



**BIRMINGHAM
POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

**2019
ANNUAL REPORT**

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CHIEF'S MESSAGE

May 2020

Birmingham City Commission
Joseph A. Valentine, City Manager

As the Chief of Police for City of Birmingham, I am proud to present the 2019 edition of the annual report. This document reflects the outstanding efforts of the men and women who comprise the department. Police officers, auxiliary officers and non-sworn personnel work diligently to make Birmingham a safe and welcoming community.

The mission statement of the department reflects our agency's commitment to the safety and security of all our residents and visitors:

The Birmingham Police Department is committed to fairness, compassion and excellence in providing services sensitive to the priorities and needs of the community; the protection of life and property, the apprehension of criminal perpetrators and the prevention of crime in accordance with the law.

The chart below summarizes this report, delineating calls for service, major crime categories and arrest categories. Included in this data for historical perspective are crime statistics from 25 and 50 years ago. While any crime is unacceptable to the police department, the citizens of Birmingham should be proud of where the City stands as it relates to a crime rate that has been consistently low over the course of the past several years.

	2019	2018	2017	1994	1969
Total calls for service	20,537	17,945	14,863	18,864	13,237
Number of sworn officers	33	32	32	36	42
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Conduct I, III	3	1	1	4	0
Robbery	1	5	4	2	13
Vandalism	33	39	47	279	N/A
Burglary	20	11	19	57	175
Larceny	94	164	201	649	739
Vehicle theft	8	6	10	41	50
Operating While Impaired	95	76	65	207	40
Fraud	110	139	174	133	50
Adult arrests	441	594	436	778	782
Juvenile arrests	9	17	32	61	409

In 2019, the police department continued to make concerted efforts to engage with the community as much as possible. A well-informed, engaged public is one of our greatest assets in helping safeguard the well-being and safety of our residents. The new traffic program dealing with residents concerned about speeding and other traffic related issues in their neighborhoods was well received. As part of the program, an officer now meets with concerned residents, examines current conditions on the street from data previously collected (speed surveys/crash reports) and a course of action is mutually agreed upon moving forward (radar enforcement by officers, portable speed boards, radar trailers, increased signage).

The now fully trained community resource officer conducted numerous home security surveys for residents and presented active shooter response (ASR) training to businesses, schools, religious institutions and other community institutions. Particularly popular community based training programs were the nine self-defense classes for women. The police department is continuing to assist the Birmingham Public Schools on the implementation of the ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) method of active shooter response.

One of the most popular additions to the police department's community engagement initiatives has been K-9 Bella. Bella, a 2-year-old black lab/golden retriever mix is a certified therapy dog. In her first year, Bella assisted officers with residents suffering from Alzheimer's, victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and citizens suffering from anxiety and/or other life stressors. When not conducting active therapy work, Bella greets visitors to City Hall and visits employees throughout the day. Bella also worked such events as Dream Cruise, the Celebrate Birmingham Parade, the Halloween Parade, Movie Night in the Park, Day of the Town, Small Business Saturday and numerous other community based occasions. Bella also enjoys patrolling the downtown with officers as a friendly police presence.

Finally, the police department began the process of becoming an accredited police agency through the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP). The two-year process will begin in 2020 when the department formally applies for admission into the accreditation program. Accreditation is a progressive and time-proven way of helping law enforcement agencies calculate and improve their overall performance. The foundation of accreditation lies in the voluntary adoption of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives. Birmingham, like other participating agencies, will conduct a thorough self-analysis to determine which of the department's existing operations already meet some of the standards and/or how the procedures can be adapted to meet the standards and professional objectives. When these procedures are in place, a team of trained outside agency assessors will verify that applicable standards have been successfully implemented and that Birmingham is in compliance. Accreditation status represents a significant professional achievement. Accreditation acknowledges the

implementation of written directives, policies and procedures that are conceptually sound and operationally effective.

As Chief, I am a firm believer in the use of multi-jurisdictional task forces organized under cooperative agreements with neighboring agencies. These task forces address specialized and complex crime and service related issues. Currently, the Department has eight of these task forces/cooperative agreements:

CLEMIS (Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System): 128 police agencies and an additional 107 other local, state and federal agencies that share records management, computer aided dispatch systems and criminal data base records.

PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point): There are 21 different call centers throughout Oakland County. We provide consolidated dispatch services for the Village of Beverly Hills.

MCAT (Major Case Assistance Team): 9 agencies that provide experienced detectives to work on major and complex criminal investigations.

