

# Wood Dale Police Department Annual Report 2011





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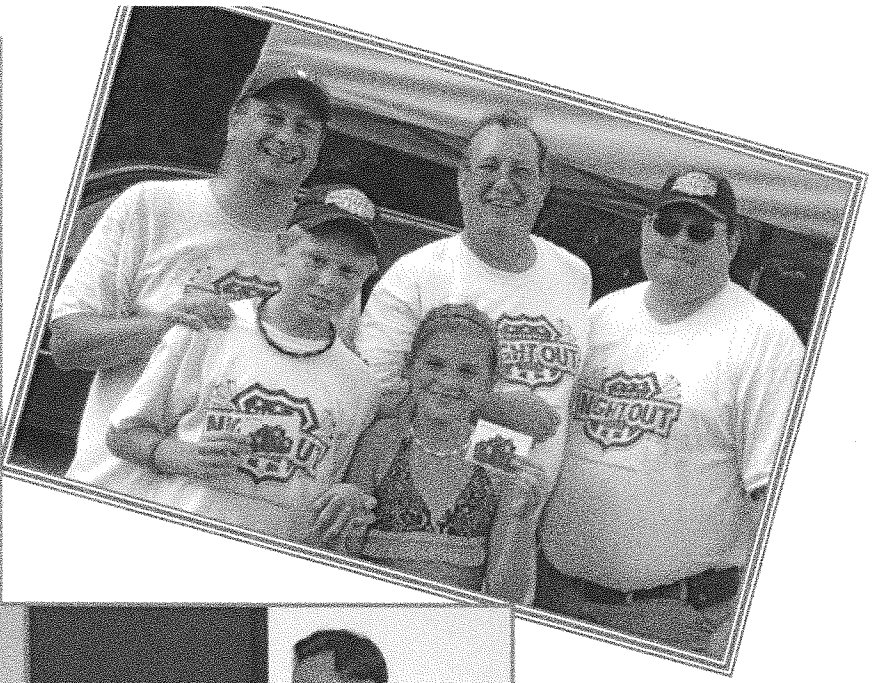
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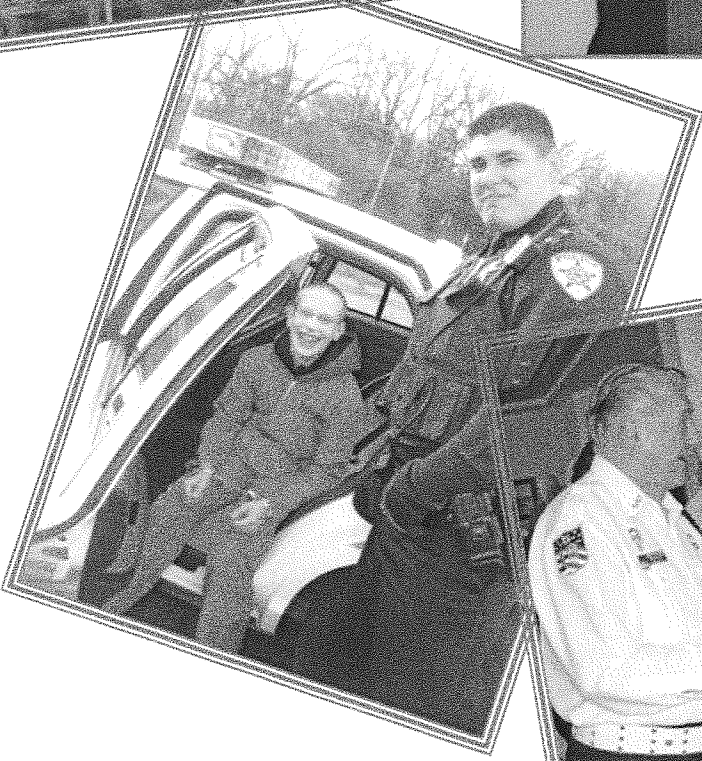
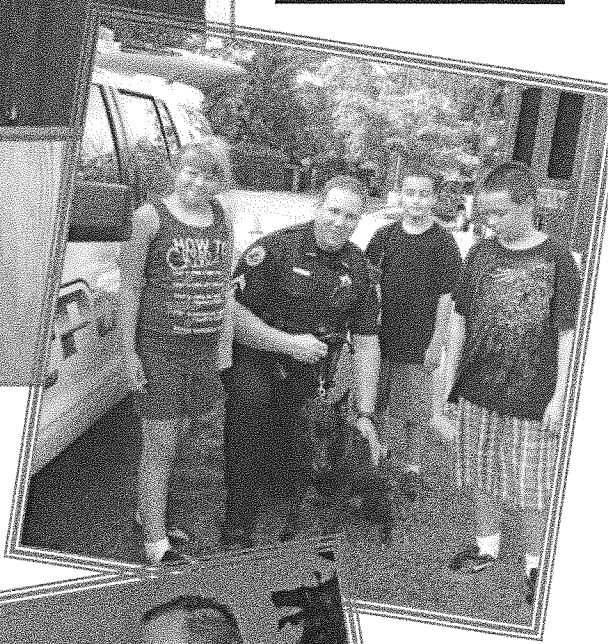
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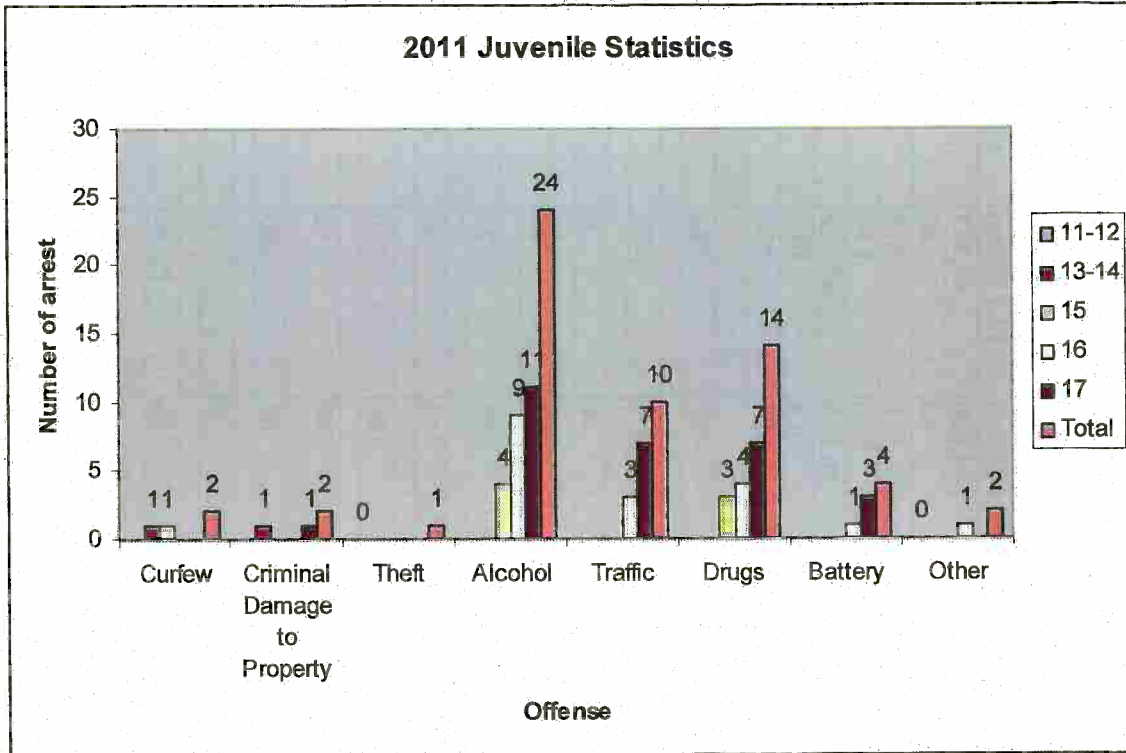
**COMPARISON - ANNUAL STATISTICS 2002 THROUGH 2011**

|                            | 2002   | 2003   | 2004   | 2005   | 2006   | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | 2010   | 2011   |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b># Of Sworn Officers</b> | 33     | 33     | 33     | 33     | 33     | 33     | 33     | 33     | 34     | 32     |
| <b>Incidents</b>           |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Calls for Service          | 19,866 | 19,701 | 19,934 | 18,868 | 19,456 | 19,149 | 18,504 | 17,809 | 17,527 | 17,513 |
| Accidents                  | 622    | 574    | 590    | 555    | 522    | 552    | 502    | 382    | 383    | 371    |
| Assault                    | 15     | 8      | 12     | 12     | 15     | 10     | 1      | 4      | 4      | 2      |
| Auto Theft                 | 20     | 15     | 7      | 10     | 14     | 9      | 11     | 10     | 14     | 8      |
| Battery                    | 123    | 103    | 125    | 123    | 125    | 116    | 77     | 79     | 69     | 83     |
| Burglary                   | 34     | 28     | 32     | 20     | 34     | 20     | 36     | 24     | 21     | 40     |
| Burglary to Auto           | 66     | 102    | 77     | 59     | 61     | 45     | 60     | 64     | 65     | 59     |
| Criminal Damage            | 181    | 147    | 177    | 170    | 221    | 159    | 134    | 125    | 97     | 98     |
| DUI Arrests                | 125    | 174    | 117    | 162    | 139    | 187    | 171    | 192    | 198    | 149    |
| Felony Arrests             | 158    | 110    | 85     | 91     | 146    | 90     | 100    | 82     | 79     | 62     |
| Misdem Arrests             | 1,096  | 1,128  | 1,144  | 1,011  | 1,075  | 1,118  | 950    | 1,111  | 933    | 879    |
| Murder                     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Parking Tickets            | 2,656  | 2,482  | 2,119  | 2,488  | 3,052  | 2,288  | 1,661  | 1,373  | 2,623  | 1,720  |
| Rape/Sex Offense           | 4      | 2      | 2      | 2      | 2      | 0      | 0      | 3      | 0      | 1      |
| Robbery                    | 3      | 3      | 2      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 4      | 1      | 2      | 2      |
| Theft                      | 204    | 209    | 205    | 218    | 184    | 204    | 150    | 104    | 105    | 110    |
| Traffic Tickets            | 9,529  | 8,895  | 9,181  | 7,711  | 8,092  | 7,049  | 8,561  | 8,500  | 7,975  | 7,927  |
| Warning Tickets            | 1,622  | 1,112  | 3,654  | 2,110  | 2,037  | 2,348  | 2,447  | 3,053  | 2,880  | 3,114  |

**CALLS FOR SERVICE - CRIME STATISTICS 2011**

|                                      | Wood Dale    | Addison       | Bensenville  | Elk Grove    | Elmhurst     | Itasca       | Roselle     |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| <i>Police Budget Total</i>           | 5.09 Million | 12.94 Million | 12.5 Million | 14.5 Million | 14.7 Million | 4.84 Million | 6.4 Million |
| <i>Population</i>                    | 13,770       | 36,946        | 18,600       | 34,800       | 44,121       | 8,600        | 23,115      |
| <i>Officers</i>                      | 32           | 67            | 33           | 83           | 65           | 23           | 33          |
| <i>Residents/Officer</i>             | 430          | 559           | 564          | 419          | 679          | 374          | 700         |
| <i>Officer/Per 1,000 pop.</i>        | 2.32         | 1.8           | 1.7          | 2.39         | 1.47         | 267          | 1.4         |
| <i>Calls for Service</i>             | 17,513       | 26,370        | 15,449       | 15,519       | 47,722       | 10,596       | 29,994      |
| <i>Cities Square Mileage</i>         | 4.7          | 9.02          | 5.2          | 10.9         | 10.2         | 7            | 5.4         |
| <i>Miles of Road</i>                 | 71           | 96            | 56           | 135          | 155          | 39.5         | 48.4        |
| *****                                |              |               |              |              |              |              |             |
| <i>Calls for Service/Per Officer</i> | 547          | 394           | 563          | 187          | 734          | 460          | 909         |
| Accidents                            | 371          | 1,361         | 868          | 1,483        | 1,563        | 518          | 561         |
| Assaults                             | 2            | 26            | 13           | 19           | 8            | 1            | 5           |
| Auto Thefts                          | 8            | 35            | 25           | 87           | 25           | 3            | 7           |
| Battery                              | 83           | 261           | 152          | 165          | 124          | 16           | 51          |
| Burglary                             | 40           | 150           | 90           | 113          | 98           | 14           | 44          |
| Burglary Auto                        | 59           | 119           | 61           | 184          | 120          | 17           | 36          |
| Criminal Damage                      | 98           | 301           | 99           | 255          | 119          | 58           | 165         |
| DUI                                  | 149          | 226           | 73           | 82           | 386          | 263          | 98          |
| Murder                               | 0            | 0             | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0           |
| Parking Tickets                      | 1,720        | 5,876         | 2,719        | 4,330        | 6,293        | 1,069        | 5,332       |
| Sex Offenses                         | 1            | 52            | 3            | 6            | 31           | 2            | 7           |
| Robbery                              | 2            | 16            | 14           | 2            | 4            | 0            | 4           |
| Thefts                               | 110          | 562           | 263          | 449          | 412          | 90           | 207         |
| Traffic Tickets                      | 7,927        | 7,715         | 2,792        | 7,786        | 8,757        | 3,664        | 4,657       |
| Warning Tickets                      | 3,114        | 2,865         | 286          | 7,767        | 5,201        | 1,125        | 1,869       |
| Total Traffic Stops                  | 8,241        | 7,904         | 1,553        | 17,411       | 13,958       | 3,895        | 6,708       |

## 2011 Juvenile Statistics



The chart above shows the breakdown of total juvenile arrests handled in 2011 by types. The information provided in these charts does not include incidents handled at Fenton High School. The stats for those incidents are recorded on a separate report. Arrests for traffic offenses include those also charged with DUI's over .08 BAC.



