



ANNUAL REPORT

WOOD DALE POLICE DEPARTMENT 2019





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CITY OF WOOD DALE



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On behalf of all of the members of the Wood Dale Police Department, I would like to thank you for taking the time to review our 2019 Annual Report. All divisions within our department work together to prepare this report, and we are extremely proud of the hard work that they do on a daily basis to serve and protect our community.

During 2019, Wood Dale was named one of safest cities to live in Illinois, ranking number three in the state. While we are proud of receiving this designation as a City, this is not just a reflection of the hard work of the police department, but also a larger reflection of our community's efforts to prevent crime and make Wood Dale a great place to live, work, and play. One of our sources of extreme pride in our agency is shown through our partnerships we have built with our residents, business owners & homeowner's associations. Working together, we have sought to make life better in Wood Dale.

The relationships with our community are also developed during our response to calls for service, while patrolling the neighborhoods, or in the thousands of other contacts we have throughout the year. We hold ourselves to high standards, and those who come into contact with us should anticipate exceptional service.

Our interactions with persons having a mental health crisis continue to grow, as has been seen throughout our area. In response to these incidents, our agency has made it a priority to increase the number of officers with specialized mental health training, and will achieve 100% of our sworn officers being trained in Crisis Intervention in early 2020.

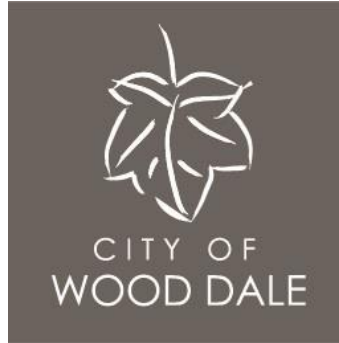
We hope you enjoy learning more about our department by reviewing this annual report. While no report can capture all of the activities we are involved in, this gives a good representation of our efforts throughout the year.

In 2020, we will continue to build upon our foundation of success to provide the service that our community expects and deserves.

If you have any questions or concerns, I would be happy to address any specific feedback. I can be contacted at gvesta@wooddale.com.

Respectfully,

Greg Vesta
Chief of Police



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DETECTIVE
ARTHUR ZLOTNICKI



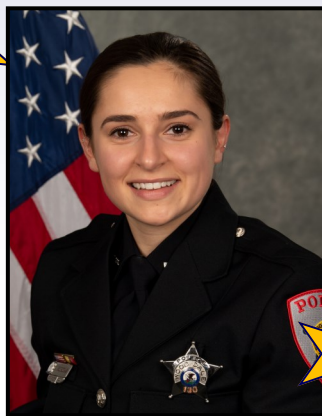
CIVILIAN OF THE YEAR
RECORDS ASSISTANT
MEGHAN SPIEWAK



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YEARS OF SERVICE

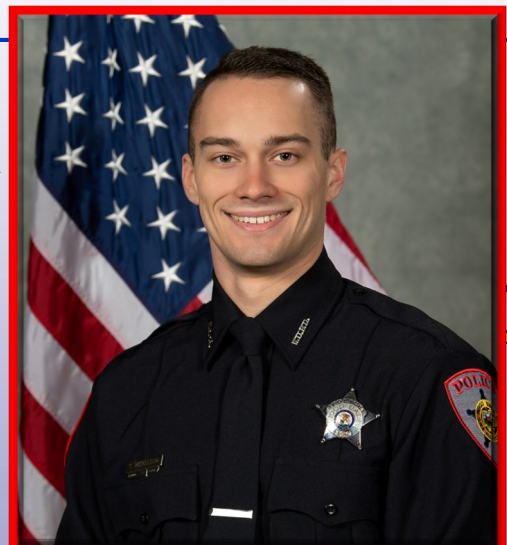


20 Years
OFC JOHN POHL

10 Years
OFC. DAN DROST



**SERVING IN
AFGHANISTAN**



**OFFICER THOMAS
NICKELSON**

DEPARTMENT COMPARISON - ANNUAL STATISTICS 2010 - 2019

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
# Of Sworn Officers	34	32	35	35	33	34	35	32	35	33
Incidents										
Calls for Service	17,527	17,513	18,379	19,122	18,903	18,701	17,194	15,781	15,378	16,667
Accidents	383	371	370	318	412	408	395	301	337	331
Assault	4	2	7	3	4	3	1	6	5	5
Auto Theft	14	8	8	7	9	6	8	9	8	10
Battery	69	83	73	81	69	74	81	71	108	133
Burglary	21	40	45	30	22	23	16	17	22	14
Burglary to Auto	65	59	55	48	34	35	23	29	39	35
Criminal Damage	97	98	89	66	66	76	49	82	53	61
DUI Arrests	198	149	172	173	150	111	131	100	98	108
Felony Arrests	79	62	67	104	80	86	54	76	109	109
Misdem Arrests	933	879	833	851	673	522	561	456	375	452
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parking Tickets	2,623	1,720	1,790	2,210	2,157	1,750	1,314	2,211	1,908	1,397
Rape/Sex Offense	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	3	3	3
Robbery	2	2	0	4	7	3	5	5	3	3
Theft	105	110	114	115	85	107	138	138	122	145
Traffic Tickets	7,975	7,927	8,294	7,882	7,757	6,712	5,686	4,563	5,592	6,267
Warning Tickets	2,880	3,114	4,122	5,847	5,079	4,762	5,513	5,502	5,281	5,563

CALLS FOR SERVICE - CRIME STATISTICS 2019

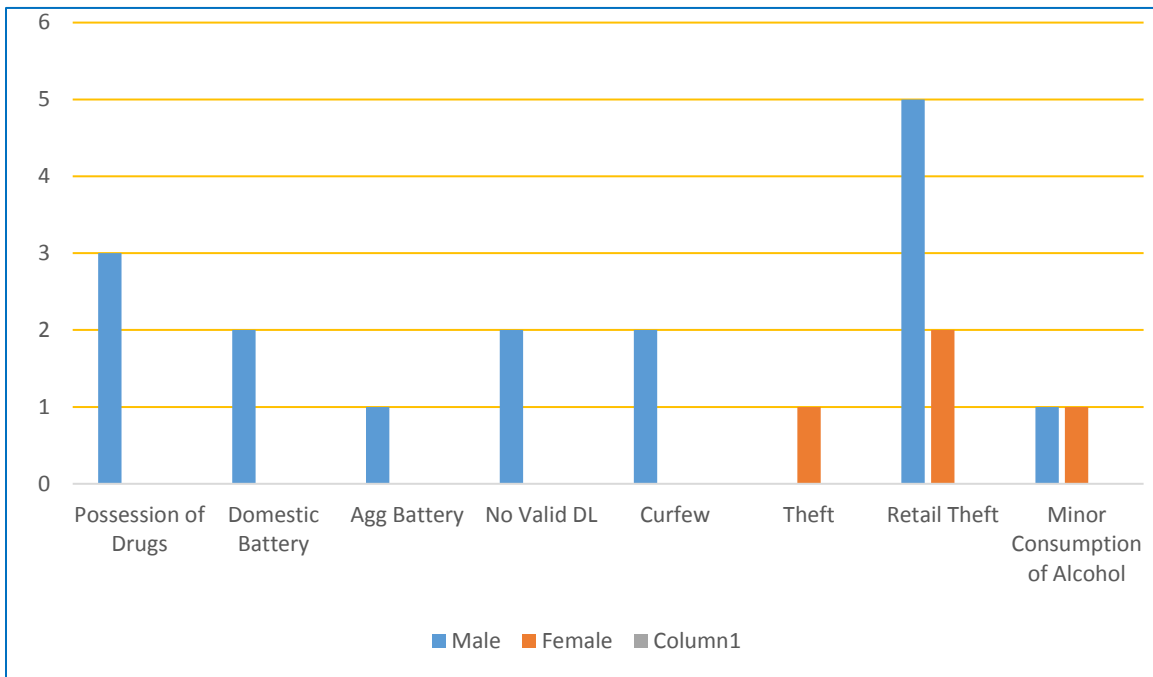
	Wood Dale	Addison	Bensenville	Elk Grove	Elmhurst	Itasca	Roselle
Police Budget Total	5.66 Million	17.9 Million	7.4 Million	24.59 Million	20.16 Million	6.0 Million	5.8 Million
Population	13,798	36,942	18,353	33,127	45,556	8,728	22,763
Officers	33	68	34	85	65	22	32
Residents/Officer	418	543	539	389	701	379	711
Officer/Per 1,000 pop.	2.39	1.8	1.8		1.4	2.52	1.4
Calls for Service	16,667	29,092	16,259	14,179	47,967	8,043	28,498
Cities Square Mileage	4.7	9.02	5.1	10.9	10.31	5.07	5
Miles of Road	71	96	67	182.5	169	48.5	48

Calls for Service/Per Officer	505	427	478	161	773.8	366	891
Accidents	331	1,372	932	1,678	1,717	381	570
Assaults	5	12	4	17	7	2	5
Auto Thefts	10	27	19	46	38	2	10
Battery	133	142	111	155	177	31	41
Burglary	14	59	30	35	72	17	14
Burglary Auto	35	90	24	77	113	15	9
Criminal Damage	61	152	70	161	80	32	67
DUI	108	87	63	58	207	44	50
Murder	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Parking Tickets	1,397	5,910	6,461	3,252	11,528	885	2,717
Sex Offenses	3	22	15	6	13	4	7
Robbery	3	13	5	6	11	0	3
Thefts	145	388	253	272	375	60	122
Traffic Tickets	6,267	4,868	1,967	5,777	7,899	2,501	2,835
Warning Tickets	5,563	4,650	947	4,927	5,320	933	3,213
Total Traffic Stops	11,830	9,009	2794	11,141	10,550	2,634	4,882



JUVENILE STATISTICS

In 2019, the Wood Dale Police Department had 40 different juvenile incidents where one or more juveniles were positively dispositioned or identified. In some incidents, the report cleared multiple offenses including criminal damages and thefts. 20 juveniles were charged under the Illinois juvenile court act for various criminal offense/truancies. There were 4 juveniles charged with status offenses that would be legal if they were over 18 or 21 respectively.



Under the Juvenile Court Act, juveniles have additional safeguards and dispositions available to officers beyond referring to court. Officers assigning these dispositions and working directly with the Juvenile Court must have been assigned as Juvenile Officers by the Chief of Police and completed additional juvenile officer training. Roughly half of Wood Dale’s sworn officers are Juvenile Officers and receive continual education on updated statutes and trends. This large percentage of trained officers shows Wood Dale’s dedication to making positive changes and impact in our youths’ lives.

Juveniles having arrest warrants or are authorized for juvenile detention centers are taken to the Juvenile Justice Center in Kane County, St. Charles, Illinois. **These statistics do not include those originating at Fenton High School or those where not enough evidence supported a probable cause arrest.**





JUVENILE STATISTICS (2)

Previous Year Comparison

2018	2019
55 Juvenile Incidents	40 Juvenile Incidents
32 Juvenile Arrests	20 Juvenile Arrests

*Juvenile incidents decreased by 37% and
 Juveniles charged decreased by 40% respectively.*

42 Cases were assigned to WDPD's Peer Jury program

7 cases referred to DuPage Juvenile Probation for diversionary programs or adjudication.

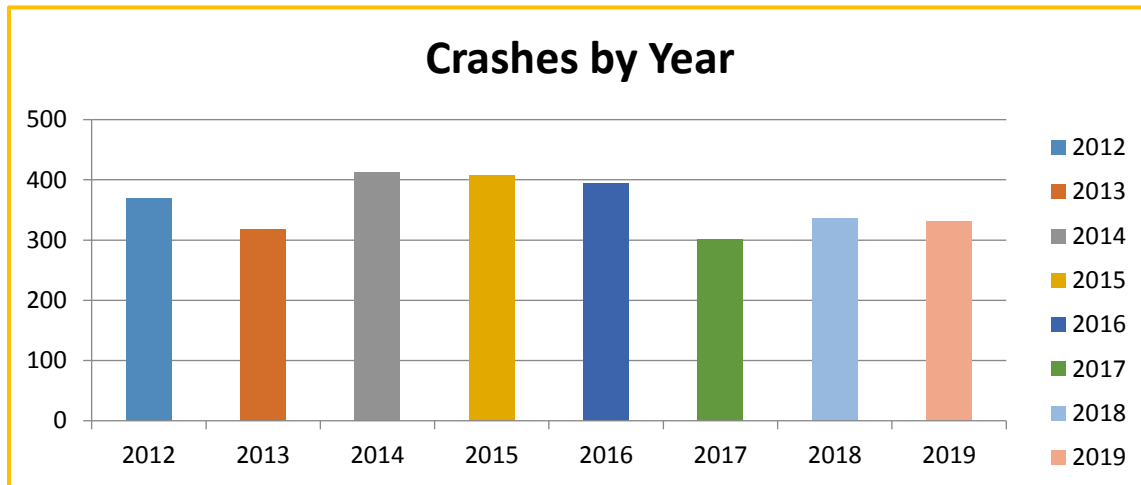
4 cases referred to station adjustment programs.





TRAFFIC CRASH AND SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ANALYSIS

During 2019, there were 331 total traffic crashes, a decrease of 6 crashes (2%) from 337 in 2018. This is 64 fewer than in 2016, which had 395 crashes. There were 408 in 2015, and 412 in 2014.



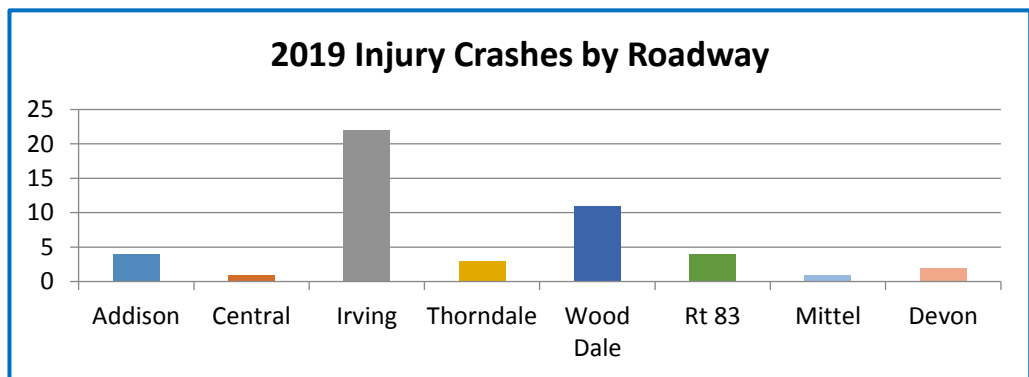
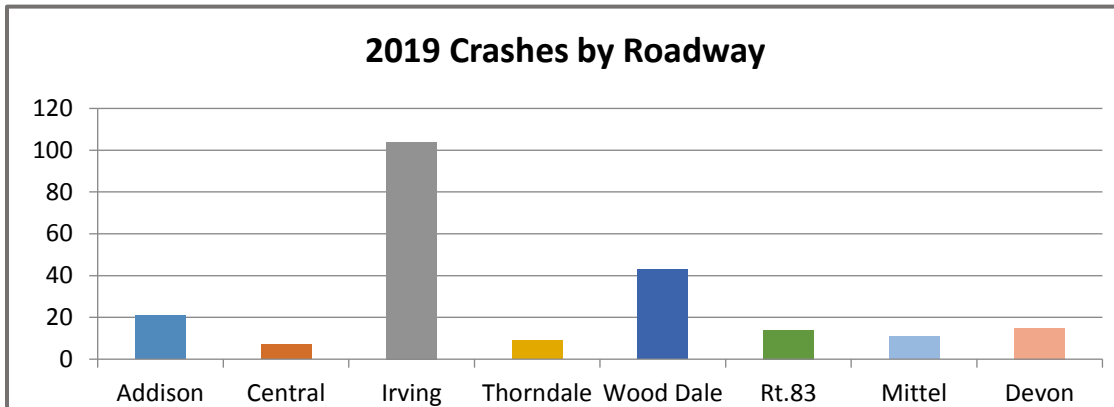
In 2019, fifty-seven (57) of the crashes, or 17.2% of them, involved some level of personal injury to one of the drivers or passengers. Compared to fifty-six (56) in 2018 at 16.5%. There was one fatal injury crash in 2019.

