



Greenhills Police Department

Monthly Newsletter

To: The Mayor, Members of Council, Municipal Manager, Personnel, and our Community

August — 2026

Message from the Chief:

Summer Is Winding Down — Back to School!

It's hard to believe, but summer is quickly winding down, fall is right around the corner, and another school year is about to begin. Before long, our morning and afternoon routines will once again include school buses, students walking and riding bicycles, and parents dropping off and picking up their children.

As everyone settles back into the school-year routine, the Greenhills Police Department asks motorists to use a little extra caution and patience, particularly during the morning and afternoon hours.



Please be especially alert **in and around school zones, bus stops, crosswalks, and residential neighborhoods**. Slow down, put the phone away, watch for children entering or crossing the roadway, and always obey school-zone speed limits and traffic signs. Remember to stop for school buses when required and never pass a stopped school bus displaying flashing red lights and its stop arm.

Parents, this is also a great time to remind your children about basic traffic safety. Encourage them to use sidewalks and crosswalks whenever possible, look both ways before crossing the street, wear a helmet when riding a bicycle, and never assume that a driver sees them.

Our School Resource Officers Are Back, Too!

As students return to the classroom, Greenhills Police School Resource Officers Susan Tobergte and Anthony White will also be returning to the Winton Woods schools here in Greenhills.

Officer Tobergte and Officer White had a great first school year with us and will once again be in our schools, looking out for the safety and well-being of our students and staff. Just as importantly, they will continue building positive relationships with the kids they see every day.

Our SRO program is about much more than law enforcement. It provides students with familiar, approachable police officers they can talk to, ask questions, and get to know. Susan and Anthony bring many years of law enforcement experience to the program, and we are fortunate to have them serving our schools and community.

As summer comes to a close, we hope everyone enjoyed the break and is ready for another great school year. Please give yourself a few extra minutes in the morning, slow down, stay alert, and watch out for our kids.

On behalf of everyone at the Greenhills Police Department, we wish our students, teachers, school staff, and families a safe, successful, and enjoyable school year. We'll see you around the schools!

Welcome Greenhills Newest Police Officer

On July 7, 2026, the Greenhills Police Department proudly welcomed its newest police officer, **Officer Ram Kafley**, during a swearing-in ceremony with Mayor Moore.

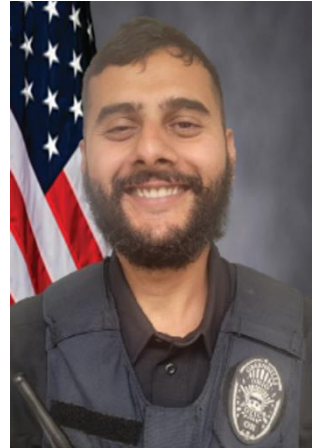
Following a rigorous background investigation and competitive interview process, Officer Kafley was selected to join the Greenhills Police Department. He brings valuable law enforcement experience to our agency, having graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy on July 17, 2024. He previously served as a patrol officer with the City of Hamilton Police Department and also served as a police officer with Xavier University.

Officer Kafley graduated from Highland High School in Salt Lake City, Utah, and proudly served our country in the Army National Guard. Originally from Nepal, Ram came to the United States in 2009 with a dream of building a life through hard work and service. After years of dedication, he achieved another significant milestone on December 7, 2015, when he became a naturalized citizen of the United States. Having fulfilled all requirements under the nation's naturalization laws, he took the Oath of Allegiance during a ceremony conducted by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

Officer Kafley is married to Puspa, a teacher at Winton Woods High School. Together they are raising their young child and are excited to become part of the Greenhills community.

We are honored to welcome Officer Kafley to our department. His commitment to public service, diverse background, and passion for community policing make him an outstanding addition to our team. We know he is eager to serve the residents of Greenhills with professionalism, integrity, and compassion, and we look forward to the positive impact he will have on our community for many years to come.

Welcome, Officer Kafley. Thanks for saying yes to Greenhills!



Celebrating Five Years of Service – Stephenne Mohn

On August 18, 2026, **Property Room Manager Stephenne Mohn** celebrates five years of service with the Greenhills Police Department.

Stephenne joined the department on August 18, 2021, and plays an important role in the department's day-to-day operations. As Property Room Manager, she is responsible for maintaining the security, organization, and accountability of evidence and property entrusted to the department.

Her attention to detail, professionalism, and dedication help ensure our property room operates efficiently and meets the high standards expected of our department.

