



TTPS Operation Feedback

February 1st
to April 30th 2019



Major Drug and Human Trafficking Ring Cracked

19 South American female victims, between the ages of 15-19 years, were rescued by police following raids in West Trinidad on February 6th, 2019. 10 men have since been detained.

28 Arrested in Operation Strike Back Exercises

Twenty-eight persons were arrested in connection with a number of serious reported crimes, during OSB exercises in the Eastern Division from Thursday 7th to Friday 8th February, 2019.

Cocaine Seized at Point Lisas

Organised Crime and Intelligence Unit officers along with officers of Custom and Excise Division seized a large quantity of cocaine worth TT\$9.8M from a container destined for St. Marteen, on Tuesday 5th February, 2019 at a Point Lisas port.

258 Arrested over 72 Hours during Operation Strike Back

Over 4500 police officers across the nine Divisions engaged in anti-crime exercises over a 72-hour period from February 13th to 15th, 2019. Nine firearms and 93 rounds of ammunition were seized and 258 persons arrested for various offences.

Million Dollar Marijuana Finds

231 packages of marijuana, with an estimated street value of TT\$1,342,000 found during OSB exercise in Sangre Grande on February 19th, 2019. Marijuana worth an estimated \$2 million destroyed by officers in San Juan on February 20th, 2019.

Three Arrested and Large Quantity of Cocaine Seized in St Helena

Two suitcases containing a total of 23 packets of cocaine valued at 8 million dollars, seized during mobile patrol in St Helena on February 23rd, 2019. Three are arrested.



ACIB Moves to TTPS

TTPS to benefit from closer collaboration between Fraud, Cyber Crime Unit, Financial Investigations Branch and the Anti-Corruption Investigations Branch which now falls under the responsibility of the TTPS.

Random Drug Testing for All Police Officers

Commissioner Griffith gave instructions to conduct random testing for dangerous drugs on both Regular and SRP Officers of the TTPS.

TTPS Instructors Receive Formal Training in Use of Tasers

25 officers received formal training in the use of Taser devices and instructing others in the use of tasers. The training for instructors, forms part of the TTPS's ongoing thrust to utilize non-lethal devices, in keeping with the Minimum Use of Force Policy.



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Restructuring of TTPS Legal Unit

Implementation of a new Monitoring and Compliance Unit will improve overall operational efficiency. Special team of UK prosecutors specializing in fraud-related matters, contracted to assist in investigation and prosecution of such matters.

Enforcing Laws against Inhumane Treatment of Animals

The CoP will assign specific police officers to work hand in hand with persons from animal welfare groups within communities.

TTPS to launch Domestic Violence Unit

Knowledge gained from participation in the UN Women's Commission on the Status of Women Conference 2019, will be used to help create a road-map to ensure women's social protection and safety, through the support of the expected launch of a Domestic Violence Unit.

Soca Artistes Partner with TTPS for 'iRoadSafe' Campaign

Several top entertainers supported the TTPS 'iRoadSafe' campaign, promoting the message of responsible alcohol consumption during the Carnival season. Soca superstar, Machel Montano also donated 40 tickets for his premier event, 'Machel Monday', to the 'I Support Our Service' initiative.



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Dashboard Cameras Launched for Carnival 2019

Dashboard cameras for ERP vehicles launched to enable Operations Centre real-time access to situations confronted by police officers, to provide timely responses.

CoP Meets with Tourism Stakeholders

Commissioner Griffith held stakeholder talks with senior representatives of three national tourism stakeholder organizations on Wednesday 6th February, 2019, to treat with the influx of tourists destined for T&T for the Carnival 2019 season.



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CoP Raises TTPS Alert to 'Red'

A New Coloured Alert System was implemented that assists in identifying the scale of any threat. This allows relevant units to determine what extent of intensified enforcement should be used based on the threat, which optimizes the use of manpower and resources.

Drone Technology Launched for Carnival 2019

The Silent Falcon Unmanned Aircraft System launched on March 2nd 2019, deployed at various locations across the country during Carnival, providing a live downlink to both the National Operations Centre and the Operational Command Centre, assisting with traffic and crowd management.



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Safest Carnival in recent history!

12 serious crimes were recorded for Carnival 2019 - a 43% reduction, when compared to Carnival 2018 and a 283% reduction compared to just five years prior in 2014.

ISOS: Launched in Tobago, South and Hosts 'CONVERGE 2019'

Collaborative strategy networking event 'Converge 2019' hosted on February 10th 2019, aimed at stimulating discussions about how ancillary groups can better support the work of the TTPS. ISOS also launched in South Trinidad and Tobago.

Launch of Commissioner's Cup Football Tournament 2019

Commissioner's Cup Football Tournament launched on March 19th, 2019. The tournament is designed to incorporate sport as an essential crime fighting tool.

CoP Reaches Out to all MPs in New Crime Initiative

Commissioner of Police indicated his willingness and availability to meet with all 41 Members of Parliament to discuss crime initiatives and strategies, which can be beneficial to their constituents.

CoP Receives Courtesy Call from U.S. Ambassador

Commissioner Griffith met with United States Ambassador, His Excellency Joseph N. Mondello on March 27th, 2019, to discuss collaboration on crime reduction and the need for continued U.S. partnership and training.

ISOS Initiative Receives \$100K from Xtra Foods

The 'I Support Our Service' initiative received \$100,000.00 from corporate partner, Xtra Foods Supermarket Ltd to assist the work of the Victim and Witness Support Unit, TTPS Social and Welfare Association and ISOS.

CoP Holds Meeting with Retirees' Association

Commissioner of Police Gary Griffith has met with the executive of the Trinidad and Tobago Police Retirees' Association, to discuss a number of issues currently faced by the group's membership. Commissioner Griffith acknowledged that the expertise of the retirees was an untapped resource and welcomed their contributions.



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