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BOW POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY BULLETIN

CHIEF'S MESSAGE

FROM CHIEF KEN MILLER

As we welcome the arrival of spring, I am happy to share some significant achievements and initiatives that reflect our ongoing commitment to enhancing the safety and well-being of our community. On April 1st, we received our New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation certificate, formally acknowledging our state accreditation status. I am pleased to announce that we are now the second department in the State of New Hampshire to achieve this important milestone, which highlights our dedication to professionalism and excellence in public service.



In our continuous efforts to promote safety for our students, the Bow Police Department has been actively working with the Bow Schools and the bus company to ensure a presence around school buses before and after school. This initiative aims to deter the dangerous practice of motorists passing stopped school buses, protecting our children as they travel to and from school.

As we navigate the roads of Bow, I want to remind everyone to drive safely. To further strengthen our traffic enforcement efforts, we will continue to utilize traffic enforcement grants from the New Hampshire Office of Highway Safety, focusing on keeping our roadways safe for all users.

On April 7th, Officer Seth Guilmette and K9 Hunter will begin an 8-week Narcotics detection training program. K9 Hunter has already demonstrated impressive tracking abilities, particularly in a recent missing person case. We are confident that his acute sense of smell will excel in drug detection, and we look forward to seeing what they can accomplish once the training has been completed.

Thank you for your continued support. Happy spring to everyone!

Regards,

Ken Miller
Chief of Police

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NH ACCREDITATION

The Bow Police Department is proud to announce that it has been awarded New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation, a significant achievement that highlights the department's unwavering commitment to excellence and adherence to high national and state law enforcement standards.



This prestigious recognition from the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission showcases our dedication to professionalism, transparency, and continuous improvement in service to our community. The accreditation process involves rigorous self-assessment and policy development, requiring collaboration and thorough attention to detail from all members of the department.

Chief Ken Miller and the entire team extend their heartfelt gratitude to all personnel for their hard work and dedication, which have made this accomplishment possible. This accolade not only marks a milestone for the Bow Police Department but also reinforces our mission to maintain integrity, effectiveness, and strong community engagement in law enforcement.

We look forward to building on this achievement and continuing to serve as a model for law enforcement in New Hampshire.



On Tuesday, April 1, 2025, Chief Miller and Lt. Lamy formally accepted accreditation by the NHLE Accreditation Commission's at NH Police Standards and Training .

The Bow Police Department is the second NH Law Enforcement agency to achieve accreditation through the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

Pictured (L to R): Lt. Phil Lamy, Chief Ken Miller, Director John Scippa, Ron Ace



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DRIVE SLOW IN BOW



Bow Police will be utilizing NH Highway Safety grants to increase patrols and strictly enforce the posted speed limits.

Helping make Bow safe starts with you!



BOWPOLICEDEPARTMENT

Spring is here! Nice weather comes with more people walking, jogging, biking, and enjoying their time outside. This is a friendly reminder to “Drive Slow in Bow!” and help us keep the roadways safe.

Officers will be utilizing NH Highway Safety grants to increase patrols targeting speeders, distracted drivers, and impaired drivers.

The BPD speed sign will also be placed around town educating drivers on their speed and speed limits.



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School Bus and Student Safety

In coordination with Bow Transportation, Officers will be proactively patrolling bus routes for school bus violations. There has been a recent increase in complaints from Bow Transportation that drivers are not stopping at flashing red lights and school bus stop signs.

BPD treats bus and student safety as a priority and will be following school buses during their routes for violations.

NH 265:54 - Overtaking and Passing School Bus

I. The driver of a vehicle upon a way upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus, plainly marked with school bus signs or such other distinguishing identification as the director may require, which has stopped on the highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging school children shall stop his or her vehicle before reaching such school bus at least 25 feet away from such school bus. The driver shall not proceed until such school bus resumes motion, or until flashing red lights cease to operate.



Passing a school bus:*

First offense: \$186

Subsequent offense(s): \$310

Passing a school bus on the right:*

\$610

*Can also include suspension of driving privileges



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**YELLOW
FLASHING**
slowdown,
prepare
to stop

**be the
driver**
who saves lives



**RED
FLASHING**
stop in
both
directions



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SHERRILL'S LAW (NH RSA 265:37-a)

(MOVE OVER LAW)

CONCORD, N.H. – Members of the New Hampshire Senate unanimously passed legislation expanding and renaming New Hampshire's 'Move Over' law in honor of State Police Staff Sgt. Jesse E. Sherrill. On Oct. 28, 2021, Staff Sgt. Sherrill died in the line of duty while working a construction detail on Interstate 95 in Portsmouth when his cruiser was struck by a tractor-trailer. Investigators later determined the driver of the tractor-trailer failed to move over to the next lane, despite passing at least two advance warning signs and observing multiple warning/emergency lights, according to the indictment filed in the case. The driver later pleaded guilty to felony charges of negligent homicide and reckless conduct.