Eleven (3.3%) of the 331 crashes involved driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Two of the eleven had a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.16% or greater (twice the legal limit), and one had a BAC of 0.32% or greater (four times the legal limit). Three of the eleven refused a breath test and four of the eleven had DUI kits completed.

Sixteen (5%) of the crashes involved Hit and Run crashes and one of those involved some type of injury to the driver or passenger.

Our highest concentrations of accidents occurred in the areas along Irving Park Road, Wood Dale Road and Addison Road, accounting for about 51%, with the remaining 49% occurring around other intersections and roadways throughout the city. This should not be surprising as they are our three most heavily traveled areas of town. Many of our accidents are due to improper backing occurring mostly in our shopping centers and industrial park.



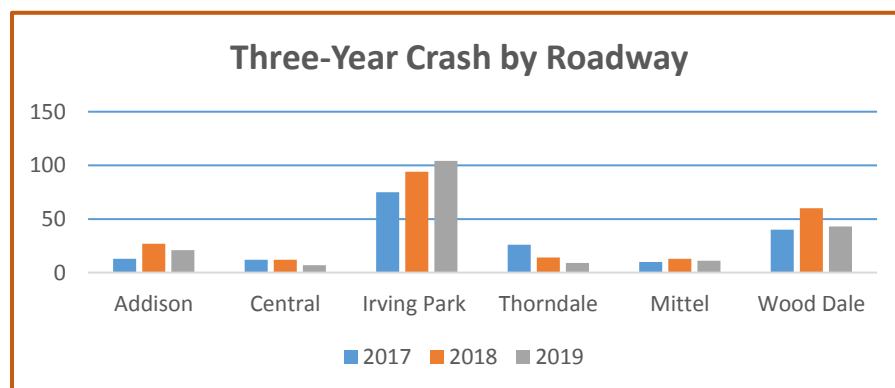


In 2019, crashes decreased city wide by about 2% (6 crashes). Devon saw the most significant increase in traffic crashes, having an increase of 11 crashes for a total of 15 crashes in 2019 from 4 in 2018 and near to the same level as 2017 where there was 17.

Thorndale saw the most significant decrease in traffic crashes with a 46% decrease in 2018, going down to 14 crashes in 2018 from 26 in 2017, having a 74% decrease in 2018 from 2016 with a decrease of 40 crashes and 83% decrease from 2016 to 201 with a decrease 45 crashes. This would appear to be the effect of the new roadway configuration from Route 390.

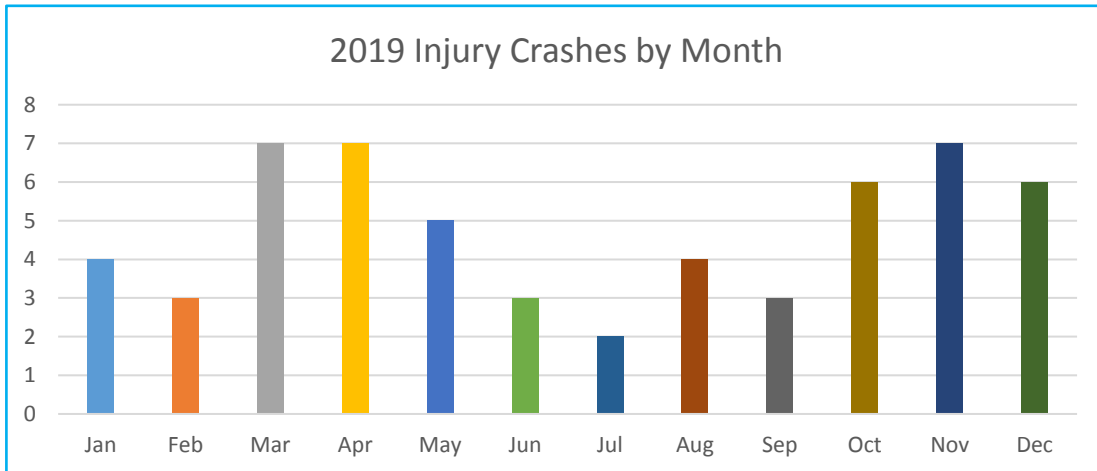
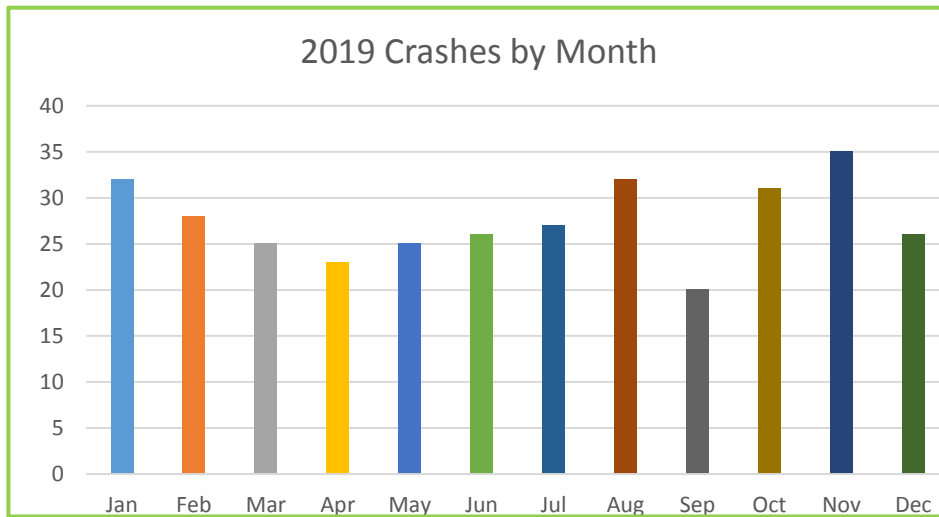
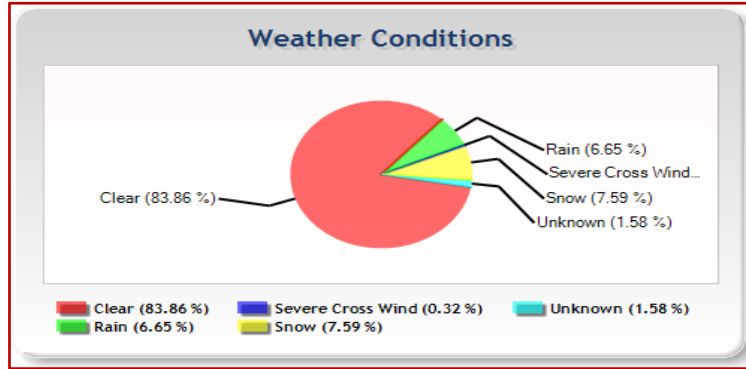
Irving Park Road saw an increase in traffic crashes of 10%, from 94 in 2018 to 104 in 2019. Wood Dale Road saw a decrease of 28% from 60 in 2018 to 43 in 2019.

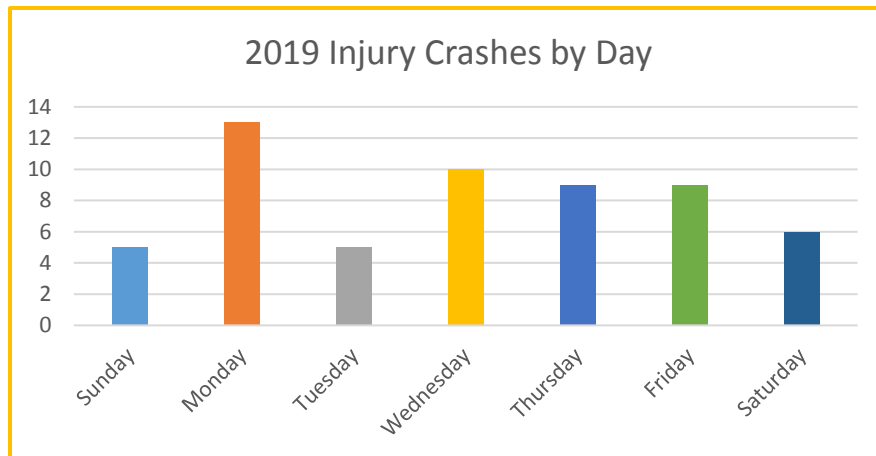
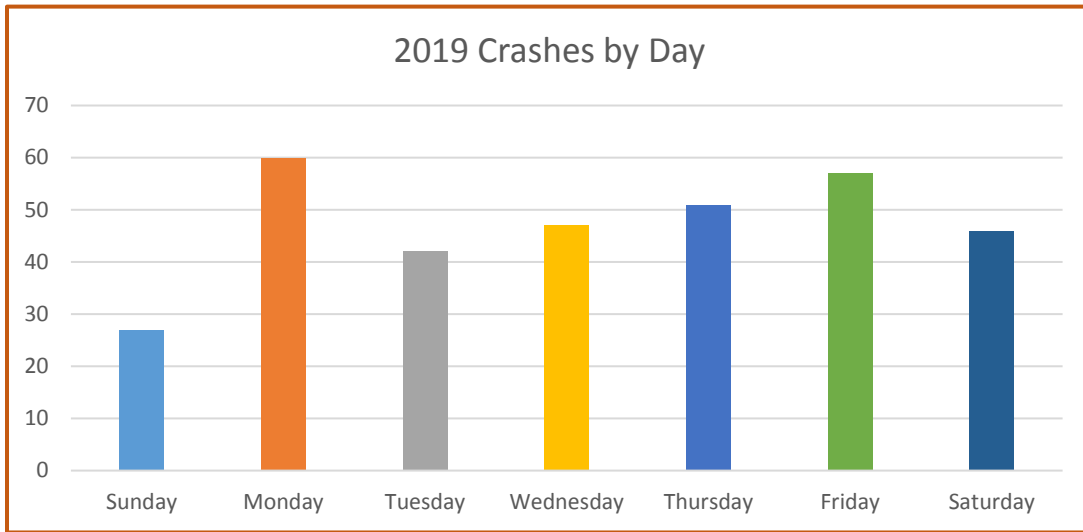
The 2017-2019 crash statistics for the three major corridors will serve a baseline for tracking crashes in the future as the roadway configurations and traffic flow patterns have changed throughout the city with the construction of the Route 390 along Thorndale Avenue. The crash rate remains below crash rate averages between 2014-2016.





2019 Crashes by Weather Conditions



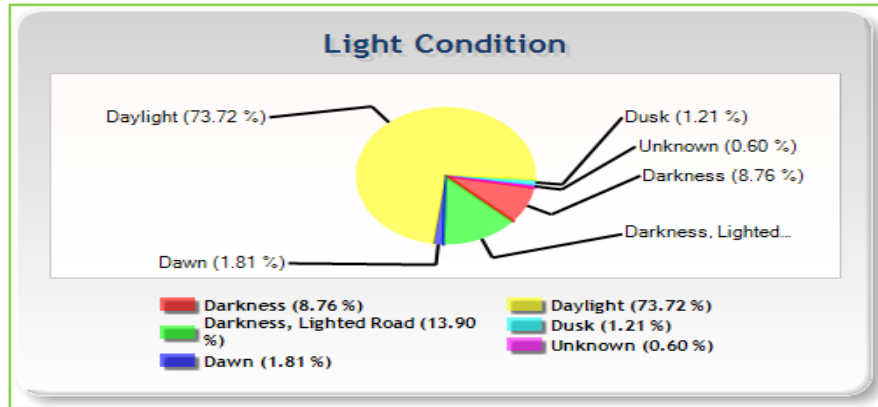


Some of our traffic enforcement initiatives include over 500 special traffic enforcement details. These details monitor school zones, median violations, stop sign violations, neighborhood speeding violations, directed traffic control, or any other traffic enforcement related to either a citizen complaint or traffic detail assigned in an effort to reduce traffic accidents or violations in a specific area of Wood Dale where there is a higher ratio of crashes.

In addition to these special details, Officers are at times assigned to saturate reported problem areas, such as school zones, in multi-squad enforcement patrol. This means assigning several units to the area to have a highly visible law enforcement presence to deter violators or change their poor driving habits.

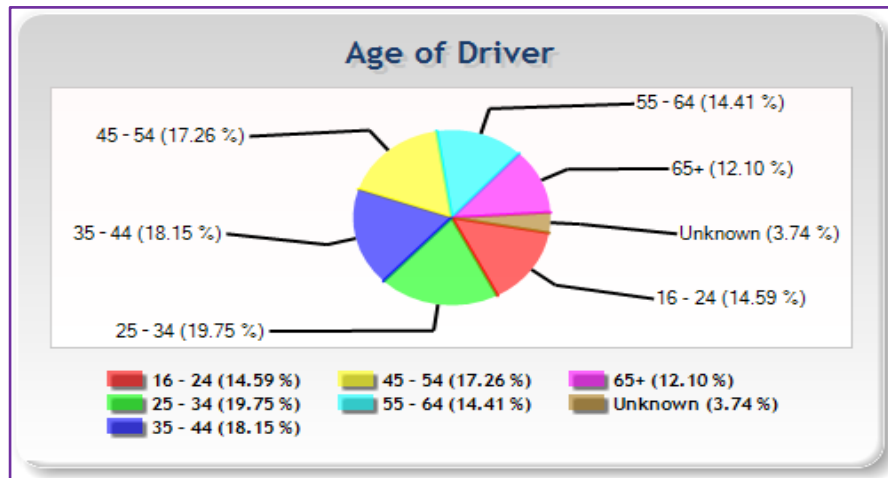
Portable speed sign / traffic counters have been added to enhance our traffic complaint tracking capabilities. When complaints of heavy traffic or speeding autos are received, these signs can be deployed to count vehicles and their speeds 24 hours a day, seven days a week. These signs have been a huge asset in determining the validity of a complaint and when would be the best time to assign marked squads for enforcement action after flashing warning signs have failed to gain voluntary compliance.





In addition, the various grant-funded special enforcement details outlined in this WDPD annual report have had a positive effect on the accident rate in Wood Dale. Grant funding accounted for dozens of traffic arrests, hundreds of citations, and *hopefully* a change in driver behavior that will reduce the accident and/or injury rate. The additional police presence of officers in marked squads paid for by outside grants from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Division of Traffic Safety, is a great benefit to the City of Wood Dale that does not cost its citizens financially.