NET (Narcotics Enforcement Team): 14 agencies conducting narcotics in investigations throughout the area. NET is administered by the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

SIU (Special Investigations Unit): 5 agencies that cooperatively operate undercover operations, surveillance operations and fugitive apprehensions. SIU is administered by the Troy Police Department.

OAKTAC (Oakland County Tactical Unit): 40 agencies available to assist with specialized equipment and universal training for officers in the area of active shooter/hostage/civil unrest tactical situations.

FBI Financial Crimes Task Force: Cooperative agreement with the Federal Bureau of Investigation to provide local officers to work on local fraud cases at the federal level to enhance investigatory capabilities and address large scale fraud cases crossing local, state and national jurisdictions.

SOCCIT (South Oakland County Crash Investigation Team): SOCCIT is made up of highly trained accident investigation officers from 5 neighboring jurisdictions and can be called out for serious or fatal vehicle and/or pedestrian crashes. This consortium provides the City with access to a 24/7 crash investigation team.

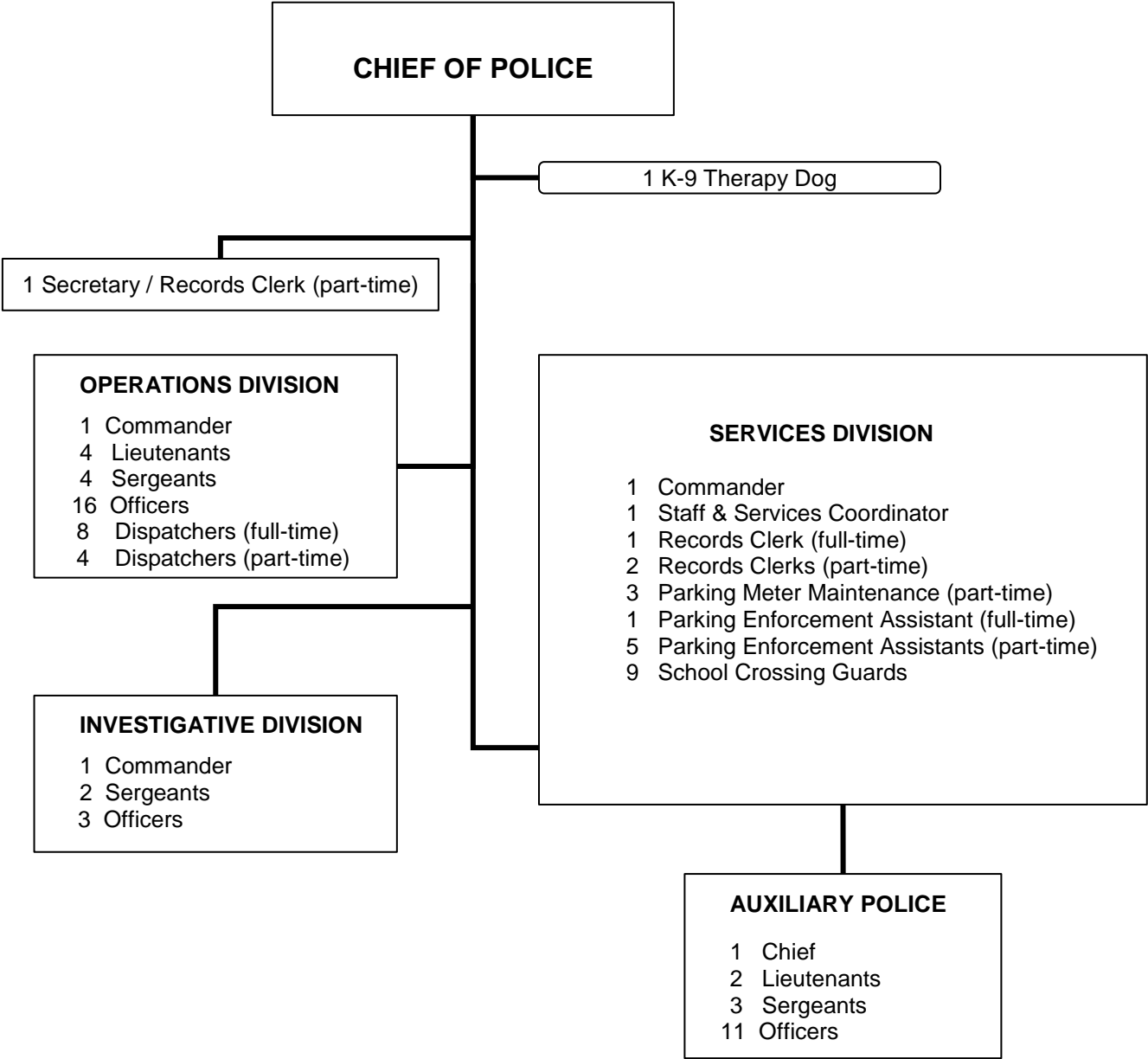
It is my hope that this message provides a well-rounded view of the commitment and dedication of the men and women of the Birmingham Police Department. We could not do the important work of preserving safety and quality of life without the help and support we receive from City Manager, the City Commission and the community itself.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'm H C e', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark H. Clemence
Chief of Police