265:37-a Motorist Duties When Approaching Highway Emergencies "SHERRILL'S LAW"

I. When in or approaching an incident involving a fire, collision, disaster, utility construction or maintenance, or other emergency resulting in partial or complete blockage of a highway, or a location where a police officer has made a traffic stop, every driver other than the driver of an emergency response vehicle, shall:

- (a) Maintain a reduced speed.
- (b) Obey the directions of any authorized person directing traffic and of all applicable emergency signals and traffic control devices.
- (c) Vacate as soon as possible any lane wholly or partially blocked.
- (d) Give a wide berth, without endangering oncoming traffic, to public safety personnel, any persons in the roadway, and vehicles displaying blue, red, or amber emergency or warning lights.

II. Any person violating this section shall be fined \$75 plus penalty assessment for a first offense and \$250 plus penalty assessment for a subsequent offense in a 12-month period.

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DEA NATIONAL DRUG TAKEBACK DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025

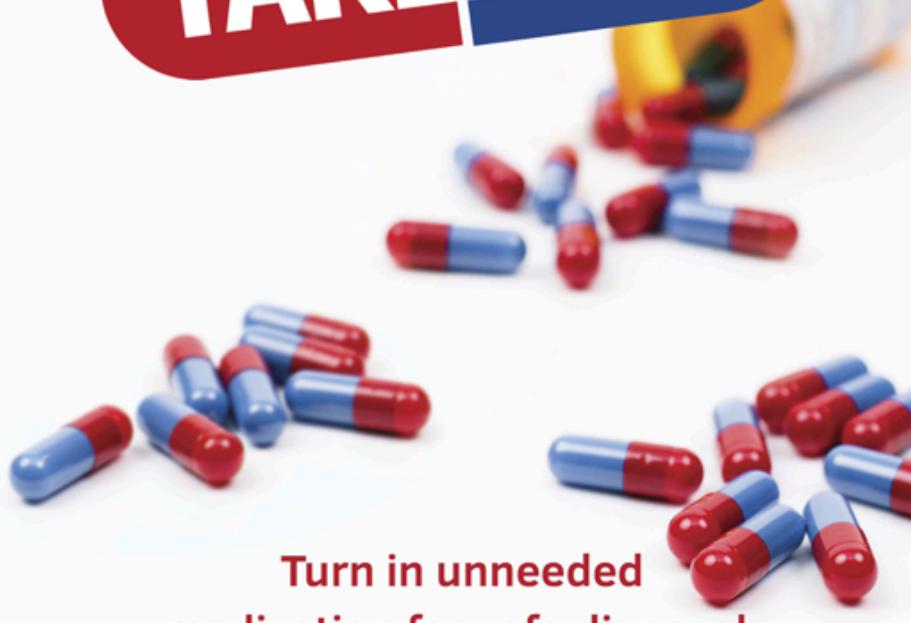
10:00am - 2:00pm

BOW SAFETY CENTER LOBBY

7 Knox Road

Bow, NH 03304

DEA NATIONAL RX
TAKEBACK





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MARCH 2025 ACTIVITY

Arrests (Felonies and Misdemeanors): 21



Total Calls for Service: 962

Motor Vehicle Stops: 222

Citations Issued: 12

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 8

Alarms/911 Hang-up Calls: 52

Animal Complaints: 11

Assist Citizens: 76

Assist Other Agencies: 69

Directed Patrols/ Building Checks: 325

Follow Up: 39

Offense Reports/ Investigations: 34

Suspicious Activity/ Persons: 37

Vacant House Checks: 8

Welfare Checks: 5

Other calls for service*: 64



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\$10,000

**SIGN-ON BONUS
FOR CERTIFIED
OFFICERS**

WE ARE HIRING! APPLY TODAY!

Come join a great team of officers with a mission to keep the Town of Bow a safe community!

We are currently hiring for:
Patrol Officer

The Town of Bow Police Department is seeking an intelligent and motivated person who possesses good writing skills, communication skills, likes to work with people to solve community problems, is motivated, and confident to join our team and be involved in a progressive and community-oriented police department.

Compensation and Benefits:

- Wages are based on a nine-step scale, starting at \$59,155.20 up to \$72,072.
- Eleven (11) paid holidays, Medical (w/ Buyout option)
- Dental and life insurance.
- Accrual of annual and sick leave.
- Officers typically work a 4/3 schedule and rotate every three (3) months.
- Participation in Group II of the NH Retirement System.
- Full uniform and equipment provided by the department

How to Apply:

Email Lt. Phil Lamy your resume and cover letter today!
PLamy@bownhpd.gov



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**988 SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE**

24/7 CALL, TEXT, CHAT



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CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergencies: 9-1-1

Dispatch: 603-228-0511

On-Duty Officer: 603-223-3950

PROSECUTION:

Concord City Prosecutor's Office **603-230-4990**

*Violation, Misdemeanor, and Felony arrests

*Motor Vehicle Citations

*Juvenile Hearings

*Administrative License Suspension Hearings

*Felony Probable Cause Hearings

Merrimack County Attorney's Office **603-228-0529**

*Felony Direct Indictments

*Felonies Bound Over to Superior Court



The Bow Police Department is a member of the Concord Regional Crimeline. Anonymous tips about criminal activity may be submitted through the Crimeline by calling (603) 226-3100 or by visiting the website. Cash rewards are available.