





#### **DEDICATION**

The DeKalb Police Department moved from the old station at 200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street to the new Police Headquarters at 700 W. Lincoln Highway on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013. Starting at 200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street a processional of squad cars, red lights and sirens, proceeded down Lincoln Highway making their way to the new facility. Family members accompanied the officers as they transitioned our history and culture to the new DeKalb Police Headquarters.

At the opening ceremony Father Matt McMorrow, the son of retired DeKalb Police Lt. Robert McMorrow, blessed the new facility and prayed for the safety of the officers. The DeKalb Police Honor Guard raised the flags during which a bugler and bag piper paid tribute to the occasion. Chief Gene Lowery provided opening remarks and welcomed those in attendance to tour the new station.

A broken winged angel statute that once adorned the old station, joined the processional and made its way to her new home. The angel came to us as during an investigation, was secured as unclaimed property, and subsequently was adopted as our guardian. The angel became part of our police family and has been placed at the employee entrance of the new station.

The DeKalb Police Department continues to settle into our new home and the members of this department are grateful for all those responsible in making this dream a reality.







### **DeKalb Police at a Glance**

Organized	1856
Sworn Officers in 2013	62
Civilian Personnel	24
Volunteers	9
Crossing Guards	19
Community Service Officers	3
Budget	\$10,192,134
Service Area	15.5 square miles
Part I Crimes	1482
Part II Crimes	7745
Accidents	1399
Arrests	2839

### City of DeKalb at a Glance

Founded 1856

Government City Manager

City Budget \$30,866,323

Population 44,030

Ratio of Police Officers 1.41

per 1000 residents

DeKalb is home to Northern Illinois University, which has a student population of approximately 20,000 students.



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# Message from the Chief



The DeKalb Police Department remains committed to reducing crime and enhancing the quality of life through an active partnership with our community. It will be through this collaboration that we, as a community, will make our City a safer place to live, work, and raise our families. This year we have continued to build relationships with all of our community partners and one in particular that has had an immediate, positive impact on the safety of our City and University. That being our co-policing initiative with the Northern Illinois University Police Department. The two police departments working together, to address common goals, and to enhance public safety is the exemplar for the concept of "communiversity."

In 2013 the DeKalb Police Department responded to 41,598 calls for service, an increase of 1.7% or 690 additional calls as compared to 2012. In 2013 we handled 13,865 emergency "911" calls, a decrease of 34.8% or 7,386 fewer "911" calls as compared to 2012. In 2013 our Uniformed Crime Reporting, Part 1 Crimes, or more serious offenses, decreased by 5%, the lowest it has been in the last decade. In 2013 our Part 2 Crimes, considered other lesser crimes, were down 11%, the lowest it has been since 2006.

During 2013 numerous programs to reduce crime and enhance our quality of life were introduced that included the Targeted Response Unit to combat street crime, the Crime Free Housing Bureau that reduces crime in rental properties through a partnership with landlords, the Resident Officer Program that integrates a police officer into a distressed neighborhood, the assignment of an officer to the Drug Enforcement Administration's Task Force to address narcotics trafficking on a regional scale, assigning officers to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Special Operations Team to more effectively handle high risk incidents, the reinstatement of our Canine Unit, and the formation of our Domestic Violence Unit that strives to reduce the level of domestic violence throughout our community.

Community collaboration echoed throughout 2013 with the DeKalb Police entering into the "Triad" agreement with Family Service Agency to support the needs of our elderly residents, the formation of our "Youth in Need Task Force" that will bring a food, recreation, and an education program to disenfranchised youth and their families in 2014, enhancing our relationship with "Safe Passage" our community partner in addressing domestic violence and sexual assault, and continuing to participate in "Fight Crime: Invest in Kids – Illinois."

As you review our 2013 Annual Report please note our accomplishments and the areas that we need to improve upon. It is also important to understand that we cannot "arrest" ourselves out of any crime problem, it takes a community that is willing to work collaboratively to make our goals attainable. On behalf of the men and women of the DeKalb Police Department thank you for your ongoing support.

Gene Lowery

### "Service through Leadership and Mentoring"

### The Bridge Builder

An old man, going a lone highway, Came, at the evening, cold and gray, To a chasm, vast, and deep, and wide, Through which was flowing a sullen tide.

The old man crossed in the twilight dim; The sullen stream had no fear for him; But he turned, when safe on the other side, And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim, near, "You are wasting strength with building here; Your journey will end with the ending day; You never again will pass this way; You've crossed the chasm, deep and wide-Why build you this bridge at the evening tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head: "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said, "There followeth after me today, A youth, whose feet must pass this way.

This chasm, that has been naught to me, To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be. He, too, must cross in the twilight dim; Good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

By Will Allen Dromgoole



### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2013**

- The DeKalb Police Department moved in to their new 36,000 square foot Police Headquarters located at 700 West Lincoln Highway, which will enhance police operations and the delivery of services City wide for years to come.
- The DeKalb Police implemented the Crime Free Housing Bureau to reduce incidents of crime in the nearly 9000 rental properties throughout the City. This internationally based program has a well-documented history of reducing crime wherever it has been utilized, it also creates a unique and effective partnership between the police and the community.
- The DeKalb Police **Resident Officer Program** began in the Pleasant Street neighborhood in an effort to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for the residents.
- The "Not on Our Campus" and "Not in Our Community" initiative began with Northern Illinois University Student Association and the DeKalb Police Community Relations program.
- The DeKalb Police Department formalized our **Community Relations** and **Training** functions to enhance community relations and improve training for our staff.
- The DeKalb Police Department had its first representative attend the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Academy.
- The alliance between the DeKalb Police Department and "Safe Passage" (domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy not for profit organization) expanded to include training for police officers and more collaboration between the two agencies to improve services to victims.
- The DeKalb Police Department introduced its **Domestic Violence Unit** to review incidents of domestic violence in an effort to enhance the prosecution of cases through evidence based methodologies, direct resources into the affected relationships, and attempt to decrease repeat calls for service.
- The DeKalb Police "Youth in Need Task Force" met and began moving forward to put in place a summer
  program for University Village that would bring meals and recreational programming to children,
  education and mentoring skills for parents, and other community resources to address problems within
  that neighborhood in 2014.
- The DeKalb Police Department deployed the Targeted Response Unit (TRU) as a proactive policing
  measure to address street crime, narcotics trafficking, and gun violence within our City. TRU has made a
  significant impact in a short period of time by dramatically increasing our ability to interdict narcotics
  sales, violent crime, and gang related criminal acts.
- The DeKalb Police Department became a regional, full time partner with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) by assigning a full time officer to the DEA Task Force, enhancing our ability to identify and arrest larger scale regional drug dealers.
- The DeKalb Police Canine Unit was re-established, deploying a canine team to assist in drug interdiction, offender apprehension, missing person investigations, and in general adding a new tool to our crime fighting tool box.
- The DeKalb Police Department added a prisoner transport vehicle to our fleet by reconditioning a former DeKalb Fire Department ambulance. This vehicle allows our police officers to safely detain arrestees and enables our officers to remain on the street at critical times during field operations.

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2013**

- Our co-policing initiative with the Northern Illinois University Police Department (NIU PD) grew significantly with a NIU police officer being assigned to the DeKalb Police Targeted Response Unit, NIU PD officers partnering up with DeKalb officers on two of our three Patrol shifts, and our ongoing team policing in the heavily populated student areas off campus.
- The DeKalb Police joined forces with the **DeKalb County Sheriff's Office** to form the county's first multijurisdictional **Special Operations Team** (SOT) to be utilized to address high risk warrant service and arrests, as well as any hostage or barricaded gunmen situations.
- The DeKalb Police "I Watch" program was in full operation allowing smart phone users the ability to download a free application to their phones that enabled the user to report crime anonymously by calling, texting, sending pictures or videos in real time. The program also expanded to allow code violations through "Code Watch" to be reported via the "I Watch" application.
- The community relations based program, "Coffee with the Chief" began and allowed members of the community to meet with the Chief on a monthly basis to discuss items of interest or concerns in a casual and user friendly environment.
- On the legislative front the revision and implementation of several City ordinances had a significant impact on crime trends in our City, those included the Mass Gathering, Parking, Disruptive Intoxication, Crime Free Housing, and Administrative Tow.
- The DeKalb Police Department began an internal mentoring program that addresses leadership enhancing methodologies to improve leadership at all levels.
- The DeKalb Police Department received several community awards for 2013 which included the Target
  Corporation's National Night Out Award of Excellence, the DeKalb County Partnership for a Substance
  Abuse Free Environment's Award of Excellence, and the Safe Passage Award for Commendable Service
  to our Community.
- The DeKalb Police Department signed on to the TRIAD agreement as facilitated by the Family Service
  Agency of DeKalb County. The TRIAD partners law enforcement, elderly care services and community
  service organizations to work cooperatively with programs that are responsive to the needs of senior
  citizens.
- For the second year in a row the DeKalb Police reported a drop in crime throughout the City, with a 5% decrease in Uniformed Crime Reports for Part 1 our more serious offenses and an 11% drop in Part 2 offenses.

In 2013 Commander Jason Leverton, Officer Jeff Weese and Sergeant Craig Woodruff received their Master's Degrees in Public Administration from Northern Illinois University. Commander Leverton also received the William R. Monat Scholar Award for leadership and achievement in academics and public service career. He also received the Academic Achievement Award that is presented to those who achieved a 4.0 GPA; the ASPA Outstanding Student Award and the Pi Alpha Alpha.

### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 2013**

The DeKalb Police Department is where you will find a team of dedicated public servants who care about our community and serve with compassion, honesty and respect.

CHIEF OF POLICE Gene Lowery

DEPUTY CHIEF Wes Hoadley

COMMANDERS
Jason Leverton+
John Petragallo+

LIEUTENANTS
Carl Leoni\*
Robert Redel+
James McDougall+

SERGEANTS
Tracy Smith
Jonathan Costliow
James Haacker
Thomas Petit
Stylianos Lekkas+
Mark Tehan+
Craig Woodruff+

CORPORALS
Curt Biarnesen
Scott Farrell
Joseph Espy

SWORN OFFICERS

J. Kenton Quist Fred Busby Burton Johnson Steven Rodriguez

Jeffrey Winters Aaron Lockhart Chad McNett Mark Nachman Michael Stewart

Reda Reese Jose Jaques Kevin Ferrigan Angel Reyes

**Todd Wells** 

Richard Reynolds Jason Watson Darrick Wesson++

Mario Nonnemann Brian Bollow Paul Mott

Kelly Sullivan

Tony Kwasniewski Anthony Densberger

Anthony Densberge Chris Sullivan Thomas Reilly Keith Ehrke Jeffrey Weese Lance Reinbolz Jared Burke Elizabeth Fabro Jeffrey Ackland Keunte Mallett Aaron Gates Philip Brown

Joshua Boldt
Kris Mecca
Ryan Wilkens
Bryan Soderstrom
Jonathan Jursich
Sadie Pristave\*\*
Jordan Poulos\*\*

Jessica Duehning

Geoffrey Guzinski

John Loechel\*\*

Allison Benthusen\*\*
Michael Cicchetti\*\*

**COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER** 

Sgt. Lisa Miller

**FULL TIME TELECOMMUNICATORS** 

Donna Zenzen
Juanita Burke\*
Carol Halsey\*
Heide Durham
Linda Besler
Jeremiah Wilson
Michael Callahan
Sean Woyna
LaToya Marz
Carrie Becker

Christopher McMeen\*\*

Brittany Hedin\*\*

PART TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR

Adrienne Oziah
Jill Caldwell
Carol Halsey\*\*
Geoffrey Wells\*\*
Anne Luetkehans\*\*
Nick Garvey\*\*

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Penny Meier

**OFFICE ASSOCIATES** 

Rita Larson
Anna Alvarez++
Jackie Spartz\*\*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS** 

Pamela Faivre James Rhoades Daniel Gerace

COURT SECURITY
Ray West\*\*

**CRIME FREE HOUSING** 

Carl Leoni\*\*

Michael Stuckert\*\*

**VOLUNTEERS** 

**CROSSING GUARDS** 

#### **Personnel Changes**

<u>HIRED</u>

OFFICER SADIE PRISTAVE
OFFICER JORDAN POULOS
OFFICER JOHN LOECHEL
OFFICER ALLISON BENTHUSEN
OFFICER MICHAEL CICCHETTI
OFFICE ASSOCIATE ANNA ALVA