## TRAFFIC CRASH AND SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT ANALYSIS 2011

During 2011, there were 371 total accidents, down 12 from 2010. This is a significant decrease from 2008, when the department reported 502 accidents. Part of this decrease from 2008 is due to the fact that the state does not require an accident report for damage amounts under \$1,500, when this threshold used to be \$500. Accidents reached a peak of 658 back in 2001, and these have been steadily declining since.

Thirty-three of the accidents, or 13.8% of them, involved some level of personal injury to one of the drivers. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the average for accidents that involve injuries is 30%. Two of the injury crashes were fatal.

Seven of the 255 accidents, 2.7%, involved driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Two of the DUI related crashes (.07%) were injury related and five of the DUI crashes (1.96%) were property damage only, non-injury.

Once again our highest concentrations of accidents occurred in the areas along Irving Park Road, Wood Dale Road and Thorndale, accounting for about 51%, with the remaining 49% occurring around other intersections and roadways. 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.

While some reporting guidelines have changed at the State level affecting the total number of reported accidents, the various initiatives that are implemented during the year have no doubt assisted in reducing the number of accidents.

Some of these traffic enforcement initiatives include over 500 special traffic enforcement details. These details were either 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 assigned in an effort to reduce traffic accidents or violations in a specific area of Wood Dale.

In addition, the various grant-funded special enforcement details outlined in this annual report have had a positive effect on the accident rate in Wood Dale. **Over \$44,000 worth of grant funding accounted for dozens of traffic arrests**, hundreds of citations, and *hopefully* a change in driver behavior that will further reduce the accident and/or injury rate. The additional police presence of officers in marked squads paid for by outside grants is a great benefit to the City of Wood Dale that does not cost its citizens financially.

## 2011 YEAR END TRAFFIC GRANT REPORT

The Department applied for and was awarded four traffic related grants for total of **\$44,415.37**.

- 1) Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (**STEP Grant**) \$33,544.62
- 2) Public Education & Enforcement Research Study (**PEERS**) \$4,766.75
- 3) Click It or Ticket (**CIOT**) Memorial Day Mobilization \$5,104.00
- 4) Incentive Equipment Award added to STEP Grant \$1,000.00

### **STEP Grant**

The Wood Dale Police Department was awarded the "STEP" Grant, (Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program) which is administered through the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Division of Traffic Safety. The STEP Grant was for **\$33,544.62**, awarded in 2010 and was expended from October 1 – Sept. 30, 2011. This Grant is a two-part grant utilized to hire back off-duty police officers to enforce DUI Laws by targeting impaired drivers and enforce Occupant Restraint laws through Seat Belt Enforcement Zones (SBEZ's).

### **The 2011 STEP Grant resulted in the following:**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| 752   | Vehicles stopped  |
| 53    | Driving Under the Influence Arrests (5 which were Felony) |
| 209   | Seat Belt Restraint Citations                             |
| 11    | Child Restraint Citations                                 |
| 182   | Speeding Citations  |
| 14    | Driving While License Suspended/Revoked/No Valid DL       |
| 11    | Drug or Alcohol Related Arrests                           |
| 199   | Other Citations   |
| 60    | No Insurance Citations                                    |
| 1     | Reckless Driving  |
| 7     | Warrant Arrests   |
| 35    | Warning Citations   |
| 66    | Tows  |
| 8,162 | Vehicles passing through Seat Belt Zones                  |



### **PEERS Grant**

This was awarded through the Illinois Commerce Commission and Federal Railroad Administration for Railroad Crossing Education & Enforcement for the amount of **\$ 4,766.75**.

The goals of the grant are to:

- 1) Promote railroad safety through implementation of targeted education and enforcement programs and
- 2) To reduce the number of train – vehicle collisions that occur as well as incidences of trespassing upon railroad property.

**The 2011 PEERS Grant resulted in the following:**

- 5 Educational Details resulting in about 1,065 Citizen Contacts.
- 8 Enforcement Details resulting in 12 Citations and 6 Warning citations for Disobeying Railroad Crossing or Signals.

The educational portion of the PEERS Grant consisted of a variety of details from distribution of Railroad Safety information at the METRA Train station during morning and evening rush hours to distribution of railroad safety material at Wood Dale & Irving to motorists during rush hour. Each detail consisted of 2-5 officers.

The Enforcement portion of the PEERS Grant consisted of 2-5 officers monitoring all railroad crossings in Wood Dale and conducting traffic stops of violators. During the traffic stops, officers had discretion of issuing regular citations or warning citations and distributed educational material on railroad crossing safety.

**Click It or Ticket (CIOT)**

The Click It or Ticket Campaign was conducted over Memorial Day. Officers set up Seat Belt Zones (SBEZ's) throughout the city enforcing Occupant Restraint laws. A total of 7 SBEZ's were set up during the two-week period.

**The CIOT campaign resulted in the following:**

- 78 Vehicles stopped
- 1 DUI Arrest
- 79 Seat Belt Citations
- 2 Child Restraint Citations
- 2 Alcohol or Drug related arrests
- 6 Other citations

In 2011 the Department also applied for another grant from IDOT; the Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP Grant). Due to our success with the 2011 STEP Grant, WDPD was again awarded the grant for the amount of \$32,091.10 for the STEP grant year 2011-12. This will be a two-part grant consisting of DUI and Occupant Restraint enforcement.

**WDPD had the following alcohol related arrests:**

- 149 Driving Under the Influence arrests & 4 Zero Tolerance Arrests

**The following are the Top Five DUI/Zero Tolerance Officers for 2011:**

- 33 Michael Campbell
- 20 Justin Bjes
- 19 Alan Piecuch
- 15 Amy Kreml
- 15 Pedro Delgado



## TRAFFIC STOP 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.



During 2006, Wood Dale presented a lengthy argument backed up with valid statistical information to the analyst at Northwestern University requesting a modification to our benchmark. The benchmark is the percentage of driving population that is considered to be minorities driving through town. Our rationale was seen as valid, and in February 2006, Northwestern advised the department that they would be adjusting our benchmark. Although a request was made to raise the benchmark to 32% minority driving population, Northwestern determined that the benchmark should be 28.74% based on the minority population of the 4 towns surrounding Wood Dale. The department firmly believes that our minority population is in somewhere near 32%. This number will most likely change with the 2010 census and Wood Dale's minority population along with the surrounding towns will most likely not be the same as it was in 2000.

Northwestern uses their benchmark in comparison to the actual percentage of minority drivers that are stopped by our officers. For 2011, the actual percentage of minority drivers stopped by Wood Dale officers was 31.07%. Putting this into comparison with the 28.74% benchmark that Northwestern uses, and our ratio is 1.08. This means that a minority would be just as likely to be stopped as compared to their percentage of the driving population. This number is consistent with the percentage of minority drivers stopped over the previous 7 years (29.76%, 31.23%, 30.33%, 30.34%, 29.80%, 30.75%, and 32.34%).

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 77.5% of the time, and 72.6% for minorities. Equipment violations for Caucasians were the reason 14.83% of the time, and 20.22% for minorities. Registration violations for Caucasians were the reason 7.67% of the time, and 7.18% 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 45 mph, an officer would many times have difficulty identifying the race of the driver. 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 67.95% of the time, while minorities received citations 70.07% 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 treated the same.

In summary, the Wood Dale Police Department is confident that the actual traffic stops of minorities are very comparable to the minority driving population.



**B.A.S.S.E.T.  
TRAINING  
PROGRAM**



Sgt. Dan Wilson and Ofc. Matt Nelson held two alcohol server training classes at the Wood Dale Police Department.

**January 20 & January 29, 2011:**

Six individuals participated on these dates. The following establishments were represented:

- ★ DuPage County Forest Preserve  
(Oak and Maple Meadows Golf Course)
- ★ Ace's Bar

**August 1 2010 & August 8, 2011:**

Thirty-nine individuals participated on these dates. This class was held for individuals selling or serving alcohol at the Wood Dale Prairie Fest. The class was a refresher focused on ID checking and preventing over serving.

An alcohol compliance check was completed on November 25, 2011. During that check, three establishments were in violation by selling alcohol to a minor. Businesses were cited and reports sent to the City liquor commission for review.



## Graffiti/Tagging

The Wood Dale Police Department responded to and investigated 16 incidents of Criminal Defacement or graffiti/tagging in 2011.

Of the 16:

- 4 were in residential areas
- 3 were in/on schools
- 2 were inside dwellings
- 4 were at train/RTA station
- 3 were on business or in the industrial park

Only half of the incidents were street gang related. Half were done with marker and half were done with spray paint

Graffiti should not be tolerated in ANY community. It frequently, if left in tact, leads to the degradation of a neighborhood(s) and the devaluation of property. Studies have shown in many cases that if graffiti is left unchecked and not removed, more and more graffiti will appear. The removal of graffiti is extremely costly, and some cities have developed graffiti removal programs or ordinances to aid in the speedy removal of graffiti 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. The Wood Dale city 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. Regardless of the type, it is still imperative to immediately remove all graffiti. **IT IS ALL CRIMINAL AND CONSIDERED AN ACT OF VANDALISM!!!**

### Who are these "Taggers"?

Taggers come from every race and socio-economic background. Although most taggers are males, there are also female taggers. Some indicators that a child may be a tagger are:

- ★ Child is in the age group statistically associated with tagging, ages 12-18.

- ★ Child has tagging written on their clothing such as their shoes or inside their baseball cap, schoolbooks, notebooks, backpacks, CD covers, and on their bedroom furniture or walls.
- ★ Child frequently wears baggy pants or carries a large backpack. These are used to carry cans of spray-paint, various colors and types of magic markers, etching tools, slap tags and cameras to take photos of their tagging. The clothes and backpack may be paint stained.
- ★ Child has large quantities of magic markers in various colors, types and sizes, spray-paint cans, shoe polish containers, or dot markers used to mark bingo cards.
- ★ Child has or carries tools used for etching glass or mirror surfaces such as spark plug porcelain, drill bits, screwdrivers with a sharpened tip, small rocks, or any other type of sharp instrument.
- ★ Child has large quantities of "Hello My Name Is" stickers, priority mail stickers, or number or letter stickers. These stickers may have drawings or a tagging moniker written on them. These stickers are used to "slap tag." They are slapped upon a surface and are difficult to remove and generally leave a residue.
- ★ Child has the same moniker or set of letters written repeatedly on the above-described material. This may be your child's tagging moniker and tagging crew's initials.
- ★ Child is frequently deceitful about their activities and cannot adequately explain why they possess the above described items.
- ★ Child stays out late at night or has taken to sneaking out of the house.
- ★ Child frequently has paint or marker residue on their fingertips.
- ★ Child has or carries a black artist notebook that contains tagging or drawings. These books are called "bibles" or "piece books."
- ★ Child frequently visits tagging websites on the computer, owns tagging magazines, or has photographs of tagging in their bedroom.
- ★ Child has the same tagging on their schoolbooks, clothing or in their bedroom that you see in your neighborhood or surrounding area. Taggers generally tag in or near their own neighborhoods.
- ★ Child associates with other people who exhibit these same traits. These other people may be members of your child's "tagging crew."

