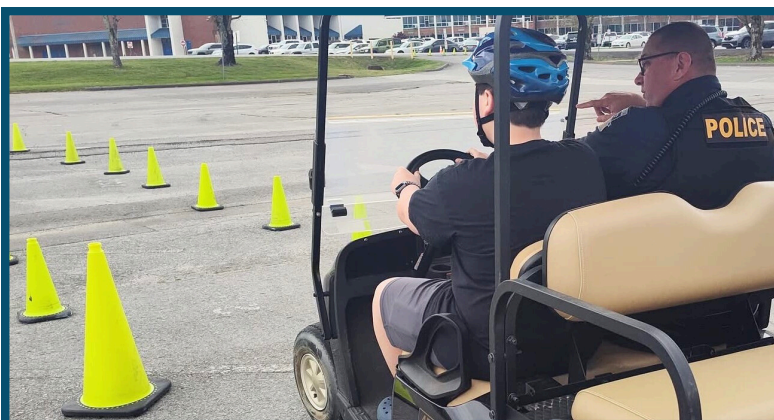
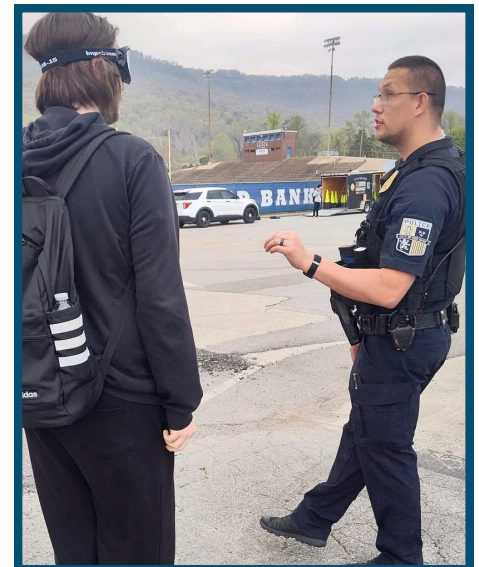
# Resources, Events and Programs

## Distracted Driving Presentations

Sergeant Rusty Aalberg spoke at the **Southern Constructors'** monthly training about risks associated with commercial vehicles. In addition to discussing on-site hazards, participants engaged in activities demonstrating “inattention blindness” due to multi-tasking.



Approximately 110 **Red Bank High School** students participated in a Distracted Driving Cone Course at the school. The event educated students on seatbelt safety and the dangers of distracted and impaired driving.





# Drug Take Back

Red Bank Police Department actively participates in the Drug Take Back events held in April and October, in collaboration with the Hamilton County Coalition and the DEA. Our detectives set up a booth to provide a safe and convenient way for residents to dispose of unused, unwanted or expired medications. This initiative helps prevent drug misuse.

**291 POUNDS**

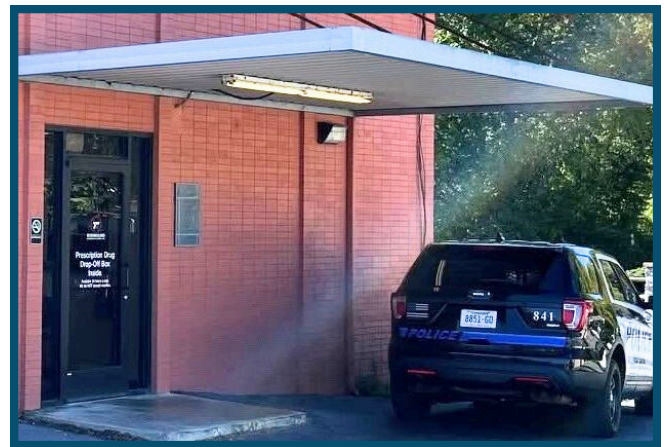
**COLLECTED IN 2024**

**180 POUNDS FROM DRUG TAKE BACK EVENT**

**111 POUNDS FROM BOX AT PD**

Residents can also properly dispose of unused, unwanted and expired prescription and over-the-counter medications at the Police Department. The drop-off box is available 24/7, located just inside the side door entrance. All types of pills, including vitamins and over the counter medications, are accepted.

**Liquids and syringes NOT accepted.**



## Red Bank High School Community Fair

This yearly event was a great way for us to engage with students and residents. Police staff and officers were on hand to provide information about crime prevention and the department's role in the community. It was a great opportunity for the department to connect with students and strengthen the relationship between law enforcement and the community.





# Child Passenger Safety

Members of the Red Bank Police Department, along with other professionals from across the state, attended the Tennessee Lifesaver's Conference to obtain updated information related to child passenger safety and traffic safety with the Tennessee Highway Safety Office.



*Three Red Bank officers completed a 32 hour Child Passenger Safety Certification Course in 2024. We now have 5 officers certified to install and inspect car seats.*

## Coffee with a Cop

As part of the Faith & Blue Weekend, the public was invited to have “coffee with a cop” on October 11th at Food City. Visitors met with the Chief of Police and leadership team for coffee and casual conversation. It was a great opportunity for Red Bank residents to ask questions and get to know Red Bank law enforcement professionals.