OFFICE ASSOCIATE ANNA ALVAREZ
OFFICE ASSOCIATE JACKIE SPARTZ
COURT SECURITY RAY WEST

COURT SECURITY RAT WEST

TELECOMMUNICATOR CHRISTOPHER MCMEEN
TELECOMMUNIATOR BRITTANY HEDIN
TELECOMMUNICATOR GEOFFREY WELLS

TELECOMMUNICATOR ANNE LUETKEHANS
TELECOMMUNICATOR NICK GARVEY
CRIME FREE HOUSING CARL LEONI

CRIME FREE HOSUING MICHAEL STUCKERT

**PROMOTED** 

COMMANDER JASON LEVERTON
COMMANDER JOHN PETRAGALLO

LT. ROBERT REDEL
LT. JAMES MCDOUGALL
SGT. MARK TEHAN
SGT. CRAIG WOODRUFF

**RESIGNED** 

OFFICER DARRICK WESSON SECRETARY ANNA ALVAREZ

**RETIRED** 

LT. CARL LEONI

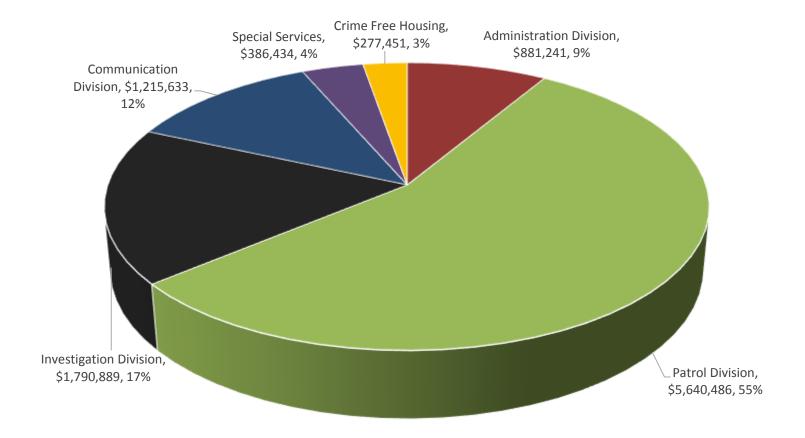
TELECOMMUNICATOR CAROL HALSEY
TELECOMMUNICATOR JUANITA BURKE

Promoted +
Resigned ++
Retired \*
Hired \*\*

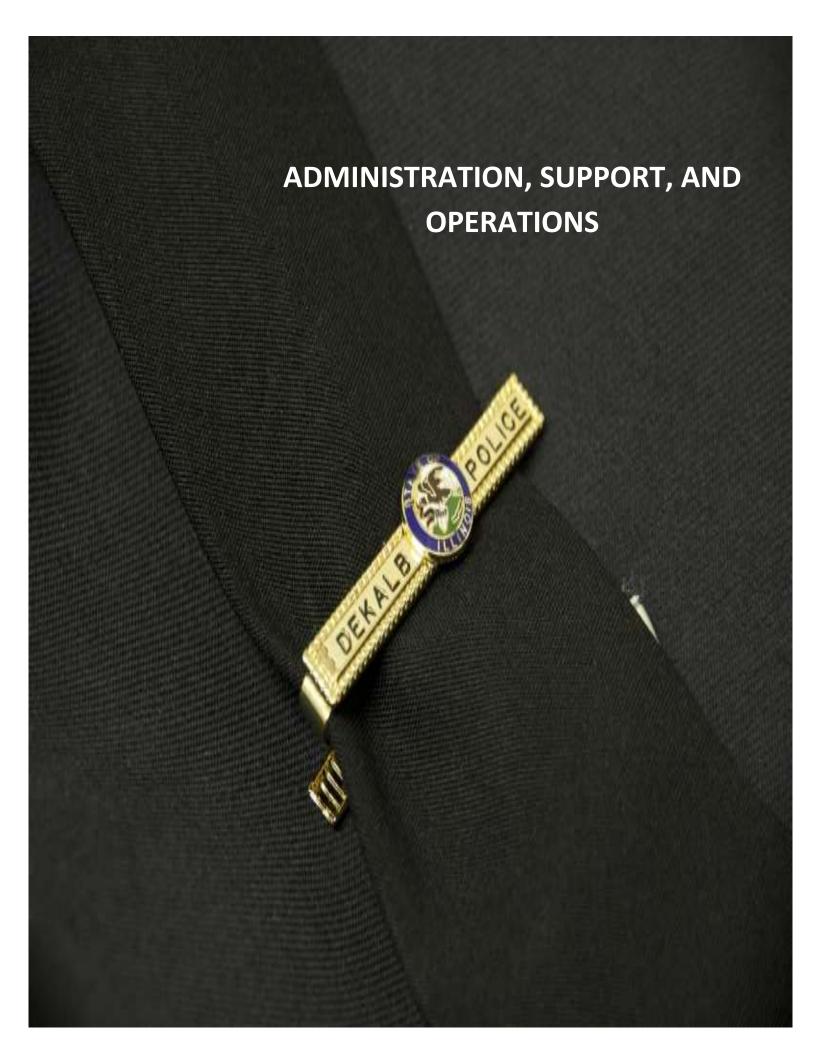
# **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



# **BUDGET**



Total Department Budget: \$ 10,192,134



#### **ADMINISTRATION**

The Office of the Chief oversees the day-to-day operations, balances demands for service and resources, and sets short term objectives and long term goals for the Police Department. The Police Department's "20/20 Vision for the Future" program was developed by Chief Gene Lowery in December of 2012 which established twenty objectives to be implemented within twenty months that would begin to evolve our policing strategy from a reactive to a proactive methodology.

Deputy Chief Wes Hoadley is responsible for the development of the Police Department budget, he works with the Command Staff to identify our operational needs, oversees special projects, and acts in lieu of the Chief of Police in his absence. The Deputy Chief also serves as the Illinois First Vice President of the **Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy Associates**, an organization that works to develop the leadership abilities of police executives throughout the free world.

The Chief's Administrative Assistant Penny Meier is primarily responsible for reporting crime information in accordance to the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (CLERY Act), the federal government's Uniform Crime Report (UCR), the state of Illinois' racial profiling data collection, and provides crime analysis that assists in guiding police operations and protecting our community.

#### SUPPORT BUREAU

The Support Bureau includes Records, Community Relations, Training, Court Security, Communications, Crime Free Housing, and Evidence. Since February of 2013, Commander Jason Leverton has led the Support Bureau. The Commander position was created to oversee several integral support functions of the Police Department that are staffed by dedicated, professional personnel. Commander Leverton also served as the department's liaison to the engineering and construction firms during the construction of the new facility. He and his staff were an integral part in making the physical move and operational transition to the new facility a monumental task well done.

#### **FLEET/FACILITIES**

This year the department added a prisoner transport vehicle by reconditioning an ambulance into a vehicle that can transport multiple arrestees.



#### **RECORDS**

The Records section is responsible for the collection and retention of reports, citations, parking tickets, arrests, and all other data pertaining to the functions of the Police Department. Records staff are charged with maintaining the integrity and confidentiality of all documents to ensure the credibility of information in the administration of justice, from the point of police contact to the adjudication of cases in court. They are also responsible for the timely fulfilment of subpoenas, report requests, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, and any other internal or external requests. Records personnel also provide service at the front desk in the public lobby, which includes walk-in customers in need of police service, general information, mail and during normal business hours handle incoming non-emergency calls to the Police Department. In 2013 the Records section handled 1,025 Freedom of Information requests, 313 subpoenas, conducted 592 background checks, provided the State's Attorney's Office with 1,994 reports, processed 449 "9-1-1" audio recordings, 588 videos, and 401 photographs. This represents only a portion of the work the clerical support staff provide to meet the demands of the criminal justice system and to support our overall mission.

#### **EVIDENCE**

The evidence section includes services for the intake and retention of all items of evidence collected by police officers and detectives, as well as for lost & found items. Community Service Officers are responsible for the receipt, storage, safekeeping, release, and proper disposal of all evidence and property taken into custody by the police department. All evidence is processed in accordance with the law as well as established policies and procedures. A barcoding system is planned for implementation in 2014 to help facilitate in the documentation and tracking of evidence.

#### **COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF**

The "Coffee with the Chief" program kicked off in



2013. "Coffee with the Chief" is a way for Chief Lowery and other community leaders to meet with residents in a comfortable environment to talk about any topics brought to the table. Refreshments are always served and there is never an agenda.

#### **COURT SECURITY**

The Police Department provides security for municipal court by limiting access to City Hall and insuring the courtroom is safe and orderly. Improvements to our court security procedures are constantly being reviewed and upgraded. Municipal Court is held at City Hall on Mondays, excluding court holidays. Municipal Court processes all ordinance violations and administrative hearings.



The DeKalb Police Department joined the social media world by using Facebook to share police-related information, community events, and to seek assistance from the community to help solve crimes.

#### **TRAINING**

The DeKalb Police Department retains its commitment to regularly train officers and support personnel in the many facets of law enforcement. The scope of an officer's duties requires ongoing training and recertification in a broad range of topics. In 2013 our staff logged **7,580** hours of training in a variety of disciplines that are essential in the performance of their respective assigned duties.

#### I WATCH DEKALB

"I Watch" DeKalb was introduced in the spring of 2013. It is a way for community members to send anonymous crime tips to the police in the form of a text message, voice mail, photos, and video using a smart phone or computer. "I Watch" can disseminate crime alerts and other information and translate over 30 languages. Over **350** tips have been received since the program began.



#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Telecommunications Center is staffed 24-hours a day, seven days a week with 10 full-time and six part-time dispatchers. Their primary function is to receive, prioritize and assign calls for service to both Police and Fire. They are certified through the State of Illinois in Public Safety Dispatch (PSD) which encompasses Law Enforcement and Fire Service Dispatch, as well as Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD). Communications monitors radio traffic for Public Works, the Fire Department, and other police agencies as well as monitors all security cameras throughout the Police Department and the Municipal Building.

In 2013 the Communications Division handled **13,865** "9-1-1" emergency calls, as well as entered into the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system **41,598** police calls and **5448** fire/rescue calls. The layout and space in the new building has allowed for an additional console to aid in responding to this increase in call volume and the division has switched to a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) program that will better suit the needs of the department.

In 2013 the DeKalb Police Department responded to 41,598 calls for service, an increase of 1.7% or 690 additional calls as compared to 2012. In 2013 we handled 13,865 emergency "911" calls, a decrease of 34.8% or 7,386 fewer "911" calls as compared to 2012.





### **CRIME FREE HOUSING and INSPECTIONS BUREAU**

Crime Free Housing and Inspections Bureau was created as a long term strategy designed to reduce crime by forming a partnership with those who are stakeholders in the community. The goal of the Crime Free Housing and Inspections Bureau is to reduce criminal activity and improve living conditions for all residents within the City of DeKalb by coordinating with landlords, property managers, residents, law enforcement and other City services. To reach this goal, the Bureau implements a Crime Free Housing Program along with a Sidewalk Inspections Program for property maintenance issues.

The Bureau monitors the frequency of criminal activity and other policing matters in rental properties and reports on same to the Chief of Police and Commander of Support Services. The Bureau supervises and coordinates the annual registration of residential rental properties; conducts crime free program certification workshops for residential property managers; coordinates crime prevention security assessments of the property and serves as a liaison between the Police Department and the Landlord/Rental Property owner community.

The Crime Free Housing Program has already been successful because it approaches crime on many fronts. The police cannot solve crime problems alone. Neither can the manager, owner or residents of rental properties. But by working together, the end result has been the most successful approach to crimes in rental communities.

Sidewalk Inspections will ensure properties stay up to code requirements keeping properties safe and used for the purpose it was intended for, the enjoyment of friendly people in a friendly environment.

Since the inception of the Crime Free Housing Bureau the following occurred:

- There were **381** cases opened in which the tenant or guest of the tenant was arrested for committing a crime on or about the property.
- The types of arrests that have generated cases being opened range from ordinance violations to serious felonies which have included aggravated batteries, home invasions, and reckless discharge of a firearm.
- There were **57** eviction proceedings were initiated, **19** tenants moved out voluntarily, and **31** guests of tenants were banned from properties.
- The impact of the Crime Free Housing Bureau is most evident in rental properties that once had a high volume of calls for service, which subsequent to the program's intervention have been significantly reduced.







#### **OPERATIONS BUREAU**

The Operations Bureau is represented by the dedicated men and women who respond to calls for service, make on-view arrests and investigate criminal acts of all types. In 2013 they responded to **41,598** calls for service **13,865** "911" emergencies. The Operations Bureau is comprised of the Patrol and Investigation Divisions and since February of 2013 has been led by Commander John Petragallo.

Officers within the Patrol Division are the most visible representatives of the department and they are the first responders to incidents being dispatched from the 911 call center or by viewing a situation as it is occurring. Patrol officers also get to know the various neighborhoods throughout the city and the community members they serve. When not responding directly to calls, or addressing other quality of life issues, the patrol officers use proactive time to combat ongoing crime problems in specific areas.

The Investigation Division is comprised of highly trained professionals that specialize in criminal investigations. The Detectives and Targeted Response Unit (TRU) officers' conduct follow-up criminal investigations on felony and serious misdemeanor crimes reported to the Police. Typically, a uniformed police officer responds to a call for service and prepares a police report which may require follow-up investigation. A Detective is then assigned to conduct the follow-up, often requiring many hours of investigation before an arrest is made or a case is closed.

In 2013 the Investigation Division investigated 587 cases, which resulted in 268 arrests; 52 cases cleared exceptionally; 16 cases referred to other agency; 6 were unfounded; 69 were inactive; and 176 remain active.