2019 Crashes by Age



Prepared by: Sgt. Paul Wyse





TRAFFIC GRANTS



STEP Grant

The Wood Dale Police Department was awarded the STEP Grant, which is administered through IDOT Division of Traffic Safety. The STEP Grant was for **\$38,216.00** awarded in 2018 and was expended from October 1, 2018 – Sept. 30, 2019. This Grant is a two-part grant utilized to hire back off-duty police officers to enforce DUI Laws by targeting impaired drivers, enforce Occupant Restraint laws through Seat Belt Enforcement Zones (SBEZ) and target distracted drivers by issuing texting while driving and cell phone use tickets.

The 2019 STEP Grant resulted in the following:

2019	2018	
608	966	Vehicles stopped
21	23	Driving Under the Influence Arrests (2 which were Felony)
195	225	Seat Belt Citations
7	22	Child Restraint Citations
27	45	Speeding Citations
4	5	Driving While License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid DL
5	8	Drug or Alcohol Related Arrests
27	20	Distracted Driving
58	47	Other Citations
30	21	No Insurance Citations
2	3	Warrant Arrests
28	30	Tows

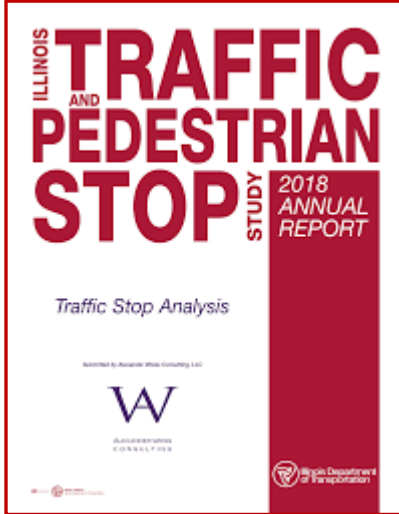
For fiscal year 2020, we applied for a decrease in funds as all of the money originally applied for was not utilized. As police staffing levels return to normal, additional funds will be requested.





BIASED BASED POLICING ANALYSIS

In 2003, the Illinois General Assembly passed a public act that required police departments collect data on every traffic stop. This law has been amended a number of times, and was renewed in 2019 to be collected without any expiration date.



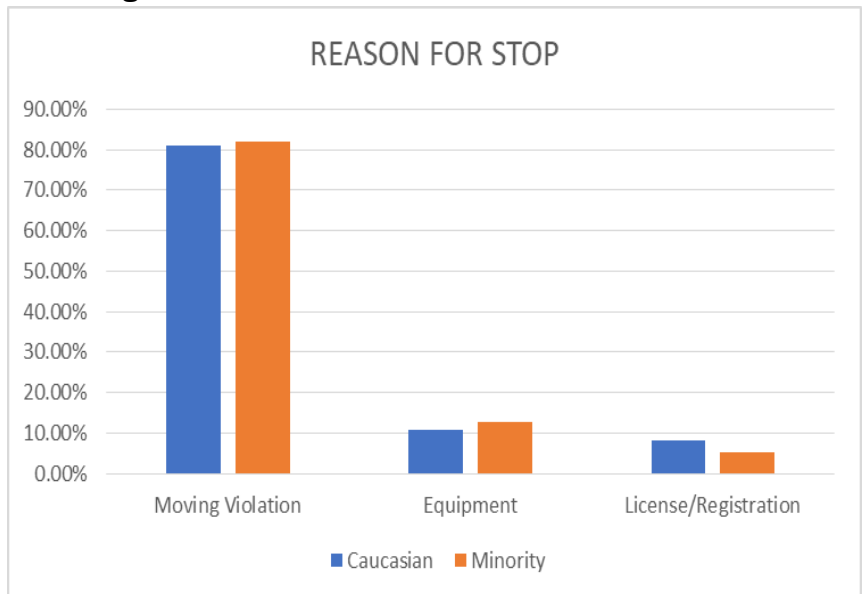
The Wood Dale Police Department has collected this data every year for the thousands of traffic stops that are completed. Officers complete the information for each stop and it is transmitted to IDOT for analysis.

Northwestern University was selected by the Illinois Department of Transportation to analyze the traffic stop results for every town in Illinois. Due to the complexity of the study, Northwestern did not conduct an individual analysis of each town’s driving population, but rather followed census numbers to determine the racial makeup of a town’s driving population. Northwestern has set our minority driving population at 39% for analysis purposes.

Northwestern uses their benchmark in comparison to the actual percentage of minority drivers that are stopped by our officers. For 2018, the actual percentage of minority drivers stopped by Wood Dale officers was 46.58%. Putting this into comparison with the 39% benchmark that Northwestern will be using to analyze our data, and our ratio of minority stops to the driving population is 1.19.

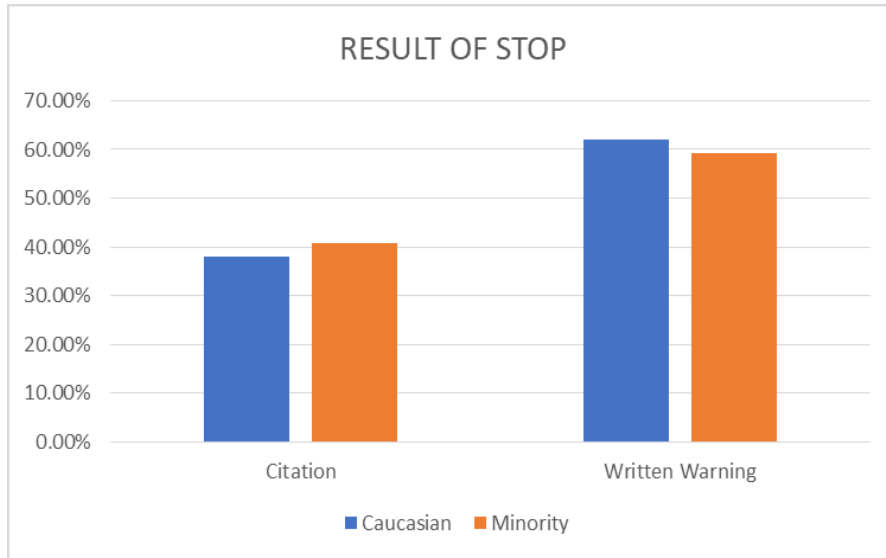
There are two other areas that Northwestern will be analyzing. These are the reason for stop and the result of the stop. This examines if minorities are being pulled over for the same infractions as Caucasians. Moving violations for Caucasians was the reason 81.00% of the time, and 82.10% for minorities. Equipment violations for Caucasians was the reason 10.69% of the time, and 12.62% for minorities. Registration violations for Caucasians was the reason 8.29% of the time, and 5.28% for minorities. These numbers are very close and show consistency among all members of the department for stopping any particular vehicle.

The final analysis on the result of the stop is one of the most important parts of this study. One can argue that at night, driving behind a vehicle, or passing in an opposite direction at 35 or 45 mph, an officer would many times have difficulty identifying the race of the driver.





BIASED BASED POLICING ANALYSIS (2)



Regardless of whether the officer knew the race prior to the stop, there is no argument that once the officer has approached the driver, he or she certainly would have an indication of what the race of the driver was. Once stopped for a traffic violation, Caucasians received citations 37.89% of the time, while minorities received citations 40.72% percent of the time. The analysis of these numbers

show that once officers have approached the driver, learned the race of the driver, had a conversation and decided whether to issue a citation, Caucasians and minorities are being cited or warned at a consistent rate.

The department reviews statistics for each officer to ensure that there are no trends that would indicate bias based policing. Based upon these reviews, there are no areas of concern that have been identified. Although there has not been any biases identified, the department continues ongoing training about racial profiling and bias based policing. Supervisors also review a number of traffic stops for each officer on a monthly basis. The purpose of this review is to ensure compliance with our policies.

In addition to the review of our traffic stops, which is one of the most visible areas to examine if any bias is occurring in our policing practices, the department has also reviewed a number of other areas to determine if there are any trends or patterns that would indicate that our agency has been in receipt of any complaints that allege these types of biases.

We have reviewed all of our internal investigations, citizen complaints, and supervisor observations and have not observed any patterns of racial bias, although we did have one citizen complaint during 2019 about potential racial profiling. An internal investigation was completed, including an interview with the complainant, review of the video, and the complaint was closed as unfounded. The officer handled himself in a professional manner, had probable cause to stop the driver, and the driver was only issued a warning for a traffic violation. The complainant refused to cooperate further in the findings of the investigation. In addition, we continually review our training programs and general orders to ensure we are in compliance with best practices. This includes monthly training from the Police Law Institute that covers important topics and testing on these concepts for all officers.

In summary, the Wood Dale Police Department is confident that the actual traffic stops of minorities are very comparable to the minority driving population, and in our other encounters with the public, the officers are following the laws and policies that are in place.





B.A.S.S.E.T. TRAINING



BASSET certification, "Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training" was created by the State of Illinois to teach sellers and servers of alcoholic beverages the importance of serving alcohol responsibly. The City of Wood Dale, in conjunction with state law, requires individuals serving alcohol within the city limits to complete a certified BASSET class every three years.

Officers John Pohl and Matt Nelson held six alcohol server training classes at the Wood Dale Police Department during 2018.

February 12, 2019:

5 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

April 19, 2019:

7 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

July 2, 2019:

18 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

July 15, 2019:

13 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

September 10, 2019:

8 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

December 9, 2019:

3 individuals participated in the BASSET server education class.

In addition to these classes, individuals serving liquor at the Wood Dale Prairie Fest attended a refresher course on ID checking and overserving.





DUMEG
(DUPAGE METROPOLITAN
ENFORCEMENT GROUP)

The Wood Dale Detective Division is represented in this enforcement by the presence of one detective on a full-time basis. This group is responsible for county-wide drug investigations and is coordinated by the Illinois State Police via Illinois Compiled Statutes. Below is a description of cases that occurred in Wood Dale during 2019 through the efforts of the entire group, as directed by our representative and coordinated with Investigations.

- ▲ DuMEG received a total of eighteen (18) referrals from the Wood Dale Police Department. DuMEG had fourteen (14) total incidents that occurred in Wood Dale. DuMEG made a total of five (5) arrests while in Wood Dale
- ▲ DuMEG arrested three (3) residents of Wood Dale.
- ▲ In March 2019, DuMEG Agents investigated a case in Wood Dale on a subject who was selling look-a-like alprazolam. A total of 27 Alprazolam tablets were seized with a street value of \$135.00 USC. The subject was later convicted of Unlawful Delivery of a Look-a-Like Substance (Class 3).
- ▲ In March 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD with the arrest of a subject who possessed 30 grams of cannabis and THC 'wax'. The subject was charged with misdemeanor Unlawful Possession of Cannabis (Class A).
- ▲ In April 2019, DuMEG Agents executed a search warrant on a West Chicago resident reference an ecstasy investigation. Wood Dale K-9 Officer Grant and K-9 Bane assisted by conducting a dog sniff of the residence. A total of approximately 10.01 grams of cocaine and approximately 11.0 grams of ecstasy (MDMA) were seized. One (1) subject was arrested and charged with Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance (Class X).
- ▲ In May 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Itasca PD with a search warrant reference cannabis trafficking. A total of 95 grams of cannabis was seized. Two (2) subjects were released without charges however, felony arrest warrants were later issued for both subjects.
- ▲ In June 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD and numerous other DuPage County Law Enforcement agencies with the Heroin Highway initiative. Numerous subjects were arrested and charged with multiple felonies.
- ▲ In July 2019, DuMEG Agents executed a search warrant on a Hillside resident reference a cannabis trafficking investigation. A total of 130 ecstasy (MDMA) pills, 14.5 grams of cocaine, 208.5 grams of codeine, 5,585 grams of cannabis (approximately 12 pounds) and a total of \$106,999 USC was seized. The subject was charged with multiple felonies (Class X and others)





DUMEG (2)

- ▲ In August 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD with a subject who was arrested in possession of a firearm without a FOID card.
- ▲ In August 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD with a subject who was arrested in reference to cannabis trafficking. The subject was willing to work with DuMEG which led to an additional case on a subject who also involved with cannabis trafficking. A total of 886 grams (almost 2 pounds) of cannabis was seized with a street value of \$8,860 USC and two (2) subjects were ultimately arrested and charged with Unlawful Delivery of Cannabis (Class 3).
- ▲ In August of 2019 DuMEG Agents conducted a search warrant on a cannabis grow operation residence located within DuPage county. A total of approximately 243 cannabis plants were seized worth an estimated street value of \$1,009,242.00 USC. One of the subjects involved was arrested and charged with Production of Cannabis Plants (Class 1).
- ▲ In September 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD with the arrest of a resident with an active arrest warrant regarding heroin possession.
- ▲ In September 2019, DuMEG Agents assisted Wood Dale PD with arrest of a subject whom was unlawfully in possession of a .22 caliber pistol and two (2) bottles of liquid morphine. The subject involved was charged with two (2) counts of Unlawful Use of a Weapon (Class 4) and also Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance (Class 4).
- ▲ In October 2019, DuMEG Agents investigated a subject in reference to cocaine trafficking. A search warrant was executed on the subject's residence in Chicago. Ofc. Grant and K9 Bane assisted in the search warrant which led to the seizure of 49.4 grams of cocaine, 18 grams of cannabis and \$1,345 USC. The main subject was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver (Class X) while two (2) additional subjects were each charged with Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance (Class 4).
- ▲ In December 2019, DuMEG Agents conducted a search warrant on a resident of Itasca reference a narcotic trafficking investigation. A total of 15,930.5 grams (approximately 35 pounds), 219.5 grams of THC 'wax', 204.6 grams of cocaine, 154.4 grams of methamphetamine, a 38-caliber revolver, ammunition, 251.5 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, 279 pills of ecstasy (MDMA) and \$8,232 USC. The subject arrested was charged with numerous felonies.
- ▲ DuMEG was able to provide funds back to the Wood Dale Police Department due to ongoing investigations.

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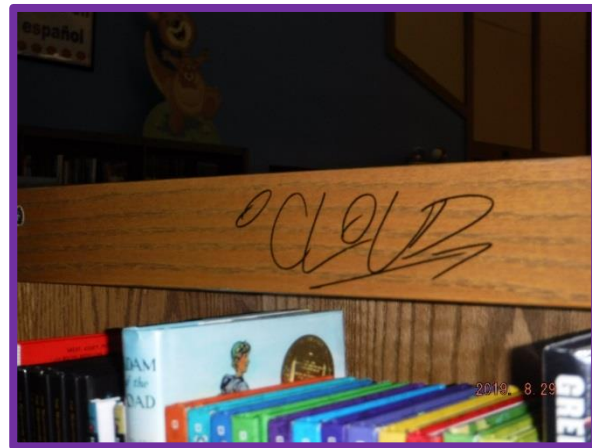


GRAFFITI/TAGGING

The Wood Dale Police Department responded to, and investigated 8 incidents of Criminal Defacement for graffiti and/or tagging in 2018. This compares to 13 incidents in 2012, 10 incidents in 2013, 11 in 2014, 12 in 2015, 5 in 2016, 11 in 2017 and 5 in 2018. Wood Dale's eight tagging incidents are one of the lowest in DuPage County.

Of the eight incidents:

- 4 were in residential areas
- 4 were on businesses or in the industrial park
- Five of the incidents were street gang related



Graffiti should not be tolerated in ANY community. It frequently, if left intact, leads to the degradation of a neighborhood and the devaluation of property. Studies have shown in many cases that if graffiti is left unchecked and not removed, additional graffiti will follow. The removal of graffiti is extremely costly, and some cities have developed graffiti removal programs or ordinances to aid in the speedy removal to reclaim and re-beautify the neighborhood or community.