We sincerely appreciate Stephenne's five years of dedicated service to the Greenhills Police Department and the Village of Greenhills. **Congratulations, Stephenne, and thank you for all you do!**

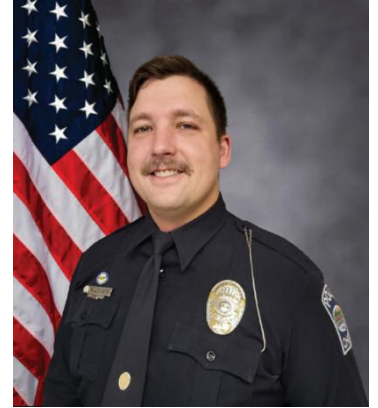


Celebrating 10 Years of Service – Officer Rob Lenhoff

On August 15, 2026, **Officer Rob Lenhoff** celebrated 10 years of service with the **Greenhills Police Department**.

Officer Lenhoff joined the department on August 15, 2016, and over the past decade has demonstrated a strong commitment to serving and protecting the residents of Greenhills. Throughout his career with the department, he has been a dependable member of our team and has consistently demonstrated professionalism and dedication to our community.

Ten years of service is an accomplishment worth recognizing, and we sincerely appreciate Officer Lenhoff's continued commitment to the Greenhills Police Department and the Village of Greenhills.



Congratulations, Rob, on 10 years of service, and thank you for all you do for our department and community!

Don't be a victim of a ROMANCE scam

The Ohio Attorney General's Office recently launched the Romance Impostor Scams Forensic Initiative hotline, a statewide program designed to combat romance scams and other forms of financial exploitation, particularly those targeting older adults.

Romance scammers often spend weeks or even months establishing an online relationship and gaining a victim's trust. They are highly skilled at manipulating emotions, building strong emotional bonds, and presenting themselves as compassionate, caring, and trustworthy. Once they have earned a victim's confidence, they create a convincing story involving a financial emergency, medical crisis, travel expense, or other hardship and ask for money or personal financial information. The resulting losses can be devastating, leaving victims not only financially harmed but also emotionally heartbroken.

Be especially cautious of anyone who contacts you through social media, dating websites, text messages, or email, particularly if they claim to live overseas, serve in the military, work on an oil rig, or face a sudden financial emergency and need your help. Romance scammers often use these tactics to gain sympathy and convince victims to send money. In 2025, Americans age 60 and older reported losing approximately \$584 million to romance scams. Authorities believe the actual losses are considerably higher because many victims are too embarrassed or ashamed to report what happened.

The Ohio Attorney General encourages anyone who believes they—or someone they know—may be involved in a romance scam to call the **Romance Scam Hotline** at: **1-855-961-SCAM (7226)**

Even if you are unsure whether you are being scammed, you are encouraged to call. Reporting suspicious activity allows forensic experts to analyze the information, identify patterns, connect similar cases across



FAKE DATING SITES
Scammers use fraudulent dating platforms that steal personal data or install malware.

FAKE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Scammers pose as successful crypto traders or business moguls and falsely promise huge returns upon investment.

CATFISHING
Scammers create fake profiles using stolen or AI-generated photos, build trust over time but often avoid video calls or in-person meetings, and ask for money or personal information.

PACKAGE OR CUSTOMS FEES
Scammers falsely claim they sent a valuable gift but require payment to cover a customs or shipping fee.

MILITARY ROMANCE
Scammers pretend to be soldiers stationed overseas who claim to need money for travel, a medical emergency, or a communication fee.

SEXTORTION
Scammers persuade victims to share intimate photos, then threaten to expose these images unless victims pay them money.

Any money you send will be lost because the relationship was never genuine.

jurisdictions, and help law enforcement identify and prosecute those responsible. The ultimate goal is to stop these criminals before they can victimize others.

The Greenhills Police Department encourages everyone to remain vigilant. Never provide personal, banking, or financial information to someone you have only met online. Do your research, verify the person's identity whenever possible, and talk with a trusted family member or friend before sending money or sharing sensitive information. If someone you've never met in person is asking you for money, consider it a major red flag.

Remember, these scammers are professionals at gaining your trust. If something doesn't feel right, trust your instincts, stop communicating, and seek advice before sending money. A simple phone call today could prevent a lifetime of financial and emotional hardship. [CLICK HERE](#) for valuable resources from the Attorney General's Office.

Are you a victim of a **ROMANCE SCAM**?

WE CAN HELP:

Call: 1-855-961-SCAM

National Night Out – Cooking with the Cops

The Greenhills Police Department would like to thank everyone who joined us on **August 4th for our annual National Night Out – Cooking with the Cops!** We had a fantastic turnout and a great evening spending time with our residents, families, and friends.