2019 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



**BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
PERSONNEL DISTRIBUTION
AUTHORIZED POSITIONS
2019**

FULL TIME SWORN POSITIONS	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
CHIEF OF POLICE	1	1	1	1	1
DEPUTY CHIEF	0	0	0	0	1
COMMANDER	3	3	3	3	3
LIEUTENANT	4	4	4	4	3
SERGEANT	6	6	7	7	7
POLICE OFFICER	19	18	17	17	16
SWORN OFFICER TOTAL	33	32	32	32	31
FULL TIME CIVILIAN POSITIONS	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANT	1	1	1	1	1
STAFF & SERVICES COORDINATOR	1	1	1	1	1
DISPATCHER	8	8	8	7	6
RECORDS CLERK	1	1	1	1	1
FULL TIME CIVILIAN TOTAL	11	11	11	10	9
FULL TIME EMPLOYEE TOTAL	44	43	43	42	40
PART TIME CIVILIAN POSITIONS	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
PARKING METER MAINTENANCE	3	3	3	2	2
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD	9	9	9	9	9
CLERK / SECRETARY	3	3	3	3	3
PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANT	5	5	5	5	4
DISPATCHER	8	4	4	4	6
PART TIME CIVILIAN TOTAL	28	24	24	23	24

**BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
PERSONNEL REGISTER
PRESENT FOR DUTY DECEMBER 31 2019**

CHIEF OF POLICE		Mark H. Clemence
COMMANDERS	SERVICES DIVISION	Michael Albrecht
	INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION	Chris Busen
	OPERATIONS DIVISION	Scott Grewe
LIEUTENANTS	PLATOON A	Greg Wald
	PLATOON B	Christopher Koch
	PLATOON C	Ryan Kearney
	PLATOON D	Raymond Faes
SERGEANTS	PLATOON A	Michael Lyon
	PLATOON B	Rebekah Springer
	PLATOON C	Michael Simpson
	PLATOON D	Joseph Bunting
	INVESTIGATORS	Katherine Long
		Michael Romanowski
		David Buttigieg
		Alex Linke
		Jeff Whipple
POLICE OFFICERS		Seth Barone
		Josh Bouchard
		Christopher Bukoski
		Nicholas Hill
		Josh Husted
		Yacoub Iseid
		Nicholas Krumm
		Brent Macumber
		Michael Manzo
		Kyle McCanham
		Scott McIntyre
		Gina Moody
		Casey Pedersen
		Evan Rothe
		Stefan Syts
		Jordan Zale

DISPATCHERS	FULL TIME	Sharon Blair Joya Davis Jamie Irwin Joseph Misiak Daniel Ruby Frank Russell Melissa Toole Terez Willis
DISPATCHERS	PART TIME	Renee Backlund Steven Lemiere-Bozynski Janice Delinko Kristine Longtine David Sharick
STAFF & SERVICES COORDINATOR	FULL TIME	Ellen DeView
RECORDS CLERK	FULL TIME	Jennifer Davis
SECRETARY RECORDS CLERK	PART TIME	Gwynn Duffy Brandi Campbell Darlene St. Charles
PARKING ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANTS	FULL TIME PART TIME	James Lotridge Kenneth Hitchcock Howard Jacobs Robert Prew Linda Rodriguez Christine Williams
PARKING METER MAINTENANCE AND COLLECTION	PART TIME	Rick Waynick Cheryl Vassallo Vacant
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS	PART TIME	Rick Argus Suann Darmody ** Alexandra Harris Laura Keaton Thomas Lynch ** Kenneth McQuillan George Oltman, Jr. Iris Poole Audrey Reed * Steffanie Rhymes ** Mary Sczesny * Dennis Sheppard ** Chester Zuchlewski

* SHARED POSITION
** SUBSTITUTE

2019 PERSONNEL CHANGES

PROMOTED

None

POSITION ELIMINATED

None

RECRUITED

Christopher Bukoski, Police Officer
Nicholas Krumm, Police Officer
David Sharick, Dispatcher
Rick Waynick, Parking Meter Maintenance (part time)