Specialized units operate under the Operations Bureau's span of control and include, Bike Patrol, Motor-Officers, Gang/Drug Enforcement, Youth Services, School Resource Officers, Marijuana Leaf Identification Services, Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS), Resident Officer Program (R.O.P.), the Targeted Response Unit, the Special Operations Team (SOT), Domestic Violence Unit, the Canine Unit and a Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force Officer. Each unit is designed to meet the needs of the community we serve in the most efficient and professional manner possible. The Operations Bureau is also the home for our Crossing Guards who insure the safe travel of our children to school and Volunteers that staff our Volunteers in Policing Program.



#### **BIKE PATROL**

In 2013, the mission for the bike patrol was citizen safety and crime reduction off campus. The focus was on the highly populated areas around Northern Illinois University.

Call volume and shift strength had a profound effect on the total hours of patrol in 2013. The bike patrol still managed to obtain a high number of citizen contacts, arrests and city ordinance violations.



There were nine officers assigned to bike patrol at various times throughout the year and their efforts were key in the downward trend in a variety of crime categories. The bike patrol also supported a variety of community events to include YMCA Bike Rodeo, Beatin' Betes 5K Run, Special Olympic Torch Run and Corn Fest.

	2012	2013		2012	2013
Hours	1082	648	Hours by Zone	651.5	484.5
Contacts	3819	2126	Northwest	251	115
Calls for Service	579	348	Northeast	251	115
Arrests	79	44	South	179	48.5
Parking	403	74	Calls Per Hour	.53	.53
Traffic	92	37	Arrests Per Hour	.07	.07
Ordinance	77	64	Ordinance Per House	.07	.10

#### **GANG UNIT**

The Gang Unit investigates gang-related crime, provides street level gang enforcement, gathers gang intelligence and performs gang awareness presentations to the community. The Gang Unit works closely with the community, school district, community stakeholders and other law enforcement agencies. They continue their outreach program to the community by discouraging gang involvement and forming relationships with the affected population.

In 2013 there were approximately 101 cases that were gang related or linked to street gang members.



#### **MOTOR UNIT**

The Motor Unit was established in 2004 with its main focus being traffic enforcement, community policing and special events.

Officers assigned to this unit are known as "motor officers."

In 2013, the DeKalb Police Department's Motor Unit was used for numerous functions throughout the city and county. Escorts for veterans returning home from overseas, funeral escorts as well as leading the Illinois Chiefs of Police charity motorcycle ride from St. Charles through DeKalb, Sycamore and Genoa then back to St. Charles. They participated in parades for Kishwaukee Fest and Memorial Day as well as the National Night Out event. The Motor Unit is also assigned to traffic duty in areas where a patrol car would be unable to effectively address the problem.

#### MARIJUANA LEAF IDENTIFICATION

In 2011, Sergeant Tom Petit received training in Marijuana Leaf Identification from the Illinois State Police Forensic Science Lab. This is the same training that scientists at the State Police Crime Lab receive. Sergeant Petit has been deemed by the court to be an expert witness with regards to examining plant material and determining if it is cannabis.

In 2013 the lab services were extended to the Cortland Police Department and the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office. They now join the Sycamore Police Department in having their cannabis identification needs met locally.

Defendant's found guilty of a violation of the Cannabis Control Act are assessed a \$100 lab fee when appropriate. Those fees go into the "DeKalb Police Lab Fund." In December of 2013, the DeKalb Police Department purchased a desktop ventilation system using money from that fund.

In 2013 there were 81 hours logged in cannabis testing, 344 cases examined, and a total of 703 exhibits.



#### **ILEAS**

The DeKalb Police Department has an officer on the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) **Mobile Field Force**. Realizing that individual departments cannot field a team of officers to handle major crowd control incidents ILEAS forged the Mobile Field Force, a contingent of police officers from ILEAS member departments, to handle such incidents. The officers from different police departments are equipped and trained through ILEAS to handle crowd control, protests and riots.

An officer is also assigned to the **Weapons of Mass Destruction Special Response Team** (WMD SRT). The WMD SRT teams are locally deployed SWAT teams that are specially trained and funded by ILEAS to deal with human threats in a hazardous materials environment. They often act as regional tactical assets for local agencies.





#### **DEKALB COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAM (SOT)**

The DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, Sycamore Police Department and the DeKalb Police Department have combined resources to implement a joint **Special Operations Team (SOT).** The presence of a highly trained and skilled law enforcement tactical unit has been shown to substantially reduce the risk of injury or loss of life to citizens, law enforcement, and offenders. Regional law enforcement executives recognized that a well-managed "team response" to critical incidents usually results in successful resolution of those incidents. SOT will support local law enforcement requesting a tactical response to a critical incident. Seven DeKalb Police Officers have been selected, equipped, trained, and integrated into the SOT. Following the partnership's inception, several successful missions have been conducted resulting in the de-escalation of critical incidents, an increase in drug arrests, and the apprehension of violent offenders.

#### **CO-POLICING INITIATIVE WITH THE NIU POLICE**

DeKalb Police in cooperation with Northern Illinois University Police are "team" policing to address student and community public safety needs. Both agencies regularly exchange information, plan initiatives to improve operations, and proactively work together to reduce crime.

Officers from each department partner up, working together during daily patrol shifts in the northwest quadrant of our City. Through these efforts we have seen an increase in communication, strengthened relationships, and learned to work together to make our community a safer place.



### **TARGETED RESPONSE UNIT (TRU)**

The Targeted Response Unit's (TRU) mission is to implement a pro-active, problem solving initiative, consistent with the department's community oriented policing philosophy. TRU will address street crime and quality of life issues in order to improve public safety and enhance our overall quality of life.

TRU is also responsible for monitoring all registered sex offenders, parolees, individuals wanted on warrants, and gang members residing within the community. Additionally, TRU will be on the front line of proactive policing through the pursuit of known offenders, by initiating street level narcotics-related investigations, and supporting other Operations Bureau functions.

#### DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION (DEA) TASK FORCE OFFICER

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Task Force Officer (TFO) is assigned directly to the regional DEA office. This position involves the in-depth investigation of drug and other criminal enterprises in the northern Illinois region. The DeKalb officer assigned as the DEA TFO is involved with covert investigations, including surveillance, monitoring wiretaps, participating in controlled drug transactions, working with informants, obtaining and executing search warrants, and arresting offenders.





#### **CANINE UNIT**

The DeKalb Police Department has deployed a canine team to support our Patrol Division. Officer Gates is assigned as handler for the canine, "Tach." "Tach" is a Belgian Malinois born in Slovakia and imported to the United States via Vohne Liche Kennels located in Denver, Indiana. This canine team went through training at the Illinois State Police Canine Training Facility. "Tach" is a dual purpose drug detection and patrol dog; trained in narcotics detection, handler protection, suspect apprehension, building and area searches, article searches and tracking.

#### OFFICER MENTORING PROGRAM

In 2013, the DeKalb Police Department decided to enhance the Field Training Program by introducing an **Officer Mentoring Program**. Once the new officer completes their Basic Academy (12 weeks) and Field Training program (16 weeks), they are assigned to an officer who will mentor them through their probationary period. The mentor will serve as an example for the probationary officer and guide them in the best police practices to meet the challenges they will face and to develop a strong partnership with the community.

#### **DETECTIVE ROTATION OF PATROL SERGEANTS**

The DeKalb Police Department has implemented a **cross training initiative** directing Patrol Sergeants without investigations experience into the Detective Division. Those Sergeants will be assigned to work in the Detective Division for a three month period. During this three month period the Sergeant will be assigned to investigate cases and to partner with other detectives to work cases.

The Sergeant will be responsible for completing all phases of an investigation; which includes but not limited to, call outs, crime scenes, interviews, search warrants, arrests, courtroom preparation and supervision of many different criminal investigations. The Sergeant will be exposed to innovative ways of investigating cases and will gain greater insight as to what occurs once a case report is transferred to the Detective Division. The knowledge and experience gained by the Sergeant will provide them with new ideas, strategies, and tools that will allow them to grow as a supervisor.

#### **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT**

The Domestic Violence Unit (DVU) was established in 2013 with establishing goals of reducing calls related to domestic violence, improving domestic violence investigations, working in concert with Safe Passage and the State's Attorney's Office, and to increase intervention to prevent violence associated with domestic situations. The DVU reviews domestic reports and arrests, upgrades charges when necessary, and follows up with victims for orders of protection. The DVU also works with Safe Passage to provide roll call training for officers and to orient Safe Passage staff to relevant police procedures.

In 2013 the DeKalb Police Department investigated 1408 domestic reports compared to 1247 in 2012, an increase of 161 incidents.

#### **CROSSING GUARDS**

The DeKalb Police Department employs 18 part-time school crossing guards who are responsible for crossing children at 15 crossings for five elementary schools and two middle schools in the city. The crossing guard's primary duty is to see that children cross the street in marked crosswalks and in a manner that provides for their maximum safety.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS**

The Community Service Officers (CSO) are nonsworn, part-time civilian members of the police department. They perform law enforcement related community services that does not require the enforcement authority of a sworn police officer. Their duties include property and evidence functions, abandon autos, the processing of arrestees, and assisting all divisions in various tasks.

#### **VOLUNTEERS IN POLICING PROGRAM**

Law enforcement volunteers are comprised of college students with aspirations of law enforcement careers and local residents who are interested in assisting the police in their mission. They perform service for the department without promise, expectation, or receipt of compensation for services rendered. These services may include booking prisoners, checking the security of vacationing residents' homes, traffic control during special events, and assisting the department in a variety of ways.

In 2013 our volunteers served **1234.5** hours which included **195.5** hours of preventative patrol, booking **276** prisoners, and helping citizens with **30** motor vehicle lockouts. The value of the hours the volunteers provide is estimated in excess of \$37,000. In 2013 our volunteers also assisted in the police department move from our old facility to the new police headquarters, which was greatly appreciated.

The volunteer program is a registered participant in the **National Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)** program.





#### **CHAPLAIN**

The DeKalb Police Chaplain program was developed to provide better service to the citizens of DeKalb as well as department personnel in times of personal crisis. Chaplains volunteer their time to provide spiritual guidance and counseling to all members of the DeKalb Police Department, their families, as well as citizens in need. In 2014 it is our goal to expand and improve the Chaplain's Program.

### COMMENDATIONS, PROMOTIONS, RETIREES & NEW HIRES



Officer Sadie Pristave hired 1/7/13



Officer Jordan Poulos hired 2/4/13



Officer John Loechel hired 3/19/13



Officer Allison Benthusen hired 4/1/13



Officer Michael Cicchetti hired 9/9/13

### **PROMOTIONS**

SERGEANT JASON LEVERTON WAS PROMOTED TO COMMANDER ON FEBRUARY 11, 2013.

SERGEANT JOHN PETRAGALLO WAS PROMOTED TO COMMANDER ON FEBRUARY 11, 2013.

SERGEANT ROBERT REDEL WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT ON APRIL 15, 2013.

SERGEANT JAMES MCDOUGALL WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT ON APRIL 15, 2013.

CPL. MARK TEHAN WAS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT ON FEBRUARY 25, 2013.

DET. CRAIG WOODRUFF WAS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT ON APRIL 15, 2013.

### **RETIRED**

Lieutenant Carl Leoni started with the department on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 1979. He was promoted to Sergeant on



October 10, 1994 and to the rank of Lieutenant on August 17, 2000. On February 3, 2013 he retired with 33 years of service.



# Examples of the Commendations Issued in 2013

On January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 1:35 am you were conducting a business check at the Travel Inn where you located a vehicle that had been reported stolen out of Waukegan, Illinois. Upon further investigation you determined that a subject identified as Joey Castro, a twenty year old male, had checked into the motel with one other person. Officers went to the room reportedly occupied by the Castro subject and ultimately officers were allowed entry by Castro. Castro admitted that he had the vehicle in his possession without the authority of its lawful owner and noted that his actions while speaking with the police were suspicious in nature.

In further checking the room a fifteen year old female was located hiding under the bed; she had been reported missing seven days earlier. Further your investigation revealed that the Castro subject and the female juvenile were headed out of state which may have resulted in the disappearance or other harm to the missing juvenile. The juvenile was ultimately returned home, her family comforted and thankful for your actions, and Joey Castro was arrested as a result of this incident.

The Police Department's Targeted Response Unit (TRU) was formed with a goal of reducing crime in our City by addressing street crime and quality of life issues. TRU began full time operations in September of 2013 and focused on crime related to street gangs, narcotics trafficking, weapons offenses, and repeat offenders. During the final quarter of 2013 TRU made 141 arrests including 36 felonies and 28 criminal warrants which included numerous investigations involving shootings, home invasions, and armed robberies. Other events that demonstrated TRU's operational effectiveness included a warrant sweep that resulted in the arrest of over 20 felony drug and gang offenders, the arrest of two subjects and the interdiction of 22 kilos of cocaine at our municipal airport, and an investigation and arrest that resulted in the seizure of 20 pounds of cannabis. The members of the Targeted Response Team have early on set a high standard for others to follow with their dedication to the mission, our Police Department, and the welfare of our community.