*NOTE: In most cases, these Taggers are actually either Wood Dale residents, or related to residents of Wood Dale, visiting family.*



## **INVESTIGATIONS SUMMARY OF CASES FOR 2011**

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, five Detectives and one Patrol Officer. One of the five Detectives is assigned to the DuPage County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, and another is a Patrol Officer who provides plain clothes 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 Department 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 throughout the year to assist the Police Department and help the City of Wood Dale maintain a high quality of services to residents, business owners and visitors. These activities include background investigations of police officer applicants, registration and tracking of convicted sex offenders, alcohol and tobacco compliance checks and coordination of a peer jury system for juveniles.

Members of the Investigations Division also take part in several task forces and special assignments, including:

- **Major Crimes Task Force**
- **Internet Child Exploitation Task Force**
- **Sexual Predator Enforcement and Apprehension Countywide Unit**
- **West Suburban Detectives Association**
- **Felony Investigative Assistance Team (FIAT)**
- **DuPage Juvenile Officers Association**



During 2011, the Investigations Division investigated 240 cases. 192 of those cases were classified as closed through arrests, charges brought by another agency, victims refusing to prosecute, or identifying the offender but not having enough evidence to obtain criminal charges. 46 of the cases are currently classified as inactive/pending, and will be closed unless further information or evidence develops to lead to criminal charges. Listed below is a summary of cases handled during 2011:

A restaurant in town reported they had entered into an agreement with an advertising company who was going to sell ad space on their tables and install them at the business. The company had already accepted payments from business owners in town, but it was taking a very long time for the company to deliver any product. Suspicion and apprehension arose about the viability of the venture after several months elapsed with no movement on the project. Research into the business revealed that the business license was dissolved with the Secretary of State in 2010 and also had an "F" rating with the Better Business Bureau. The Attorney General's Office is also inquiring on the business. Since the initial inquiries and subsequent investigation, it appears the project is back on track.

A retail store reported that several calculators were missing. A check of the video found that a known subject had stolen four calculators from the store, with a total value of over \$1,200. The suspect has been selling numerous items on EBay and investigators are waiting for subpoenas to be returned from EBay and PayPal to determine the extent of his actions.

As part of the continued participation in sexual offender tracking in DuPage County, several compliance checks were conducted with registered sex offenders in Wood Dale and surrounding towns. All offenders were in compliance with court imposed guidelines. This is an event that takes place at various times throughout the year.

A neighbor called the PD from an apartment complex when he heard a young child crying and possibly being beaten from the apartment next door. Patrol officers arrived on the scene to find a male resident at home alone with a young child. Upon further investigation it was learned that he had just left the four year-old home alone for a period of time while he left to pick up another child. After bringing the suspect to the station, investigators assisted and found severe bruising and lacerations all over the body of the child. The suspect was interrogated and the child's mother was also investigated. Evidence gained determined that the male was responsible for the injuries and was charged with two Class X felonies. He is currently in DuPage County Jail.

An auto theft/burglary ring was identified who were operating in the Chicago area, and are believed to be behind thefts that have occurred in Wood Dale and other surrounding towns. After identifying potential offenders through the tracking of sales of the stolen items, a search warrant was obtained to do

tracking of the potential offender. The suspect was followed on GPS and appeared to be casing a warehouse in Union, Illinois. The McHenry County Sheriff's Office was contacted and we assisted in directing them to where a burglary might be occurring. Based on the data obtained and continuing to track the suspects, they were caught in the act of committing a burglary worth tens of thousands of dollars. Multiple felony charges were filed, and eight members of this burglary crew have been identified.

A confidential informant reported that a resident of a neighboring town was planning an armed robbery at a commercial business in Wood Dale. The suspect had already taken additional steps to do surveillance on the business and identify his preferred time to commit the robbery. After several nights of surveillance, the suspect was placed into custody for traffic violations and admitted that he had in fact spoke of and had been planning committing and armed robbery in Wood Dale.

A resident reported that he had been stabbed by an unknown offender while walking on the street. After several hours of investigation and interviews, it was learned that he was actually stabbed by his brother during a domestic dispute. The brother was located and confessed to the stabbing, and is currently in the DuPage County Jail awaiting trial.

A residential burglary occurred during the day where offenders broke out a back window on a door and gained access to the home. Five televisions and jewelry were taken. A group of offenders from Chicago were identified as potentially being involved and were subsequently arrested committing a similar burglary in a neighboring town. The offender in the Wood Dale burglary has been identified and charges are pending. Approximately 15 offenders have been identified as being a part of this burglary crew and have committed similar crimes in at least ten jurisdictions.

A vehicle was taken from an apartment complex and was involved in a vehicle pursuit with a neighboring agency. A local suspect was identified as a potential offender and evidence was recovered from the stolen vehicle. The suspect later gave a full confession as to his involvement in the theft. Charges are pending and the offender is currently in DuPage County jail on several different charges.

A Detective who is part of the FIAT Swat team as a hostage negotiator was called out to Warrenville for a suicidal barricaded suspect. He was wanted for attempting to stab a police officer with a screw driver. After a five hour standoff, the subject was taken into custody without incident.

While conducting surveillance for drug activity at a residence, detectives attempted to stop a van for traffic violations that was occupied by several gang members. The van continued to drive and did not yield for the police vehicle. A passenger was observed throwing items from the vehicle before

the van stopped. The driver was identified as an active street gang member from Bensenville who was recently released on parole. The passenger was arrested after admitting to throwing cannabis from the van. Several bags of cannabis were recovered with the assistance of the K9 unit.

Detectives took part in a multi-jurisdictional operation targeting residents from area suburbs traveling to Chicago and purchasing heroin, also known as "Heroin Highway." A number of persons were arrested for possession of controlled substance. Wood Dale detectives arrested three individuals for possession of cannabis, DUI and possession of ecstasy.

There was a suspicious incident where a male/white in his 20s, while driving his vehicle, approached a student walking to a bus stop on Harvey. The subject was driving a green and blue minivan with rust on the front passenger door. He asked the student if she wanted a ride and did not exit his vehicle or attempt to lure the student into his vehicle through false pretenses. At this time, we can not be sure of the intent of the conversation, but directed a number of resources, both marked and unmarked, into looking for the vehicle for several weeks with no matching vehicles at this time.

The first round of Kids Cant Buy'em Here cigarette compliance check was performed. Minors of the age of 16 and 17 were sent into all businesses that sell tobacco. The goal is that each establishment cards the prospective buyer for proof of age. Of the 20 businesses checked, only one business failed to comply and sold a pack of cigarettes.

An alcohol compliance check was conducted on all businesses that currently hold a liquor license. Prior to the check occurring, a letter was sent to all businesses possessing liquor licenses informing them that a check would be forthcoming and reminding them to ask for ID's. Minors between the ages of 17 and 20 were given instructions to enter the establishment and either order an alcoholic beverage or purchase packaged alcohol. If the seller asked for identification, they were to provide their actual driver's license or state ID. Of the 30 businesses checked, three failed to comply and sold alcohol to the minors. Two of the businesses requested identification; however, they failed to correctly calculate the age of the minor or notice the "Under Twenty-One" printed on the presented identification card. The other business failed to request to see any identification. These cases are currently pending in court, and will be referred to the City's Liquor Commissioner after the court disposition is completed.





# ***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 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 Cant Buy'em Here" lapel pins, and encouraged to keep up the good work.

The Wood Dale Police Department has recruited several local youths, ages 15-17, to attempt to purchase tobacco from the businesses. Officers Steve Pernice, Matt Nelson, Dan Wilson, and Larry Brosch oversee the juveniles in the program and through the training process. The juveniles are trained how to fairly and discreetly enter a business and attempt to purchase tobacco products. The juvenile needs parental permission to participate in this program.

Each day 6,000 children under the age of 18 start smoking. Of those, 2,000 will keep smoking. That is 800,000 new teen smokers every year. If current tobacco use patterns continue, an estimated 6.4 million children will die prematurely from a smoking-related disease. Teen Smokers become addicted faster and on lower levels of nicotine than adults.

During the last eight years (since 2004), Wood Dale businesses have had a compliance rate of 95.5% which exceeds the state average of 90%. When the businesses have a violation, the Police Department works with them to correct the violation, with re-training provided, if necessary.

Wood Dale Police supervised 58 cigarette sales compliance checks in 2011, resulting in three sales to minors. That's a 94.8% compliance rate in 2011 by Wood Dale tobacco businesses, still well below the states average.

Businesses with continual or numerous violations can face fines or even suspension of their tobacco license.

**DUPAGE COUNTY  
METROPOLITAN ENFORCEMENT  
GROUP (DuMEG)**



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 2011 through the efforts of the entire group, as directed by our representative and coordinated with Investigations.

- DUMEG received a total of 18 referrals from the Wood Dale Police Department. DUMEG had 18 total incidents that occurred in Wood Dale. DUMEG made a total of 6 arrests while in Wood Dale.
- DUMEG initiated a total of 21 cases in Wood Dale.
- DUMEG received 10 documented informants from the Wood Dale Police Department that produced cases within Wood Dale.
- DUMEG assisted the Wood Dale Police Department in debriefing approximately 15 additional informants.
- DUMEG arrested 6 residents of Wood Dale.
- DUMEG made a total of 6 arrests while in Wood Dale.
- DUMEG executed 1 search warrant in town that was initiated by informants who were arrested by the Wood Dale Police Department.
- In March 2011, DUMEG agent received information from a confidential source about a target that was selling cocaine in Wood Dale.
- On March 7, 2011, an undercover DUMEG agent purchased 0.8 grams of cocaine from the target at a public location. On March 15, 2011, an undercover DUMEG agent purchased 2.5 grams of cocaine from the target at a public location.
- On March 22, 2011, the target was arrested when he delivered 6.8 grams of cocaine to the undercover DUMEG agent. The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office was contacted and approved the criminal charge for Unlawful Delivery of a Controlled Substance (Class 1).

- On April 28, 2011, DUMEG received information from a confidential source about a target who illegally possessed a handgun. The confidential source was able to have the handgun dropped off at his/her residence. DUMEG agents recovered one handgun.

- DUMEG was able to provide funds back to the Wood Dale Police Department due to ongoing investigations.

**It should be noted that an increase of incidents from DUMEG occurred within Wood Dale, and that the Detective and Patrol Divisions have continued to be of valuable assistance to DUMEG.**

## Wood Dale Peer Jury 2011



The Wood Dale Bensenville Peer Jury is now in its ninth year of operation, since its inception in September of 2002. The Peer jury currently has 45 active teen volunteers. The Peer Jury consists of teens, ages 13-17. Most attend Wood Dale Jr. High or Fenton Community H.S. Any teen in that age group 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 Peer Jury meets every third Tuesday of the month in the City Council chambers. It 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 is told what could have happened to him had he gone to Juvenile Court in Wheaton. Then the juvenile is given a chance to explain his 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 six Peer Jury sessions in 2010. A total of 13 cases were heard by the 2010 Peer Jury. In 2011 there were 13 cases heard by the Peer Jury. The case types heard ranged from: damaging property (1), theft (5), DOC (5), and battery/fighting (2).

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, usually a month later, with proof he/she has completed 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 the next level, including, but not limited to Juvenile Court.

The Peer Jury is open to juvenile offenders, ages 8-17, who 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, his case is assigned to be heard by the Peer Jury. The program is beneficial to juvenile offender and 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 his actions, without damaging the juvenile's criminal record. This is important as many colleges will reject applicants now, based on applicants criminal actions.



