Thank you for your interest in the Washington State Patrol. 2019 was another year of great service from the members of our organization. Within this document, you will find detail of that service.

Washington State Patrol professionals serve the citizens and guests of the state of Washington. I could not be prouder to know them, to work with them, and to be a part of the leadership and support services they provide.

Members of our personnel, from the Trooper on the side of the road to the Communications Officer responding to 911 calls, to the Crime Lab Scientist testing sexual assault kits, are all dedicated to advocating for public safety. From the pilot offering guidance to officers on the ground in pursuit, to the K-9 officer inspecting our ferries, WSP professionals use every tool available to stop those who violate the law. From the honor guard welcoming a visiting head of state, to the government affairs officers testifying before the legislature, our professionals all serve with integrity, dignity, and respect. From the commercial vehicle officers stopping tragedy before it happens, to those in the field conducting fire inspections, we do not shirk from responsibility. From the dispatcher answering a life-critical call to the clerical support professional making sure we are organized and effective, we are all trained and ready to utilize every tool to make a difference every day.

Our motto is Service with Humility and we have operated with that spirit for 99 years. As we begin to look forward to our centennial celebration in 2021, we are also looking back at our humble beginnings in 1921. Then, several courageous young men set out on motorcycles to cover the entire state. There are a lot more paved roads now in our state than in 1921, and there are a lot more to patrol these roads. Our men and women serve in every county, every town, and city across this large and diverse state. Still, we are now as we were then, and as we will be 100 years hence – a group of people who, with humble hearts, have solemnly pledged allegiance to serve, to do what is right, the right way, and for the right reasons.

Sincerely,

Chief John R. Batiste
ABOUT WSP

MISSION

The Washington State Patrol (WSP) makes a difference every day, enhancing the safety and security of our state by providing the best in public safety services.

VISION

To be the best public safety agency in the United States.

MOTTO

Service with Humility

VALUES

Every employee is a critical member of a team committed to earning the trust and confidence of the public through:

- Strong leadership
- Effective partnerships
- Professional excellence
- Acting with integrity and accountability
- Respecting and protecting individual rights
- A culture of continuous improvement
WSP AT A GLANCE

1,113 Commissioned Employees
980 Civil Service Employees
37 K-9 Officers
14 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers Graduated
41 Troopers Commissioned
1,764 Vehicles
18,000+ Lane miles of state highway patrolled

Website: www.wsp.wa.gov
Facebook: www.facebook.com/WashingtonStatePatrol
Twitter: www.twitter.com/wastatepatrol
Instagram: www.instagram.com/wastatepatrol
Blog: www.wspinsideout.wordpress.com/

WSP manages a budget of $742,618,000

$538,669,000 Transportation Fund
$196,413,000 Omnibus Fund
$7,536,000 Capital Fund
KEY MEASUREMENTS

**Troopers:**
- Made more than 1,180,000 contacts
- Answered more than 321,000 calls for service
- Investigated more than 46,000 collisions
- Arrested nearly 15,000 impaired drivers

**Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers:**
- Contacted 137,073 violators
- Performed 94,589 Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Safety Inspections
- Performed 34,800 CMV Safety Inspections at the Ports of Entry
- Placed 11,293 commercial vehicles out of service
- Performed over 14,075 School Bus Inspections

**Major Statewide Violations**  
(Number presented is total contacts)

- 25,143 Distracted Driving
- 22,830 Following too close
- 13,600 Left Lane
- 3,817 Negligent Driving
- 387,256 Speed
- 15,436 DUI
- 18,983 HOV
- 6,357 Misdemeanor Warrants
- 939 Reckless Driving
- 1,599 Felony Warrants
- 2,116 Hit and Run
- 4,791 Move Over
- 35,821 Seatbelt
**KEY MEASUREMENTS**

**Auto Theft Task Force**
- recovered **464** stolen vehicles
- made **252** auto theft arrests

**Missing and Unidentified Persons Unit**
- issued:
  - **5** Amber Alerts
  - **22** Endangered/Missing Person Alerts
  - **45** Silver Alerts

**Interagency Bomb Squad**
- responded to over **280** bomb calls
  - explosive devices
  - suspicious packages
  - ammunition disposals
  - bomb threats

**VIN Inspectors**
- completed **34,400** VIN inspections statewide

**Special Investigations Sections** conducted:
- **Four** child exploitation operations, resulting in:
  - **58** total arrests
  - **One** suspect caught that had direct access to children
- **Two** human trafficking operations, resulting in:
  - **12** total arrests
**KEY MEASUREMENTS**