The evening actually began a little early for some of our guests. Members of the Delta Kings Chorus participated in the 5:30 p.m. Flag Raising Ceremony for the new Veterans Memorial Park before joining us at Cooking with the Cops. Several chorus members are former



Greenhills residents, making their participation especially meaningful. Once at the cookout, the Delta Kings even broke out in a few songs, providing some unexpected—and very enjoyable—entertainment!

As always, everyone had plenty to enjoy. Lindsey's Shaved Ice provided shaved ice throughout the evening, which was once again a big hit, especially with the kids. Our younger visitors

also enjoyed free police giveaways and the opportunity to climb inside a police cruiser and see what it is like behind the wheel.

Of course, Cooking with the Cops would not be complete without hamburgers and hot dogs fresh off the grill. Former Greenhills Council Member Jack Lee once again volunteered his time and did a great job keeping everyone fed. We sincerely appreciate Jack's continued commitment to serving as our unofficial grill master



year after year! Events like Cooking with the Cops give our officers a chance to interact with residents in a relaxed, enjoyable setting. We appreciate everyone who stopped by, shared a meal, talked with our officers, and helped make this year's event another success.



Cooking with the Cops is held every year on the first Tuesday evening in August, so it is never too early to mark your calendar!

Save the Date:

Tuesday, August 3, 2027
6:00–8:00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing everyone again next year!

Community Alert: Door-to-Door Solicitors

The Greenhills Police Department reminds residents to use caution when dealing with unexpected door-to-door salespeople.

Recently, in the "J" Section, a resident reported a man claiming to be a Spectrum employee who knew detailed information about the resident's internet account. The individual appeared legitimate, wearing a Spectrum shirt and identification badge, and was invited into the home. During the visit, he was given access to a cell phone, asked for the Wi-Fi password, and offered a deal that seemed too good to be true (which the resident did not take).

Afterward, the resident contacted Spectrum and learned the deal being offered did not exist.

Remember: Door-to-door salespeople and solicitors are required to register with the Village of Greenhills. One of the first questions you should ask is, "**Are you registered with the Village?**" If so, they should have the registration form available for you to view.



Never be afraid to close the door and independently verify someone's identity with the company they claim to represent. Don't provide passwords, financial information, or access to your phone.

A uniform, identification badge, or knowledge of your personal information does not necessarily mean someone is legitimate.

And always remember: If it sounds too good to be true, it most likely is.



BE A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER

KEEPING GREENHILLS
Safe, Clean & Pet-Friendly



KEEP YOUR DOG UNDER CONTROL

Dogs Must Not Run Loose

Your dog must always be confined to your property OR under the reasonable control of a responsible person.

Allowing a dog to roam is dangerous for other people, pets, and your own dog.



DID YOU KNOW?

Greenhills Codified Ordinance 505.01 prohibits dogs from running at large.

PENALTIES

- ✓ **First offense:** Minor Misdemeanor
- ✓ **Subsequent offenses:** Fourth-degree Misdemeanor
 - Court may order obedience training
 - Court may order personal supervision of the dog
 - Court may require payment of impoundment costs
 - Owners may also be civilly liable for injuries or property damage caused by their dog.



PROTECT YOUR DOG FROM THE WEATHER

Leaving a dog outside during dangerous weather isn't just unsafe—it can also violate Village ordinances.

Greenhills Codified Ordinance 505.081 prohibits tethering a dog:

- Longer than 6 hours in any 24-hour period
- Between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- When no responsible person is home
- In unsanitary conditions
- During a Heat Advisory
- During a Cold Advisory
- During a Severe Weather Warning



YOUR DOG SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE:



Fresh Water



Proper Shelter



Shade in Heat



Protection in Cold



If the weather is dangerous for you, it's probably dangerous for your pet too.



PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

Clean Up Every Time

- ✓ Bring waste bags when you walk your dog.
- ✓ Dispose of waste properly in a trash receptacle.
- ✓ Leaving dog waste behind:
 - Creates health hazards
 - Damages parks and greenspaces
 - Is inconsiderate to neighbors
 - Violates Greenhills Codified Ordinance 505.15.



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WHAT CAN HAPPEN IF MY DOG RUNS LOOSE?

As the owner, you may be responsible for:



Injuries to people



Attacks on other animals



Property damage



Veterinary expenses



Court costs and fines



Possible designation of a dangerous dog, depending on the circumstances



DANGEROUS & VICIOUS DOGS

Under Ohio law and the Village of Greenhills Codified Ordinances, a dog may be designated as DANGEROUS or VICIOUS depending on the circumstances.