## FENTON HIGH SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER



A Wood Dale PD officer was assigned to Fenton Community High School as the school liaison officer for the 2010-2011 school year. Below is a summary of the activities and duties performed by the school resource officer.

### ***Hours Spent Summary***

A total of 181 days were worked in the school during the 2010-2011 school year. During that time, 183 school related complaints were initiated, 243 hours were spent completing the reports for those complaints, and 89 hours were devoted to follow-up on those complaints. 33 hours were spent on parent/student consultations and 235 hours were spent consulting and meeting with students, but did not require a police call for service. 284 hours were spent on office/administrative tasks, while 304.5 hours were spent patrolling campus grounds and hallways. 110.5 hours were spent on training, school meetings, and court appearances. 47 hours were spent on class presentations and teacher consultations.

### ***Arrests***

City ordinance violations are the main source of arrests at Fenton. During the 2010-2011 school year, 156 citations were issued. The breakdown for citations is as follows: 108 truancy tickets, 28 for fighting, 2 for cannabis and drug paraphernalia, and 18 for disorderly conduct/miscellaneous offenses. Included in the total number of arrests are cases forwarded to DuPage County Juvenile Probation and States Attorney for prosecution. Referrals to probation 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.

The school liaison officer is a member of several teams and teacher committees aimed to assist students. The officer participates in the student assistance team, Code Red Emergency Plan team, and the Bensenville Community Gang Task Force.

One drug dog search was coordinated with the cooperation of several local police departments. No students were found with contraband during that search.

### ***Other Duties***

The school liaison participated in the Bensenville/Wood Dale peer jury, and the "Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here" cigarette buys. Wood Dale Police was represented at the DuPage Juvenile Officer's meetings, gang awareness meetings, and meetings with the resource officers from Lake Park High School East and West campuses.



## Community Oriented Policing *ACCOMPLISHMENTS for 2011*

1. Coordinated fund raising and participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.
2. Planned and participated in several recruitment programs at various college campuses and job fairs.
3. Assisted as City Liaison with the P.A.D.S. program for homeless.
4. Officers attended a Wolves hockey game with community youth.
5. Sent participating representatives to assist with Special Olympics, locally and down-state
6. Planned, coordinated, and sponsored National Night Out events at the Water Park and City Hall.
7. Event Plan for coordination of traffic safety for the 5K Prairie Run.
8. 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).
9. Assisted with visits, calls, and referrals for a number of seniors needing assistance.
10. Assisted Fenton High School with a School Liaison program.
11. Sponsored a Senior Luncheon in partnership with the Park District.
12. Participated in city-wide Neighborhood Watch meetings.
13. AWARD from Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists (AAIM).
14. Conducted ward and neighborhood meetings to address traffic issues and citizen concerns.
15. Sponsored a booth at the Itasca Health Fair at ItascaFest.
16. Planned in partnership with the Fire Department and participated in a police vs. firemen hockey game fund raiser event.
17. Participated in grade school reading programs.
18. Participated in "Big Brothers/Big Sisters" Bowl for Kids Sake.
19. Provided a Peer Jury program.
20. Conducted CERT training for Wood Dale residents.
21. Coordinated "Toys for Tots" collection partnership with U.S. Marines.
22. Conducted liquor license training (B.A.S.S.E.T.T. Training) for liquor license holders.
23. Conducted "School Zone" traffic enforcement.
24. Conducted numerous school/scout tours of the Police facility.
25. Won Award and National Recognition for National Night Out.
26. Conducted Community Assistance Council meetings with community leaders.
27. Assisted citizens in the "Speed Awareness" program.
28. Conducted traffic studies in neighborhoods.
29. Performed car safety seat checks for parents and caretakers.

30. Participated in City Blood Drive.
31. Conducted home and business security surveys.
32. Met monthly with Seniors & Law Enforcement (SALT) to address senior needs and concerns.
33. Problem-solving sessions with citizens and businesses with issues.
34. Provided Wood Dale School District with Liaison Officer.
35. Provided Fenton High School with Liaison Officer.
36. Event Plan for the four day Prairie Fest providing security, volunteers, and informational kiosks.
37. Hold quarterly meetings with staff to address community concerns.





## CRIME ANALYSIS 2011

### THEFT CASES

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **114 THEFT** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**6%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**57%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**37%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

**25%** of the cases occurred in **Retail** areas  
**28%** of the cases occurred in **Industrial** areas  
**26%** of the cases occurred in **Residential** areas  
**21%** of the cases occurred in **Municipal** areas

This is up 9 **THEFT** case(s) or an increase of **8%**.



### DUI CASES

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **149 DUI** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**86%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**1%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**14%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

**33%** of the cases occurred on **Irving Park Road**  
**12%** of the cases occurred on **Addison Road**  
**14%** of the cases occurred on **Wood Dale Road**  
**8%** of the cases occurred on **Route 83**  
**33%** of the cases occurred at **OTHER** locations.

This is down 44 **DUI** case(s) or a decrease of **22%**.



## BURGLARY FROM MOTOR VEHICLE

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **53 Burglary from Motor Vehicle** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**10%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**58%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**32%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

**6%** of the cases occurred in **Retail** areas  
**17%** of the cases occurred in **Industrial** areas  
**74%** of the cases occurred in **Residential** areas  
**4%** of the cases occurred in **Municipal** areas

This is down **10 Burglary from Motor Vehicle** case(s) or a decrease of **15%**.

## BURGLARIES

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **41 BURGLARY** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**12%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**52%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**36%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

**8%** of the cases occurred in **Retail** areas  
**6%** of the cases occurred in **Industrial** areas  
**66%** of the cases occurred in **Residential** areas  
**20%** of the cases occurred in **Municipal** areas

This is up 20 **BURGLARY** case(s) or an increase of **48%**.







## AGGRAVATED BATTERY/ASSAULT CASES

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **56 AGGRAVATED BATTERY AND ASSAULT** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**30%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**13%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**57%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

This is up 5 **AGGRAVATED BATTERY AND ASSAULT** case(s) or an increase of **9%**.

## MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **10 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS** cases. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**28%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**39%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**33%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

This is down 4 **Motor Vehicle Theft** or a decrease of **29%**.

## ROBBERY

During the year **2011**, the Wood Dale Police Department handled **2 ARMED ROBBERY** case. Those cases when analyzed provided the following information.

**0%** of the cases occurred during the **First Shift** (11:00pm-7:00am)  
**50%** of the cases occurred during the **Second Shift** (7:00am-3pm)  
**50%** of the cases occurred during the **Third Shift** (3:00pm-11:00pm)

This remains the same from last year.

## Summary of K-9 Unit Activity for 2011

- 2 Jan 11 Assisted with a search warrant of a vehicle in Wood Dale and cocaine was located inside the vehicle.
- 16 Jan 11 A traffic arrest in Wood Dale 8.7 grams of cannabis recovered
- 4 Feb 11 Assisted the Elmhurst Police Department with a Burglary and search of a building.
- 16 Feb 11 Assisted DuPage County Sheriff's Office with a track for suspect who stole a vehicle.
- 17 Feb 11 Assisted Illinois State Police with a sniff of a vehicle. Seized was 11 grams of heroin, and drug paraphernalia.
- 25 Feb 11 An area search was conducted with the assistance of Elk Grove Village K-9 and Arlington Heights K-9 for a suspect that had stolen a vehicle and fled on foot.
- 11 Mar 11 A criminal arrest in Wood Dale cocaine and a loaded semi automatic handgun was located inside the vehicle.
- 9 Apr 11 A criminal arrest in Wood Dale 8 grams of cannabis was seized.
- 28 Apr 11 Assisted Detectives with a consent search in Wood Dale which 31 grams of cocaine, 2561 grams cannabis, and \$2070.00 USC were seized.
- 24 May 11 Assisted Elmhurst PD with Operation Heroin Highway detail and 1.6 grams of cannabis was seized.
- 7 July 11 A criminal arrest in Wood Dale 17 grams of cannabis recovered.
- 28 July 11 Assisted DuMEG with a search warrant which yielded 6.6 pounds of cocaine seized.
- 18 Aug 11 Assisted NARCINT with the USC seizure of \$75,965.00.

9 Sept 11 A traffic arrest in Wood Dale 2 grams of crack cocaine was seized.

15 Sept 11 Assisted DuMEG with an arrest were 21 grams heroin, and 1.7 grams crack cocaine were seized.

18 Sept 11 A hotel search yielded 3 grams of cannabis from the room.

30 Sept 11 A track and an article search was conducted for a Burglary which occurred in Wood Dale. Suspect was located and burglary tool.

10 Oct 11 A traffic arrest and the seizure of 2.2 grams of cannabis in Wood Dale.

22 Oct 11 Assisted the Villa Park PD with the seizure of cocaine and 18 grams cannabis.

24 Nov 11 A consent search was conducted in Wood Dale and 5 pieces of drug paraphernalia were seized.

7 Dec 11 Assisted the Itasca PD with a parcel sniff which subsequently a search warrant was obtained. 14 grams of cannabis was seized.



## K-9 ACTIVITY REPORT JANUARY - DECEMBER 2011

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Building checks       | 150 |
| Vehicle searches      | 60  |
| Foot patrols          | 20  |
| Assist Other Agencies | 44  |
| Tracking              | 10  |
| COP/PR                | 22  |
| Traffic Citations     | 312 |



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|---------------------|-----|
| Arrests/Assist      | 101 |
| Alarm calls         | 74  |
| Susp. persons/autos | 47  |
| Theft/Burglaries    | 6   |
| Disturbances        | 36  |
| Domestics/Batteries | 39  |
| Fights              | 6   |
| K9 Team Days Worked | 96  |

|                               |                                      |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Seizure amount in Narcotics   | \$326,651.00<br><i>(StreetValue)</i> |
| Seizure amount in Cash        | <u>\$ 78,035.00</u>                  |
| Total Seizure amount for 2010 | <b><u>\$404,686.00</u></b>           |



# *WDPD Patrol Allocation Report 2011*

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Wood Dale is a city of 14,735<sup>1</sup> residents with an estimated daytime population of 35,000 to 40,000 citizens. By ordinance, the Wood Dale Police Department is allowed a maximum of thirty-five (35) sworn officers. The number of officers allowed by ordinance is one Chief of Police, *two Deputy Chiefs, five Sergeants, four Detectives, and twenty-three (23) patrol officers.*

The patrol officers are also comprised of one truck enforcement officer, one school liaison Officer, one k-9 Officer, and one Officer assigned to Du Meg. The Department has a current full staffing level of thirty-five, (35) officers. The thirty-five, (35) sworn officers produces a police officer to population ratio of 2.375 officers per 1,000 citizens. This ratio has stayed static as we have not hired new officers to bring us to current full staffing levels. The City of Wood Dale is 6.2 square miles of territory and 66 miles of roadways.

## **STAFFING**

The Patrol Division currently has an authorized strength of twenty-eight (28) sworn police officers. This number includes uniformed police officers and six patrol sergeants (In September 2011 switched to five patrol sergeants). The number for this report we will focus on the staffing of uniformed officer positions. The uniformed sworn officers are assisted by one school liaison officer during the summer months. The one officer assigned to DuMEG does not have any statistical relevance. The Truck Enforcement Officer adds minimal statistical relevance as he rarely works in a Patrol Function. The Patrol Division Shift manpower allocation<sup>2</sup>, is as follows:

|                        |                    |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Day shift (7-3)        | Eight (8) officers |
| Afternoon shift (3-11) | Eight (8) officers |
| Midnight shift (11-7)  | Six (6) officers   |

*Actual Strengths of each shift for 2011 was:*

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| (7-3)  | Eight (8) officers-includes one truck officer & two school resource officers, (who all have very limited time on the street/patrol) |
| (3-11) | Six (7) officers-include one k-9 officer split on two shifts  |
| (11-7) | Five (5) officers   |

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<sup>1</sup> Population figure located from the City of Wood Dale Home Page with 1200 added as an estimated population increase since 2005.