Sec. 14.521 of the Wood Dale Municipal Code restricts sales and possession of spray paint and wide tip markers to persons under 18 years of age. Minors caught in violation could face a fine up to \$500.00. Section PM-302 of the Wood Dale Code gives building owners 15 days to remove graffiti or face a similar fine.

NOTE: Not all graffiti is gang related. Individuals known as "**taggers**" paint graffiti on buildings, fences, signs, highways, overpasses, and even trucks and railway cars. Many of these individuals enjoy a reputation for creativity and will frequently sign their "tagger" name.





INVESTIGATIONS SUMMARY

The Investigations Division is primarily charged with the responsibility of investigating all criminal incidents reported to the Police Department. The unit consists of one Deputy Chief and five Detectives. One of the Detectives is assigned to the DuPage County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, and another is a Patrol Officer who provides enforcement services as a School Liaison Officer assigned to Fenton High School.

On a daily basis, the Deputy Chief reviews all criminal incidents reported to the Police Department. Utilizing a crime analysis report, the reports are screened for solvability factors in order to determine if they merit assignment to an investigator for follow-up. Not all cases reported to the Police Dept. are actually assigned to an investigator. Examples might include minor thefts or acts of vandalism for which there are no witnesses or suspects. Additionally, if the victim does not wish to prosecute, the case may not be investigated. Following assignment to an investigator, cases are actually worked based upon the seriousness of the offense. Typically, crimes committed against persons receive the highest priority.

The Investigations Division also makes a significant contribution to the prevention of crime. This is done by analyzing crime data, gathering intelligence information and discerning patterns of criminal activity. When data and patterns of criminal activity yield enough information, the Investigations Division may conduct surveillances, execute search warrants, conduct sting operations or initiate a task force to address ongoing criminal activity.

In addition to the daily task of investigating criminal activity, the Investigations Division performs a variety of other tasks to assist the Police Department and help the City of Wood Dale maintain a high quality of services to residents, business owners and visitors. The Investigations Division conducted well over 20 background investigations of police officer applicants. They were also assigned numerous background investigations for applicants seeking employment with the City. The Investigations Division also began conducting background checks for Commercial Occupancy Applicants who deal in money services. Lastly, the Division also handles the registration and tracking of convicted sex offenders, alcohol and tobacco compliance checks and coordination of a peer jury system for juveniles.

In 2019 Wood Dale Detectives were assigned 399 cases to follow up on. Members of the Investigations Division also take part in several task forces and special assignments including:

- DuPage County MERIT, Major Crimes and Public integrity unit
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
- Sexual Predator Enforcement and Apprehension Countywide Unit
- Sex Assault Resource Team (SART)
- West Suburban Detectives Association (WSDA)
- DuPage Juvenile Officers Association (DJOA)
- DuPage County Accident Reconstruction Team (DUCART)
- DuPage County Chiefs of Police Association (DPCCA)
- Northeast Public Information Officer of IL (NEPIOIL)
- Major Crimes Accident Reconstruction Team (MCART)
- Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT)



**Fraud**

Investigations spoke with a victim who sent two different payments of \$600 to a man fraudulently representing himself as a homeowner in another town. The unknown suspect was attempting to rent out the property to the victim but it appears to be a scam; investigation is ongoing.

Burglary to Motor Vehicle

Investigations assisted the Patrol Division with the arrest and follow up of two subjects entering unlocked vehicles. One subject took a loaded gun in addition to numerous personal items from several locations and vehicles. One of the subjects fired the weapon into the ground before he was captured. The subject who fired the weapon was charged with Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon and Burglary while the second subject was charged with Burglary to a Motor Vehicle.

Armed Robbery

A suspect entered a business in the industrial park and announced a robbery and took the victim's personal travel bag with personal items inside. The suspect left with two other subjects in a dark colored vehicle. An identi-kit was done on the suspect.

Fraud

A subject contacted our victim claiming to be from his cell phone carrier. The subject had the victim provide user name and password for the cell phone account. The subject later found out some unknown person purchased 6 I-phones on his account totaling over \$6,000 in merchandise. The delivery company stated the phones were delivered to his residence but he never received them.

Death Investigation

Investigations assisted the Patrol Division with the investigation of a death at a local hotel. There does not appear to be any foul play or a crime committed.

Assist Other Agency

Investigations were instrumental in the arrest and capture of two subjects wanted for a homicide that occurred in another town. The investigators worked numerous hours assisting the taskforce with intelligence gathering and surveillance.

Death Investigation

Investigations is looking into the sudden death of a subject. There does not appear to be foul play at this time. Investigations is conducting a full investigation to help determine possible contributory cause(s) of death.

Fraud

Investigations assisted the Patrol Division with the investigation of a fraud case occurring at the end of the previous year. New evidence has come to light that may or may not assist in the case where a company had an unknown person request checks in the amount of over \$16,000 that were not properly authorized by the company.



**Theft Under \$500**

Investigations is looking into a theft at a business in the industrial park where an employee made a personal on-line purchase for \$450 item that never showed up. Investigations was able to track down the partial and return the item to the victim.

Fraud

Investigations is looking into a fraud case where an employee of a company in Wood Dale was waiting for a direct deposit of over \$7,800 that was never received. It turns out the company's payroll department received a fraudulent email pretending to be the employee and for the payroll to go to an account set up by some unknown person.

Criminal Damage to Property

A patron was having service done on his vehicle. The patron took the vehicle home and noticed there was damage in the form of "bullet holes" on the side of the vehicle. This incident and information is consistent with the arrest of a subject for burglary who stole a firearm and fired the same weapon nearby. Charges are pending against the offender.

Forgery

A business had a subject come in and purchase a small value item and a \$350 Visa gift card with eight (8) \$50 bills. It turns out the bills are all counterfeit and have similar serial numbers. It is possible another business may have the suspect on video; investigation ongoing.

Possession/Sale of Tobacco

Investigations conducted the "Kids Can't Buy'em Here" program by having minors attempt to purchase tobacco products from area businesses. One of the businesses was cited for the sale of tobacco to a minor.

Assist other Agency

Investigations assisted the State Police with compliance checks as part of the State's Firearms Owner's Identification Program. Investigations communicated with several residents who had their FOID card rescinded and all were cooperative.

Residential Burglary

Investigations assisted Patrol with a burglary to a detached garage. There were numerous construction tools that were taken from the garage. Some of the tools were recovered as they were offered up for sale on a website. Detectives also recovered stolen tools from a pawn shop as well as someone who purchased a stolen power tool. Detectives were able to locate a suspect in possession of the remaining stolen tools.

Theft from a Motor Vehicle

A victim reported some unknown person entered his vehicle parked in the driveway and removed \$25-30 dollars in cash. It is more than likely the person who committed the residential burglary immediately above is responsible for the crime.

Fraud

Investigations is looking into a fraud case where a subject in New Jersey received a fraudulent company check in the amount of \$4,900. The victim company is out a total of \$9,900 from fake checks.



**Criminal Damage to Property**

Investigations was requested to look into an incident where some unknown person put a hole in a convenient store window. A vehicle description was given and the owner of the vehicle is being sought after for questioning. The offender was located and charged after suspects were developed. The suspect admitted to shooting the window with a pellet gun.

Residential Burglary

Investigations assisted Patrol with a burglary to a residence. A gypsy style ruse was used on the home owner to gain entry to the house as two other suspects ransacked the house. Taken was jewelry. It is unknown if other items were stolen at this time.

Theft Over \$300

A victim came in to report a ring valued at \$30,000 went missing from the grandmother's possession. It is strongly believed that a health care worker may be the culprit.

Investigation

An investigator has reopened a cold case where a firearm was stolen from a vehicle in 2018. The weapon was located in Chicago and we are working with Chicago Police to determine if any addition leads can come about from this new development.

Threats and Extortion

Investigations assisted the Patrol Division is locating a subject who claimed to be extorted for money for ransom to release a family member from a possible kidnapping. The incident turned out to be a scam with some unknown person attempting to receive ransom money. Supposed kidnapping victim was located safe.

Assist other Agency

Investigations was requested to assist the Major Crimes Task Force for a shooting that occurred in another jurisdiction.

Theft over \$500

A victim left her engagement ring in the bathroom of a department store and found the ring missing upon her return. The ring is valued at over \$14,000.

Fatal Crash Investigation

Investigations assisted Patrol with a traffic crash where one of the drivers involved expired due to injuries sustained. It appears there are no criminal charges in the case.

Aggravated Domestic Battery

Investigations assisted with the aggravated domestic battery where one of the victims required medical attention and a search warrant was needed to gather any additional evidence in the case. There was a felony arrest made in the incident.

Retail Theft

Investigations assisted Patrol with the identification of two female subjects who committed a retail theft at a business on three separate occasions.



**Fraud**

A victim reported he was defrauded out of over \$30,000 from his checking account. It appears someone set up a related savings account and transferred all of his money into the fraudulent account.

Fraud

Investigations is assisting an out of the country law enforcement agency with a fraud case in the amount over \$45,000. The fraud occurred between two companies that often send wire transfers to one another for freight forwarding overseas.

Fraud

Investigations is assisting a company with a fraud case in the amount over \$68,000. The fraud occurred between two companies that often send wire transfers to one another for freight forwarding overseas.

Theft of Lost or Mislaid Property

Investigations is looking into a possible theft of a cell phone taken from a park area while the owner was playing soccer. Detectives were able to identify the subject who took possession of the phone, and the phone was returned to the resident.

Burglary

Investigations is working with a burglary case where person(s) broke into a church and caused damage inside. The investigation by detectives led to the identification of 12 juveniles who entered the church and caused damage. The church declined prosecution and the 12 juveniles were sent to peer jury.

Criminal Sexual Assault

A victim reported she was sexually assaulted by a subject she met through a phone dating application. The victim was offered, and received the full complement of victim services from our Department and the County.

Assist Elmhurst Police

Investigations assisted Elmhurst Police with a drug interdiction program where they arrested ten (10) different subjects for possession of controlled substances like heroin and cocaine. The program is conducted periodically to help curb the amount of drugs that are appearing in our community and surrounding communities.

Theft of Lost or Mislaid Property

Investigations assisted the Patrol Division in attempting to identify a subject who removed a backpack at a local park. The investigator was able to successfully identify the subject and take police action. All of the stolen property was recovered.

Fraud

Investigations is looking into a fraud case where some unknown person attempted to cash an old company check in the amount of \$14,500. That same check was issued to an employee who only worked for two weeks. Complaints are to be signed.



**Criminal Sexual Assault**

A victim reported she was the victim of a criminal sexual assault while she was at work. The victim was offered all the necessary services a victim is afforded for this type of incident. Investigation was concluded and no charges were filed in this matter.

Fraud

Investigations is assisting a company with a fraud case in the amount over \$2,200. The fraud occurred when a fictitious email was sent to Human Resources for requesting direct deposit information for an employee.

Embezzlement

Detectives closed an almost three year investigation into an embezzlement case involving a parent organization from a local school. A grand Jury Indictment for theft was obtained in the case and the individual has been arrested pending a trial.

Auto Theft

Detectives followed up on a vehicle theft from the 200 Block of E Irving park. Chicago Police were contacted for license plate recognition information. The stolen car was tracked to a specific neighborhood in Chicago. Vehicle was recovered the next day and will be returned to the owner after evidence is collected. Several months' later evidence recovered from the vehicle and a search of nationwide DNA database, a suspect was developed. Detectives located the suspect who confessed to the auto theft. Felony charges were filed.

Fraud

Detectives assisted patrol with a fraud case involving several individuals passing counterfeit \$100.00 bills at local businesses. One of the subjects was taken into custody and charged with four felony counts by WDPD. The individuals are responsible for numerous fraud cases throughout the area. A handgun was also recovered along Irving park road during this case, when one of the suspects threw it out as he was fleeing.

Theft/Stolen vehicle

Detectives followed up on a theft of cigarettes from a local store. During the investigation, they revealed that this subject was involved in numerous crimes in adjoining towns including several stolen vehicles, thefts and fleeing to elude police over the past several weeks. This suspect was located by detectives, and charged accordingly by numerous agencies.

Burglary

Detectives concluded an investigation into a Theft/Burglary from an apartment involving the loss of a video game console and games. During their investigation, detectives were able to recover a majority of the property which had been pawned by a suspect. The suspect was charged with the theft.

Burglary

Detectives assisted patrol with an investigation of a subject burglarizing a saddle bag on a motorcycle, who assaulted the victim in the process, threatening to shoot the victim. Patrol officers apprehended the individual who was found in possession of a loaded handgun. Detectives traced the handgun to an owner who had reported the gun taken in a burglary.



**Burglary**

An ongoing residential burglary case from 2018 was closed after a suspect was developed, and a search warrant was executed at a residence in Elk Grove Village. Property taken in the burglary was recovered during the search warrant.

Fraud

A fraud is being investigated involving a business in town that received an email who represented himself as an employee of the company requesting to change bank account information for deposits. A suspect from Oregon was developed by detectives and in working with authorities in Oregon, the suspect admitted to the crime.

Burglary/Controlled substance

Detectives worked with patrol on a burglary investigation where two suspects were located and identified. The suspects were charged with Trespassing, Disorderly conduct and one was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Weapons

Detectives assisted patrol officers who made an arrest of an individual who was found in possession of a handgun equipped with a silencer. Subject was charged with 4 counts of unlawful use of a weapon. Investigation underway with ATF on this matter.

Burglary.

Detectives are working an investigation where it was alleged that two subjects attempted to break into a residence of a home. All individuals know each other and it appears this is not a random incident. During the investigation, approximately 115 grams of Cannabis was recovered.

Auto theft

Detectives assisted patrol with an auto theft case. A vehicle was left running at a local gas station when an individual stole the car and fled the area. The subject was located and arrested by Elmhurst Police. This subject was brought back to Wood Dale and Charged with the felony. The car was returned to the owner.

Death/Overdose drugs

Detectives initiated an investigation into an overdose of a 30Yr old male. The subject was currently in the hospital ICU. The victim in this case later expired and an investigation into this being a possible drug induced homicide was started.

Burglary

Detectives are investigating a residential burglary to an apartment. A suspect was developed and arrested on six misdemeanor warrants. Investigation ongoing.

Burglary

Detectives were assigned multiple car burglaries that occurred during the overnight hours of 10/17 and 11/4. The vehicles were unlocked and Credit cards/jewelry were taken during the burglaries. Detectives are reviewing many hours of surveillance video and following up with businesses where the stolen credit cards were used.



**Attempted Burglary**

Detectives are following up on an attempt burglary investigation where wires to a residence were cut. Attempt was made to gain entry inside the residence, however, the offender was unsuccessful. It is believed the offender fled the area subsequent to triggering the window activation alarm. A canvass of the neighborhood was conducted and multiple recorded surveillance videos were submitted to the Wood Dale Police Department via the Neighbors by Ring application. Additional video surveillance recovered from a neighbor reveals an unknown subject driving a SUV style vehicle park and walk up to the victim residence. The offender leaves shortly thereafter and headlights are observed in the rear of the residence. Detectives to review more video. No suspects developed at the moment.

Embezzlement

Detectives continue to investigate three large scale embezzlement cases from businesses in Wood Dale. Loss ranges from 8k to 900K.

