

# NDHP SPECIALTY SERVICES TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

## 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 2023-2024, the team intercepted 26.7 lbs. of Fentanyl; 1330+ lbs. of Marijuana; 32 lbs. of Methamphetamine; and 20 lbs. of Cocaine.

## 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 241 cases resulting in 142 criminal charges from 2023-2024.

## 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. Conducted training for 210 New Americans and represented NDHP at 60 tribal/cultural events since 2023.

## 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. NDHP currently has 5 narcotic K9 teams and 3 man-trailing teams. In 2023-2024, the narcotic teams were deployed 260 times and the man-trailing teams 105 times.

## 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. During 2023-2024, Honor Guard members participated in 29 events to include the funeral of Fargo Police Officer Jake Wallin and Burnsville MN, fallen officers Matthew Ruge and Paul Elmstrand.

## 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. Forty-one of the 72 aircraft calls in 2023-2024 were search related. Air surveillance was crucial during the wildfires in Oct. 2024.

## 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 2023-2024, 675 individuals received services through the program.

## Emergency Response Team (ERT)

Emergency Response Team members specialize in tracking missing or fleeing persons, riot and crowd control, and dignitary protection and security.



## NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL

Statutory Authority Chapter 39-03

**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.

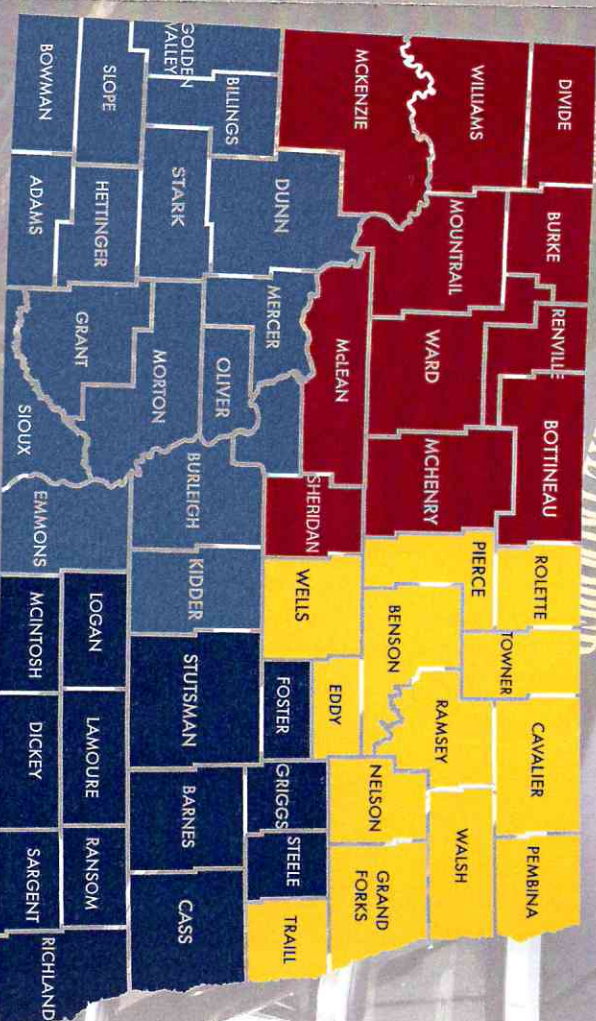
**OUR VISION:** Public safety through quality service.

### OUR VALUES:

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

**OUR EMPLOYEES:** 171 Sworn, 34 Civilian

## NDHP REGIONS



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# HIGHWAY PATROL 2025-27 AGENCY BUDGET REQUEST

## BUDGET REQUESTS

NDHP Legislative  
Information



[www.nd.gov/ndhp/2025-legislative-session](http://www.nd.gov/ndhp/2025-legislative-session)

### Proposed Changes

2025-2027 Budget  
\$89,861,607

General: \$63,586,292  
Special: \$16,148,576  
Federal: \$10,126,739

### ND 2014 Population

738,736

### ND 2024 Population

796,568

### 10 Year Growth

+7.83%

### NDHP 2014 Auth. Sworn

168

### NDHP 2024 Auth. Sworn

171

### 10 Year Change

+3

#### Body Armor Funding

70 sets of soft body armor will  
need replacing during the  
2025-2027 biennium.

#### Crash Assistance Program Funding

\$194,000  
VOCA Reduction

#### PBT Replacement

\$50,000 for 155 new units  
1,300 DUIs annually

#### CEW (Taser) Replacement

\$870,000 for 162 units  
Upgrade to Taser 10

#### FLIR Maintenance Agreement

\$88,000

#### Misc. NDIT Costs/ Software Packages

Data processing deficiency  
Blackboard maintenance agreement/  
video editing software

#### In-Car Router On-going Costs

\$210,000  
158 total  
vehicles

#### EcoStructure Security Project

\$218,000

#### Range Ventilation

\$35,000  
4 industrial fans

#### Lease Rate Increase

Hangar  
Warehouse  
Regional Offices

#### EVOC Pad Resurface

\$260,000