

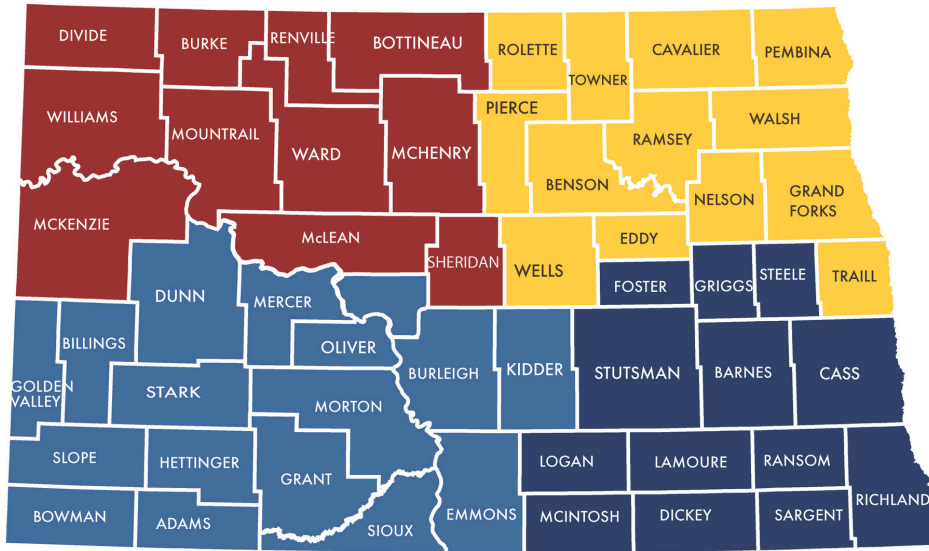


# NDHP FACT SHEET

## WHERE WE SERVE

**OUR STAFF:** 171 SWORN 34 CIVILIAN

## NDHP REGIONS



## WHY WE SERVE

**OUR MISSION:** The mission of the North Dakota Highway Patrol is to make a difference every day by providing high-quality law enforcement services to keep North Dakota safe and secure.

**OUR VISION:** Public safety through quality service.

### OUR VALUES:

- Loyalty
- Integrity
- Commitment
- Respect
- Professionalism
- Accountability

The NDHP enforces laws governing criminal, traffic, commercial motor vehicle (CMV), and size and weight offenses in North Dakota under statutory authority, NDCC Chapter 39-03.

Primary responsibilities include:

- Improving traffic safety through enforcement and education
- Investigating vehicle crashes
- Promoting safe driving practices
- Providing emergency law enforcement services
- Administering a federal CMV safety program

The NDHP has jurisdiction on state-owned and leased property such as the capitol grounds. The NDHP provides security and protection for the governor, the governor's immediate family, the legislative assembly, and the North Dakota Supreme Court.

The Law Enforcement Training Academy (LETA), located in Bismarck, provides basic and advanced training to local, state, tribal, and federal peace officers. Certifications and courses offered at the LETA must meet requirements established by the North Dakota Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board.

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# NDHP specialty services to enhance public safety and community engagement:

## ● Emergency Response Team (ERT)

The Emergency Response Team (ERT) is a specially trained team of officers utilized in select emergency situations. The team's two areas of specialization include crowd and riot control and tactical tracking and search. The team also assists with dignitary protection, search and rescue, and provides assistance to other agencies upon request.

## ● Crash Reconstruction Team (CRT)

Crash Reconstruction Team members specialize in forensic mapping of crash scenes, preservation and analysis of critical evidence, expert testimony, crime scene reconstruction, trajectory analysis, small-unmanned aircraft system (sUAS) scene analysis, computer generated scale diagramming, and 3D modeling. **CRT worked 137 cases resulting in 110 criminal charges in 2024.**

## ● Criminal Interdiction Team

Officers assigned to this team focus their efforts on intercepting contraband and locating other types of criminal activity occurring on North Dakota roadways. **In 2024, the team intercepted 15.4 lbs. of Fentanyl; 1,199 lbs. of Marijuana; 86.3 Lbs. of THC; 30.5 lbs. of Methamphetamine; and 17.9 lbs. of Cocaine.**

## ● Canine Program

A specially trained narcotic detector canine or man-trailing canine is paired with a designated handler, and each team trains and works in their respective specialty. The canine teams are stationed at various locations throughout the state and are ready to respond whenever called. **In 2024, the narcotic teams were deployed 122 times and the man-trailing teams 26 times.**

## ● Cultural Liaison Officer (CLO)/Recruiter

The CLO program was created to enhance culturally diverse relationships and focus on immediate needs and concerns such as missing persons, jurisdictional complexities, requests for cross-agency collaboration, cultural awareness training, youth engagement, and recruitment. The goal is to build trust and develop empathy to allow for effective, meaningful dialogue among diverse communities while addressing unique issues and enhancing citizen safety.

## ● Honor Guard Team

Team members are specially trained in honor guard duties and protocols and represent the NDHP at events such as law enforcement funerals, memorials, and other authorized functions. Members must maintain impeccable appearance of uniforms and equipment and be available for short-notice activations. **Honor Guard members participated in 16 details in 2024.**

## ● Aviation Program

One fixed-wing airplane is equipped with infrared equipment to assist law enforcement agencies with search and rescue efforts and the apprehension of fleeing suspects. sUAS resources are available for statewide deployment to assist with localized search and rescue efforts.

## ● Crash Assistance Program

Team members provide services after a traumatic event involving serious body injury or death, bridging the gap between the NDHP and crash or crime victims and their families and other agencies, courts, or involved personnel. **In 2024, 336 individuals received services through the program.**