RESIGNED

Brett Monarch, Parking Meter Maintenance (part time)

RETIRED

None

TRANSFERRED

Philip Webb, from Lieutenant to Police Officer

2019 SENIORITY DISTRIBUTION

OFFICER / SERGEANT

00-04 years of service	11
05-09 years of service	6
10-14 years of service	0
15-19 years of service	2
20-24 years of service	5
25-30 years of service	0

Total 24

LIEUTENANT / COMMANDER

05-09 years of service	0
10-14 years of service	2
15-19 years of service	3
20-24 years of service	2
25-30 years of service	0
31-35 years of service	0

Total 7

CHIEF

30-34 years of service	1
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Total 1

DISPATCHERS

00-04 years of service	7
05-09 years of service	2
10-14 years of service	0
15-19 years of service	0
20-24 years of service	0
25-29 years of service	3

Total 12

SWORN OFFICER SENIORITY AVERAGE	11.95 YEARS
CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SENIORITY AVERAGE (FULL TIME)	17.74 YEARS
CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE SENIORITY AVERAGE (PART TIME)	5.70 YEARS

SUMMARY OF OFFENSES, ARRESTS, AND VIOLATIONS

The primary goal of the department is protection of life and property, prevention of crime, and apprehension of criminal perpetrators. We strive to deliver the best possible police service in a professional, courteous manner to the residents of the city and to those who work, travel, and shop here.

In 2019, we responded to 20,537 calls for police service, a decrease of 2.35% from the previous year. These calls are classified into three separate groups:

Group A includes: Robbery, forcible sexual assaults, larceny, burglary, damage to property, etc.

Group B includes: Operating While Intoxicated (OWI), disorderly conduct, liquor law violations, misdemeanor sex offenses, non-violent family offenses, etc.

Group C includes: Traffic offenses, traffic crashes, juvenile offenses, warrant arrests, general patrol activity, etc.

Group A incidents were down 15.10%

2018 = 437

2019 = 371

Group A arrests were down 29.41%

2018 = 68

2019 = 48

Group B incidents were up 28.10%

2018 = 153

2019 = 196

Group B arrests were up 43.18%

2018 = 88

2019 = 126

Group C incidents were down 3.32%

2018 = 20,497

2019 = 20,021

Group C arrests were down 0.41%

2018 = 241

2019 = 240

Traffic citations were up 4.50%

2018 = 7,157

2019 = 7,479

Total parking violations were up 12.44%

2018 = 40,637

2019 = 45,691

**SUMMARY OF OFFENSES
THREE YEAR TREND**

OFFENSES	2019	2018	2017	3 YEAR AVERAGE
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0.00
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT I, III	3	5	1	3.00
ROBBERY	1	3	5	3.00
ASSAULT ALL	46	51	39	45.33
BURGLARY	20	24	11	18.33
LARCENY	94	84	164	114.00
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	8	9	6	7.67
ARSON	0	0	0	0.00
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT II, IV	2	5	4	3.67
FORGERY / COUNTERFEITING	5	1	2	2.67
FRAUD	110	113	139	120.67
EMBEZZLEMENT	8	8	5	7.00
VANDALISM	33	19	39	30.33
OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED	95	71	76	80.67
TOTALS	425	393	491	436.66

ADULT ARREST COMPARISON REPORT

OFFENSES	2019	2018	2017	3 YEAR AVERAGE
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT I, III	1	1	0	.67
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0.00
ROBBERY	0	3	0	1.00
ASSAULT	25	34	19	26.00
BURGLARY	0	7	1	2.67
LARCENY	21	22	20	21.00
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	1	0	.67
ARSON	0	0	0	0.00
TOTAL PART A	48	68	40	52.00
CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT II, IV	0	1	1	.67
FORGERY / COUNTERFEITING	0	0	0	0.00
FRAUD	10	5	11	8.67
EMBEZZLEMENT	4	0	0	1.33
VANDALISM	3	6	3	4.00
OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED	86	62	66	71.33
OTHER PART B	23	14	24	20.33
*TOTAL PART B	126	88	105	106.33
WARRANT ARRESTS	85	85	132	100.67
MISCELLANEOUS DRIVING OFFENSES	155	156	240	183.67
TOTAL PART C	240	241	372	284.33
GRAND TOTAL	414	397	517	442.67