# Red Bank Jubilee and Christmas Festival

The entire police department is utilized during these large events. Our officers play a crucial role in ensuring everything runs smoothly. They manage traffic control and assist the public, ensuring that everyone safely enjoys the events. Tennessee Highway Patrol provided their vehicle rollover simulator, and Tennessee Highway Safety Office provided their seat belt convincer.





# Red Bank Jubilee and Christmas Festival



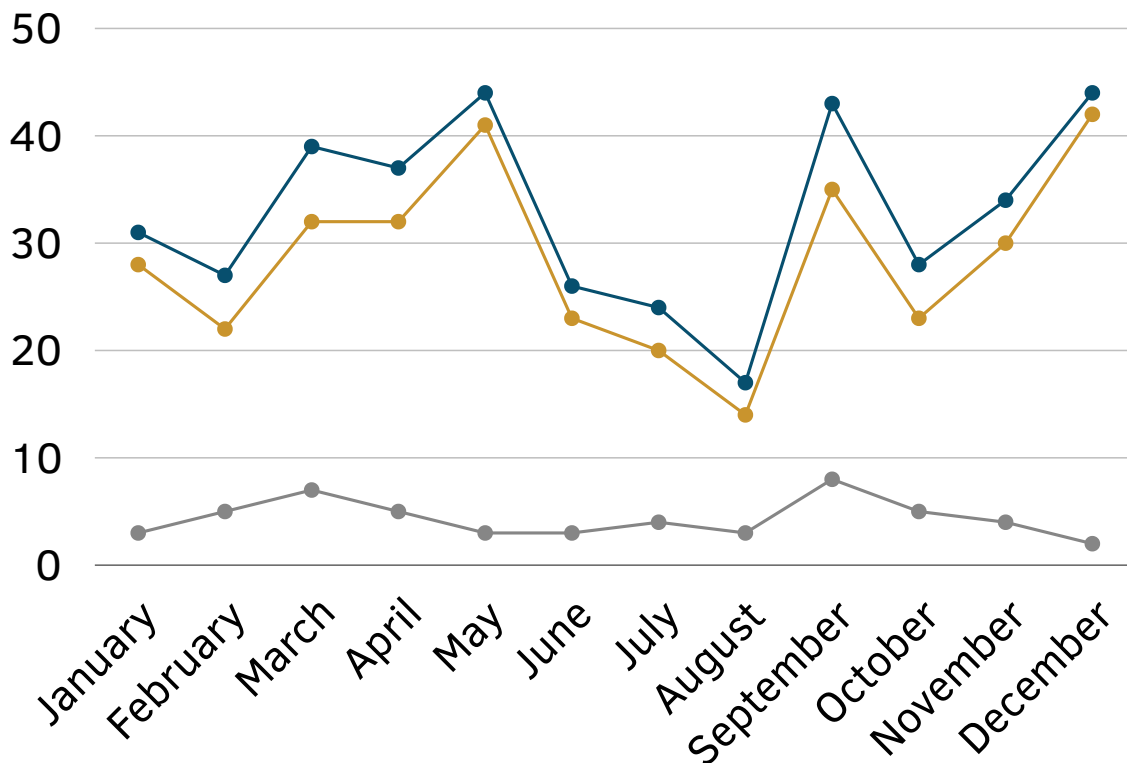
# Motor Vehicle Crashes

This chart reflects the total crashes for the year and compares them by month. There were a total of 394 reported crashes in 2024. Of those, there were 52 crashes with injury and 70 total injuries, with ***zero fatalities***.

There were 342 crashes involving property damage.



- Total Crashes- 394
- Total Property Damage Crashes- 342
- Total Injury Crashes- 52



# 13%

PERCENTAGE OF  
CRASHES WITH  
INJURIES



# Response to Incidents

In 2024, Red Bank officers responded to **9,789** calls for service or officer-initiated actions. An additional 4,159 activities were either canceled, reassigned, duplicated, supplemented or handled by dispatch.

2024	Total Count
Incident Reports	577
Miscellaneous Reports	1,602
Traffic Citations	769
Warning Citations	2,986
Misdemeanor Citations	1,098



## Vehicle Pursuits and Response to Resistance

Red Bank officers had 15 vehicle pursuits in 2024. Nine pursuits originated from a traffic offense, four originated from a criminal offense, and two originated from assisting another agency.

There were 16 Response to Resistance reports in 2024. The reports involved 10 Caucasian males, 3 African American males, 2 Caucasian females, 1 Hispanic male. Six of the subjects were under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. Three of the subjects were mental health consumers.