On January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 4:40 pm, you responded to an accident involving several vehicles at a local grocery store parking lot. Upon arriving at the scene you and your fellow officer determined that the driver of the vehicle at fault was in immediate need of first aid, which appeared to be a contributing factor regarding the accident. Your team effort to get the individual in a position to receive first aid, place an AED on the victim and deliver several shocks as well as administer CPR until the arrival of the ambulance was critical to saving his life.

As a result of your training and your effective, immediate life saving measures this individual survived long enough to be treated for his medical condition. This medical emergency was tended to with professionalism and skill; as such you are hereby awarded the DeKalb Police Department's Life Saving Award.

On January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 0139 hours you investigated an improperly parked vehicle in front of Otto's Nightclub. Upon approaching the driver you observed an open container of alcohol inside the driver's compartment and noted that there was a strong odor of cannabis also present. You determined that the subject's driver's license was suspended and based on your initial observations and investigation placed the subject in custody. During your subsequent search of the vehicle you located cannabis, approximately \$1,400 dollars, and recovered a loaded 9mm handgun underneath the driver's seat. The driver would later admit that the cannabis was his, the money was profit from the sale of drugs, and also admitted possession of the firearm.

The offender in this case was ultimately charged with Aggravated Unlawful Use of Weapons, Unlawful Use of Weapons, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis with the intent to Deliver, and Driving while License Suspended. You initiated this case based on a minor parking violation that others may have overlooked. Your observation and investigative skills are evident in this case and as such you removed a loaded firearm from the streets of our city and arrested a drug dealer. You have represented yourself and the DeKalb Police Department in an admirable manner and are to be commended for a job well done.



### **COMMENDATIONS**

On February 21st, 2013 at approximately 0300 hours, two offenders were in possession of a stolen vehicle and were out on foot in the 100 block of Heatherfield Lane burglarizing vehicles in that neighborhood. When the police arrived in the area the offenders fled northbound from the scene attempting to avoid apprehension. Officers from the DeKalb Police Department initiated their on-scene investigation, established a perimeter and requested the assistance of a DeKalb County Sheriff's Office K9 unit. Thanks to the teamwork by you and your fellow police officers one of the suspects was tracked and apprehended in the adjacent field.

The offender was later interviewed by detectives and subsequently identified his partner in crime. During the course of the investigation the second offender was apprehended at a nearby apartment where proceeds from a variety of their crimes were recovered. Their crime spree involved several stolen vehicles, thefts, burglaries and a domestic battery all of which resulted in their arrests. Had it not been for you and your fellow officer's effective response and decision making on-scene the initial subject may not have been located and these cases could have remained unsolved. As the result of your dedication to duty and professional response the subjects were apprehended, proceeds were recovered, several potential victims were spared and the offenders were charged. You are to be commended for a job well done and representing yourself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013, DeKalb Police Officers responded to a check for wellbeing call at the Double Bubble Laundromat located at 850 Pappas Drive. They determined a female subject had entered the bathroom of the business and had not been seen for an extended period of time. They attempted to get a response from the occupant of the bathroom which failed and ultimately forced the door open where they discovered an unresponsive 33-year-old female on the floor. The female was immediately transported to Kishwaukee Community Hospital where she would ultimately succumb from an apparent drug overdose losing her life. At the scene evidence of illicit drug use was located and the preliminary investigation determined that the victim had acquired heroin from a suspect identified as Christopher Davis. The ensuing investigation was complex, implemented a wide variety of investigative measures, and required a high level of teamwork across a host of disciplines and jurisdictions. The cornerstone of this investigation was founded in communication, cooperation, and leadership which culminated in the arrest of Christopher Davis, who would later confess to supplying the victim with the heroin immediately preceding her death. The offender was charged with the delivery of heroin and the drug induced homicide. This case was not solved by the work of one detective doing a good job; it was solved by a team of detectives under excellent leadership, doing an outstanding job. They are too commended for a job well done and for representing themselves and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

On March 5, 2013 at 1147 hours, dispatch received a hotline report of a suicidal subject who threatened to harm himself with a firearm. The telecommunicators did an outstanding job in obtaining and confirming the information and dispatching the call. The shift supervisor also did an outstanding job in coordinating the response and course of action, which included setting up a perimeter, closing down the roadway, attempting contact by telephone, and announcing instructions to the subject over a loudspeaker. The situation was resolved peacefully when the subject surrendered himself and was taken into custody.

The appropriate response to a potentially barricaded subject with a firearm is extremely critical and invariably places officers in harm's way. The shift supervisor used good judgment and clear communication to limit the hazards and yield a successful conclusion. The officers all followed instructions, worked together, and acted bravely in the apprehension of the subject. The telecommunicators also worked together to take the initial call, confirm information, document the ongoing events, coordinate radio traffic, and check several different resources including inhouse records, water billing, and telephone service providers in order to learn the identity, history, and correct location of the subject.

These actions are a commendable example of the proficiency and professionalism required in providing safe and effective emergency response. I am proud of the teamwork and devotion to duty of everyone involved.

On March 5th, 2013, you located a vehicle driven by a person with a suspended driver's license. During a search of the suspect vehicle you located a large quantity of United States currency and determined that the monies were counterfeit. You were able to obtain a confession from the defendant revealing that they had purchased the counterfeit bills for their personal use. Your performance during this investigation is an example of "looking beyond the stop," resulting not only in traffic charges but a felony arrest.

In the late evening hours of July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013, DeKalb Police Officers responded to a fight involving several subjects in the 1400 block of Sycamore Road. Upon arriving at the scene officers discovered that several good Samaritans had broken up the fight, assisted the victim escape the area, and that the victim had been injured during the altercation. Several suspects and witnesses were identified at the scene; however, the victim could not be located. Within an hour of the initial fight call a 17-year-old victim of an apparent stab wound arrived at Kishwaukee Community Hospital, where the investigation continued. The victim, who is an affiliate of the Latin King street gang, had sustained a stab wound to his back that collapsed a lung, and initially refused to cooperate with police. Detectives approached the victim several days after the incident and ultimately gained his cooperation, obtained details of the incident, and began their follow-up investigation. The investigation was difficult due to most of the individuals involved were affiliated with street gangs or on parole, yet the investigation revealed the identity of the knife wielding offender. The offender, Ryan Pre, would later confess to stabbing the victim and be charged with Aggravated Battery. The detectives in this case faced an insurmountable task with an uncooperative victim; they stayed the course completing the investigation, and took a dangerous offender off the streets. They are to be commended for a job well done, for setting the standard for others to follow, and representing themselves and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

### **COMMENDATIONS**

In the early morning hours of July 17th, 2013, DeKalb Police Officers responded to an activated alarm indicating there was a burglary in progress at Lovell's Discount Tire located at 424 E. Lincoln Highway. The alarm was a proactive system installed by the police in response to two other burglaries having been reported at that location in recent weeks. Officers responding established a perimeter and noticed movement from inside the business that was determined to be the suspect attempting to flee the scene through the rear entrance. The suspect exited the building through a window and was immediately apprehended by police without incident. The subsequent investigation revealed that the offender was responsible for the two previous burglaries as well as the incident that led to his capture. The offender, Michael D. Tilton, was charged regarding these crimes and taken to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Jail where he was detained for prosecution. These officers responded to a crime in progress, responded in a tactically sound manner, completed the investigation, and apprehended the offender. They are to be commended for a job well done, for setting the standard for others to follow, and representing themselves and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

On September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at 0603 hours, a Telecommunicator received a 911 call from a distraught caller stating his daughter was not breathing, laying on the bathroom floor and covered in blood. The Telecommunicator learned the caller was the victim's father. The mother, who was also present at the scene, was also heard in the phone conversation due to her emotional state. The Telecommunicator was able to keep the father relatively calm by having him focus on answering several questions. The father, at first, thought his daughter had been seriously injured due to falling out of the shower. As the conversation continued and attempts to see if someone wanted to administer CPR, the father discovered a bullet casing on the floor. The mother then realized the daughter's car was missing.

The Telecommunicator remained calm and changed his line of questioning to protect the scene and obtain vehicle information from the parents. He remained on the phone for over five minutes with the parents until officers arrived. This case was ultimately determined to be a homicide and as such the Telecommunicator actions were key in preserving evidence and calming all parties involved.

The Telecommunicator is to be commended for his professionalism with a call that was an emotional and challenging situation. He represented himself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner, setting the standard for others to follow.

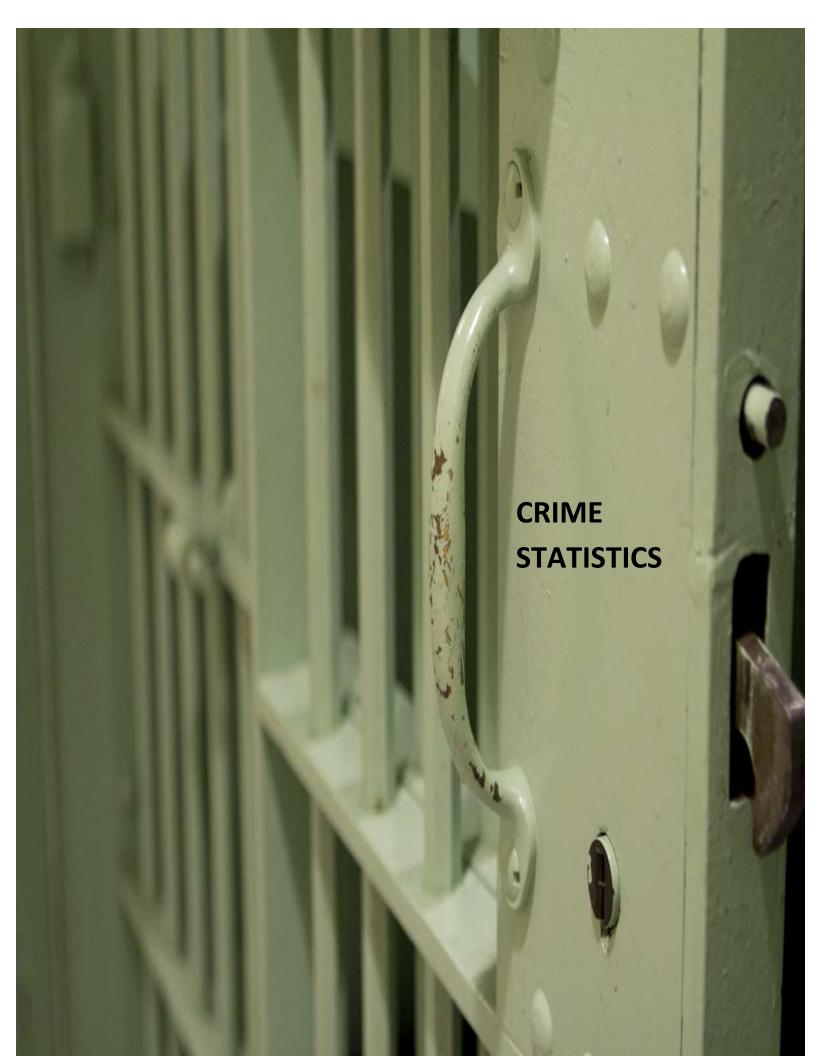


On October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013 just before midnight, an officer was approached by a citizen who identified a subject who was in possession of a handgun in front of the Jimmy Johns restaurant located at 850 Pappas Drive. The officer approached the subject reportedly armed with the firearm to investigate the information at which time the offender began to walk away, the subject was given verbal commands to stop and initially complied. However as back up officers were arriving the subject fled the scene and a foot pursuit ensued. The male subject was apprehended who was subsequently identified as Tracy Jamason of Chicago, Illinois. An immediate search of the area resulted in the recovery of a loaded, .357 semi-automatic handgun which was in the offender's possession.

The investigation of this incident, which occurred during the Northern Illinois University's Homecoming festivities, revealed that the subject had been at the restaurant and had been involved in an argument where the weapon had been displayed. It was determined that Jamason subject was a current parolee for the offense of Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Felon, had been involved in an incident where he had been shot just weeks prior, and as a result of the action he was charged with Aggravated Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Felon, and Resisting a Peace Officer. As a result of the quick and decisive actions by both individuals a dangerous offender was taken off the streets and they surely prevented a deadly situation from developing. Both officers are to be commended for their selfless actions, their demonstrated courage in facing an armed offender, and their dedication to the mission. They have represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner that sets the standard for others to follow.

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013, at 11:40 a.m. a 911 call was received from a panicked citizen who advised that her co-worker was choking. The Telecommunicator asked her if she knew how to do the Heimlich maneuver. The caller stated she did not. The Telecommunicator was able to give the caller clear, concise direction in the application of the Heimlich. The caller passed that information on to another subject who successfully performed the maneuver. The item was dislodged in seconds and the patient started breathing regularly again. The caller stayed on the phone for just over seven minutes until the ambulance arrived.

On behalf of the City of DeKalb and the DeKalb Police Department you are commended for your life-saving actions.



# **ACCIDENTS**

#### 2013 Facts...

Friday is the day that experienced the most accidents.

Mondays and
Wednesdays are the
days with the most
injury accidents.