**Crime Laboratory Division** - completed nearly 32,000 requests:

- 169 crime scene related cases
- 4,591 biological evidence and DNA cases
- 1,577 latent fingerprint cases
- 11,060 controlled substances cases
- 2,235 Integrated Ballistic Identification System (IBIS) entry requests
- 557 firearms requests
- 11,089 offender samples received

**Toxicology Laboratory Division** - received a total of 15,285 cases:

- 10,571 Impaired Driving
- 4,410 Death Investigations
- 304 Assault, drug, and other

**Fire Training Division**

- 4,983 students taught
- 213 courses conducted
- 213 departments/agencies serviced

**Fire Prevention Division**

- 3,916 licenses/certifications issued
- 2,711 fire and life safety inspections
- 5 mobilizations authorized
111th Trooper Basic Training Class

On June 26, 2019, 41 new Troopers graduated from the 111th Trooper Basic Training Class and received their commission. They were sworn in by Associate Chief Justice Charles W. Johnson and handed their commission cards by Chief John R. Batiste and Attorney General Bob Ferguson, marking the beginning of their new careers.

WSP is proud of each and every one of our new Troopers for their hard work, dedication, and perseverance toward embarking on a career of Service with Humility.

K-9 Graduation

WSP welcomed four new explosives detection K-9s to the Washington State Patrol’s ranks. These K-9s are replacement dogs for current WSP handlers whose K-9s have recently retired.

These very special canines have endured 10 weeks and over 300 hours of intensive training with their handlers to prepare for the new careers ahead of them as explosives detection K-9s.

WSP has one of the largest non-federal K-9 programs in the country, with dozens of K-9s deployed throughout the state. Some work as narcotic detection K-9s, while others work specifically to locate explosives.
13th Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer Graduation

On June 11, 2019, 14 new Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officers (CVEOs) graduated from the 13th CVEO Basic Training Class. Five Troopers also graduated from Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) training, certifying them as Commercial Vehicle Troopers.

These new CVEOs and Commercial Vehicle Troopers will work hard to ensure compliance of the commercial motor vehicle regulations in order to protect infrastructure, prevent accidents, and save lives.

Relaunch of El Protector Program

This year, WSP prepared for the relaunch of the El Protector program. This program was established in 2003, but continues to have a positive impact on reducing traffic-related deaths in the Mid-Columbia region through educational outreach and enforcement activities. Our current El Protector, Trooper Daniel Mosqueda, works to provide Hispanic/Latino community outreach education addressing the leading causes of fatality and serious injury collisions in Washington. He also works to build and promote positive relationships between law enforcement, the community, and our stakeholders. In 2019, the El Protector logo was redesigned, and in early 2020 WSP is releasing an El Protector website as well as launching an El Protector Twitter account.
**OUR SUCCESSES**

Two NASCIO Awards for Outstanding IT Projects

**Washington State Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System** was selected as a National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) 2019 State Information Technology Recognition Award recipient, in the State Chief Information Officers (CIO) Office Special Recognition category.

The Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System provides accountability and efficiency in processing sexual assault kits in Washington State.

[Washington State Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System Video](#)

**Using UAS Technology in Collision and Crime Scene Reconstruction**, was selected as NASCIO 2019 State Information Technology Recognition Award recipient in the Emerging and Innovative Technologies category.

WSP's use of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) has resulted in a significant reduction in road closure time and congestion associated with collision investigations, greatly improved investigative forensic documentation, and improved officer safety as investigations are conducted from the air rather than on the congested roadways.

[Using UAS Technology in Collision and Crime Scene Reconstruction Video](#)

Detectives investigated:

- **327** felony, fatality and serious injury collisions
- **193** non-traffic criminal investigations
- **1,256** criminal investigations initiated

Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System:

- **510** first time survivor logins
- **2,350** total survivor logins

Registered portal users:

- **1,038** medical facilities registered as users
- **1,006** law enforcement registered as users
OUR SUCCESSES

Homeward Bound Program

The Homeward Bound program, which is administered by the WSP Missing and Unidentified Persons Unit, uses the high visibility of commercial vehicles to increase awareness surrounding missing individuals. Since this program was established, in 2005, three children featured on these trucks have been recovered.

This year, we partnered with Kam-Way Transportation to place three missing persons: Teekah Lewis, Misty Copsey, and Alyssa McLemore on the sides of their vehicles.