# Red Bank Police Department - NIBRS Agency Crime Overview - 2024

2023 Population Estimate			11,978	Offenses (*)		Arrests (**)		
				Reported	Cleared	Adult	Juvenile	
Offense Overview			Crimes Against Persons					
Offense Total			744	Murder	0	0	0	0
Number Cleared			510	Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Percent Cleared			68.55%	Negligent Vehicular Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Group A Crimes per 100,000 population			6,211.4	Kidnapping/Abduction	7	7	4	0
				All Rape	0	0	0	0
				Criminal Sexual Contact	1	1	0	0
				Incest	0	0	0	0
Arrest Overview				Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0
Total Arrests			497	Aggravated Assault	47	42	19	0
Adult Arrests			485	Simple Assault	129	98	58	5
Juvenile Arrests			12	Intimidation	32	20	9	0
Unknown Age			0	Stalking	0	0	0	0
Arrests per 100,000 population			4,149.3	Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	0	0
				Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0
Average number offenses/incident			1.43	Crimes Against Property				
				Arson	1	0	0	0
				Bribery	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence Victims				Burglary	18	8	8	0
Offense	Reported	Cleared		Counterfeiting/Forgery	27	20	5	0
Murder	0	0		Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	34	10	4	0
Aggravated Assault	23	20		Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	74	65		Extortion/Blackmail	2	1	0	0
Intimidation	3	3		Fraud - False Pretenses	16	1	1	0
Stalking	0	0		Fraud - Credit Card/ATM	7	0	0	0
All Rape	0	0		Fraud - Impersonation	5	4	0	0
Criminal Sexual Contact	1	1		Fraud - Welfare	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0		Fraud - Wire	2	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0		Fraud - Identity Theft	2	1	1	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	6	6		Fraud - Computer Hacking/Invasion	0	0	0	0
Commercial Sex Acts	0	0		Robbery	1	0	0	0
Involuntary Servitude	0	0		Theft - Pocket-picking	0	0	0	0
Total	107	95		Theft - Purse Snatching	0	0	0	0
				Theft - Shoplifting	21	10	8	0
Group B Arrests				Theft From Building	16	6	2	0
Offense	Adult	Juvenile		Theft From Coin Machine	0	0	0	0
Bad Checks	0	0		Theft From Motor Vehicle	24	1	0	0
Curfew/Vagrancy	0	0		Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	6	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	8	0		Theft - All Other Larceny	37	6	1	0
DUI	33	0		Motor Vehicle Theft	24	5	4	0
Drunkenness	9	0		Stolen Property Offenses	10	10	2	1
Family-Non Violent	2	0		Crimes Against Society				
Liquor Law Violations	18	1		Animal Cruelty	0	0	0	0
Peeping Tom	0	0		Drug/Narcotic Violations	130	123	107	1
Trespass	8	0		Drug/Narcotic Equipment Violations	119	111	53	0
All Other Offenses	112	4		Gambling - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0
Total Group B	190	5		Gambling - Operating/Promoting	0	0	0	0
				Gambling - Equipment Violations	0	0	0	0
				Gambling - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0
				Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0	0
				Prostitution	0	0	0	0
				Prostitution Assisting/Promoting	0	0	0	0
				Purchasing Prostitution	0	0	0	0
				Weapon Law Violations	26	25	9	0
				Total Group A Offenses	744	510	295	7

Crime in Tennessee 2024

(\*) Offenses are counted using the FBI Units of Count for Crime

(\*\*) The 'Arrests' column shows arrests made for incidents during the selected period, regardless of arrest date. Arrest counts for the same period may change over time.

# Crime Data Review

Reporting crime statistics is mandated by law for all law enforcement agencies. Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System (TIBRS) is the method used to collect crime statistics in Tennessee. TIBRS is part of a national program (NIBRS).



## 2024 Agency Crime Overview and Comparison

	Red Bank	Hamilton County	Tennessee
<b>Offense Overview</b>			
Total Reportable Offenses	745	26,305	470,057
Offenses Cleared	510	8,015	174,153
Percent Cleared	68.46%	30.47%	37.05%
<b>Arrest Overview</b>			
Total Arrests	498	11,698	245,749
Adult Arrests	486	11,243	230,622 (+53 unknown age)
Juvenile Arrests	12	455	15,074

The chart above compares the number of criminal offenses reported and total arrests between Red Bank Police Department, all agencies in Hamilton County and all agencies in Tennessee.

***Red Bank Police Department has a higher clearance rate than that of Hamilton County and Tennessee.***

Hamilton County agencies include: Chattanooga, Chattanooga Airport, Chattanooga Housing, Chattanooga State Community College, Collegedale, East Ridge, Hamilton County Sheriff’s Office, Lookout Mountain, Red Bank, Signal Mountain, Soddy Daisy, Southern Adventist University and University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

\*All data is preliminary and subject to change upon receipt of updated information to individual incidents.\*

# Crime Data Review

The following charts provide a brief summary of the number of offenses reported in 2024 and 2023.

Crimes Against People		
	2023	2024
Aggravated Assault	49	47
Simple Assault	128	129
Intimidation	14	32
Stalking	3	3
Kidnapping/Abduction	4	7
Sex Offenses	6	1

Crimes Against Property		
	2023	2024
Burglary	24	18
Robbery	2	1
Arson	2	1
Vandalism	54	34
Fraud & Deception Offenses	42	35
Shoplifting	11	21
Theft from Motor Vehicle	31	24
Motor Vehicle Theft	33	24
All other Theft Offenses	70	69

Crimes Against Society		
	2023	2024
Drug/Narcotic Violations	100	130
Drug Equipment Violations	79	119
Weapon Law Violations	14	26

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