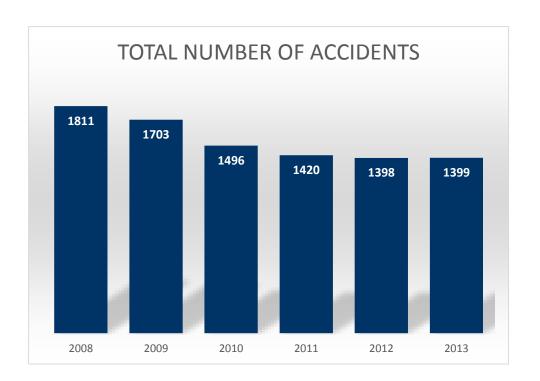
The highest accident frequency per hour is between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

21 year old drivers were involved in the most accidents.

There were a total of 735 citations issued in accidents reported.

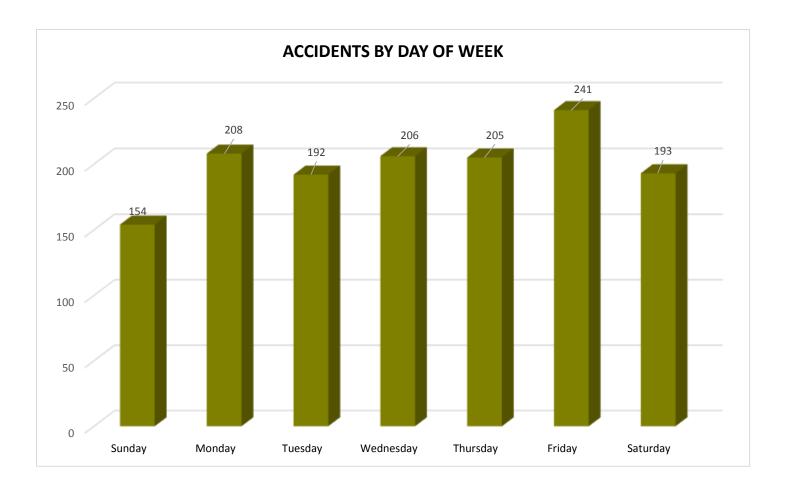
Most frequent citation issued was for "Too fast for conditions."

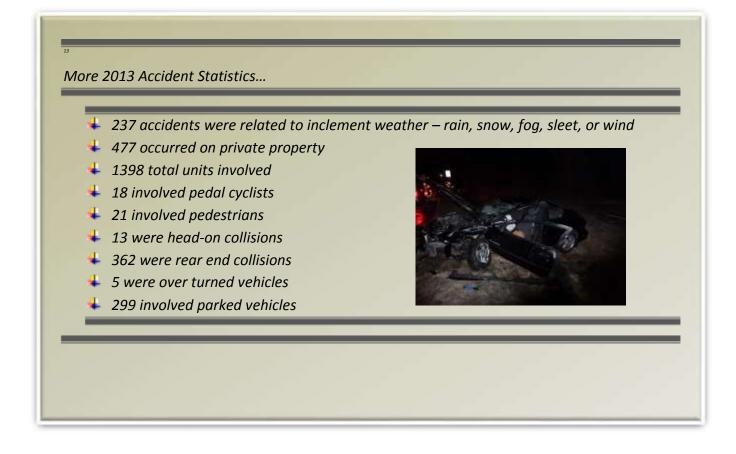
There were 216 persons injured in accidents and there were no traffic fatalities in 2013.



### HIGHEST INTERSECTION ACCIDENTS

<u>2013</u>	
Annie Glidden & Lincoln Highway	20
4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln Highway	11
1 <sup>st</sup> & Locust	11
Annie Glidden & Lucinda	8
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln Highway	8
2012	
Annie Glidden & Lincoln	16
Lincoln & Peace	11
Barber Greene & Sycamore	9
4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln	9
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln	7
<u>2011</u>	
4 <sup>th</sup> & Lincoln	11
Annie Glidden & Lincoln	10
Barber Greene & Sycamore	9
1 <sup>st</sup> & Lincoln	8
Lincoln & Peace	8





### **ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES**

	2011	2012	2013
To Fire Department	382	435	315
To Other Government Agencies	316	302	230
To Other Police Agencies	642	584	690
To Others			370
Warrant Attempts/Paper Service	190	628	401
Warrant Arrests	590	567	622

### **PUBLIC SERVICES**

ACTIVITY	2011	2012	2013
Assist Business	269	302	220
Assist Citizen	1260	1337	1061
Assist Motorist	695	614	604
Building/Residential Checks	3054	4191	4252
Child Safety Seat Inspections	69	96	79
Compliance Checks		29	37
Crossing Guard Duty	121	65	177
Escorts	412	423	467
Fingerprint Civilians	533	471	198
Keys Locked in Car	2321	2330	2284
Lost/Found Property/Bicycles	336	351	341
Message Delivery	55	59	49
Open Door/Window	115	101	116
Other Public Service	32	22	88
Pickup/Delivery of Articles	44	51	31
Public Presentations	26	35	11
Special Events	29	34	77
Total	9371	10,482	10,092

### OTHER CALLS FOR SERVICE

	2011	2012	2013
Accidental Injury	9	13	10
Air Gun Violation	14	2	14
Alarm	846	940	968
Animal Calls	544	604	593
Annoying Phone Call – No Report	19	30	108
Check Well Being	610	669	694
Child Custody Dispute* (new in 2013)			70*
Citizen Contact* (new in 2012)	N/A	21*	125
Civil Dispute	211	190	194
Disorderly Conduct-No Arrest/Report	598	634	650
Disorderly House	98	115	96
Disruptive Intoxication* (new in 2013)			16*
Domestic Trouble	901	885	738
Drug Overdose* (new in 2013)			2*
Fighting In City	147	159	121
ID Check/No Arrest	22	44	24
Intoxicated Person	149	203	88
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	55	38	17
Lost/Missing/Found/Disorderly Juvenile	447	463	283
Loud Party/Stereo/Noise	1427	1414	1371
Mental Case	58	61	56
Missing Person	30	29	49
Neighbor Trouble	76	83	28
Other Calls/Special Services	336	559	669
Tow Relocator Complaints	30	36	64
Repossession	43	58	74
Sex Offender Registration	138	203	218
Shots Fired	20	38	47
Solicitors	86	85	65
Standby-Child/Property Exchange	120	179	137
Sudden Death	22	24	13
Suicide	3	2	1
Suicide-Attempt/Threat	120	143	103
Suspicious Activity	1983	2097	1718
Suspicious Drug Activity/Drug Tip* (new in 2012)		115*	219
Suspicious Activity/Weapon Involved* (new in 2012)	N/A	17*	11
Smoking/Tobacco Violations	37	22	11
Unfounded 911 Calls	992	770	745
Unfounded Calls	33	38	10
TOTAL	10,214	10,835	10,332

### TRAFFIC SERVICES

ACTIVITY	2011	2012	2013
Abandan Auto	150	126	126
Abandon Auto	150	136	126
Other Traffic Services	1294	946	365
Parking Complaints	416	420	581
Parking Tickets Issued	13,090	11,449	7607
Pedestrian Warning	53	101	215
Reckless Driver Complaints/Motorist Disputes	133	168	396
Traffic Stops	3143	3669	4543
TOTALS	18,279	16,889	13,833

### TRAFFIC CITATIONS

	2011	2012	2013
Child Restraint/No Seat Belt	881	1253	545
Disobeyed Traffic Control Devices	375	369	237
Driver License Violations	567	643	626
Driving Under Influence Alcohol/Drugs	157	229	186
DUI Over .08	100	158	116
Equipment Violations	111	111	104
Hit & Run	57	60	88
Illegal Transportation of Alcohol	55	56	62
Improper Lane Usage	184	216	168
Improper Use/Suspended/No Registration	379	323	314
Miscellaneous	181	164	314
One Way Streets	12	13	12
Operating Uninsured Vehicle/False Insurance Card	1227	1150	920
Passing School Bus	7	13	8
Reckless Driving and Fleeing/Eluding	20	20	10
Speeding – Over/Too Fast for Conditions/School Zone	325	293	216
Speeding – Radar	741	592	427
Turning Violations	21	26	14
Zero Tolerance	11	13	5
TOTAL	5591	5901	4372

# **DUI ENFORCEMENT**

City of DeKalb
2013 DUI Facts...

There was a 19% decrease in DUI arrests from 2012 to 2013.

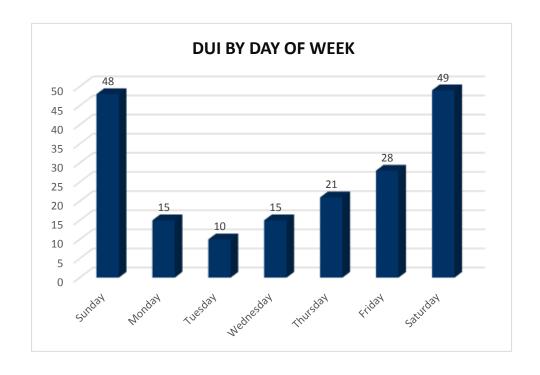
Of the 186 arrests 35 were female and 151 were males.

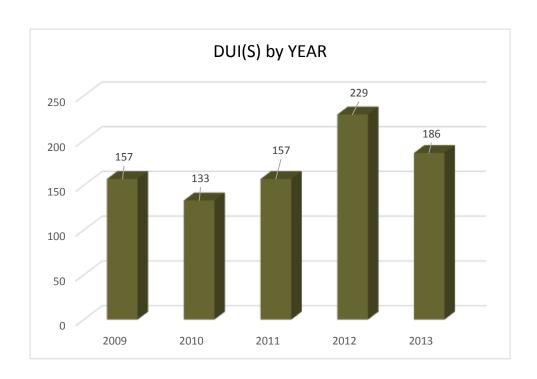
The average age for a DUI arrest in the City of DeKalb is 30.5.

22 year olds received the most DUIs.

34 DUIs were accident related.

Of the 186 DUI arrests, 19 were charged as DUI drugs.





### **PART I CRIMES**

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes. The UCR Program collects data about Part I offenses in order to measure the level and scope of crime occurring throughout the Nation. The program's founders chose these offenses because they are serious crimes, they occur with regularity in all areas of the country, and they are likely to be reported to police. NOTE: The below listed Part I crimes do not reflect the hierarchy rule that the State of Illinois requires. The below statistics are a total of all offenses that occurred in the City of DeKalb. (The hierarchy rule is applied when two or more offenses occur and only the most serious offense is reported.)

	2011	2012	2013	% CHANGE (2012-2013)
HOMICIDE	1	0	2	N/A
*HOMICIDE-ATTEMPT	2	1	1	0%
*HOMICIDE – DRUG INDUCED	1	2	1	-50%
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	48	48	48	0%
ROBBERY	35	28	29	4%
AGGRAVATED BATTERY/ASSAULT	141	137	147	7%
BURGLARY	207	215	191	-11%
THEFT	1185	1081	1022	-5%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	26	24	31	29%
ARSON	10	20	11	-45%
TOTAL	1656	1556	1483	-5%

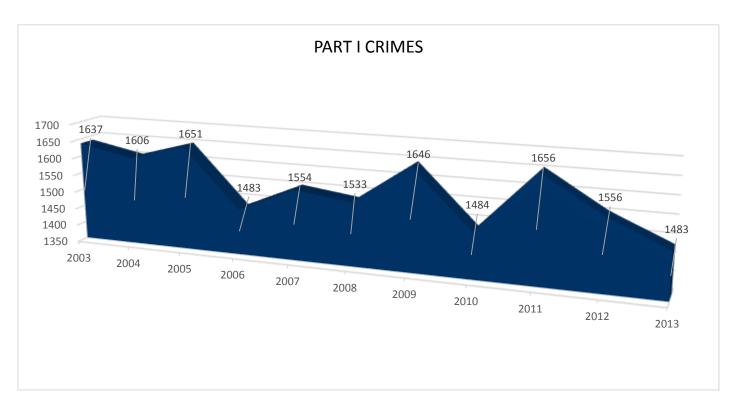
<sup>\*</sup>Attempted Homicides are reported as Aggravated Batteries to the Uniform Crime Report. Drug Induced Homicides are no longer reported to Uniform Crime Report. We have listed these offenses in our annual report as Part I Crimes due to the seriousness of the incident.