Juvenile dissemination

Detectives are following up on a juvenile case involving inappropriate images being sent over "Snap Chat" to an unknown subject. Search warrants were approved for "Snap Chat" and a subpoena was sent for phone number information. Investigation ongoing.

Embezzlement

Detectives are following up on a fraud/embezzlement investigation where a previous employer of a company embezzled approximately \$62,000.00 United States Currency while employed at the company for a period of just over a year. The company has an ongoing civil matter into this investigation, but would also like to pursue criminal charges.

Armed Robbery

Detectives are following up on an armed robbery investigation that occurred at the Citgo gas station in the nighttime hours of 11/9/19. Video surveillance from the Citgo yielded three offenders involved, which have yet to be identified. Multiple other agencies (approximately 14 to date) have been hit with armed robberies, believed to be the same individuals within a 3 week time frame. These armed robberies have occurred all throughout Cook, Will, Kane, and DuPage counties as well as across state lines, specifically Indiana. Agencies are working in tandem with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) to identify the offenders in each investigation. Multiple search warrants have been obtained by Wood Dale Detectives for electronic data. The information is being assessed and compared by ATF intelligence analysts. Fingerprints have been sent to the DuPage County Lab for further analysis. Suspects have since been identified and evidence tying each have been developed. Three subjects have been federally charged with continuing criminal conspiracy for the series of armed robberies.

Weapon violation

Detectives are following up on an incident that occurred where a Wood Dale resident was in possession of an illegally modified weapon. The weapon was provided to the Wood Dale Police Department for further investigation. ATF has been contacted and will be assisting with the matter, ultimately, seizing the weapon.



**Theft**

Detectives are following up on a multijurisdictional retail theft investigation where Dyson vacuums are being stolen from Target locations. The offender has been captured on camera at Target locations in Wood Dale, Villa Park, Woodridge, Lombard, and Glendale Heights walking out with vacuums valued at \$500.00 USC and above. There appears to be a getaway vehicle involved that parks away from the business and out of direct sight of cameras. Detectives developed a suspect and vehicle which was located in a nearby suburb. A surveillance was conducted on three individuals suspected of these crimes. Detectives from Wood Dale and Villa Park continued surveillance throughout the day until the offender committed yet another theft from the Wood Dale Target. This individual as well as the two others were arrested and confessed to multiple thefts throughout DuPage County over a several month span. Proceeds exceeding 7K were recovered from this investigation.

Burglary

Detectives were assigned an attempt residential burglary case where an unknown subject broke the rear sliding door on a residence. A witness was located and provided a vague description of the offender and vehicle. A canvass was conducted and there was no video surveillance found to show our suspect(s) or vehicle information. Residential burglaries also occurred in Elk Grove and Itasca during the same time frame.

Burglary

Detectives worked with Patrol in identifying and arresting a suspect involved in burglarizing numerous vehicles in DuPage County. A search warrant of his vehicle, phones and Chicago Apartment were conducted. Numerous additional victims were identified. Subject was initially charged with six counts. Additional counts to be added upon return of the search warrant results. Proceeds from numerous identity crimes, Property, 11K cash, gift cards and credit cards were seized during this investigation. An estimated 20 victims were successfully located throughout northern Illinois.

Bank Robbery

Detectives and patrol teamed up to respond to an armed bank robbery. Patrol officers intercepted the offender and pursued the vehicle into Northlake. Detectives assisted with locating the vehicle and chasing the offender who was still armed on foot after he crashed his car. Assisting agencies from numerous jurisdictions converged on the offender and placed him in custody. The bank robber was believed to be responsible for up to eight bank robberies in the Chicagoland area. He was turned over to the FBI.





KIDS CAN'T BUY 'EM HERE

The Wood Dale Police Department, through a grant sponsored by the Illinois Liquor Commission, has been conducting tobacco compliance checks since 2000. The grant enables the Wood Dale Police Department to fund the training of local area juveniles and businesses, to help discourage the sale of tobacco to the youth of Wood Dale. The grant is fully funded by the 1998 Master settlement agreement between tobacco manufacturers and the 48 states, not taxpayer money.

Prior to performing the checks, the businesses are visited by the Police Department's State Certified Tobacco Compliance Specialist. The business is reminded about the program, and offered free training to their employees. Businesses with perfect compliance records are also rewarded with gold "Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here" lapel pins, and encouraged to keep up the good work.

The Wood Dale Police Department has recruited several local youths, ages 16-20, to attempt to purchase tobacco from the businesses. Detective Amy McCollum, Officers Matt Nelson, Justin Bjes, and Patrick Fajardo oversee the volunteer juveniles in the program and through the training process. The juveniles are trained on how to fairly and discreetly enter a business and attempt to purchase tobacco products. The juvenile needs parental permission to participate in this program.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC);

- From 2011 to 2019, current cigarette smoking declined among middle and high school students.
- About 2 of every 100 middle school students (2.3%) reported in 2019 that they smoked cigarettes in the past 30 days - a decrease from 4.3% in 2011.
- Nearly 6 of every 100 high school students (5.8%) reported in 2019 that they smoked cigarettes in the past 30 days - a decrease from 15.8% in 2011.

Wood Dale Police supervised 39 cigarette sales compliance checks in 2019, resulting in seven sales to a minor. That is an 82% compliance rate. There was an 88% compliance rate in 2018 by Wood Dale tobacco businesses. In 2017 the compliance rate was 98%. In 2016 the compliance rate was 100%, compared to 97.1% in 2015, and 93.2% in 2014. The state requires a 90% compliance rate, so Wood Dale businesses are below the state requirements for 2019.

Businesses who sell to the minors are cited under the local ordinance and with continual or numerous violations can face expensive fines or even suspension of their tobacco license.





PEER JURY

The Wood Dale Bensenville Peer Jury is now in its 17th year of operation, since its inception in September of 2002. The Peer Jury currently has over 60 active teen volunteers and consists of teens ages 13-17. Most attend the Wood Dale Jr. High or Fenton Community High School. Any teen, age 13-17, that lives or attends school in Wood Dale is eligible.

The Wood Dale Peer jury is one of only six elite teen courts in DuPage County. The teen court program is a nationwide program, endorsed and supported by the Illinois Attorney General and the DuPage County State’s Attorney’s Office as an alternative to juvenile court. The Jury meets every third Tuesday of the month in the City Council chambers. The Peer Jury is supervised by the officers in the Wood Dale Police Department’s juvenile division and a citizen volunteer.

A Peer Jury starts with the reading of the charges and the juvenile being told what could have happened to them had they gone to Juvenile Court in Wheaton. Then the juvenile is given a chance to explain their side of what happened. **The Peer Jury does not determine guilt or innocence**, but what the punishment should be for the juvenile.

The Wood Dale Peer Jury held 11 Peer Jury sessions in 2019 resulting in 43 cases heard before the jury. Twenty juveniles were high school aged and 14 juveniles were junior high aged. There were 34 cases heard in 2018, 33 cases heard in 2017, and 15 cases in 2016. The cases that were heard in 2019 ranged from:

Retail Theft (8)	Theft (4)
Disorderly Conduct/Fighting (5)	Possession of Weapon (2)
Criminal Damage to Property (11)	

After the Peer Jury hears the facts and the juvenile’s side of the story, they can ask the suspect questions. The most popular sentences given were community service, letters of apology, write papers or do projects on topics related to their offense, and restitution for damages.

The juvenile is assigned to return at a later date (Discharge hearing), usually a month later, with proof of completion of the sentence assigned by the Peer Jury. The Jury reviews the juvenile’s sentence and decides whether to approve or discharge the case. If a case is not satisfactorily discharged, the juvenile could be sent to next level, including, but not limited to Juvenile Court. In 2019, 40 of the cases were discharged satisfactorily and 3 cases were referred to Juvenile Court.

The Peer Jury is open to juvenile offenders, the ages ranged from 11-17. Offenders are first time non-violent offenders. Juveniles are referred to the Peer Jury program by street officers and juvenile detectives. The case is screened by the Peer Jury coordinator, and if the juvenile offender qualifies, their case is assigned to be heard by the Peer Jury.

The Peer Jury program is beneficial to the juvenile offender and the parents. The parents do not need to retain a costly attorney, because the Peer Jury cannot fine or send the juvenile to detention. In addition to that, the Peer Jury allows the juvenile to have consequences for their actions, without damaging the juvenile’s criminal record. This is important as many colleges will reject applicants based on past criminal actions.





FENTON HIGH SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

A Wood Dale Police officer was assigned to Fenton Community High School as the School Liaison Officer for the 2018-2019 school year. Below is a summary of the activities and duties performed by that school resource officer.

Hours Spent Summary

A total of 185 days were worked in the school during the 2018-2019 school year. During that time, 89 school related complaints were initiated. 139 hours were spent completing the reports for those complaints, and 67 hours were devoted to follow-up/investigations regarding those complaints. 40.5 hours were spent on parent/student consultations and 245 hours were spent on student consultations (peer conflict resolutions, miscellaneous questions, etc.). 249 hours were spent on office/administrative tasks, while 355.5 hours were spent patrolling campus grounds and hallways. 51 hours were spent in training and court appearances, while 250.5 hours were spent in classroom presentations, teacher, counselor, social worker consultations, and in school meetings.

Arrests

During the 2018-2019 school year, 80 citations or referrals to court were issued for various offenses. The breakdown is as follows: 39 truancy tickets, 7 for fighting, 22 for cannabis and or drug/smoking paraphernalia, and 12 for miscellaneous offenses. Included in these numbers are court diversion referrals (peer jury, station adjustment), and cases forwarded to the DuPage County Juvenile Probation for review. Referrals to court diversion and probation programs are based on a number of factors, including the student's past police contacts and seriousness of the offense.

Other School Services



The school liaison officer provided supervision at home football, basketball, selected wrestling tournaments, homecoming dance, Latino dances, and prom. In addition to supervision at school events, the liaison officer is also member of several teams and committees aimed at assisting students in achieving their graduation goals. Among these are the FHS student assistance team, emergency plan team, and Social Emotional Learning committee.

One drug dog search was completed. It was coordinated with the assistance of several surrounding police departments, and no contraband was found.

Other Duties

The school liaison also participated in the Bensenville/Wood Dale peer jury and the *Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here* cigarette buys. Wood Dale Police was also represented at the DuPage Juvenile Officer's meetings and gang awareness meetings.





BIKE PATROL

The Wood Dale Police Department Bike Patrol is currently made up of seven individuals, and includes both Patrol Officers and Sergeants. There are representatives from all shifts on the Bike Patrol Unit, and we ride at all times of day. Typically the Bike Patrol season runs from early spring into the late fall, usually around Halloween. We currently have two bikes with hitches, with officers available go into a neighborhood, and ride for a while, then move to another part of town. The hitches also make it possible for officers to respond to emergencies quickly when needed. The goals of the bike patrol are to promote bicycle safety and health, prevent crime, and to increase contact and communication between the Police Department and the Community.



In 2019 bike patrol officers spent approximately twelve hours riding through Wood Dale neighborhoods, parks and industrial areas. Officers made contact with over 100 residents often passing out toys and collectables. Some of the events we take part in are the Memorial Day Parade, National Night Out, and the Annual “Bike with a Cop” event in May. This event included several obstacle courses, a discussion of bicycle safety, and a ride around the School Street Reservoir, raffle prizes and ice cream. This annual event is very popular and continues to grow every year. We had over 50 children and adults turn out this year. The 2020 event is already scheduled for May.





COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

2019 Initiatives

One of the most important aspects of community-oriented policing is community involvement. For the police to be able to identify problems, understand and clarify citizen expectations and deliver the best possible service, we have to know our citizens and continually interact with our community. Building community partnerships and being actively involved with community groups as a partner is vital.

The employees of the Wood Dale Police Department consistently search for new ways and opportunities to reach our community members through various programs and meetings. Our goal is to evaluate and execute current programs and make ourselves available to those residents and visitors when needed.

The following is a summary of programs or tasks completed in 2018 by the Department:

Schools

1. Met with District 7 School officials to update their school safety plan.
2. Read books to Holy Ghost and ECEC students along with other government officials.
3. Read and did craft projects with students at Child's Voice.
4. Eight of our officers participated in the "Shop with a Cop" program for ten different families.
5. Provided a Peer Jury program.
6. Conducted "School Zone" traffic enforcement.
7. Conducted numerous school/scout tours of the Police facility.
8. Met monthly with Seniors & Law Enforcement (SALT) to address senior needs and concerns.
9. Provided Wood Dale School District with Liaison Officer.
10. Provided Fenton High School with Liaison Officer.
11. Conducted Rapid Response Training in both School District 7 and 100.
12. Gave several tours to Fenton HS students of the Police Station.

Seniors

13. Assisted with visits, calls, and referrals for a number of seniors needing assistance.
14. Sponsored a Senior Luncheon in partnership with the Park District.



Community-Wide

15. Maintained social media pages on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to provide more transparency and enhance networking capabilities with the public.
16. Distributed over 75 Thanksgiving baskets to families in need.
17. Assisted the City of Wood Dale with the Annual Tree Lighting Event.
18. Participated in the "Shape of Wood Dale" with several other local government entities.
19. Assisted the Historical Society with several of their community events.
20. Conducted numerous crime prevention checks for area businesses and residences.





COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING (2)

21. Coordinated fund raising and participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.
22. Planned and participated in several recruitment programs at various college campuses and job fairs.
23. Produced an 8-week Citizens' Police Academy with every class using "hands on" methods to teach police related topics.
24. Assisted as City Liaison with the P.A.D.S. program for homeless.
25. Sent participating representatives to assist with Special Olympics, locally and down-state.
26. Planned, coordinated, and sponsored National Night Out events at the Water Park and City Hall.
27. Developed an Event Plan, planned traffic flow, coordinated inter-departmental support, and participated in the VFW Memorial Day Parade (honor guard, K-9, and traffic enforcement).
28. Participated in city-wide Neighborhood Watch meetings.
29. Award recipient from Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM).
30. Conducted ward and neighborhood meetings to address traffic issues and citizen concerns.
31. Sponsored a booth at the Itasca Health Fair at Itasca Fest.
32. Conducted a table top exercise with City Staff for special events.
33. Coordinated "Toys for Tots" collection partnership with U.S. Marines.
34. Conducted liquor license training (B.A.S.S.E.T.T. Training) for liquor license holders.
35. Coordinated Community Assistance Council meetings with community leaders.
36. Assisted citizens in the "Speed Awareness" program.
37. Conducted traffic studies in neighborhoods.
38. Performed car safety seat checks for parents and caretakers.
39. Conducted home and business security surveys.
40. Problem-solving sessions with citizens and businesses with issues.
41. Event Plan for the four day Prairie Fest providing security, volunteers, and informational kiosks.
42. Hold quarterly meetings with staff to address community concerns.
43. Conducted a City Wide "Green Fair".



The Wood Dale Police Department will strive to improve and develop many of these programs during 2020 and also look for new ways or strategies to better reach our residents.





CRISIS INTERVENTION

Officers are often the first responders to incidents involving people in a mental health crisis. Families and other citizens often call the police for assistance during these emotional times. People with mental illness aren't necessarily more likely to violence or prone to criminal behavior than anyone else, but the police are often those citizens' last resort for help. According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), 1 in 5 adults in the U.S. experience a mental illness with 1 in 25 adults experiencing a serious mental illness. It is estimated that 17% of youth also live with a disorder. These struggles are across all races, sexes and socioeconomic statuses (www.nami.org) and Wood Dale is no different.