ADULT ARREST BY MONTH REPORT

MONTH	2019	2018	2017	3 YEAR AVERAGE
JANUARY	41	42	40	41.00
FEBRUARY	46	33	49	42.67
MARCH	43	54	52	49.67
APRIL	34	32	54	40.00
MAY	29	31	44	34.66
JUNE	38	26	35	33.00
JULY	36	34	54	41.33
AUGUST	27	39	54	40.00
SEPTEMBER	33	27	37	32.33
OCTOBER	24	21	41	28.67
NOVEMBER	23	33	40	32/00
DECEMBER	24	33	28	28.33
TOTAL	398	405	528	443.67

ACCIDENT SUMMARIES / TRENDS

ACCIDENT TYPE	2019 TOTAL	2018 TOTAL	2017 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVERAGE
FATAL INJURY	0	0	0	0.00
PERSONAL INJURY	83	60	71	71.33
PROPERTY DAMAGE	743	765	815	774.33
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	826	825	886	845.66
# PERSONS KILLED	0	0	0	0.00

2019 PARKING VIOLATIONS SUMMARY

PARKING VIOLATIONS	TOTAL
2019	45,691
2018	40,637
2017	37,278
2016	34,078
2015	25,010
2014	34,127
2013	31,535
2012	30,182
2011	31,844
2010	27,695
2009	33,827
2008	34,592
2007	40,614
2006	45,214
METER VIOLATIONS	TOTAL
2019	42,110
2018	36,612
2017	32,691
2016	29,633
2015	20,842
2014	29,629
2013	28,162
2012	27,935
2011	29,737
2010	25,252
2009	30,314
2008	30,584
2007	35,274
2006	39,883
NON - METER VIOLATIONS	TOTAL
2019	3,581
2018	4,025
2017	4,587
2016	4,445
2015	4,168
2014	4,498
2013	3,373
2012	2,247
2011	2,107
2010	2,443
2009	3,508
2008	4,008
2007	5,340
2006	5,331

2019 MOVING VIOLATIONS SUMMARY

MOVING HAZARDOUS VIOLATIONS	TOTAL
2019	4,096
2018	3,512
2017	3,784
2016	3,637
2015	3,355
2014	3,707
2013	4,039
2012	2,285
2011	2,040
2010	2,275
2009	2,429
2008	3,100
2007	4,320
2006	4,739
2005	3,846
2004	3,637
2003	2,725
2002	3,894
2001	4,174
MOVING NON-HAZARDOUS VIOLATIONS	TOTAL
2019	3,383
2018	3,645
2017	3,176
2016	2,795
2015	3,464
2014	4,280
2013	4,525
2012	4,325
2011	3,082
2010	3,054
2009	4,551
2008	2,378
2007	2,119
2006	2,390
2005	2,816
2004	2,813
2003	2,370
2002	2,702
2001	3,271



CALLS FOR SERVICE

2019	20,537
2018	21,032
2017	17,945
2016	14,863
2015	16,771
2014	17,678
2013	18,372
2012	16,571
2011	16,983
2010	17,713
2009	16,031
2008	20,104
2007	18,749
2006	19,997
2005	20,003
2004	20,004
2003	19,628
2002	20,978
2001	19,276
2000	19,469
1999	21,150
1998	21,250
1997	20,950
1996	20,094
1995	19,269
1994	18,864
1993	19,900
1992	18,579
1991	19,286

2019 JUVENILE ARRESTS / DISPOSITIONS

	2019	2018	2017
ARRESTS			
MALE	6	10	20
FEMALE	3	7	12
TOTAL	9	17	32
FELONY *	21	2	5
MISDEMEANOR *	15	17	27
DISPOSITIONS			
PARENTAL CONFERENCE	2	5	12
YOUTH ASSISTANCE	6	6	11
JUVENILE COURT	1	6	9

* MAY REPRESENT MULTIPLE CHARGES



AUXILIARY POLICE REPORT

The Auxiliary Police is comprised of dedicated volunteers who either live or work in the City of Birmingham.

Each member has been trained through the Police Academy Reserve Officer Training Program.

Auxiliaries assist regular officers during many special events held throughout the year and act as back up to the regular officers on patrol. Members of the Auxiliary Police are perhaps most visible while providing crowd, traffic control, and security for high school sporting events and also while participating in foot patrol assignments in the downtown area throughout summer.

In 2019 auxiliary officers provided 845 hours of service to the community.

AUXILIARY POLICE ROSTER AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019

CHIEF

Kurt Gerber

LIEUTENANTS

Dean Auger
Timothy Griswold

SERGEANTS

Berge Avesian
Robert Denton
Brian Fitzerman

OFFICERS

Alex Calderone
Brian Farrar
James Glavin
Brennan Hamilton
Steven Jarrett, Jr.
David Jevahirian
Robert Prew
Kyle Ramfos
Michel Saikalis
Charles Tallinger
Michael Wooley