Failure to comply may result in criminal charges, additional penalties, impoundment of the dog, or other legal action.

If a dog is designated Dangerous or Vicious, the owner may be required to:

- ✓ Register the dog as required by law.
- ✓ Maintain proper confinement and secure enclosures.
- ✓ Keep the dog on a leash and under control whenever off the owner's property.
- ✓ Carry liability insurance, if required.
- ✓ Display warning signage on the property.
- ✓ Comply with all additional restrictions established by Ohio law and Village ordinances.



BARKING DOGS

Excessive, continuous barking that causes a nuisance or disturbs people or the peace of the community is prohibited.

Greenhills Codified Ordinance 505.09 prohibits:

- Barking, howling, crying, or whining for an excessive or unreasonable amount of time.
- Dogs that disturb neighbors, particularly between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.



EXCESSIVE BARKING

Unreasonable, continuous barking that disturbs neighbors is prohibited.



ANIMAL CRUELTY

Cruelty to animals is prohibited and may result in criminal charges.



ANIMAL BITES & QUARANTINE

Dogs that bite may be quarantined as required by law.



BE A COURTEOUS NEIGHBOR

Responsible pet ownership helps keep our community safe and enjoyable for all.



FOR QUESTIONS OR TO REPORT A CONCERN,
PLEASE CONTACT THE GREENHILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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JULY 2026 MONTHLY ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT:

The Greenhills Police Department responded to 177 calls for service during July 2026.

Top Call Types:

- **Squad Runs: 32; Fire Runs: 8**
- **Mutual Aid Assists: 11**
- **Parking Complaints: 29**
- **Domestic Trouble Calls: 9**
- **Suspicious Vehicle/Person: 14**
- **Warrant Service: 3**

Other activity included trouble runs, traffic complaints, firework complaints, juvenile complaints, and a variety of other public service calls.

Arrest Activity

Officers made 6 total arrests in July:

- **3 Warrant/Citation Arrests**
- **3 Offense Arrests**

Offense arrests included charges such as domestic violence and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

Traffic Enforcement

Traffic safety remains a priority in Greenhills.

- **25 Traffic Citations Issued**
- **50 Traffic Warnings Issued**
- **75 Total Traffic Stops Resulting in Enforcement Action**

Officers continue to focus enforcement efforts on high-traffic areas and locations where speeding and violations impact neighborhood safety. 50 of the 75 traffic enforcement actions occurred in both neighborhoods and business district.

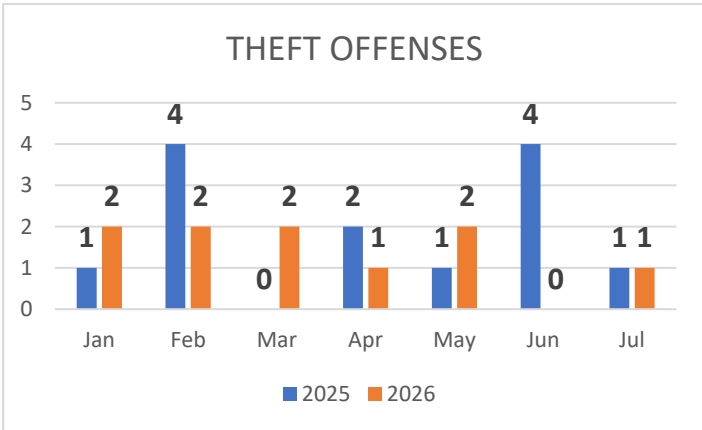
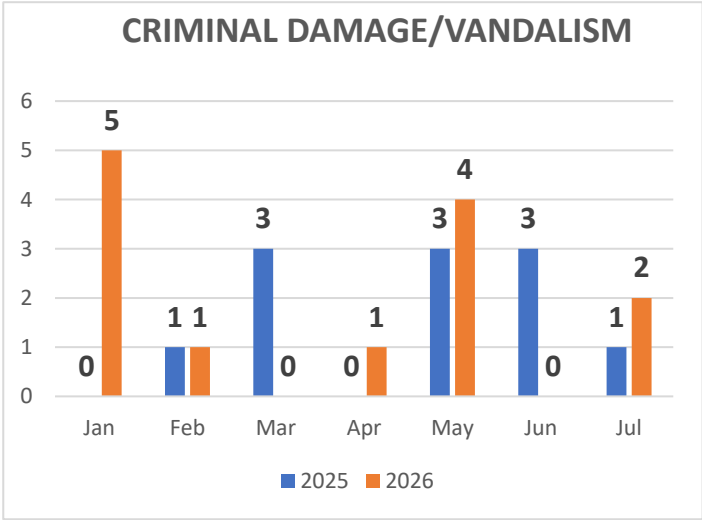
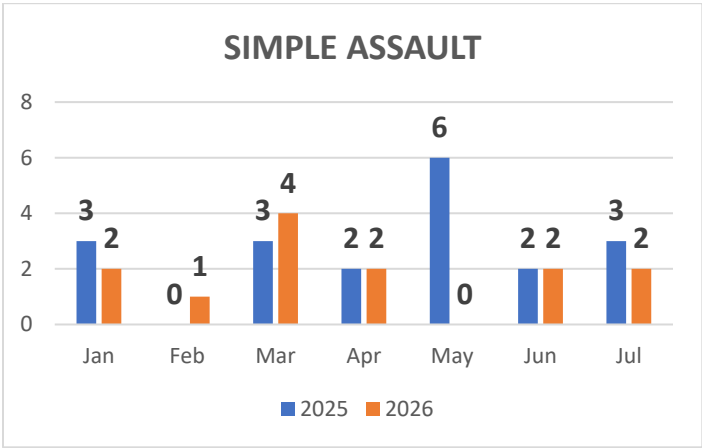
Traffic Crash Investigations