<sup>2</sup> Staffing of each shift is done according to demand, such as calls for service, total arrest activity, and total ticket activity.

For 2011, the Patrol Division was short four (4) officers on average. The Patrol Division worked, on average, with 20.3 patrol officers. There were 36,489 total hours worked by patrol officers; with 87.3% of the total hours devoted to operational time. 31.5% of the Total Hours (11,507 hours) was devoted to "patrol" functions. There was a 78 hour increase in patrol hours from 2010; or a 1.7% increase in the total amount of patrol hours compared to the previous year. The amount of patrol hours comes out to 18.9 minutes per hour for random patrol. Northwestern University Traffic Institute has recommended a minimum of 15 minutes per hour for random patrol based on total hours worked. The average of 18.9 minutes per hour devoted to random patrol is above the recommended minimum; and the average is up from 2010 of 18.66 minutes per hour for random patrol. The average time devoted to random patrol increased from 2010 could be attributed to an emphasis placed on random patrol for the entire Patrol Division. The average number of uniformed officers working in a month, (20.3) dropped 2% overall from 2010.

The decrease in the aggregate number of officers and average number of officers working per month will have a slightly negative impact on statistics across the board. There was an increase of 418 complaints handled by the patrol division. The increase in the number of complaints is will have an effect on other measureable productivity numbers like tickets and arrests, (down 9% and 8.1% respectfully).

In Summary, it can be clearly stated, for 2011, the patrol officers produced more than in 2010. The significant increase in the amount of complaints handled while the number of Patrol Officers on average is down shows how much more the officers are producing. The trend of productivity shows that there will be an increase in the amount of work produced per officer. We have recently hired several officers who produce at a high level. The increase in patrol hours and operational time demonstrate the influence of the new officers.

Another standard allocation formula that demonstrates the need for additional officers to bring the authorized strength of the Patrol Division to twenty-two (22) is based on police officers work ratio of obligated versus un-obligated time. The formula uses calls for service, (CFS), weighted by the time it takes to perform each function. After the total amount of time calculated; a performance factor (Pf) is used as a multiplier. The standard ratio for this formula shows a 30 minute (50%) split for both obligated and un-obligated time is optimum for random patrol coverage to be effective. A possible result of this formula states that as you increase your obligated time over 30 minutes per hour, you become less reactive in nature and have less time for police activity such as:

- ← Additional patrol coverage,
- ← Self generated enforcement activities,
- ← On-duty training,
- ← Administrative duties such as court time, report writing, etc.

In addition, as obligated time per hour decreases, officers may begin to experience the following:

- ★ Officers spend more time in their assigned beats to carry out the community service function,
- ★ Calls for service will be handled in an efficient manner,
- ★ Officers will experience less burn out; sick calls may decrease,
- ★ Quality of service will improve because the officer can be more proactive in nature,

Using this standard formula:

Calls per service per officer in 2010 is:

13,706 calls for service/ 20.3 officers:                      675.1 calls for service per officer

Total calls for service for police officers increased from 13288 in the year 2010 to 13706 calls for service in 2011. This is a increase of 418 calls for service; or an 3.1% increase in calls for service from the year 2010 to 2011 while the average number of officers working per month decreased by .4 officers on average. The number of calls for service increased and the number of calls for service per officer had increased.

Total patrol hours compared to total hours worked in 2010:

(Patrol hours is viewed as un-obligated time)

11,507 total patrol hours/ 36,489 Total hours:

31.5 % of total time for 20.3 officers is un-obligated

To bring un-obligated time to 50% of total time you need to increase patrol time 18.5 % and to do so; there needs to be an increase in the number of officers by 18.5% which equals 24.1 officers. Therefore, the Patrol Division would need to increase by 3.75 officers to reach the optimum 50% of total time to be un-obligated [patrol time].

One last method to calculate the number of patrol officers requested/needed uses a formula based on daytime population estimates. The City of Wood Dale daytime population estimates (35,000 to 40,000) are applied to a conversion factor of .4 officers per 1,000 population:

N = Number of officers needed

Fp = Conversion Factor .4 officers per 1,000 population

N = Fp x population (1,000's)

N = .4 x (35,000/1,000)

N= 14

Remember that this is just the number of Patrol Officers required to handle the daily, daytime workload. It does not include staff, supervisors, or detectives. The department currently uses 20.3 officers for Patrol but these personnel are split amongst three shifts and have staggered days off resulting in approximately 6.7 officers at a maximum to cover the daily, daytime workload. Therefore, the Patrol Division is short 7.3 officers, (14-6.7=7.3), based on daytime population estimates.

The following page is a spread sheet of data applied to the formula for obligated time vs. un-obligated time. The spread sheet displays patrol activity totals and monthly averages of:

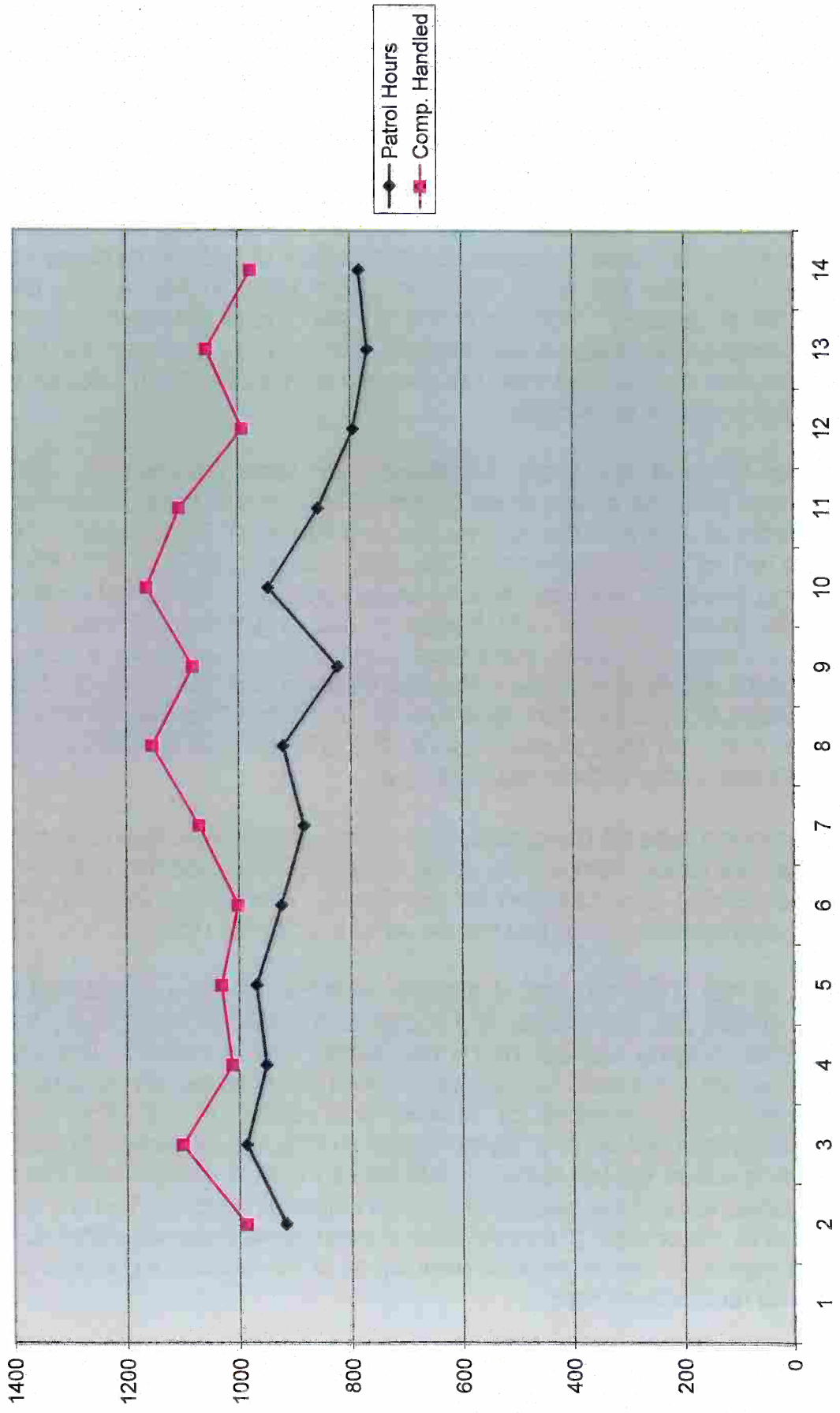
1. Number of Uniformed Patrol Officers,
2. Operational Days,
3. Staff Days (Days not at work),
4. Operational Hours,
5. Staff Hours (Hours not devoted to patrol, traffic, or calls for service),
6. Patrol Hours (Total), and
7. Calls/Complaints Handled by Patrol Officers.

The last page is a line graph that displays the relationship between "Calls for Service" (Complaints) and "Patrol Hours." The graph shows that when calls for service increase; patrol hours increase (and vice versa). This relationship occurred in virtually every month for 2011. The data applied for the graph is based on the officer's monthly totals of their respective "Daily Activity Sheets". The increases in Patrol Hours lead to a decrease in obligated time and leads to the possible results bulleted on page two. Also included is a nine year comparison of Patrol Allocation Data that shows the effect of having more officers, (on average), to work the Patrol Function.

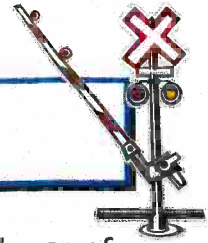




Patrol Hours vs. Complaints Handled



## Metra TraxGuard Enforcement



The Wood Dale system came on-line December 8, 1999. In the first full year of operation, TraxGuard identified and photographed 1,309 violators or approximately 24 violators per day. Of those, 657 citations were issued and the remaining 652 were dismissed due to a variety of reasons including not being able to identify the driver, no front license plate on the vehicle, and other technical reasons. Still, according to the Illinois Commerce Commission, Department of Research and Analysis, there were 10.1 violations per day in December of 1999 and they had dropped to 4.8 per day in October of 2000, which is a decrease of 52%.

Over the next few years, TraxGuard took some hard knocks, namely the camera being hit by two drunk drivers. This took the system down for several months at a time so the data for the next few years is incomplete. 2004 was the first full year of service that TraxGuard was on duty 24/7, with 949 citations being issued to violators, or 2.6 violators per day. As of December 27th of 2005, there have been 1,271 citations issued, or just over 3.5 violators per day. As of October 21, 2006, there were 1,243 citations issued, for a daily average of 4.22 violations per day. The daily average for 2007 was 3.22 with 870 citations being issued from April through December. The daily average for 2008 was 4.41 with 1610 citations issued. The daily average for 2009 was down to 2.59 with a total of 940 citations issued.

The cost to operate the system, prior to May of 2006 was \$6,500.00 per month. This cost covers maintenance of the system, securing the film from the camera and sending it to Colorado for developing, viewing the film and identifying violations and violators, and issuing pre-printed traffic citations.

As of May 2006, the cost of monthly operation has been negotiated down to \$5,500.00 per month and, at no cost to the City of Wood Dale, the entire system is being replaced with a new digital camera system. This means, no longer will the system be inactive between the time the film runs out and the technician is contacted to remove and replace it. It also means the photographs will be of a higher quality so that the evidence utilized in court, over a secure lap top computer, will also be sharper images, and the need for enlargements of the original film will no longer be needed. This will save court time as the process at present is for a continuance to be requested so that the enlargements can be secured, meaning an officer will no longer need to appear twice for the same case.

November of 2011 saw the original in-ground wire loop replaced with in-ground wireless transmitters, and a total upgrade to a fully digital camera system was in place as of December. This eliminated the need for an officer to physically test the system twice every 24 hours. Instead the system will self-test and will be totally hands-off, transmitting violation images to a central location for processing. Violators can now go to the internet web page and review the violation in video format. They can now plea guilty and pay fines online rather than having to appear in court to do so. Also, all TraxGuard cases are now heard in the City of Wood Dale Council Chambers in front of a hearing officer.