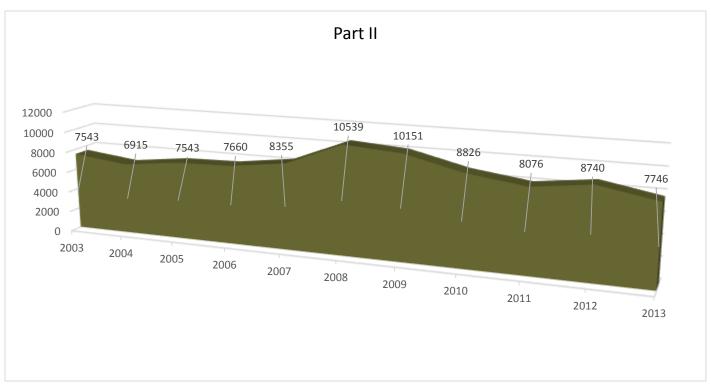
# PART II CRIMES

	2011	2012	2013	%CHANGE (2012-2013)
BATTERY	604	605	622	3%
DECEPTION	446	576	546	-5
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & TRESPASS	920	943	853	-10%
DEADLY WEAPONS	36	38	29	-24%
SEX OFFENSES	39	54	41	-24%
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	104	122	62	-49%
CANNABIS CONTROL	286	333	370	11%
*METHAMPHETAMINE OFFENSES	0	2	5	150%
HYPODERMIC SYRINGES & NEEDLES ACT	11	4	7	75%
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	163	217	236	9%
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	108	72	120	65%
LIQUOR CONTROL VIOLATIONS	427	327	253	-23%
MAJOR MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSE	3286	3672	2830	-23%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	753	833	748	-10%
INTERFERE W/POLICE OFFICER	149	185	196	6%
INTIMIDATION	6	11	14	27%
KIDNAPPING *includes unlawful visitation interference incidents	135	79	90	14%
VIOLATION OF SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY LAWS	7	21	7	-67%
OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES	595	646	715	11%
TOTAL	8076	8740	7746	-11%

### PART I AND PART II TRENDS

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes. The UCR program collects data about Part I offenses in order to measure the level and scope of crime occurring throughout the Nation. The Part I offenses include, Homicide, Forcible Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault/Battery, Burglary, Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson. The Part II offenses included other Assaults, Deceptions, Vandalism, Weapon offenses, Sex Offenses, Drug offenses, Gambling, offenses against Family and Children, Liquor offenses, Disorderly Conduct, Sex Registry offenses, offenses involving Juveniles, Terrorism, and other criminal offenses.





2013 Notes of Interest...

In 2013 the NIU Police
Department assisted
the department with
2,282 calls – an increase
of 37%. Of these calls,
28 resulted in reports
where NIU PD handled
the incident.

There was a 40% decrease in assault/batteries against a police officer from 2012.

There was a 4% increase in resisting and obstructing offenses compared to 2012. In 2012 there were 184 compared to 195 in 2013.

Other agencies handled 67 of our calls due to excessive call volume compared to 58 last year.

There was a 31% increase in officer initiated calls in 2013.

Public Services						
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	% CHANGE				
10,482	10,092	-4%				
	Drug Offenses					
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	% CHANGE				
628	738	18%				
Offenses In	volving Weapon	s or Implied				
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>				
313	1413	351%				
	Domestic Calls					
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>%CHANGE</u>				
1247	1408	13%				
Total Calls for Service						
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>% CHANGE</u>				
40,908	41,598	2%				
Assaults Against Police Officers						
<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	% CHANGE				

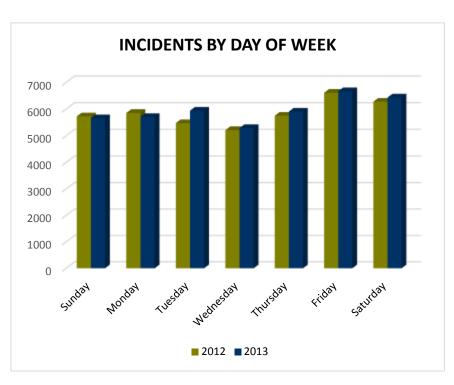
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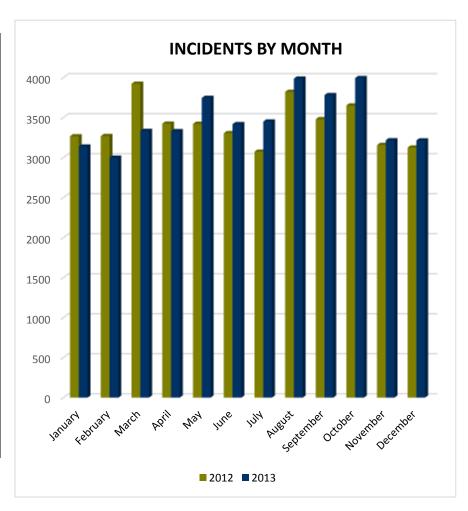
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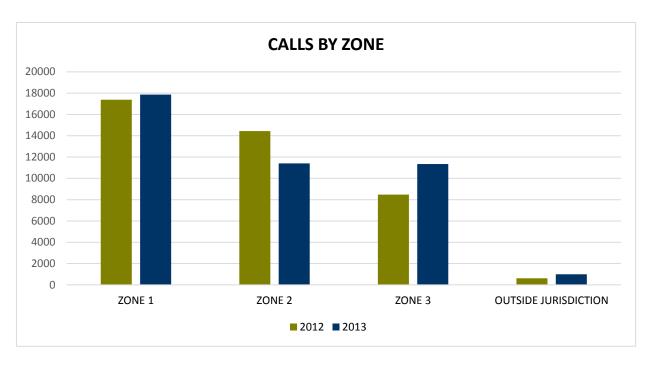
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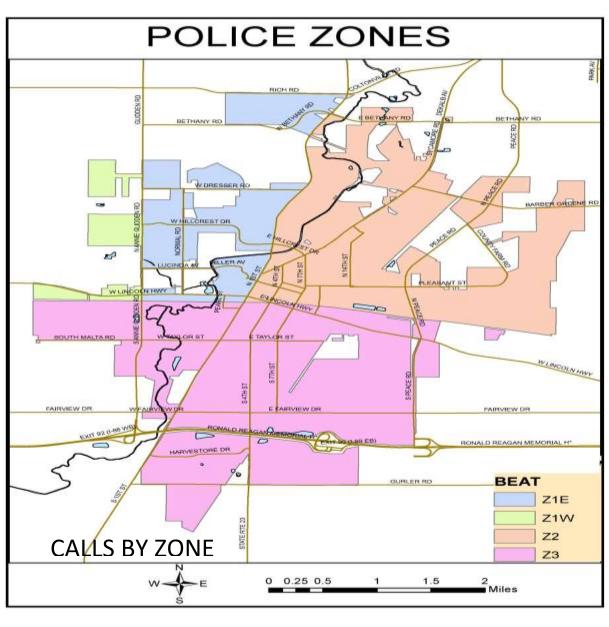
	2012	2013	% CHANGE
SUNDAY	5727	5656	-1%
MONDAY	5856	5704	-3%
TUESDAY	5474	5941	9%
WEDNESDAY	5212	5288	1%
THURSDAY	5751	5906	3%
FRIDAY	6611	6669	1%
SATURDAY	6277	6434	3%
TOTAL	40,908	41,598	2%



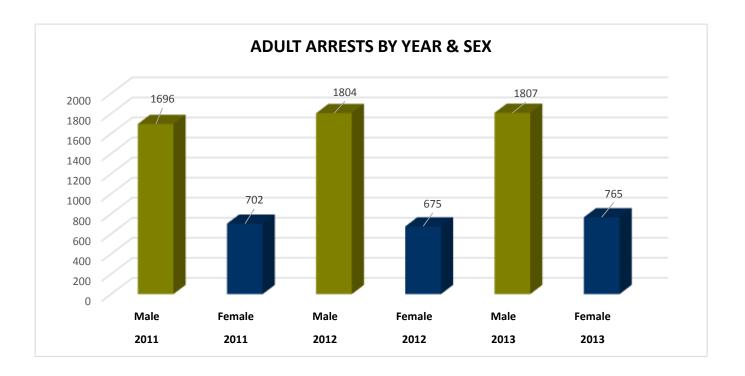
	2012	2013	% CHANGE
JANUARY	3265	3137	-4%
FEBRUARY	3268	2998	-8%
MARCH	3922	3333	-15%
APRIL	3423	3329	-3%
MAY	3421	3745	9%
JUNE	3304	3417	3%
JULY	3073	3450	12%
AUGUST	3821	3986	4%
SEPTEMBER	3479	3780	9%
OCTOBER	3650	3993	9%
NOVEMBER	3157	3216	2%
DECEMBER	3125	3214	3%
TOTAL	40,908	41,598	2%

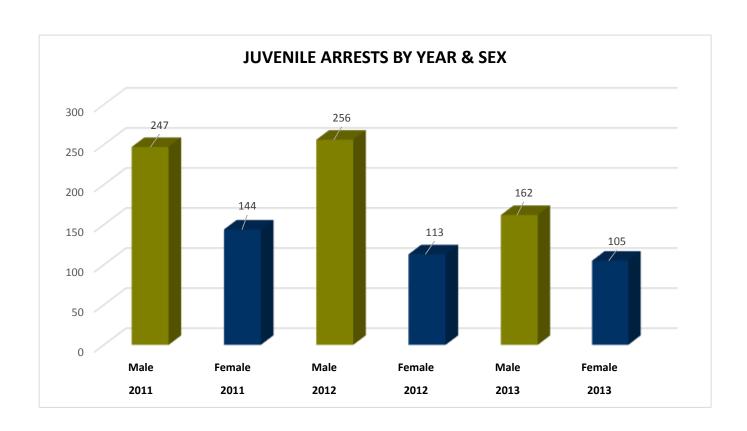


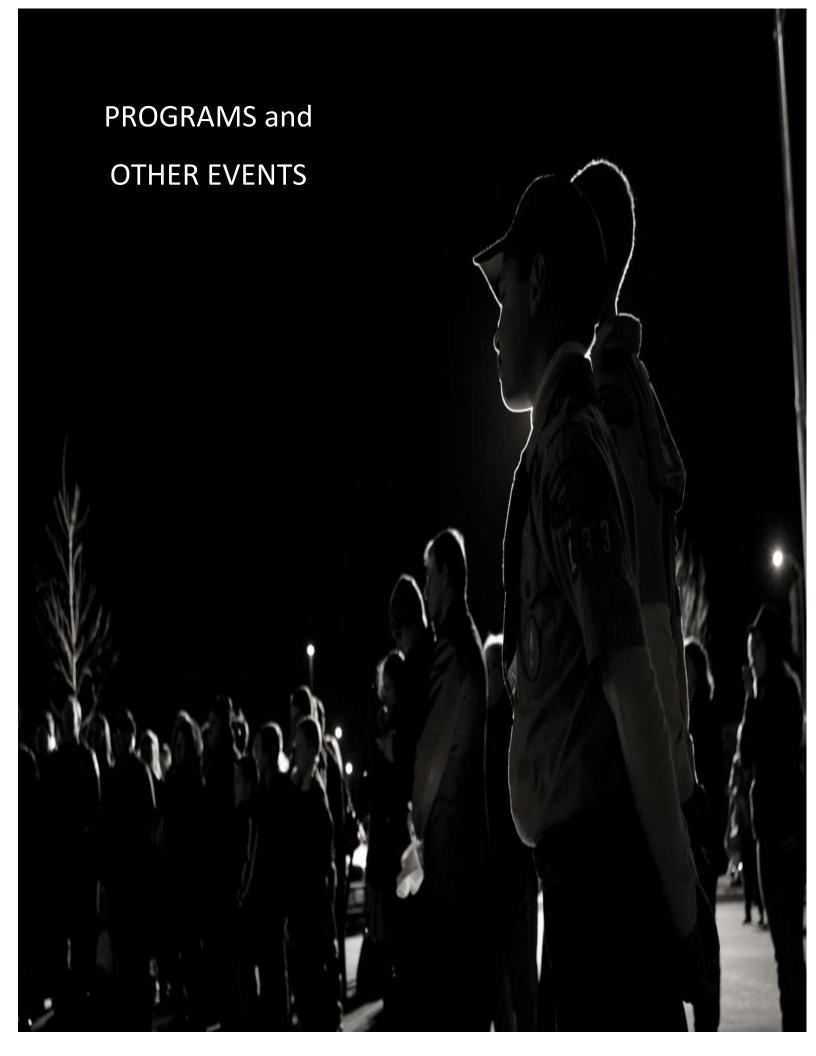




## **Arrest Information**









### **ADOPT A SCHOOL**

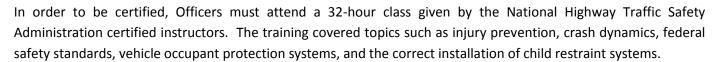
Since the beginning of the school year, officers have been assigned to patrol the schools before, during, and after, having an ongoing police presence. Our staff met with DeKalb School administrators and shared ideas with them about how we could better serve our schools, make them safer, and further break down barriers between teachers and students who may not see the police in a positive manner. The idea of having a uniformed police officer come to a school on regular basis and interact with students, teachers, parents and employees during their school day, was something new and foreign to them. The program was given the name "Adopt a School" and was well received by those in attendance.

DeKalb Police also met with school officials at Lincoln Elementary school and it was decided to have the selected officer participate in the early morning breakfast program, attend as many classes as possible to read books, share stories and other projects that teachers would like him to participate in. The officer would also be attending gym class, recess, one on one teaching and other activities throughout the morning. The Principal at Lincoln Elementary requested the officer attend the two lunch sessions as an "honored guest" that students could have lunch with and on April 17<sup>th</sup>, Officer Jeff Winters attended his "First Day of School." He arrived early and attended the breakfast program, met students prior to school, visited different classrooms, and attended lunch sessions. Barriers are being broken down between parents and the police, students and the police, as well as teachers and the police. With its success, other schools have expressed interest in participating in the program.

#### CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT

The DeKalb Police Department started the Child Passenger Safety Seat program in the summer of 2001. Seven DeKalb officers are nationally certif Passenger Safety Seat Technicians. They are available to assist citizens in answering any questions they may have, as well as making sure:

- The child passenger seat is installed correctly.
- The child passenger safety seat has not been recalled.
- That it meets current safety standards.
- That it is correct for your child.



During the year there was safety checkpoints conducted at various locations in DeKalb and throughout DeKalb County that the officers assisted with. The Illinois Department of Transportation has provided our police department with a grant to assist in paying for recertification of officers and conducting safety checkpoints.



### **HONOR GUARD**

The DeKalb Police Department Honor Guard was formed in 1996 for the dedication of Moudy Park. The Honor Guard continues to serve in a variety of ceremonies that include parades, inaugurations, and memorials.



Members of the Honor Guard are also members of a multijurisdictional color guard made up of officers from the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department, NIU Police Department and Sycamore Police Department.

### **HUNTER SAFETY**

The DeKalb Police Department, in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, hosts an annual hunter safety course. This is a 10-hour class, broken down into three mandatory sessions – with a written exam at the end of the third session. Upon completion of the written test, students take part in a supervised shoot at the indoor range of the DeKalb Police Department. There is no age limit to participate in the class but reading is required. The class covers a broad range of topics including firearms, hunter ethics, survival techniques, first aid, and of course, a strong emphasis on hunter safety. An Illinois State Conservation officer also speaks to the class about hunting regulations and updates in the State Conservation Law.

### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

National Night Out is, "America's Night Out Against Crime." The 28th annual National Night Out (NNO), a community education event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and the Target Corporation, was held on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The event was held at the Target store of DeKalb. The participating departments were the DeKalb Police Department, DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, Sycamore Police Department, Cortland Police Department, Northern Illinois University Police Department, the DeKalb Fire Department and Cortland Fire Department.

There were several police and fire vehicles on display including fire trucks, squad cars, a police motorcycle, a police bicycle, and a mobile command center. Child safety seat technicians were on hand for car seat inspections and a car seat was given away thanks to a generous donation from Target of DeKalb. Refreshments were donated by the Target Corporation and other vendors, and as a result of the event the Target Corporation awarded the DeKalb Police with the Target Corporation's **National Night Out Award of Excellence**, which only ten such awards are given nationwide.





### **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

The Neighborhood Watch program works by showing residents they are not powerless against crime. It does this through crime-prevention training, victim assistance, citizen patrols, phone trees and improving the overall condition of their neighborhood.

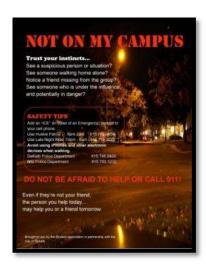
One of the main purposes of the neighborhood watch group is to get to know your neighbors. Neighborhood Watch groups do this by holding meetings, block parties, and cookouts. Officers often come to these meetings to speak about preventive measures residents can take to remain safe.

Residents observe suspicious activity in their neighborhood and report it to the police department. After reporting the activity to the police department, residents are encouraged to spread the information to other members of their group.

### **NOT ON MY CAMPUS**

Northern Illinois University and Kishwaukee College Student Associations and the DeKalb Police are working together to help make the campus and community a safer place. This program encourages accountability, responsibility, situational awareness and supporting one another.

"Not on My Campus" is committed to ensuring that individuals have a place for a positive voice to support all those who have been victims of intolerance and to encourage those who have committed these acts to join us in taking a personal pledge to end intolerance and crime on our campus.



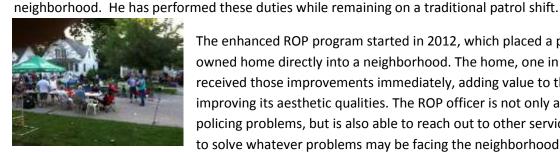
### **RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE TRAINING (RAD)**



The DeKalb Police held its first self-defense class for women. It is called RAD - "Rape Aggression Defense." It is designed to enhance the option of self-defense, so it may become viable a consideration to the woman who is attacked. Topics include basic physical defense techniques, legal rights for defending yourself, and identifying or reducing risks. In 2013 one 12-hour class was conducted.

### RESIDENT OFFICER PROGRAM

The Resident Officer Program (ROP) informally started in 2004 with an officer taking up residency in a housing project on North 14<sup>th</sup> St. The Resident Officer Program of DeKalb was created to improve the quality of life within individual neighborhoods in the City of DeKalb by assigning an officer to reside in designated neighborhoods and directly partnering with residents to find solutions to neighborhood problems. An officer has resided at that location ever since, being equipped with a take-home marked squad car, and given the responsibility of assisting with neighborhood issues both within the housing complex and the adjacent Pleasant Street



The enhanced ROP program started in 2012, which placed a police officer in a Cityowned home directly into a neighborhood. The home, one in need of rehabilitation, received those improvements immediately, adding value to the neighborhood and improving its aesthetic qualities. The ROP officer is not only a point of contact for policing problems, but is also able to reach out to other service agencies in an attempt to solve whatever problems may be facing the neighborhood. Objectives of the ROP

officer include serving as the neighborhood's police officer through the development of close working relationships; identifying and prioritizing crime, community, and quality of life issues within the neighborhood; acting as a liaison with other City departments and social service agencies; working with neighborhood groups to solve identified problems; assisting residents in the development of neighborhood initiatives and organizations; empowering residents to work together to improve their neighborhood, and participating in youth activities by building relationships through direct involvement, education, and mentoring.

Officer Jared Burke, a six year veteran of the DeKalb Police Department, has been assigned as the Resident Officer in the enhanced program. His new home is in the 600 block of N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street and he and his family have lived there since September of 2012.

The boundaries for the officer's service area are the Union Pacific Railroad to the south, 4th Street/ Sycamore Road to the west, E. Dresser Street to the north, and 14<sup>th</sup> Street to the east. He has addressed neighborhood concerns with his new friends and neighbors with some of those accomplishments listed below.

- Starting a Neighborhood Watch Program for the North 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Street neighborhood.
- Facilitating a cleanup of a property at 7<sup>th</sup> and Fisk where bushes and trees were overgrown causing code violations as well as traffic concerns.
- Attending functions at Littlejohn School including the Fun Fair, PTA "Back to School" cookout, Halloween party and many staff meetings.
- Worked with community groups including the Resource Fair at Conexion Comunidad, Community Gardens, Kiwanis, and "The Church" on a food drive for the Barb Food Mart.
- A Tire Recycle day was held on October 26th where 483 old tires were collected and removed from the Pleasant Street neighborhood.

The most promising indicator of success has been the decrease in incidents reported to the police. That being in 2012 there were 591 incidents of all types reported whereas in 2013 there were 328 incidents reported. That was a decrease of 263 incidents or 44.5% fewer incidents and crimes reported in 2013.

### T.I.P.S.

In November 2003 the police department was approached by the Ben Gordon Mental Health Center regarding a grant they received from the Department of Juvenile Justice. The grant was to be used in an effort to curb alcohol related incidents involving underage violators.

As a result of this collaborative effort, the department elected to implement four types of compliance checks:

- <u>Standard Bar Check</u>. Uniformed officers enter an establishment and conduct identification checks in an effort to locate underage violators.
- <u>Standard Business Check</u>. Through the use of underage cooperating individuals, who possess an underage state identification card, compliance checks are conducted to determine if a business is selling alcoholic liquor to minors.
- <u>Shoulder Taps</u>. Underage agents set up outside an establishment and attempt to have patrons buy alcohol for them.
- <u>Street Sweeps</u>. Officers patrol streets with a high volume of foot traffic looking for open container violations, as well as possession/consumption of alcohol by minors.

One of our ongoing goals is to seek voluntary compliance and to train the liquor serving establishments in our City on the state and City liquor laws and ordinances and best practices to utilize to prevent alcohol related incidents. Included in this initiative is the TIPS program, or **Training for Interventions Procedures**. In 2013 there were seven TIPS classes conducted with 49 servers, managers, and bartenders completing the course.

Participants were instructed on the proper and effective ways to deal with difficult patrons and responsible serving. The course included ideas to prevent problems and liability for the establishments and the individual server. The course included proper carding of patrons and acceptable forms of identification. This course will be a continuing effort in years to come to assure compliance with the City.

#### **TOBACCO COMPLIANCE**

Being concerned with the instances of underage smoking, the DeKalb Police Department has performed tobacco compliance checks when possible for many years with enforcement stepping up. With grant monies disbursed through the **Illinois Liquor Control Commission** 29 venues were checked multiple times throughout 2013. The businesses were advised the police would be checking tobacco sales compliance throughout the year. They were given a packet of information on how to prevent the sales to minors and explanations of the law. On follow-up visits they were given posters to hang up and pins to wear letting customers know that the tobacco licensees would be checking identification for the customer's age before completing a tobacco sale. Using minors 15 to 17 years of age, the businesses were checked three times throughout the year to make sure they complied with laws prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. Enforcement practices have been successful keeping the **compliance rate at above 90% for the past two years**.

### **SOME OTHER EVENTS...**



**VOLUNTEER HEALTH FAIR** 



LATINO ACTION GROUP RESOURCE FAIR



SCHNUCK'S CAR SEAT INSPECTIONS



SPECIAL OLYMPICS



PANDUIT PICNIC



**BIKE RODEO** 



RECYCLE TIRE DAY



FEED 'EM SOUP FOOD DRIVE



WASHINGTON TORNADO RELIEF



911 FLAG PROCESSIONAL

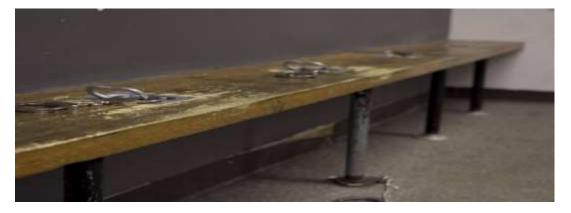


CAMP MAPLE LEAF BIKE PRESENTATION



**BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE** 

### MOVING FROM 200 S. FOURTH STREET TO 700 W. LINCOLN HIGHWAY



















## **DEDICATION CEREMONY**

at the new

## POLICE HEADQUARTERS

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013







The DeKalb Police Department designed this twosided coin that celebrates and honors the new police facility.









As part of a long term policing strategy the DeKalb Police Department introduced several programs and initiatives in December of 2012 that are designed to reduce crime and develop partnerships with our community stake-holders. That strategy is called, "20/20 A Clear Vision for the Future," which implements twenty initiatives in twenty months, with all objectives to be met no later than August of 2014. These initiatives are designed to make a difference in the delivery of services and improve the safety and quality of life for our City.

Attached hereto is an update of these initiatives.



# A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

December 2012





DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 20/20









## DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 20 INITIATIVIES IN 20 MONTHS

### UPDATES TO THE PLAN ARE DOCUMENTED HEREIN.

### From the Chief...

As the Chief of Police for the City of DeKalb I am committed to a police force that embraces service over self and believes that we can make our city a safer place to live, work and raise our families. I realize that there are deep community concerns about safety in our neighborhoods and as such we have implemented a variety of measures to address those concerns. From a visible presence of police officers in and around our schools to proactive measures that target known offenders we are beginning our paradigm shift to improve the quality of life and enhance public safety.

As part of a longer term policing strategy the DeKalb Police Department is introducing several programs and initiatives throughout 2013 and 2014 that are designed to reduce crime and develop partnerships with our community stakeholders. That strategy is called, "20/20 A Clear Vision for the Future," which will implement 20 initiatives in 20 months that are designed to make a difference in the delivery of services and improve the safety of our city. At the Police Department we welcome a partnership that promotes a strong sense of community and bonds us in our common cause.

-Gene Lowery, Chief of Police



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Implementation of an Administrative Tow Ordinance

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The Introduction of the Intelligence Driven Policing Model.

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Announce the Co-Policing Initiatives with the DeKalb Police and NIU Police Joining Forces to Reduce Crime in the Northwest Section of our City. Announce Task Force and Joint Police Operations with Regional Law Enforcement Agencies.

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Introduce the "Coffee With the Chief" Program.

Introduce the "Partnership with our Community" Policing Philosophy.

Present the Resident Officer Program (ROP) Community Forum.



### **LEGISLATION**

#### The Implementation of an Administrative Tow Ordinance

This would allow for the towing of vehicles used by individuals who are being arrested for certain offenses. As part of the towing process an administrative fee, relocation fee, and storage costs would be assessed and the potential for forfeiture of the vehicle for failure to pay fees could ultimately be implemented.

The use of an administrative tow ordinance has an extensive history throughout northern Illinois and has been determined to be an effective tool to reduce crime. On January 31st, 2013 the Administrative Tow Ordinance went into effect in the City of DeKalb and has had an immediate impact on offender accountability and the reduction of crime in our community.

### **COMMUNITY BASED INITIATIVES**

### Introduce the "Not on Our Campus" and "Not in our Community" Initiative

The DeKalb Police Department (DPD) working in concert with the NIU Student Association, Kishwaukee College Student Association, and DeKalb High School's student government in a community based initiative to enhance student and community awareness, accountability, and responsibility.