CRISIS INTERVENTION



The Wood Dale Police Department recognizes the importance during these crisis and the families being overwhelmed at the time they call for help. Beginning in 2017, Wood Dale joined with other DuPage communities in the DuPage Crisis Intervention (CIT) Association and made a commitment to better educating our officers and assisting the public when police services are needed during these calls. CIT is recognized by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and is a nationally recognized program. The extensive class requires officers to have a minimum of 2 years' experience before they may enroll. Currently, over three quarters of the force are certified, with the remaining having had a shorter class in Mental Health First Aid. By the end of spring 2020, 100% of eligible Wood Dale officers will have the CIT certification.

In September, the DuPage National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) invited the Wood Dale Police Department, along with several other DuPage towns to pilot a law enforcement referral program. This is to provide support resources, individual and family education to Wood Dale citizens who recently had a police contact during their crisis.

The department has not previously tracked the numbers of incidents where mental illness is the foremost concern to all involved until this year. In 2019, the Wood Dale Police Department responded to 94 calls for service where a mental health crisis was the issue for police presence. Looking at future forecasts, from health care institutes, these numbers will most likely increase (<https://www.nihcm.org/categories/mental-health-in-america-trends-future-outlook>) and our partnerships will continue to be that much more crucial.

Important community resources can be found at:

<http://namidupage.org/resources/community-resources/>

<https://whe.ywcachicago.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2018/07/Mental-Health-Resources-DuPage-and-Western-Cook-Counties.pdf>





HONOR GUARD

The Wood Dale Police Department Honor Guard was started as prominent demonstration of the morals the department holds true: Honor, Duty, and Integrity.

All member of the unit are volunteers who donate their time and training for special events. Members also spend several hours every year maintaining their special uniforms and equipment.

The Honor Guard has been requested for funerals of fallen Officers and elected officials to present the colors. Along with these events, the Honor Guard's duties include being present at the Wood Dale Memorial Day Parade held every Memorial Day.



The Honor Guard purchased new display rifles this past year. These are more light weight and present well.

Over the past year, the Honor Guard has been requested for and has participated in the following events:

- First pitch at the Wood Dale Baseball little league's opening day. This was done in conjunction with the Wood Dale Fire Protection District.
- Marching in the city's annual Memorial Day Parade.
- Posting of colors for Memorial Day at the Veteran's Memorial.
- Presented the colors at Wrigley Field for the Chicago Cubs vs. the San Francisco Giants. This event was a tremendous success for the Department and was covered by several media outlets.
- Firing of the 21-Gun Salute to the Fallen on Veteran's Day.
- Posting of the colors at the annual City of Wood Dale Charity Gala.





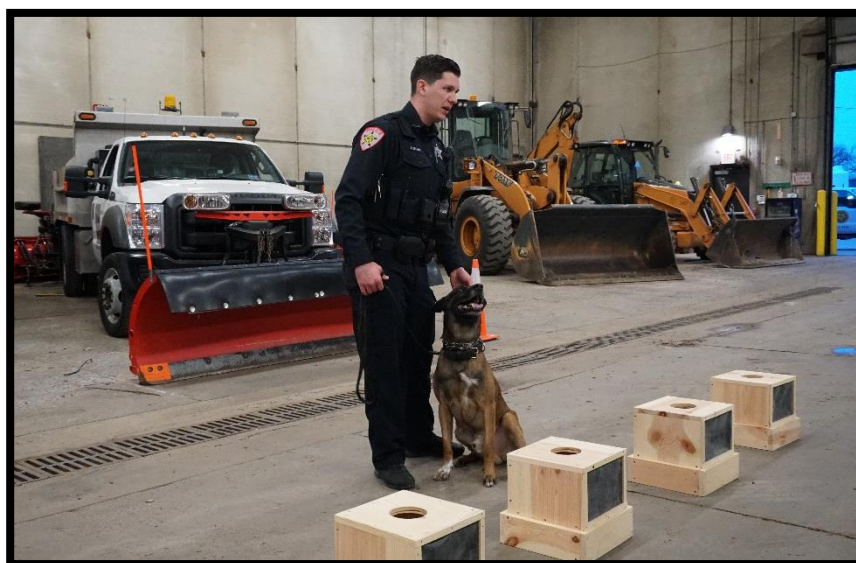
K-9 ACTIVITY REPORT

	2018	2019
Vehicle Sniffs	28	15
Tracks	2	8
P.R. Events	15	8
School Searches	19	19
Assists to Other Agencies	33	35
Vehicles Stopped	310	357
Citations Issued	165	162
Arrests	28	50
Building Checks	224	415
Alarms	32	48
Suspicious Autos and Persons	36	62
Burglaries and Thefts	10	10
Domestics and Batteries	39	51

Street Value of Narcotics Seized: \$132,853.40 / \$9,081.30

Total Amount of Cash Seized: \$ 20,457.96 / \$1,828.61

Total Seizure Amount for 2019: \$153,311.36 / \$10,909.91





SUMMARY OF K-9 UNIT ACTIVITY



25 JAN 19 Assisted Hanover Park PD with the track of a domestic battery suspect armed with a handgun who was located and taken into custody

25 JAN 19 Assisted DuMEG with a search warrant in Wheaton where 40.8g of cocaine, 75.6g of marijuana, 7 THC pens, and 19 Xanax pills were recovered

26 FEB 19 Assisted DuMEG with a vehicle search where 4.4g of heroin, 4.2g of cocaine, and 2.9g of marijuana were located

22 APR 19 Assisted DuMEG with a search warrant in West Chicago where 10.01g of cocaine, 11g of MDMA, and \$483 USC were recovered

05 JUN 19 K9 Unit participated in Operation Heroin Highway, assisting numerous DuPage County agencies in the seizure of heroin

25 JUN 19 K9 Unit located 21 THC vape cartridges in a vehicle on a traffic stop in Wood Dale

02 SEP 19 Assisted Lisle PD in the track of three burglars where numerous pieces of evidence and property were recovered

17 OCT 19 Assisted DuMEG with a search warrant in Chicago where 49.4g of cocaine, 18g of marijuana, and \$1,345.61 USC were seized

14 NOV 19 Assisted the FBI in the execution of a search warrant that lead to the arrest of a suspect charged with providing money to ISIS as well as narcotics trafficking

03 DEC 19 Assisted Lombard PD with the track of three armed robbery suspects where evidence was recovered

K-9 School sniffs were completed at both Fenton High School and Wood Dale Jr. High on multiple occasions as well as K-9 presentations conducted at Fenton High School, Wood Dale Jr. High, Westview Elementary, the Early Childhood Education Center, and Glenbard North High School.





TRUCK ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The Wood Dale Police Department’s Truck Enforcement Unit exists to provide safe passage through Wood Dale, for all motor vehicle traffic, as they share the roads with larger and heavier commercial truck traffic.

The primary duties of the Truck Enforcement Unit are:

- Enforcement of weight and size violations
- Issuing permits for overweight/oversized vehicles using city maintained roadways
- Education of local trucking companies in regard to local and State laws
- Assisting the Illinois State Police with truck safety checkpoints
- Coordinating truck routing in and out of the industrial park and construction sites
- Enforcement of State driver’s license classifications and State registration laws
- Handling complaints of truck traffic on residential streets



Wood Dale Police Department truck enforcement officers are certified by the State and are members of the Illinois Truck Enforcement Association. The IDOT scale in Villa Park and a private state certified scale in Elk Grove Village are primarily used to determine weight. Portable scales maintained by IDOT and Bensenville PD are also used, on different occasions.

2019 Statistics

(* All totals are from 1/03/19 to 1/1/20, unless otherwise noted)

	2019	2018
Number of overweight/oversize permits issued (20 calendar year)	372	264
Overweight truck citations issued	24	18
Total fines from truck citations	\$ 48,325	\$36,517
Warnings issued	60	76
Hours spent on inspection/bond	106	76





USE OF FORCE

The following is a year-end summation of the 2019 Use of Force incidents involving personnel from the Wood Dale Police Department. There were a total of twenty (20) incidents during 2019 that involved Wood Dale officers in Use of Force situations. Each of the incidents was reviewed by the Shift supervisor, Deputy Chief and Chief of Police to ensure that our officers were within policy on the application of force. The following is a brief summary of the events that occurred in each incident.

Officers were called to a residence for an individual who was suicidal and homicidal. The subject barricaded himself in an upstairs bathroom armed with a large knife. Officers attempted negotiating with the subject unsuccessfully. Officers entered the bathroom and encountered the subject armed with the knife. Officers deployed a Taser and partially incapacitated him. They were able to safely disarm the individual and place him in custody.

Officers were called to a bar restaurant for a reported battery against a bartender. Officers encountered an intoxicated female who was identified as the offending party. Officers attempted to place the female in custody and she began to fight them. During the encounter, the female kicked and attempted to bite officers. Once she was secured she was taken to the Police Department where it was determined that she needed to be evaluated at the hospital, and was transported for treatment. The female has a history of mental illness.

Officers received a report of a man armed with a handgun, waving it from a vehicle in an adjoining town. A short time later officers located the vehicle in Wood Dale and conducted a traffic stop. Weapons were displayed on the initial traffic stop until the subject could be safely removed from the car and checked. No weapons were located, and it appeared the incident stemmed from a road rage incident earlier.

Officers responded for a domestic violence between father and adult son. Upon officers arrival they found the father and son engaged in a physical fight. The son refused to let go of his father and resisted officer's efforts to separate the two. Officers utilized physical force to separate the two, then the adult son continued to fight and kick at officers until he could be secured and transported to the hospital for alcohol and psychiatric evaluation.

An officer conducted a traffic stop on a female who immediately exited her car acting erratic and displaying aggressive actions towards the officer. After refusing the officers orders to comply, officers placed the female on the ground where she continued to act irrationally and fight efforts to secure her. Once secured safely, it was determined that the female suffered mental illness, and she was committed involuntarily to a hospital.

Officers were called to a business in Wood Dale for a reported Domestic battery. The female caller advised officers that the male offender was armed with a handgun, however it was not used during the battery.

Officers located the male suspect a short distance later and displayed their firearms and a Taser to control the individual until he could be searched for a weapon. No weapon could be





USE OF FORCE (2)

located on his person. The male had an outstanding warrant from another county and was placed under arrest.

Officers responded to a residence for a suicidal male threatening family and threatening harm to himself. The individual was located and was acting irrational and making suicidal threats to both family and officers. Officers attempted to place the subject into custody when he began to resist and fight. Officers used pressure point control to gain compliance and place him into custody. He was transported to the hospital for a psychiatric evaluation.

Officers responded to a complaint of a family member who was highly intoxicated and wandering around a front yard possibly armed with a knife. The caller feared for his safety as well as the safety of others. Officers found the individual who was indeed intoxicated and belligerent. After efforts to communicate with this person were unsuccessful, officers attempted to place him in custody for safety. The individual refused to cooperate and fought with police. Officers used physical control tactics to place him into custody. The individual was transported to the hospital.

Officers encountered a known individual who needed a psychiatric evaluation based on his actions in public. While speaking with this person, he became resistant and refused to cooperate with the police and had to be physically restrained. He was taken into custody and secured in handcuffs until the fire department arrived and transported him to a hospital.

An officer on patrol received an alert from the License Plate Reader that a vehicle he was behind was reported stolen. A felony traffic stop was conducted and weapons were displayed until the occupant was safely secured.

Officers were called to a crisis intervention involving a 15yr old youth who was suicidal and combative. While officers were assisting in controlling the juvenile and placing him on a fire department cot, the juvenile grabbed one of the paramedics by the collar and attempted to choke him. He then spit towards another paramedic. Physical force had to be used to control the juvenile. Once he was secured, the juvenile was transported safely to the hospital.

Officers responded to a residence for a domestic battery between mother and adult son. Upon officer's arrival and approach to the front door, the adult son emerged from the house and immediately charged officers. The individual grabbed an officer by the uniform collar and vest in an attempt to bring this officer to the ground, a second officer present intervened and was also grabbed by this individual in the same manner. The individual was eventually safely secured by officers with only minor injuries. The individual was transported to a local hospital for a mental health evaluation and was also charged with Domestic Battery and Aggravated Battery to a police officer.

Officers were assisting a neighboring agency with locating a subject wanted for a domestic battery at a home in Wood Dale. The location was known to the officers and the resident was known to have weapons and to fight the police. Upon arrival, the officers observed the vehicle wanted in connection with the crime as well as several people in a garage. Upon seeing the





USE OF FORCE (3)

officers, the subjects closed the garage and initially refused communication. The individuals eventually exited the garage and were secured. Weapons were displayed due to the circumstances and actions by the subjects. The wanted individual was located and turned over to the investigating agency for arrest. The others were released without charges.

Officers responded for a psychiatric evaluation with the Fire Department at a residence for a juvenile. Upon officers and medics' arrival the juvenile was resistant and physically punched a paramedic, then spit in an officer's face as they were attempting to restrain him. Officers used minimal physical force to safely place the juvenile in custody and transported him to the hospital via ambulance. A juvenile petition for aggravated battery was filed on the juvenile offender.

Officers were investigating a disorderly conduct involving a male adult that was talking to a juvenile female by her home. Officer located the suspect a short distance away. While officers were interviewing witnesses a physical fight broke out between the juvenile's father and the suspect. Officers had to physically restrain both individuals to prevent further escalation.

Officers were investigating a domestic disturbance between a male and female at a local hotel. During the investigation, it was learned that the female had two outstanding arrest warrants. The female was notified of the warrants at which time she began to walk away not listening to officers' commands. The female then refused to cooperate with the arrest and began fighting officers and spit in the face of one officer. The female was eventually secured and transported to the station where she was charged with aggravated battery to a police officer.

Officers were called to a residence after the son of the homeowner came home intoxicated in his car. Officers attempted to defuse the situation and restore peace to no avail. The subject was placed in custody/arrested. While attempting to place the subject in the squad car he became combative, kicking and pulling away from officers who had to use minimal force to safely get him in the car. He was charged with DUI in relation to the original complaint.

Officers were interviewing a known individual about a domestic incident involving his mother. The individual was refusing to remain with officers while they conducted an investigation to see if a crime occurred. The individual attempted to leave the scene when an officer held his hand out to prevent him from leaving. The subject grabbed the officers hand with force and refused to let go of the officer. Officers used minimal force to free the officer's hand and placed the subject in custody. Charges of Aggravated battery to a police officer were filed.

Officers responded to a report of a disturbance between several individuals who were intoxicated at a residence. While speaking with several people outside, officers also attempted to make contact with anyone inside the home. Upon reaching someone inside the home, a male subject answered the door with a handgun in his hand and intoxicated. Not knowing the individual's intent, officers displayed weapons until the individual was safely secured for officers to continue their investigation. No charges were filed in this matter, however several guns were held for safekeeping with the owner's consent.





USE OF FORCE (4)

Of these incidents, the following Use of Force was used as follows:

Taser Discharged	1
Taser Display	2
Drive-Stun	0
Baton Strike	0
Baton Display	0
Firearm Discharge	None
Firearm Display	5
Physical/control tactics	14
O.C. Spray	0

Of these 20 Use of Force incidents, no suspects filed any unnecessary Use of Force complaints with this department or the State of Illinois. No officers were reprimanded for unnecessary or excessive Use of Force by this department.