# TRUCK ENFORCEMENT UNIT

Large industrial parks in Wood Dale, and the surrounding communities, have created the need for a truck enforcement unit, within the Wood Dale Police Department. Overweight trucks create safety issues and damage the roadway. Overweight trucks create safety hazards by placing extra stress on the truck's tires, brakes, suspension, and equipment. They are also more difficult to stop and are involved in more fatal and serious injury vehicle crashes.

IL Route 83 (state route) and Thorndale Ave (county route) are the two major designated truck routes (class 2 truck routes) located in town. Designated roads are designed to accommodate larger trucks and a larger volume of truck traffic. Irving Park Rd, Addison Rd, Devon Ave, and Mittel Blvd are a few of the non-designated routes/roadways in town.

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. Truck enforcement officers also initiate truck safety checkpoints in town and assist with checkpoints in other nearby jurisdictions.

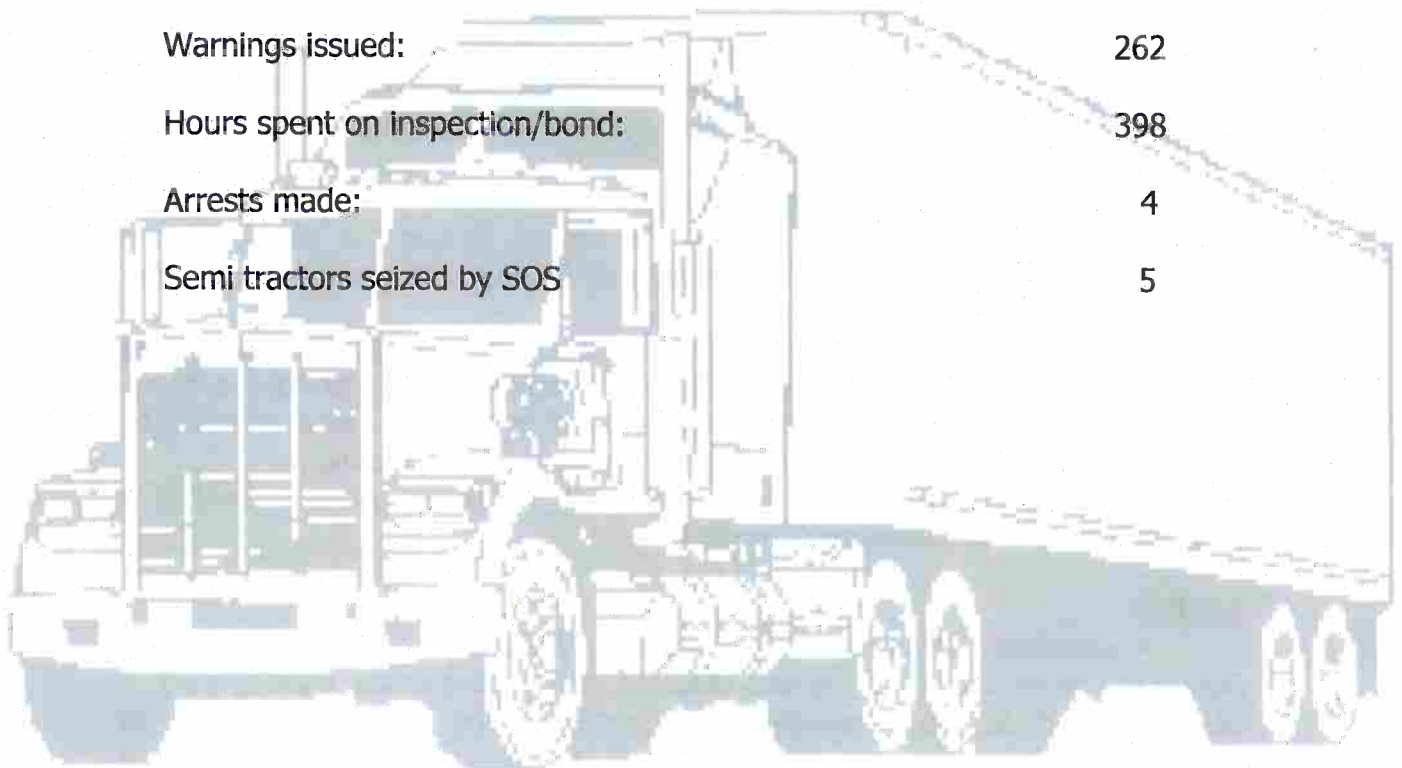
The primary duties of the truck enforcement unit:

- Enforce state/local weight and dimension laws
- Enforce state registration laws
- Enforce state licensing laws (CDL)
- Enforce state/local equipment laws
- Issue local overweight/overdimension permits
- Assist state and local police jurisdictions
- Assist local trucking companies with legal and safe truck routing
- Enforce No Truck Traffic on residential streets
- Enforce weight restrictions on bridges and elevated structures
- Enforce city vehicle sticker regulations on 2<sup>nd</sup> division vehicles
- Initiate and assist with truck safety checkpoints

## 2011 Statistics

(\* All totals are from 12/16/10 to 12/14/11, unless otherwise noted)

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Number of overweight/overdimension permits issued (2011): | 277       |
| Total citations issued (truck and traffic):               | 218       |
| Overweight truck citations issued:                        | 126       |
| Total fines from truck citations:                         | \$228,065 |
| Warnings issued:  | 262       |
| Hours spent on inspection/bond:                           | 398       |
| Arrests made:   | 4         |
| Semi tractors seized by SOS                               | 5         |





## USE OF FORCE REPORT

The following will be a year end summation of the **2011 Use of Force** incidents involving personnel from the Wood Dale Police Department. There were a total of **7 (Seven)** incidents during 2011 that involved Wood Dale officers in Use of Force situations. Those cases were:

11-36711-37911-48011-5465  
11-8432      11-11089      11-12430

Below is a brief summary of the events that occurred in each incident.

### **11-367**

While investigating a theft from the 7-11 @ 311 E Irving Park, Officers developed a suspect known to them and attempted to locate him at his residence. The parents of the suspect, a 19 year-old male, advised officers that he fled the house.

Officers checking the area located the male suspect and he immediately took a fighting stance then charged at one officer, kicking the patrol car and engaging the officer physically. The suspect was taken to the ground and secured in handcuffs by use of hands on control only.

The male head butted the inside of the patrol car causing a laceration to his head. The male was taken to Alexian Brothers hospital and treated for his injury, due to his level of intoxication, and a psychological evaluation. The male admitted to officers that he had been drinking alcohol and consuming cocaine.

The suspect was charged with retail theft, disorderly conduct, resisting a peace officer, and consumption of alcohol.

### **11-379**

A suspected DUI driver was stopped and arrested on suspicion of DUI. During the arrest process there was evidence presented that the male suspect, a 46 year-old male, had consumed an unknown type of drug, causing his intoxication. The male was transported to Alexian Brothers hospital for a blood/urine draw per department policy.

While at the hospital, the male became agitated and started acting irrational. The male stood up in the hospital and threatened to kill everyone, then attempted to flee the hospital.

The officer contained the male using pressure point control to keep him seated and displayed her taser to regain control of the suspect. Eventually hospital staff assisted in getting the suspect secured in a controlled room.

Evidence was later recovered indicating that the suspect was under the influence of drugs at the time of his arrest.

The suspect was charged with DUI, and numerous traffic charges.

**11-4801**

While investigating a possible DUI, officers informed the male driver of the vehicle that he was under arrest. When officers attempted to handcuff the male, a 30 yr old male, he resisted being handcuffed and pulled away from officers in an attempt to defeat his arrest.

The male suspect was eventually handcuffed without incident using hands-on control. The male continued to be verbally abusive well into the arrest process. The male suspect had to be restrained during most of the process due to his level of agitation.

The suspect was charged with DUI and reckless driving.

**11-5465**

While investigating a possible DUI, an officer requested the driver of the car exit and submit to field tests. The male driver, a 23 yr old male, refused to exit his car as instructed.

After making numerous attempts to reason with the male, and orders to exit the car, officers attempted to physically remove the male from the car unsuccessfully. One officer displayed his taser in an attempt to gain compliance which had no effect on the male.

The male eventually exited the car and was placed in custody/handcuffed. The male again continued to resist officers by pulling away from them. Once secured in the squad car, the male suspect attempted to kick out the window of the car.

Once at the police station for processing, the male suspect head butted the cell door causing injury to his head. The Fire department responded and treated the injury.

The suspect was charged with DUI, resisting a police officer, and numerous traffic charges.

**11-8432**

While investigating a Domestic violence call between a husband and wife, officers determined an arrest was to be made of a 26 year-old female for domestic battery against her husband.

As the officers approached the female to take her into custody, the female picked up her 1 year-old child and refused to be taken into custody. After several minutes of negotiations with the female suspect, officers attempted to physically remove the child safely from the suspect with the assistance of family members.

The child was eventually safely removed from the suspects grasp. The suspect kicked one officer in the chest and stomach while being taken into custody. Officers used hands-on only control to make the arrest.

The female suspect was charged with two counts of domestic battery, along with battery to a police officer, and resisting arrest.



**11-11089**

A Wood Dale officer investigating a suspicious male subject in an area where burglaries had recently occurred encountered a 19 yr old male riding a bicycle. When stopping the male suspect, he (suspect) fled the area on the bike and was eventually apprehended after running through yards. It was determined that the male was intoxicated. After placing the male suspect in custody, the officer went to retrieve the suspects bicycle nearby when the male suspect escaped the police vehicle. Several officers responded to the area to assist in locating the suspect who was found hiding under a camper in a yard two blocks away.

While securing the suspect, he became combative with officers, refusing to be handcuffed and spitting at officers. The male was safely secured using hands-on control and returned to custody.

The suspect was charged with Escape, resisting a peace officer, and consumption of alcohol.

**11-12430**

Officers responded to a fight in progress where two males were reportedly fist fighting. Upon the arrival of the first officer, he encountered a 23 yr old male suspect, who was intoxicated and swearing and taking a fighting stance towards the officer. After refusing to obey the commands of the officer, he (officer) drew his taser and ordered the suspects to comply. The suspect was taken into custody without incident and later charged with Domestic battery.

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

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Taser Discharge:       | None |
| Taser Display:         | Two  |
| Laser Activated:       | Two  |
| Drive-Stun:            | None |
| Baton Strike:          | None |
| Baton Display:         | None |
| Firearm Discharge:     | None |
| Firearm Display:       | None |
| Baton Pressure Points: | None |
| Hands On:              | Six  |
| O.C. Spray:            | None |

Of these seven Use of Force incidents, no suspects filed any unnecessary use of force complaints with this department or the State of Illinois. No officers received injuries during a physical confrontation, and no officers were reprimanded for unnecessary use of force by this department or charged by the State of Illinois.

These findings show the proper training and application techniques as well as the professional discretion used by Wood Dale 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.

## Vehicle Seizure and Impoundment 2011

**Background:** On June 2, 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 July 1, 2005. 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 and/or owner. In the latest amendment, the administrative fee was raised to \$600.00 starting January 1, 2012.