This program began with a partnership between the NIU Student Association and DeKalb Police on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Kishwaukee College and DeKalb High School also agreed to implement the program in 2013.

There is no more powerful engine driving an organization toward excellence and long-range success than an attractive, worthwhile, achievable vision for the future, widely shared."

- Burt Nanus



### Introduce the Community Relations/Training Officer Position

This is a new position for the police department that will enhance community relations initiatives (Neighborhood Watch, Youth Programs, Community Safety/Awareness Programs, Violence Reduction Campaigns, and similar programs) and will manage training for our staff with the development of core curriculums by position and in house trainers.

On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 the Community Relations/Training Officer position was formally established with Officer Chad McNett filling the role. He began to implement an array of programs City wide to enhance our relationship with the community as well as organize our training program.

### **COMMUNITY BASED INITIATIVES**

### Integrate DeKalb Police Officers into the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Academy

By integrating our police officers into the leadership academy they have an opportunity to provide their input, learn more about leadership, and appreciate a variety of community perspectives, stakeholders, and culture that will enhance their understanding and partnership between the police and the community. The first DeKalb Police Officer will graduate from the leadership academy in the summer of 2014.



# Announce the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advocacy Program within the Police Department Working in concert with Safe Passage

This program will bring an advocate into the police station to follow-up and provide services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

This program was implemented in 2013 and began to be a broker of services to address the needs of individuals and families afflicted by these acts. The program made such a positive impact that Safe Passage presented the Police Department with an award acknowledging the improved level of cooperation and the partnership with their agency.





This will address delinquency factors within our community and develop strategies to decrease youth delinquency and violence.

The task force is operational with the first project to address crime and the needs of youth in University Village during the summer of 2014. This project will bring many stakeholders to the table to address a community in distress.

### Introduce the DPD Targeted Response Unit (TRU)

This street crime and problem solving team will facilitate local agency participation in narcotics/gang enforcement, task force operations, and other quality of life issues.

The team began operations in the fall of 2013 and immediately began to have an impact on crime. In the last quarter of 2013 TRU made 146 arrests including 36 felonies and 28 criminal warrants.

### **PROACTIVE POLICING STRATEGIES**

### Announce the dedication of an officer to the DEA Narcotics Task Force

This would assign a police officer to the local Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Narcotics Task Force and work in concert with the US Attorney's Office (Rockford), the DeKalb County State's Attorney's

Office, and other law enforcement agencies to combat narcotics trafficking.

In the spring of 2013 a DeKalb Police Officer was assigned to the DEA Narcotics Task Force once again bringing a covert narcotics investigative capability back to the City of DeKalb.

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In order to carry a positive action we must develop here a positive vision.

-Dalai Lama

### Announce the acquisition of a Police Canine Team

Funding from the community will be sought to provide a tool for narcotics interdiction, tracking and tactical patrol response.

In 2013 the canine team was reinstated to the police department providing an invaluable tool to address a variety of public safety and crime fighting measures. Officer Aaron Gates and his canine partner "Tach" have already had an impact on interdicting illegal narcotics and apprehending offenders.

#### The introduction of the Intelligence Driven Policing Model

This policing methodology will coordinate the demand for service with available resources which will be facilitated by our new OSSI software that supports crime analysis, resource deployment, computer aided dispatching (CAD), records management system (RMS) and interoperability.

The OSSI software went on line in 2013 and has improved the daily delivery of services city wide but also allows the Police Department to address crime in a more effective manner. We expect the capabilities of this software to expand significantly in 2014.

# Announce the acquisition of a mobile, arrestee processing and transport vehicle

This vehicle will facilitate police operations in the field and improve our ability to safely process and detain arrestees while at the same time keeping officers on the street for longer periods of time.

In 2013 the Police Department acquired an ambulance from the DeKalb Fire Department and converted it to a Prisoner Transport Vehicle by using funds from fees paid by offenders to upgrade the vehicle. It has had several successful deployments in 2013.



#### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT**



Announce the co-policing initiatives with the DeKalb Police and NIU Police joining forces to reduce crime in the northwest section of our city

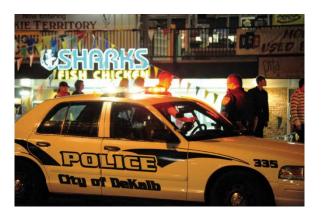
The NIU Police Department and the DeKalb Police Department are working together in a co-policing initiative that became more robust in 2013.

The two departments are working hand in hand to make our University and City a safer place to live, study, and work. Officers now ride together during their patrol shifts, learning about each other and working as a team. An NIU Police Officer is also a full time member of the DPD's Targeted Response Unit.

# Announce Task Force and Joint Police Operations with regional law enforcement agencies

The police department will forge new co-policing initiatives with the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department and other local law enforcement agencies to address street crime and narcotics trafficking in and around our city.

The DeKalb Police, Sycamore Police, and the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office formed a partnership to address high risk incidents, by forming the county's first multi-agency Special Operations Team.



### **Community Service Initiatives**

#### Introduce an internet (web) based reporting system

Implementing a web based reporting system that would allow citizens the ability to use the internet to report minor crimes to the police and reduce the demand for services on our officers for incidents not requiring immediate police intervention.

The internet based reporting system is supported by our OSSI software and will decrease the calls for service our police officers respond to and make reporting minor incidents easier and more convenient for our citizens. This is projected to be fully implemented by August of 2014.

#### Introduce a Field Based Reporting system

Through the implementation of Field Based Reporting, officers would have the ability to remain on the street to complete their reports eliminating unnecessary drive time and time away from their assigned patrol areas.

The Field Based Reporting system was implemented in 2013 and allows our officers to complete their reports from their mobile data computer (MDC) in their squad cars alleviating additional downtime at the police station.

#### DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Announce the acquisition and implementation of I WATCH

The acquisition and implementation of I WATCH (web based software used to report crime via cell/smart phone) designed to enhance the anonymous reporting of crime by third parties providing police with real time crime information including pictures and videos.

The I WATCH program was implemented in the spring of 2013 and several hundred tips have been received to date.

It can communicate in over thirty languages and has demonstrated the ability to enhance communication within groups of people who are less likely to trust and speak with the police. I WATCH also has a crime analysis component that will assist in developing methodologies for the deployment of police resources.





### The introduction of a Firearms Turn-in Program and Anti-Violence Community Awareness Campaign

This program will allow citizens the ability to surrender unwanted firearms from their homes, decreasing their availability for use in violent crimes. This will coincide with an Anti-Violence Campaign to be facilitated with various community groups to demonstrate community solidarity and awareness on the violence issue.

This initiative is designed to decrease the amount of firearms that make their way into the hands of individuals who choose to commit crime. The anti-violence campaign is designed to bring about community awareness and support for programs designed to reduce violence and will be implemented in the summer of 2014.

#### *Introduce the "Coffee with the Chief" program*

The Chief of Police will host the first, "Coffee with the Chief" forum to allow for greater community access to the Chief and the police department on issues of mutual interest and concern. As part of the forum community leaders will also be brought in to address issues within our city.

The program was implemented in May of 2013 with its debut at the Lincoln Inn Restaurant. It has established a greater level of communication on a less formal basis in order to engage the community and the police in problem solving initiatives and dialogue.



The police department will embrace the position of listening and explaining with equity and dignity in an effort to enhance our relationship and partnership with the community.



This practice was introduced in roll call training and we will look for opportunities to enhance communication and improve community relations.

### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### Present the Resident Officer Program (ROP) community forum

Host a community forum on the success of the Resident Officer Program - Pleasant Street neighborhood to determine the viability of the program and the potential for similar programs in the future.

In assessing the strengths and weaknesses of the Resident Officer Program internally and from the community's perspective the enhanced program within the Pleasant Street neighborhood has been a success. Various neighborhood forums have been conducted to improve communication between the residents and the police and community feedback has been positive. A survey was conducted affirming those findings and the comparison between 2012 and 2013 crime and incident data documents a significant decrease in the demand for police services in the neighborhood.



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### **VISION FOR THE FUTURE**

### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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TIMELINE	PROGRAM/ INITIATIVE	DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES NEEDED	STATUS
0 to 6 Months	Admin Tow Ordinance and Records Support	Administrative tow fee and clerical support	Clerical support	Pending Council approval
0 to 6 Months	Community Relations/ Training officer	Officer assigned to said functions	l Officer	Approved-reorganization
0 to 6 Months	Targeted Response Unit (TRU)	Proactive, Problem Solving team, street crime/ narcotics focus	I Sergeant/3 Officers	Approved-reorganization
0 to 6 Months	Targeted Response Unit (TRU)	Supplement TRU staffing	l additional officer (1 FTE)	Requested for 2013
0 to 6 Months	DEA Task Force Officer	Covert narcotics task force	l Officer	Approved-reorganization
0 to 6 Months	"Coffee With the Chief" program	Access to/communication with	Chief of Police	Resource available
0 to 6 Months	"IWATCH" crime reporting and Predictive Policing program	Web based community access crime reporting/ intelligence tool.	"IWATCH" software \$6000/yr.	Internal funding source
0 to 6 Months	Records Division	Clerical support	Clerical support staff (.5 FTE)	Approved 2012
6 to 12 Months	Crime Free Housing/ Disorderly House ordinance	Crime Free Housing Bureau established and operational	I Coordinator (I FTE), I clerk (I FTE), and 3 inspectors (3 PTEs)	Approved for 2013
6 to 12 Months	"Not on Our Campus"/ "Not in Our City" Crime Reduction campaign	Community based initiative to increase awareness	NIU, KC, DHS, and DeKalb Police Department resources	Resources available
6 to 12 Months	Participation in the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy	Community leadership and networking initiative	Command and Staff	Resources available
6 to 12 Months	Deploy a Police Canine Team	Reinstate canine program	\$65,000 startup costs	Seeking grant and community funding
6 to 12 Months	Intelligence Driven Policing Model	Data driven resource deployment	New RMS/CAD software	Purchased—startup Spring 2013
6 to 12 Months	Acquire a mass arrest vehicle	Van equipped for mass arrests and patrol operations	\$53,000	Requested 2013
6 to 12 Months	DPD and NIU PD Joint Operations	Combine resources to address crime in Zone I	TRU fully staffed (see above)	Requested for 2013
6 to 12 Months	DPD, DSCO, SPD co- policing details	Combine resources to address crime in the greater DeKalb areas	TRU fully staffed (see above)	Requested for 2013

### **VISION FOR THE FUTURE**

### **DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT**

TIMELINE	PROGRAM/ INITIATIVE	DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES NEEDED	STATUS
6 to 12 Months	Anti-Violence Campaign and Weapons Turn-In Program	Host anti-violence vigil and a weapons turn-in program	Community Relations/ Training officer	Approved-reorganization
6 to 12 Months	"Partnering with our Community"	Listen, explain, equity, and dignity communication paradigm shift	Community Relations/ Training officer	Approved-reorganization
6 to 12 Months	Resident Officer Program forum	Assess the viability of the program	Resident Officer and Community Relations/Training Officer	Approved-reorganization
6 to 12 Months	Increase Patrol Staffing I/per shift	Decrease call volume per officer	3 Officers (3 FTEs)	Requested for 2013
6 to 12 Months	Training Reorganization	Establish DPD training curriculum and address deficiencies	Community Relations/ Training	Approved-reorganization
6 to 12 Months	Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advocacy Program	DPD and Safe Passage partnership to provide advocacy in PD	Community Relations/ Training Officer	Approved-reorganization
12 to 18 Months	Youth In Need/Anti- Violence Task Force	Task Force to assess delinquency and violence among city youth.	Community Relations/ Training Officer	Approved-reorganization
12 to 18 Months	Minor police reports filed on-line	Web based incident reporting of minor incidents on line	New RMS/CAD software	Purchased—startup Spring 2013
12 to 18 Months	Joint Firearms Training Center review	Assess feasibility of a multiagency training facility	To be determined	Concept and developmental stage
12 to 18 Months	Joint Firearms Training Center review	Assess feasibility of a consolidated dispatch center	Communications Supervisor	Underway
12 to 18 Months	Multi-Agency Tactical Response Team	Tactical Response Team	To be determined	Pending 2013

### **STAFFING NEEDS SUMMARY**

TIMELINE	PROGRAM/ INITIATIVE	DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES NEEDED	STATUS
0 to 6 Months	Targeted Response Unit (TRU)	Proactive, Problem Solving Team, street crime/ narcotics focus	I additional officer (I FTE)	Requested for 2013
6 to 12 Months	Increase patrol staffing I/per shift	Decrease call volume per officer	3 officers (3 FTEs)	Requested for 2013
			Costs Per Officer 87,205.00	Total \$348,820.00

### **NON-STAFFING NEEDS SUMMARY**

TIMELINE	PROGRAM/ INITIATIVE	DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES NEEDED	STATUS
6 to 12 Months	Deploy a Police Canine Team	Reinstate the canine program	\$65,000 startup costs	Seeking grant and community funding
6 to 12 Months	Acquire a mass arrest vehicle	Van equipped for mass arrests and patrol operations	\$53,000	Requested for 2013
				Total \$118,000.00