During **July**, officers investigated 2 **auto accident reports** within the Village. Of the 2 auto accident reports, 2 minor injuries were reported.

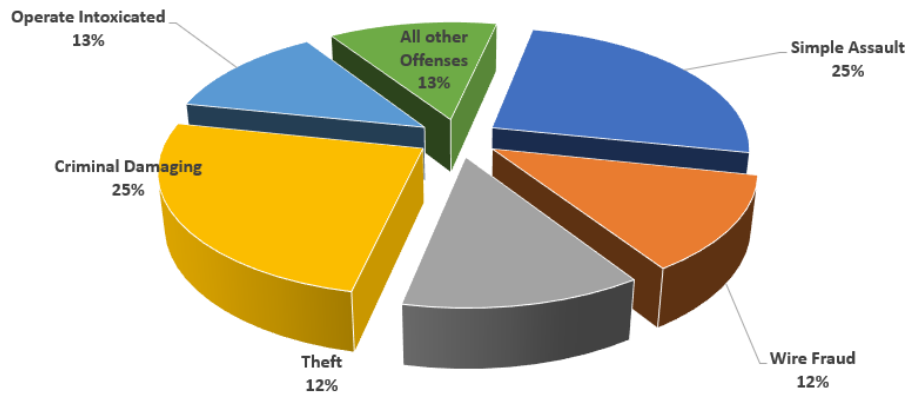
YEAR TO DATE CRIME STATS TO FOLLOW:

CRIMINAL OFFENSE REPORTS BY MONTH

2026 Criminal Offense Reports	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
100 - Kidnapping/Abduction							
11A - Rape							
11D - Fondling							
120 - Robbery							
13A - Aggravated Assault							
13B - Simple Assault	2	1	4	2		2	2
13C - Intimidation							
220 - Burglary/Breaking & Entering		1			1		
23C - Shoplifting							
23F - Theft From Motor Vehicle	1						
23H - All Other Larceny	1	2	2	1	2		1
240 - Motor Vehicle Theft							
250 - Counterfeiting/Forgery		1					
26B - Credit Card Fraud				1			
26E - Wire Fraud						1	1
26F - Identity Theft	2						
270 - Embezzlement							
280 - Stolen Property Offenses	1						
290 - Criminal Damage/Vandalism	5	1		1	4		2
35A - Drug/Narcotic Violations	1					1	
35B - Drug Equipment Violations							
370 - Pornography/Obscene Material			1			1	
520 - Weapon Law Violations							
90C - Disorderly Conduct	1						
90D - Driving Under the Influence			1		1	1	1
90E - Drunkenness							
90F - Family Offense - Nonviolent			1				
90J - Trespass of Real Property				1			
90Z - All Other Offenses	1	3	3		2		1
2026 Totals by Month:	15	9	12	6	10	6	8
2025 Totals by Month:	19	12	16	12	14	18	15
Difference	-4	-3	-4	-6	-4	-12	-7



JULY CRIME REPORT PERCENTAGES



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An Internationally Accredited Law Enforcement Agency

Our Mission

Committed to protecting life, upholding the Constitution, and serving with integrity, compassion, and honor. We build trust through ethical conduct, community engagement, justice with compassion, and a dedication to excellence and accountability.