**Report:** The total number of vehicles seized for 2011 is 448. The number of seized vehicles decreased by 5% over the number of vehicles seized in 2010. None of these vehicles were permanently seized through state or federal seizure laws. Most of the vehicles seized were claimed by the registered owner after providing the \$500.00 administrative fee as per Ordinance O-05-018. A small percentage of the vehicles (63 cars-14.0%) seized went unclaimed and were subject to disposal of the vehicle as an unclaimed vehicle under the Illinois Vehicle Code. Only six vehicles seized were later returned to the owner without assessing the administrative fees due to the Administration Hearing Officer's decision, and one other vehicle was returned without an administration fee due to Watch Commander's discretion based upon the totality of the situation. The total amount of administrative fees collected for vehicle seizure and impoundment for 2011 was \$185,500

A breakdown of all the vehicles seized and impounded under Ordinance Section 15.1809 is as follows:

### **Offenses Subject to Vehicle Seizure:**

|   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| Driving under the Influence of Alcohol: | 135 vehicles (30.1%)  |
| No Valid Driver's License:              | 173 vehicles (38.6%)  |
| Driving While License Suspended:        | 96 vehicles (21.4%)   |
| Driving While License Revoked:          | 10 vehicles (2.2%)    |
| Aggravated DUI:                         | 3 vehicles (.6%)      |
| Possession of Cannabis:                 | 12 vehicles (2.6%)    |
| Possession of Controlled Substance:     | 1 vehicles (.2%) Zero |
| Tolerance:                              | 2 vehicles (.4%)      |
| Possession of Drug Equipment            | 2 vehicles (.4%)      |
| Arrest warrants                         | 3 (.6%)               |
| Retail Theft                            | 1 (.2%)               |
| Aggravated Assault                      | 1 (.2%)               |
| Residential Burglary                    | 1 (.2%)               |



**Case Status:**

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Cases Closed:         | 390 (87.0%) |
| Cases Taken Off Call: | 32 (7.1%)   |
| Cases Pending (2009): | 21 (4.6%)   |
| Cases Continued:      | 5 (1.1%)    |

**Top Five Months for Seizures:**

|          |                     |
|----------|---------------------|
| January  | 57 vehicles (12.7%) |
| August   | 47 vehicles (10.4%) |
| March    | 43 vehicles (9.5%)  |
| May      | 43 vehicles (9.5%)  |
| November | 37 vehicles (8.2%)  |

**Top Five Vehicles Seized by Vehicle Manufacturer (24 different Manufacturers):**

|               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|
| Chevrolet     | 79 vehicles (16.2%) |
| Ford          | 61 vehicles (13.6%) |
| Nissan/Toyota | 34 vehicles (7.5%)  |
| Dodge         | 25 vehicles (5.5%)  |
| Honda         | 25 vehicles (5.5%)  |

These five (5) vehicle types account for 53.8% of the total number of vehicles that have been seized in 2011. In total, there were 33 different types of vehicles seized.

## COMMUNICATIONS

The **Communication Unit**, under the command of a Deputy Chief of Police, employs one Supervisor and eight Telecommunicators.



During 2011, the Police Communications Center handled 42,447 phone calls. The Unit handled 3,988 9-1-1 Calls. Communications Unit Personnel also serviced 9,061 citizens at the lobby window. The Communications Unit initiated 17,513 Police Incidents and 2012 Fire Incidents.

The Communications Center has completed its second phase of Re-Accreditation Status this year through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (Communications Section). The Communications Unit maintains its Communications Accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (C.A.L.E.A.).

The Unit continues to be responsible for initiating incidents using the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, as well as monitoring the burglar/fire alarm board.

The alarm board monitors fire and burglar alarms throughout the city. The Center also monitors public camera systems located throughout the City 24 hours a day.

The Communications Unit continues to enter records into the Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS). All Department members are certified as LEADS operators.

Telecommunicators also participate in outside training regularly and attend at least one external training class per year. All unit personnel play key roles in the success of the Unit which allows us to work in a team atmosphere maximizing customer service to the department and community.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Community Service Officers (CSO's) handle Police other City department assignments. There are currently four CSO's 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.



The CSO's are responsible for various tasks of the Patrol Division. They handle daily deliveries for the Police and City departments. They enforce the City's local ordinance statutes which can cover everything throughout the community from animal complaints, residential overcrowding and parking issues. The CSO's have been successful in locating and removing abandoned and nuisance autos both in the residential and business districts of the City.

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. This service is by appointment at the Police Department and at noted public functions.

## RECORDS



The Police Records Division consists of three full-time Records Clerks and a Supervisor. 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 2011, the records division processed 17,513 police reports. In addition, they processed 7,927 traffic citations, 371 traffic crash reports, numerous warning citations and all the department's local and state arrest reports. The division also processed 762 railroad camera citations.



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

The division will continue with the implementation of electronic citations and electronic accident reports. This process is ongoing and will help the department become more efficient in its processing of information and greatly increase our ability to gather intelligence from police reports prepared throughout the county.



## **Citizen Corp & Emergency Services**

### **Citizens Corp.**

Three training meetings were conducted in 2011.

Deployment operations were conducted:

- ★ Wood Dale Prairie Fest in August
- ★ Historical Society events
- ★ Park District events

Basic CERT training was conducted for Wood Dale and Itasca citizens in March and April of 2011, with another class scheduled to begin in January of 2012.

The communities of Wood Dale and Itasca have joined together in the training of their CERT teams. In the event of a disaster, both communities will be better able to work as one large team having been trained together.

### **Emergency Services/ OEM**

Training was conducted in the following areas:

- ★ Six bi-monthly DuPage County OEM.
- ★ Monthly DuPage County hazardous mitigation planning committee.
- ★ DuPage County Emergency Operation Plan/Evacuation Plan was updated and computerized in DuPage County CEMP System.
- ★ Quarterly Strategic Stockpile Committee Meetings were attended.
- ★ NIMS update completed with designated members of the Citizens Corps/CERT and City (including all departments).
- ★ Additional NIMS training was completed in 100, 300, 400, 701, 702, 703, 704 and 706.
- ★ IEMA Grant secured and utilized in the continued outfitting of the CERT

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You  
Ready?*



## CALEA 2011 ANNUAL REVIEW



The Wood Dale Police Department completed its 3<sup>rd</sup> reaccreditation (4<sup>th</sup> award) during 2010. In April 2010, two assessors returned to the department to reassess the Department's professional ethics and standards. Over the course of four days, these individuals reviewed the policy, procedure and methods of operation(s) surrounding the Department from an operational and tactical stand point. We now have 480 standards of which 80% must show proof of compliance.

To ensure our positive status, sworn and non-sworn department personnel must continue standardized and extra curricular training. This can be accomplished from inter-department training on a daily to yearly basis, or training obtained from outside sources by an accredited organization.

Sgt. Paul Wyse, attended the CALEA Conference in July 2011 to receive CALEA Accreditation Manager training as part of the Wood Dale Police Department's goal of moving the Police Department toward a fifth successful accreditation. The Wood Dale Police Department is in its second year of gathering proofs for the 5th reaccreditation process, which will take place in early 2013. The Department continues to offer the highest level of professionalism to its residents and business owners and will continue to do so in the future.

*For more information on the Accreditation process,  
please visit [www.calea.org](http://www.calea.org).*

# EMPLOYEE COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTICIPATION

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 2011, department members helped and assisted our citizens by participating and volunteering in the following community service events.



← SENIOR LUNCHEON

- SHOP WITH A COP
- BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE
- NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
- TOYS FOR TOTS
- VETERAN'S BREAKFAST →



GUNS 'N HOSES HOCKEY GAME  
*This event raised over \$13,000 for  
"Almost Home Foundation"*



← SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN  
FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

## REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF CITIZEN COMPLAINTS 2011



In 2011 the Wood Dale Police Department received only one citizen complaint, which is one more than 2010, and the same as 2009. This complaint was for *Operational Procedures*.

The complaint (CR-1101) was regarding a telecommunicator who did not obtain sufficient additional information from a caller about suspicious vehicles and failed to dispatch a squad to investigate a situation. After further investigation, it was determined the incident was **sustained**, and the telecommunicator was disciplined accordingly.

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.

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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 2 written letters of reprimand, 14 total suspension days and 13 verbal reprimands. These disciplinary matters were for various infractions including tardiness, low productivity, vehicle accidents, and failure to follow a direct order.

## Citizens On Patrol 2011

Starting in June of 2005 past members of the Wood Dale Citizens Police Academy were offered the opportunity to volunteer for a Citizens on Patrol program (COP). Eight citizens volunteered for the new program. Seven more attended a class this year and are soon to join the original eight after they successfully complete their training.

After an eight-hour training course on patrol procedures, beat assignments, radio use, vehicle operation, traffic control procedures and emergency procedures, they are required to participate in eight hours of training with a COP member in a squad car, and another eight hours with a police officer. The volunteers are then allowed to patrol the City of Wood Dale, working in pairs.

These volunteers serve as an extra two pairs of eyes for the police department. Their duties include reporting suspicious activity to the Communications Center for assignment to a patrol car or just stopping and talking to people at the local grocery store and asking how things are. Many of the volunteers felt it was easier for elderly citizens to approach them, rather than a fully uniformed police officer. The COP was also utilized for traffic control and general assistance to citizens and guests at various city events.

Citizens on Patrol assisted the City of Wood Dale in traffic direction at the Park District Easter's Egg Hunt, the Historical Society's Holiday on the Farm, Stories in the Barn and annual Arts and Crafts show. They have also assisted with traffic control for school programs and the Wood Dale Library's open house. Other events their services have been utilized for include the Police Department's National Night Out, Memorial Day Parade, Pet Parade, Wood Dale Prairie Fest and the Cop-on-Top of the Dunkin Donuts to benefit Special Olympics.

The below listed hours do not reflect the countless hours donated to the Police Department through the VIPS program where citizens assist in various duties inside the Police Department such as preparing statistical reports, filing, evidence control, DUI trial prep, report imaging, etc. Those hours will run up to and well over 800 hours of volunteer service combined.

### COP Vehicle Patrol Hours

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| January          | 0 hrs             |
| February         | 0 hrs             |
| March            | 9 hrs             |
| April            | 5 hrs             |
| May              | 14 hrs            |
| June             | 18 hrs            |
| July             | 25.5 hrs          |
| August           | 36 hrs            |
| September        | 31.5 hrs          |
| October          | 18 hrs            |
| November         | 13.5 hrs          |
| December         | 13.5 hrs          |
| <b>Total Hrs</b> | <b>175.50 Hrs</b> |



# Honor Guard

The Wood Dale Police Honor Guard was started as a prominent demonstration of the morals we hold true: **Honor, Duty, and Integrity.**

All members of the unit are volunteers and donate their time in training for events and for the maintenance of the special uniforms and equipment utilized in the guard

At present there are eleven officers in the guard, including one bagpiper.

The guard has been requested for funerals of fallen officers and elected officials, to present colors at public events and to be present at ceremonies commemorating our nation's veterans.



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

- 🕒 **Displaying the colors in the Wood Dale Veterans Day Parade**
- 🕒 **Posting of the colors for Veterans Day breakfast**
- 🕒 **Firing of the 21 Gun Salute to the Fallen on Veterans Day**
- 🕒 **Posting of the colors for Memorial Day**
- 🕒 **21-Gun Salute in remembrance of 9-1-1**



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



The SALT Committee began in and meets on a monthly basis at the Police Department. Each month this group discusses issues in the City affecting seniors and any upcoming community events. In addition, they discuss crime data comparisons with other communities, traffic concerns, neighborhood issues and police response. SALT 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:

- ★ Distribute beacon emergency lights to residents.
- ★ Assist Fire Department with administering Knox Box program for seniors.
- ★ Distribute "no soliciting" labels for residents.
- ★ Host annual senior luncheon at Wood Dale Park District in June.
- ★ Host bingo for seniors at National Night Out event in August.
- ★ Distribute copy of driver safety classes for seniors' insurance discounts from AARP. Provide an officer to assist in class.
- ★ Provide crime prevention tips and training.

## **SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT**

*Provided by Dave Hahn & Associates*

*Villa Park, Illinois*

### **For Period January – December 2011**

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Total Cases:                                       | 89  |
| Crisis Calls:                                      | 15  |
| Employees Seen During Period:                      | 10  |
| Juvenile Station Adjustments:                      | 39  |
| Evaluations and Referrals:                         | 30  |
| Hours of Clinician In-House                        | 188 |
| Hours of Clinician used for Crisis<br>Intervention | 31  |
| Hours in Ride-Along/School/<br>Roll Call/Seminars  | 20  |

### **Problems Observed:**

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Runaways</i>            | <i>Marital Problems</i>   |
| <i>Substance Abuse</i>     | <i>Alcohol</i>            |
| <i>Behavioral Problems</i> | <i>Elderly Issues</i>     |
| <i>Domestic Violence</i>   | <i>Employee Problems</i>  |
| <i>School Situations</i>   | <i>Parenting Skills</i>   |
| <i>Depression</i>          | <i>Attempted Suicides</i> |
| <i>Death Notifications</i> | <i>Family Problems</i>    |

## **WOOD DALE POLICE DEPARTMENT VICTIM RESOURCE REPORT FOR 2011**

Responding to social needs and to the needs of victims and witnesses remains a priority of the Wood Dale Police Department. We recently added a new victim witness assistance section to 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 Attorneys 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. Last year 85 families were referred to family violence resources by the Wood Dale Police. These resources include:

- DuPage Family Shelter Services (for English and Spanish)
- Hamdard Center (South Asian and Middle Eastern women) located in Wood Dale

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
- Cell Pones – donated cell phones with 911 capabilities available

Eighty-nine cases were handled this year by Hahn & Associates. Of these, 39 involved juvenile issues. The families referred received counseling for various reasons including suicide prevention, truancy, substance abuse, domestic violence, mental health issues, school problems, runaways, divorce and other police contacts.