Legislative Proposals

The 2019 legislative session was successful for the WSP. We proposed the following three bills that were adopted by the legislature and enacted into law:

- **CDL Safety Belt Exemption (House Bill 1901):** Prohibits operators and passengers of a commercial motor vehicle from exercising the current medical exception to the requirement to wear a safety belt.

- **Color of Stop Lamps on Vehicles (Senate Bill 5937):** Requires all rear commercial motor vehicle lighting devices and reflectors, including stop lamps, to be red, except other signal devices which may be red or amber.

- **Concealed Pistol License Federal Background Check (Substitute Senate Bill 5508):** Clarifies the background check for an original concealed pistol license must be conducted through WSP Criminal Identification Section and must include a fingerprint background check through the FBI.
OUR SUCCESSES

Emphasis Patrols

Throughout the year, WSP conducted focused efforts and patrol emphases funded by the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC). These emphases continuously support our agency’s goal of making people safe on Washington roadways.

For specific emphases as detailed below, extra personnel supplement the efforts of those that are on regular duty.

- Distracted Driving
- Move Over, Slow Down
- On the Road, Off the Phone
- Impaired Driving Emphasis - 4/20
- Click it or Ticket it
- Cinco de Mayo
- Paradiso
- Euro Car Rally
- HoopFest
- It's a Fine Line Motorcycle
- Water Follies
- DUI Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over
- Oyster Run
- OysterFest
- DUI Local Flex HiVE
- WSU Thanksgiving Break
- Speeding Projects
- Littering/Secure Your Load
MEET OUR EXECUTIVE TEAM

CHIEF JOHN R. BATISTE

ASSISTANT CHIEF JEFFREY R. SASS
FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU

ASSISTANT CHIEF JOHNNY R. ALEXANDER
COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU

STATE FIRE MARSHAL CHARLES P. LEBLANC
FIRE PROTECTION BUREAU

DIRECTOR LARRY D. HEBERT
FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES BUREAU

ASSISTANT CHIEF ROBERT E. HUSS
INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BUREAU

ASSISTANT CHIEF MARC W. LAMOREAUX
TECHNICAL SERVICES BUREAU
MEET OUR BUREAUS

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF
Under the direction of Chief John R. Batiste, the Office of the Chief oversees the day-to-day operations of the agency.

- Department Psychologist
- Government and Media Relations
- Labor and Policy

FIELD OPERATIONS BUREAU
The Field Operations Bureau (FOB) oversees headquarters and eight geographic districts, each facing unique characteristics and challenges. The bureau is responsible for traffic law enforcement, collision investigation, and motorist assistance on over 18,000 lane miles patrolled.

- FOB Headquarters
- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5
- District 6
- District 7
- District 8
- Chaplaincy Program

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT BUREAU
The Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Bureau (CVEB) is responsible for promoting and educating the safe travel of commercial vehicles, enhancing safe transportation of school children and protecting the state’s infrastructure. CVEB oversees the department fleet, facilities and all equipment throughout the agency while being good stewards of public funds.

- Budget and Fiscal Services
- Commercial Vehicle Division
- Motor Carrier Safety Division
- Property Management Division
MEET OUR BUREAUS

FIRE PROTECTION BUREAU
The Fire Protection Bureau (FPB) is dedicated to the protection of life, property and environment from the devastation of fire. FPB consists of two divisions, whose services include fire incident reporting, data collection, plan review, fire inspections, fireworks and sprinkler licensing, mobilization resource coordination and firefighter training.

- Fire Training Division
- Fire Prevention Division

FORENSIC LABORATORY SERVICES BUREAU
The Forensic Laboratory Services Bureau (FLSB) provides a wide range of forensic science expertise to city, county, and state law enforcement, medical examiners and coroners; assisting agencies at crime scenes; preparing evidence for trial and providing expert testimony.

- Crime Laboratory Division
- Impaired Driving Section
- Toxicology Laboratory Division

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BUREAU
The Investigative Services Bureau (ISB) provides overall administrative and support services to the traffic and investigative programs of the department, as well as to many other state agencies.

- Criminal Investigation Division
- Criminal Records Division
- Homeland Security Division
- Investigative Assistance Division
- Office of Professional Standards
- Special Operations Division

TECHNICAL SERVICES BUREAU
The Technical Services Bureau (TSB) provides diverse support services to the entire agency, as well as other law enforcement and government agencies throughout the state, and members of the general public.

- Communications Division
- Electronic Services Division
- Human Resource Division
- Information Technology Division
- Risk Management Division
- Training Division