# **A Report to Our Citizens**



# **FISCAL YEAR 2015**

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

### Message from Chief Dusseau

2015 turned out to be an exciting and transitional year for the city of Kuna and Kuna City Police. We will miss the influence of former Mayor Greg Nelson who we worked closely with as Kuna grew from a small desert hamlet to the vibrant town it is today but are excited to work with new Mayor Joe Stear leading the way as our community continues to grow.

We said goodbye to longtime Kuna patrol deputy Gary Miller, who retired after 16 years of service. Miller was a steadying force through five police chiefs, six different substations, three mayors and a population that has guadrupled. (That isn't an exaggeration. Kuna's population in 1999 was 4,449. Today, that number is 17,320!)



The good news is Deputy Miller mentored a vibrant group of Kuna Police officers that carry on his legacy every day -- getting to know members of the community and the neighborhoods they live in.

We have a great mix of veteran officers like Sqt. Tom Briggs and Sqt. Carl Olson supervising dynamic new officers like Crystal Graves, who was able to draw on her training and previous experience as a 911 dispatcher to assist paramedics who helped deliver a baby inside a Kuna home



when there wasn't enough time to get to the hospital.

### Connections

Every member of our police department chooses to work in Kuna because they connect with the residents and the independent nature of our town. That connection is the reason officers work closely with homeowners on traffic issues, help business owners develop security plans and even escort a group of girls to the Kuna Daddy/Daughter dance because their fathers weren't available to attend.

The Kuna Police Department connects with the community in person and through technology. We will continue to embrace social media like NextDoor.com and the Ada County Sheriff's Office blog (adasheriffblog.org) to share the most valuable public safety information as quickly as possible.

### **Our Youth**

Our youth programs - the Kuna Junior Deputy Academy and Kuna Police Activities League (PAL) – continue to grow.

As many as 40 elementary school kids participate in the Junior Deputy Academy for six weeks during the summer. They hear from 911 dispatchers, jail deputies, crime scene investigators, detectives and

# **Kuna POLICE TEAM**

### **Chief Justin Dusseau**

#### SERGEANTS Carl Olson

Tom Briggs

#### **PATROL DEPUTIES**

Matt Able Wes Bunnell Crystal Graves Sage Hickam

Darryl Meacham Jake Mulkey Vishal Sahni Matt Servatius

#### DETECTIVES

Barry Clark

Jared Scott

#### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

Krista Ducharme Hyrum Jones Germaine Neumann

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT** 

**Brenda** Owens



Kuna patrol deputies about what they do for a living and why they choose to do it.

Kuna PAL introduced a soccer league in 2015 to go along with our flag football league. These programs are run by volunteers, including officers, community leaders and parents. PAL gives kids safe, healthy activities to participate in and provides them with social support to help them make good choices. It's an excellent example of how we connect to community members of all ages to make Kuna a safer place to live, work and play.

# Crime and Clearance

### crimes per 1,000 population





	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Crimes	450	558	477	522	547
Person	169	185	181	187	158
Property	209	283	209	247	241
Society	72	90	87	88	148

\*Idaho Statistical Analysis Center. (2015, July 1). "Crime in Idaho 2014." Retrieved from https://www.isp.idaho. gov/BCI/ucr/crimeinidaho2014.html







On average, Kuna deputies took 3 minutes 26 seconds to respond to high-priority emergency calls.

# Kuna Police FY15 Budget

Total Cost	\$ 1,655,902
Personnel	1,444,017
Vehicles	136,551
Operating Expenses	36,162
Equipment	22,477
Support Services	16,695
Shared Services Credit	- \$130,754
Total Contract	\$ 1,525,148



# **Police Activity**

According to COMPASS, Kuna has grown 12% over the past 5 years from 15,470 people in 2011 to more than 17,300 in 2015. While overall police activity has mirrored growth in Kuna's population, high-priority emergency calls have decreased in this same time period from 55 to 42 calls, giving deputies more opportunities for proactive community policing.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	5-yr change		
Citizen calls for service	3,051	3,382	3,188	3,540	3,335	<b>9</b> %		
Proactive policing contacts	7,951	9,199	9,149	9,688	8,778	10%		
Arrests	447	433	338	371	307	-31%		
Traffic crashes	58	60	89	99	91	57%		



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