Of the 20 incidents where use of force was applied the race of the subject was identified:

- ★ Caucasian 14
- ★ African American 1
- ★ Hispanic 5
- ★ Other 0

Mental health continues to be a major factor in over half of these incidents. For the last several years we have concentrated training in De-escalation/Crisis intervention.

In 2019, our records indicate that the Police Department responded to 110 mental health crisis calls in Wood Dale.

This De-escalation/Mental health training has actually decreased the number of Use of Force incidents involving mental health patients as shown in other contacts throughout the year. We currently have over 95% of our Officers certified in Crisis Intervention, and the remaining officers have Mental Health first aid for first responders.

These findings show the proper training and application techniques as well as the professional discretion used by our officers in high stress situations. All incidents are well within the legal parameters and proper amount of force used to handle and or de-escalate a variety of potential dangerous situations. The department’s Use of Force training will continue to focus on the areas described above.





VEHICLE SEIZURE & IMPOUNDMENTS

Background:

In June of 2005, the City of Wood Dale passed Municipal Ordinance O-05-018 (Section 15.1809) titled: "Ordinance Authorizing the City of Wood Dale to Charge an Administrative and Processing Fee for Impounding Vehicles." On the July 1, 2005 the Wood Dale Police Department issued Standard Operating Procedure #508 titled: "Vehicle Seizure and Impoundment". All Police Operations personnel were trained on the new ordinance and Standard Operating Procedure to put the new law and policy into full effect on that date. Since the ordinance's inception; there have been four amendments enacted to include an additional 23 violations subject to vehicle seizure and to include officer's discretion to release a vehicle at the scene at the request of the driver owner.

Report:

The total number of vehicles seized for 2019 is **187**. There were no vehicles permanently seized through state seizure laws. Most of the vehicles seized were claimed by the registered owner after providing the \$600.00 administrative fee as per Ordinance O-05-018. Twenty-six vehicles seized went unclaimed and were subject to disposal of the vehicle as an unclaimed vehicle under the Illinois Vehicle Code. Only one vehicle seized was later returned to the owner without assessing the administrative fees due to the Administration Hearing Officer's decision. Four other vehicles were returned without an administration fee due to the Watch Commander's discretion based upon the totality of the situation.

The total amount of administrative fees collected for vehicle seizure and impoundment for 2019 was **\$101,400.00**. A breakdown of all the vehicles seized and impounded under Ordinance Section 15.1809 is as follows:

Offenses Subject to Vehicle Seizure:

DUI alcohol, DUI alcohol/Drugs, Aggravated DUI:	108	Vehicle
Driving While License Suspended:	31	Vehicle
No Valid Driver's License:	27	Vehicle
Driving While License Revoked:	6	Vehicle
Retail Theft:	5	Vehicle
Possession of Controlled Substance:	3	Vehicle
Possession of Cannabis:	3	Vehicle
Criminal Damage to Property:	1	Vehicle
Burglary to Motor Vehicle:	1	Vehicle
Hit and Run:	1	Vehicle
Armed Robbery:	1	Vehicle





CALEA ANNUAL REVIEW



The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through the joint efforts of multiple enforcement executive associations. The purpose of the Accreditation Program is to improve the delivery of public safety services. This is done primarily by maintaining a body of standards developed by public safety practitioners, covering a wide range of up-to-date public safety initiatives, establishing and administering an accreditation process and recognizing professional excellence.

The Wood Dale Police Department accreditation process started in 1998 with an application. For the next three years, the department worked diligently to obtain the international recognition of CALEA Accreditation.

In May of 2001, the Wood Dale Police Department had its first on-site assessment. This entailed three assessors reviewing the department's professional ethics and standards. During the Assessors visit, these individuals reviewed the policy, procedures and methods of operations(s) surrounding the department from an operational and tactical standpoint. Over the years the Wood Dale Police Department has received six additional awards; 2001, 2004, 2007, 2010, 2013, and 2016.

In July of 2019, the Wood Dale Police Department underwent the third of four remote assessments. The Compliance Service Members (CSM) remotely reviewed 120 standards, reviewing the department policy, procedures and methods of operation(s) and verified that the Wood Dale Police Department is meeting the international standards established by CALEA.

February of 2020, the final phase of CSM reviews will occur. In April of 2020, Members of the Commission will be visiting the City of Wood Dale and the Police Department for an onsite assessment. Over a four day period, Assessors will participate on ride-a-longs with patrol, and the public will be invited to speak with the team. Shortly after that onsite assessment in April, the Wood Dale Police Department anticipates receiving a 6th reaccreditation and 7th award. Achieving this award demonstrates how the Wood Dale Police Department continues to offer the highest level of professionalism to residents and business owners in Wood Dale.





COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

Wood Dale's Community Service Officers (CSO's) handle non-criminal police matters and other city department assignments. There are currently four CSO positions assigned to the Patrol Division. Their services are available between 7:00am-11:00pm Monday through Friday. Their attention to non-criminal police related matters free up sworn police officers to handle criminal complaints and tactical operations.

2019 saw a similar transition with the CSO's as occurred in 2018, having one new CSO join the Wood Dale Police Department. The open CSO position was filled after one position was vacated by a CSO who went on to advance his law enforcement career after accepting a patrolman's position with a nearby community.



The CSO's took on a new challenge in 2019 to assist the city with addressing some of the common complaints from citizen's reference property maintenance or quality of life issues in their neighborhoods or business community. The CSO's created the Property Maintenance Issue Division (PMI). A phone and e-mail complaint line was set up for citizens to report violations. CSO's follow-up on these complaints and work with violators to resolve the issue with the goal of obtaining compliance. The first year resulted in about two hundred complaints handled by the CSO PMI Division and resulted in about a 95% compliance rate from the violators.

The CSO's are also responsible for monitoring both domestic and wildlife issues within the City. Their responsibilities cover the proper care of domestically kept animals and other interests relating to wild animals. Dealing with wildlife carrying disease such as distemper in raccoons or opossums ensures the safety and health of the general public and other animals. The CSO's are provided with equipment that allows them to deal with these issues in a safe and humane manner.

CSO's assist with traffic control situations brought on by weather, crash related incidents or City special events. They also assist the City's function in crossing the public for pool and school crossings in the event of an absent crossing guard. The department provides Child Safety Seat inspections and installations by trained CSO's. Each CSO is trained and certified through the National Child Passenger Safety Training Program put on through the National Highway Traffic Safety Program as a Child Car Seat installer. This service is available at the Police Department and at noted public functions.





ILLINOIS CONCEALED CARRY

The Illinois Concealed Carry law went into effect on July 9, 2013. The law allows for local law enforcement to check local residents who have applied for the license, or those who have applied and resided in Wood Dale for the past 10 years.



The Illinois State Police allows local law enforcement access to the database of applicants to determine if the applicant is a harm to themselves, others, or to public safety, and to make formal objections to the State of Illinois on applicants who have applied for a license. The ultimate deciding authority whether to issue a license or not lies with the state, who may take the local police department formal objections into consideration.

During 2019, the Wood Dale Police Department ran local background checks on 86 applicants (residents and past residents) as allotted by law. Out of the 86 applicants checked, three (3) applicants were formally objected to by the department. One applicant had been approved for a license, and two are still under board review.





EMERGENCY SERVICES

Wood Dale Office of Emergency Management participated in the following events and programs this past year:

- ★ Quarterly DuPage County OEM LEMC (Local Emergency Management Coordinator) quarterly meetings.
- ★ The Wood Dale Emergency Operation Plan was continually updated in the area of personnel. The complete Emergency Operation Plan is currently being evaluated for the expected November 2020 deadline and will be submitted to the County in 2020.
- ★ In July of 2019, the Wood Dale Police Department hosted an in-depth table top exercise for the 2019 Prairie Fest to better prepare Wood Dale Government employees working the Fest. All City Departments along with other community organizations were involved in the tabletop exercise. Other entities included School District 7, the Wood Dale Fire Protection District, and Wood Dale Park District.
- ★ On September 14th 2019 the Wood Dale Police and Wood Dale Fire Protection District participated in the Itasca Fire Protection District with conjunction with the Itasca and Metra Police departments full scale exercise. Five Wood Dale Police Officers were able to participate in training exercises.



- ★ On November 12th 2019 City Staff along with Emergency Management met and completed the DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan survey. The plan, once approved will help allow the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to approve the Mitigation Plan for DuPage County.
- ★ Wood Dale Emergency Management participated in two Com Ed tabletop exercises via webinar throughout the year.
- ★ Several computer based and in person training classes were taken to further develop Emergency Management knowledge to maintain a safe environment for the City of Wood Dale.
- ★ Wood Dale Emergency Management participated in ongoing planning meetings with City Special Events personnel, developing Emergency Incident Action Plans for planned events involving members of the general public, distributing the plans to key Wood Dale staff.
- ★ Police Department Supervisory staff has begun training in updated Emergency Management Incident Command Courses.





RECORDS DIVISION

Police Records Division consists of three full-time records clerks and a Support Services Manager. This division maintains and manages the computerized database of all law enforcement records for the police department. Their duties include the entry and retrieval of all police reports and citations, performing statistical analysis of this data and handling dissemination of any requests for copies of reports.

During 2019, the Records Division processed 16,188 police reports/calls for service.

In addition, they processed 3,641 traffic citations, 1,397 parking citations, and 264 Non traffic citations. Additionally they process all the department's local and state arrest reports. The police department also processed over 100 Freedom of Information Act requests through the City Clerk's Office.



Additional duties include processing court summonses, processing arrest documents, preparing the monthly Uniform Crime Reports for state and federal agencies, and other miscellaneous records functions. They also handle Freedom of Information Act inquiries, enter information into numerous computer databases, and administer the purchasing process for all police department supplies and services.

In 2019 the records division was met with the challenges of a rollout of a new countywide report writing system. The records division attended numerous trainings and report building meetings to address the needs of our department and to ensure that the process was handled as best as possible.

The following months after the rollout, the records division worked tirelessly to work through many growing pains associated with the changeover, assisting at all levels of the agency making sure each officer and employee was efficient in utilizing the system properly.





CITIZEN COMPLAINT SUMMARY

In 2019 the Wood Dale Police Department received one citizen complaint. This is the same amount as in 2018, and one less than 2017 and one more than 2016. There were 2 in 2017 and none in 2016.

The complaint (CR-1901) involved an individual who claimed he was the victim of racial profiling. He was the recipient of a Warning Citation on a traffic stop. He said he felt threatened by the officer based on the routine questions he was being asked. After a full investigation, including review of the audio/video from the stop, it was determined that the complaint was unfounded and the allegations never occurred.

Although there were no other formal complaints registered, there were several citizen inquiries regarding cases, calls or citations that were handled on the first-line supervisor level.

In addition to the citizen inquiries that were handled at the first-line supervisor level, there were some internal disciplinary matters that were investigated and handled by command staff.

These disciplinary matters include sworn and support staff and resulted in 4 written letters of reprimand, and 4 suspension days and 16 verbal reprimands. These disciplinary matters were for various infractions including time management, violations of procedure and use of common sense.





EMPLOYEE COMMUNITY SERVICE

Members of the Wood Dale Police Department not only work for and care about the city during their regular work hours; they also contribute and serve the people of the community on their own time. In 2019, department members helped and assisted our citizens by participating and volunteering in the following community service events:



Food for Families



School Events

Thanksgiving Adopt A Family Program



Veteran's Recognition



Shop With a Cop



Illinois Special Olympics Fundraiser



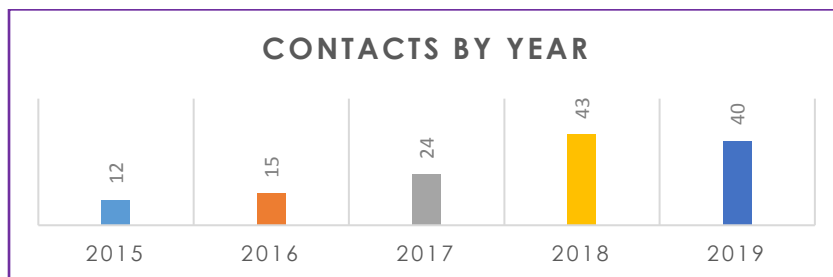


SENIOR SERVICES SUMMARY

In 2019 the Wood Dale Police Department sent two current Elderly Service Officers (ESO'S) to an advanced Elderly Services Officer (ESO) training sponsored by the Illinois Attorney General's Office. The two officers attended the training program covering updated topics concerning the Senior Community.

The department has four trained ESO's and each officer has attended a 32-hour training course covering topics such as Elder Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation, Alzheimer's & Dementia, Consumer Fraud and Identity Theft and Resources and Referrals from Local, County and State level organizations. These courses were taught by representatives from numerous agencies coordinated by the Illinois Attorney General's Office.

Each shift has at least one ESO assigned to coordinate services and pass along information to the Senior Community in Wood Dale. ESO's attend monthly meetings with the Senior Community to share current information and obtain feedback. All the contacts in 2019 were generated by officers responding to routine calls for service, noticed a potential problem or recognized the senior may need or benefit from some additional services or support. They then forwarded a request to the ESO's for follow-up, so they can evaluate the initial call for service and follow-up with the senior, or family member, to determine how best to assist them.



During 2019, the Wood Dale Senior Services Division followed up on 40 cases:

In all of these cases, information on DuPage Senior Services was distributed.

- ★ Six (6) seniors were referred to DuPage Adult Protective Services for assistance.
- ★ One (1) case involved ESO forcing entry to a home to assist an injured senior in need during a CWB call.
- ★ One (1) case involved a depressed suicidal senior with terminal Cancer who drove off with a handgun to commit Suicide. The ESO worked with his family to get him home safely, get mental health assistance and relinquish his firearms to family.
- ★ Three (3) cases involved the Wood Dale ESO assisting APS agents at senior residences during their investigation.
- ★ One (1) Senior has repeatedly wandered away from his residence and been located by Police.
- ★ Three (3) cases involved the same senior on more than one Call for Service.
- ★ Four (4) seniors were added to The Premise Alert Program.
- ★ One (1) Presentation on Scams & Frauds was presented in a group setting.
- ★ Two (2) Senior Benefits/Luncheons were attended or hosted by Senior Division.
- ★ Nine (9) Senior Meetings attended by the ESO's.





SENIORS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TOGETHER (S.A.L.T.)

The SALT Committee began in Wood Dale over 25 years ago and meets on a monthly basis at the Police Department. Each month this group discusses issues in the city affecting seniors and notifies them of any upcoming community events. In addition, they discuss crime data comparisons with other communities, traffic concerns, neighborhood issues and police response. S.A.L.T. has served as a forum for community problem solving and direct input to police and city services. The Chief of Police provides updates to the residents with information regarding scams and other crimes in the area.