## 2012 - 2013 GOALS & OBJECTIVES

### Administrative

GOAL: Improve/increase the use of statistical data as predictors of future law enforcement problems

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Develop plan for using statistical data based on temporal factors, traffic crashes, crime location, and suspect/offender descriptions.
- ★ Utilize NETRMS reports to develop relevant statistical data.
- ★ Distribute patrol plans to the effected shifts based on data gathered.
- ★ Keep track of problem people and problem addresses through NETRMS and the "Informational Board."
- ★ When a problem person or problem address has an increase of contacts, shifts should meet to develop strategies to combat the problem.
- ★ Strategies that are developed should be monitored for implementation by Sergeants.

GOAL: Examine ways to reduce fatigue when officers working extended hours

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Explore creation of a resting area for officers to use when they are required to stay at station for items such as midnight officers staying for court. May also occur when emergencies occur or community events such as National Night Out, citizen's police academy, parades, festivals, etc.
- ★ Determine when alternatives can be used to lessen these effects, such as adjusting of hours when manpower allows.

GOAL: Continue to develop and encourage community involvement with the department

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Host a Citizen's Police Academy.
- ★ Host a Police Department Open House.
- ★ Continue and strengthen our CERT/volunteer program.
- ★ Form committee to further strengthen National Night Out program.
- ★ Continue Citizen on Patrol (COP) neighborhood patrols.

GOAL: Identify a replacement Police vehicle for current Ford Crown Victoria

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Research other agencies around the area and country.

- ★ Find a vehicle that fits officers big and small.
- ★ Research vehicles and infrastructure that use natural gas or other alternative fuels.

GOAL: Complete Police Department reaccreditation process

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Utilize all members of the department to assist with proof preparation.
- ★ Increase liaison partnership with other agencies involved in the accreditation process.
- ★ Seek to continually improve our practices to implement "best practices".

GOAL: Improve security in and around the Police Department and City Hall Grounds

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Install improved panic alarm system in lock up.
- ★ As budget allows, work with IT to add additional cameras to City Hall public areas.
- ★ Improve system of monitoring visitors and vendors who gain access to City work areas.
- ★ Gradually upgrade exterior doors to mostly metal doors with minimal window viewing.

**Patrol**

GOAL: Reduce neighborhood violent and property crimes, while increasing traffic and ordinance enforcement in these same areas.

OBJECTIVES

- ★ When manpower allows, either a one or two man plain clothes unit, to patrol the neighborhoods and focus on the most active areas, enforcing traffic, local ordinances, stopping and identifying those who warrant an investigative stop.
- ★ Increase the number of citizen contacts and document those contacts to list names, location, and the citizen's concerns. These concerns should be shared with the department.
- ★ When weather allows, increase walking patrols through the parks and multi housing units, increasing contact with citizens and looking for quality of life issues. (Graffiti, abandoned vehicles, un-maintained residences) and reporting these concerns to those necessary departments within the city.
- ★ Officers should increase their patrol of the neighborhoods as a regular routine and if traffic enforcement productivity is not as evident, must be able to document their increased activities in



investigating suspicious persons, making arrests for violations of law or ordinance.

GOAL: Create a training matrix for the Patrol Division

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Supervisors will audit Officers training and look for deficiencies based on years of service.
- ★ Prioritize training needs for Officers based on need versus want.
- ★ Use NEMRT and web based training to full potential.

GOAL: Improve traffic safety on arterial and city roads

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Provide additional traffic enforcement through supplemental funding.
- ★ Secure traffic enforcement funding through IDOT traffic grants. Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP).
- ★ Assign multiple patrol units to reported designated problem areas for highly visible enforcement. Create the perception that violators will be cited.
- ★ Conduct joint truck safety inspection details.
- ★ Roll call training for AIIM DUI rewards.
- ★ Continue education and enforcement efforts at the METRA train station and train crossings in Wood Dale

GOAL: Continue the focus on reducing traffic crashes and injuries

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Continue child restraint safety seat inspection programs utilizing Community Service Officers who have been trained in proper installation
- ★ Provide roll call training on occupant restraint laws.
- ★ Encourage enforcement of safety belt restraint laws, utilizing current laws and new laws governing rear seat passengers
- ★ Secure renewed funding through IDOT's Click It or Ticket grant program.
- ★ Conduct Safety Belt Enforcement Zones (SBEZ) for occupant restraint compliance of passengers and children.
- ★ As manpower allows, select one or two officers to proactively enforce traffic violations in a specific, identified area in both locations and violations that have been established as a cause of traffic crashes.

GOAL: Increase training and improve departmental defensive tactics/firearms training

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Reorganize the gun range to better fit the needs of the department, and update equipment
- ★ Prepare a new range schedule, to improve the proficiency of officers with firearms.
- ★ Create new Range scenario training utilizing FIAT swat member(s) to enhance officers skills
- ★ Make regular inspections of firearms in service to ensure equipment is in proper working order.

GOAL: Evaluate and update department training between and within divisions

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Increase the training involving the K-9 unit and patrol
- ★ Streamline the K-9 reporting on vehicle searches, making it conform to new standards by State of Illinois.
- ★ Evaluate training and update Matrons on their duties
- ★ Field Training Officer (FTO) manual updates with new procedures in place
- ★ Work with current and past FTO's to evaluate the current program and make necessary changes to provide adequate training to new officers.
- ★ Increase education and enforcement concerning liquor licenses and violations occurring (minors, hours, over serving, etc.)

GOAL: Improve Roll Call Meeting Efficiency

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Utilize Smart board technology to offer more training using all types of media, i.e. Power Point, video, audio, etc.
- ★ Increase pragmatic discussions of handling problematic/repeat offenders in the City.
- ★ Format Roll Call Meetings to the benefit of all shifts. (Five minutes-Summary and assignments, five minutes-training, and five minutes-address pragmatic ways of handling problematic persons/ area in the City.

### **Investigations**

GOAL: Develop strategies to reduce property crimes in the City of Wood Dale

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Identify property crime trend and patterns through crime analysis.
- ★ Utilize directed enforcement to maximize effectiveness of police deployment.
- ★ Involve detective division to assist in the initial investigation.
- ★ Maintain and enhance community involvement through neighborhood canvasses, citizens on patrol
- ★ Network with other agencies and share information through Critical Reach and LEADS

GOAL: Continue focus on reducing Juvenile Delinquency

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Conduct alcohol compliance checks at local liquor establishments
- ★ Conduct BASSET alcohol server training classes
- ★ Conduct spot check to ensure each liquor establishment has at least one BASSET trained employee on the premises in accordance with city ordinance
- ★ Secure additional funding from the Illinois Liquor Commission to continue the Kids Can't Buy 'Em Here program
- ★ Add additional members to the Peer Jury and conduct Peer Jury hearings

GOAL: Increase drug investigations and arrests

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Have investigators and previous/current DUMEG officers conduct additional training with patrol division on Terry stops, consent searches, indicia of drug use/sales
- ★ Recruit additional sources of information/informants for DUMEG and investigation division
- ★ When manpower allows, increase patrol officer use of unmarked cars to patrol areas and look for drug activity
- ★ As caseload allows, increased street time in unmarked cars by detectives looking for drug activity

GOAL: Provide criminal investigation in accordance with the highest standards of professional skill, integrity and accountability

OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Ensure that the criminal investigators have the knowledge, skill and ability to investigate assigned criminal incidents, including internet crimes.
- ★ Bring staffing levels to full strength of 4 investigators
- ★ Obtain training for investigators to follow detective training matrix in the area of computer and internet crimes, sexual

assault investigations, homicide investigations, and financial crimes investigations

- ★ Reinforce a working relationship with FIAT and Major Crimes Task Force by dedicating two investigators.

## Communications

GOAL: Transition to the new 700MHZ radio system and prepare for the 2013 narrowband requirement

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Conduct training on the new portable radios with all personal including Telecommunicators
- ★ Create a plan to maintain the old system
- ★ Obtain equipment to meet the narrowband requirement including in car radios

GOAL: Complete the Communications Re-Accreditation 2nd year of Maintenance

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Continue to obtain and utilize valid proofs.
- ★ Solicit proofs from Communications personnel.
- ★ Work with Law Enforcement Accreditation Manager and Deputy Chief of Police to obtain proofs.
- ★ Work with outside entities to obtain needed documentation (County ETSB Staff, Wood Dale Fire Protection District, etc).

- GOAL: Ensure positive customer service skills with both internal and external customers

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Send staff to external or internal training class sessions to improve customer service skills.
- ★ Monitor staff interaction with internal staff, and general public
- ★ Monitor incoming citizen surveys and ensure they are compatible to overall good customer service.

GOAL: Ensure Staff attend external training courses

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Find and schedule each staff member to at least one external training class this upcoming year.
- ★ Classes to be researched will be through COD Academy, APCO, Powerphone, or other means available.
- ★ Ensure manpower is sufficient while Staff is away in training.

## **Emergency Services**

GOAL: Look for additional ways to expand CERT training and programs

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Assist in training and graduation of a new CERT training class to be conducted in cooperation with Itasca PD
- ★ Conduct two search and rescue exercises – one indoor and one outdoor
- ★ Conduct training for emergency animal treatment and sheltering
- ★ Ensure that all department members and elected officials are up to date with NIMS training requirements during 2012.

GOAL: Following updated FEMA guidelines, finalize new Emergency Operations Plan

### OBJECTIVES:

- ★ Finalize the review of the current plan and prepare any changes
- ★ Finish inputting revised plan into county emergency planning network
- ★ Seek final approval from DuPage County OEM for final product
- ★ Conduct review and training with department members and others who need to be proficient in the plan.



# 2011 Service Awards

## 5 Years

Cristina Sobanski, Telecommunicator



## 10 Years

Jenifer Balzano, Telecommunicator  
Craig Celia, Supervisor  
Mildred Daum, Telecommunicator  
William Frese, Sergeant

## 15 Years

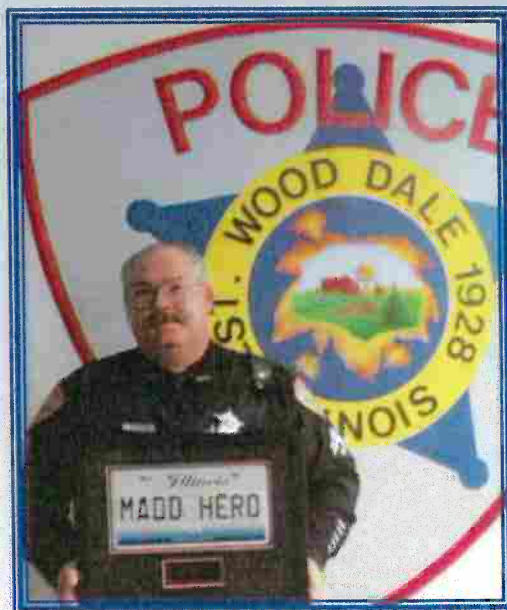
Greg Vesta, Chief of Police  
Christopher Banaszynski, Detective



Cristina Sobanski  
Civilian of the Year



Charles Linkowski  
Officer of the Year







# 2011 Promotions

**Chief of Police  
Greg Vesta**



**Deputy Chief  
Michael Rivas  
Ronald Murray**



**Sergeant  
William Frese  
Michael Peters**



# 2011 Retirements



**Frank Biniewicz  
Chief of Police  
35 Years of Service**



**Chris Cochran  
Sergeant  
30 Years of Service**



**Dean Costopoulos  
Sergeant  
22 Years of Service**



**Ron LaMorte  
Detective  
28 Years of Service**