The following programs continue to be implemented:

- Conducted daily well-being checks on registered seniors
- Shared information on recent scams/cases in the area
- Distributed beacon emergency lights to residents
- Assisted Fire Department with administering Knox Box program for seniors.
- Distributed “no soliciting” stickers for residents
- Hosted annual senior luncheon at Wood Dale Park District in June
- Participated in the Park District’s annual Senior Resource Fair
- Distributed information about any upcoming senior fairs, events or driver safety classes for the elderly
- Provided crime prevention tips and training





SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT

(Provided by Steven Buhr – Dave Hahn & Associates)

For Period January - December

	2019	2018	2017
Total Cases:	108	125	125
Crisis Calls:	29	37	40
Juvenile Station Adjustments:	31	37	48
Evaluations and Referrals:	100	109	90
Hours of Clinician In-House:	225	214	209
Hours of Clinician used for Crisis Intervention:	34	37	57
Hours in Ride-Along/ School/Roll Call/Seminars:	4	4	4

Problems Observed:

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| <i>Child Abuse</i> | <i>Runaways</i> |
| <i>Marital Problems</i> | <i>Theft</i> |
| <i>Dual Addiction</i> | <i>Substance Abuse</i> |
| <i>Behavioral Problems</i> | <i>Elderly Issues</i> |
| <i>Domestic Violence</i> | <i>Workplace Issues</i> |
| <i>School Situations/Truancy</i> | <i>Parenting Skills</i> |
| <i>Depression</i> | <i>Attempted Suicides</i> |
| <i>Anger Management</i> | <i>Family Dysfunction</i> |
| <i>Managing Emotional Disabilities</i> | <i>Grief Counseling</i> |
| <i>Dealing with Sexual Trauma</i> | |





VICTIM RESOURCE REPORT

Responding to social needs and to the needs of victims and witnesses remains a high priority of the Wood Dale Police Department. We are constantly reviewing and updating the Victim Witness Assistance section of Chapter 55 of our standards. This section gives additional specific clear duties and responsibilities to our officers in accordance to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act.

The DuPage County State's Attorney's office also requested county-wide adoption of these procedures. These procedures outline who is covered by victim witness assistance and a checklist to guide police response.

During 2019, 108 families were referred to family resources by the Wood Dale Police; of these, **91** were for domestic battery. The resources used for referral include:

- DuPage Family Shelter Services (for English and Spanish)
- DCFS (Department of Children & Family Services)
- DuPage State's Attorney Victim/Witness Assistance

Family Shelter Services has many different services to offer victims of domestic violence and their children, including:

- ★ *Shelter for up to 34 days*
- ★ *Counseling – individual and group counseling for teens, adults and children*
- ★ *Latina outreach – educational/support groups and Spanish GED, SEL*
- ★ *Advocacy – located at the DuPage Court House to assist with Orders of Protection.*
- ★ *Victim advocates – contacting victims of domestic violence directly*
- ★ *Hotline – counselors available to take calls 24 hours a day*
- ★ *Safe Pets – for victims entering shelter who want to protect their pets*

108 (29 less than in 2018) cases were handled by Hahn & Associates during 2019. Of these, 31 (as opposed to 37 the previous year) involved juvenile issues. The families/individuals referred received counseling for various reasons including suicide prevention, family dysfunction, truancy, substance abuse, domestic violence, anger management, various mental health issues, school problems, runaways, divorce issues and other police contacts.





VOLUNTEER SERVICE PROGRAM

Starting in May 2016 all past members of the Wood Dale Citizens Police Academies were offered the opportunity apply for a new volunteer program, Volunteer Service Program (VSP). Twenty-nine citizens volunteered and became members of the new program.

After successfully graduating from a Citizen Police Academy class, the citizen is then able to apply to become a member of the Volunteer Service Program if he/she wishes. Citizens on Patrol members and Volunteer Service Program members assist the City of Wood Dale in many ways such as traffic direction at the Park District’s Egg Hunts, the Historical Society’s Holiday on the Farm, Stories in the Barn and annual Arts and Crafts show. They also assist with traffic control for school programs and the Wood Dale Library’s Open House and Meet with Santa. Other events they assist with include the Police Department National Night Out, Memorial Day Parade, Wood Dale Prairie Fest and one of their favorite events, Cop on Top of the Dunkin Donuts to benefit Special Olympics. Following is a list of man hours by VSP members for the year 2019.

**VSP man hours invested in 8 events and
4 training days Total Hours = 314 hrs**

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| Cop on Top | Harvest Fest-Yesterday’s Farm |
| Holiday on the Farm | Ghost Stories in the Barn |
| @ Yesterday’s Farm | @ Yesterday’s Farm |
| Memorial Day Parade | Oak Brook School events |
| Bark in the Park – Park Dist. | Prairie Fest |
| Traffic Assistance/Callouts | Article/Evidence Search |
| Pedestrian Crossing/Traffic Control Training | |





2020 – 2021 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Administrative

GOAL: Improve and enhance our strong relationships within the Wood Dale community

OBJECTIVES

- Continue current programs such as Night Out, Cop on Top, Shop with a Cop, Thanksgiving Adopt-a-Family, Bike with a Cop, Citizen's Police Academy
- Increased presence at parks and interact with the public during activities.
- Partner with the staff and students from Wood Dale Jr High and host a community athletic event with the Wood Dale Fire Department. (i.e. basketball, volleyball, indoor activity, etc.).
- Increase number of hours bike patrol is utilized
 - a. Early evening hours-focus on contacts
 - b. Target parks and attend special events (movie nights/cruise nights)
 - c. Coordinate with Wood Dale Park District for event participation
- Increase outreach in the community
 - a. Utilize new command vehicle for events and random community interaction
 - b. Create program for military vets in town similar to Senior program
 - c. Consider adding second CPA or teen CPA/leadership program

GOAL: Enhance employee wellness program within the Police Department

OBJECTIVES:

- Continue to send officers/supervisors to FBI Resiliency train-the-trainer program
- Develop employee wellness incentive – research on duty/off duty exercise programs and incentives.
- Examine EAP program and outreach for those facing issues – offer mental health/wellness assistance or evaluations
- Review our current evaluations, consider 360 reviews – emphasis on anonymous to get true picture of needed improvements
 - All staff review of department top down
 - Patrol review of their shift supervisor(s)
 - Patrol review of their shift peers
- Review current activity analysis system to determine if activity sheets should be revised or replaced.

GOAL: Enhance morale/connection of employees to the City

OBJECTIVES:

- Increase non-enforcement related activities
- Continue outside activities (softball, bowling team, etc.) or shift outings before or after shift-
- All staff event such as a BBQ night at the PD with staff cooking
- Increased feedback and contact with Investigations
 - Follow up on closed cases
 - Involvement with ongoing investigation including sitting in on interviews, doing surveillance, etc.
 - 1 week temporary duty assignments for patrol officers in detectives
- Update the Police Department facilities
 - Review parking areas





- Conduct site security and recommendations for any development next door
- Conduct a space needs analysis for recommendations to improve unused areas and relieve overused areas

GOAL: Enhance our response to mental health crisis situations

OBJECTIVES:

- Complete requirements and application to the One Mind Campaign supported nationwide to enhance law enforcements response to mental health issues
- Increase de-escalation training for law enforcement in dealing with mental health crisis – Complete 100% training of all sworn officers in Crisis Intervention Training
- Evaluate current needs in community relating to resources available to families dealing with mental health crisis
- Participate in emerging County programs to follow-up with mental health situations
- Represent our agency and needs on Countywide Crisis intervention teams
- Create and make available a Suicide and Sudden Death Survivor tool kit while working alongside both a resident survivor and NAMI for input.

GOAL: Enhance Hexagon On-Call Records / FBR / MPS ease of use and functionality for end users.

OBJECTIVES:

- Address and resolve current functionality issues with the products.
- Enhance the products to offer the best functionality for the end users.
- Develop custom reports based upon the needs of the department for monthly and annual reports.
- Train end users in the best practices to offer them the most functionality from the products.

GOAL: Recruitment / Career Development

OBJECTIVES:

- Encourage continuous education for sworn and non-sworn personnel. Request the City to re-evaluate tuition reimbursement program.
- Research a financial incentive for employees for recruitment of personnel who completes the initial training and probationary period.
- Review and recommend the establishment of an incentive for the attainment of additional educational degrees based upon best practices.

PATROL DIVISION

GOAL: Reduce Retail Theft Crime in Business District

OBJECTIVES:

- Increase presence in business parking lots while completing reports or during patrols to help deter crime.
- During holiday season, increase patrols and presence in business parking lots to deter retail thefts.
- Utilize Officer & CSO's foot patrols with meet and greet in business districts.
- Deploy additional surveillance tools and research the implementation of new stationary license plate reader technology for upcoming capital budget.



**GOAL: Expand and Enhance Elderly Service in the Community****OBJECTIVES:**

- Increase and encourage Senior attendance at community events and meetings
- Send ESO's to advanced senior service training & increase contact with other ESOs at other Departments
- Send two officers to ILL Atty. General Elderly Service Officer (ESO) training class in spring / fall 2020.
- Continue to build solid relationships with Senior groups in the Community (Randall Residence, SALT, Wood Dale Seniors)
- Improve tracking of calls where senior citizens receive assistance – Senior liaison officers documenting more of the services provided
- Continue networking with DuPage County Senior Services Division
- Have new ESO's meet with DuPage Senior Services for updated training of services
- Research and network with area Triad System to enhance our SALT program.
- Coordinate partnership of senior community with business community to sponsor Senior events or meetings
- Have ESO assigned to Prairie Fest Bingo tent for contact with Senior Community
- Conduct a Coffee with ESO at Target or Other location

Goal: Increase officer training levels**OBJECTIVES:**

- Training by our staff
 - Train the trainer
 - Roll call post training briefing with all shifts for outside classes
- Multi-agency training with our neighbors on numerous topics including active shooter, CIT, emergencies, general response procedures
- Review training budget with unfunded mandates and reduction in state funding for NEMRT
- Group driving course or tactical patrol driving course
- Increase on shift range use
- Add additional traffic crash investigator
- Have officers attend K-9 demonstrations/trainings
- Review and consider implementation of new supervisor field training program that was developed at Staff & Command class
- Merge one defensive tactics training with Taser qualifications and other immediate weapons review.
- Replace and train 2 new Field Training Officers. Transition from paper FTO documentation system to software based system.

GOAL: Improve traffic safety through a number of initiatives**OBJECTIVES:**

- Conduct multi-squad usage in high traffic locations using a plain cloths spotter for violations.
- Conduct and follow-up with residents in problematic areas of the City that are experiencing traffic issues.
- Ride along with District 07 school buses and ensure safety of students.





- Reduce “distracted driver” accidents through increased traffic patrols that target cell phone use, texting while driving, and obstructed driver’s views
- Identify locations within City with higher traffic crash rates and establish cause and effect of same and develop enforcement and/or improvement plan
- Increase officer presence in school zones to include expanded enforcement of other violations in addition to speed when children are present
- Increase officer presence by interacting with students walking to school by walking the school premises as students arrive (weather permitting) spring & fall as manpower allows.
- Increase school speed zone multi-squad enforcement as manpower allows
- Utilize multi-squad enforcement at intersections of high crash rates
- Utilize multi-squad enforcement where traffic violations have been validated in residential areas
- Secure traffic enforcement grants through IDOT
- Focus on hot spots and follow up with residents who call when appropriate
- Monitor portal to ensure system of special details being completed

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

GOAL: Assist IT and Community Development (CD) with Building the new ERP for Property Maintenance Issues (PMI)

OBJECTIVES:

- Coordinate List of Property Maintenance Issues for ERP Representatives
- Coordinate with CSO’s the Work Flow for ERP Representatives
- Coordinate with ERP Rep building the PMI Work Flow
- Coordinate with ERP Reps Auto Populate for PMI Documents
- Coordinate with ERP Reps Building Auto-populate Warning Letters
- Coordinate with ERP Reps Building PMI Adjudication Documents

GOAL: Enhance CSO PMI Division

- Hire two new CSO’s to bring to full staffing
- Send CSO’s to Code Enforcement Training Seminar available offsite or online
- Monitor and re-evaluate public information distribution for various outlet sources (Ex: cable, newsletter, newspaper etc.)
- Promote PMI Division in mid-summer newsletter.
- Develop & revise as needed a CSO PMI procedure sheet.
- Update procedural reference sheets for PMI for CSO’s
- Coordinate updated PMI procedures with CD.

INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

GOAL: Explore and Propose New Crime Fighting Technologies

OBJECTIVES:

- Determine actual Investigative needs and prioritize the needs
- Look at technology costs to purchase in one fiscal year vs. several fiscal years
- Propose the possibility of shared costs with other local law enforcement agencies





GOAL: Increase Staffing Level of the Investigations Section

OBJECTIVES:

- Expand the in-office availability of investigators
- Intelligence gathering formalization (Electronic)
- Increase training topics and certifications for detectives
- Increase the number of cases assigned

GOAL: Improve the Investigations Section Brand in the City Of Wood Dale and in the County

OBJECTIVES:

- Connect with civic Groups and Commerce Groups in the City Of Wood Dale
- Participate in County Wide Task Forces and Meetings with at Least One Detective in Attendance
- Strengthen Local, County, State and Federal Partnerships

GOAL: Increase the Investigative Skill Level of the Patrol Division

OBJECTIVES:

- Host In-Service or Roll Call Training for Patrol on Investigative Topics
- Have informal meetings with officers to discuss the direction of a case in which the officer took the original report
- Encourage the reporting officer to take part on the arrest or search warrant for experience

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

GOAL: Ensure all Department Personnel are familiar with the Department of Homeland Security National Incident Management System (NIMS) protocols for Emergency Management

OBJECTIVES:

- Organize all supervisory staff to be trained in ICS100, 200, 300, 400, 700 and 800 courses.
- Organize all First Responders are trained in ICS100, 200, 700 and 800 courses

GOAL: Prepare the City in being able to Respond, Recover and Mitigate against Natural or Man-made disasters.

OBJECTIVES:

- Complete a comprehensive Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)
- Solicit and receive involvement from all City Departments and Fire Suppression Entities in completing THIRA with identifying strengths and shortcomings.
- Conduct tabletop and functional exercises focusing on core capabilities
- Review and update Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) for inclusion of all current, best practices by end of 2020

RECORDS AND SUPPORT SERVICES

GOAL: Ensure Wood Dale is up to date in emerging technologies.

OBJECTIVES:

- Participate in County level meetings and local training seminars to enhance or improve our current standards.





- Participate in surrounding area meetings and participate in email exchange group of other police records agencies such as LERMI and DuPage County Records related groups.

GOAL: Decrease the amount of false burglar alarms within the community which routinely put an unnecessary demand on the patrol function of the agency.

OBJECTIVES:

- Monitor the number of false alarms in the community and follow local ordinance regarding false alarm enforcement and warning letters to businesses.
- Provide regular reports to police administration to ensure accountability of the program.
- Keep good record keeping of all businesses having false alarms throughout the year.

PLANNING & RESEARCH

GOAL: Prepare for the first year of 6th Edition successful Compliance checks from CALEA CSM

OBJECTIVES:

- Request and prepare for 1 of 4 mock assessments in the 6th Edition
- Go through the first years PowerDMS assessment
- Update and review any provisional changes made to the 6th Edition standards manual

GOAL: Review and Update all Training Matrix(s) for the various units within the Department

OBJECTIVES:

- Updated the current Comprehensive Training Plan
- Update Patrol and Detective Training Matrix
- Create a training calendar involving all instructors within the department

GOAL: Successfully complete an Onsite Assessment with a Team of CALEA Assessors

OBJECTIVES:

- Work closely with Chief and Deputy Chiefs to meet all goals set by CALEA's Onsite
- Set up a public forum for the CALEA Assessor to meet with the general public, also a phone access point for the CALEA Assessor to talk to the public on the phone.
- Create an agenda for the CALEA Assessor to follow meeting multiple members of the Police Department, City Officials and members of community groups.

