

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT



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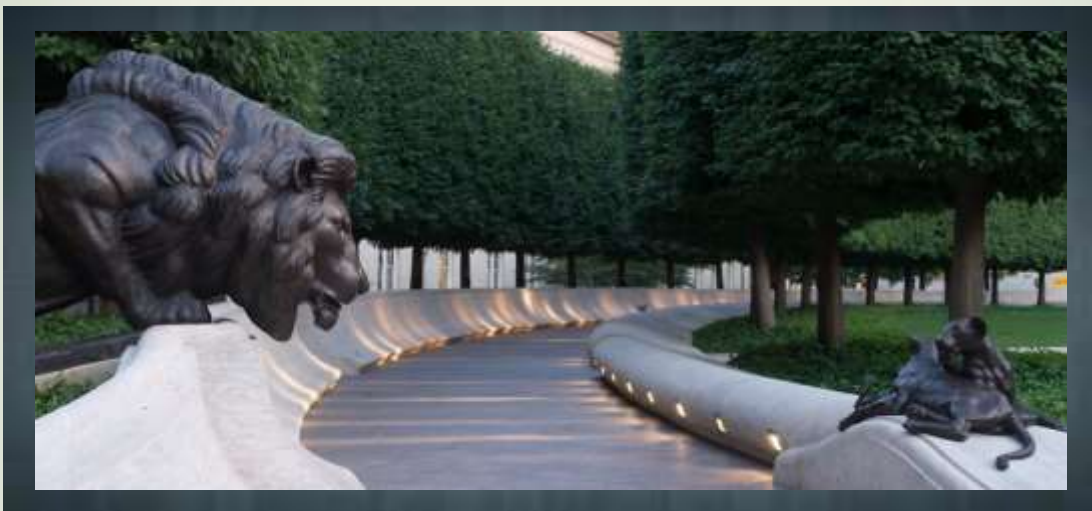




DEDICATION

One law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty somewhere in the United States every 53 hours. In 2014 there were 126 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty, a **24% increase** from 2013.

These officers protect us without question, without hesitation, and often without regard for their own safety. We dedicate this report to those who gave their lives.



*"It is now how these officers died that made them heroes
it is how they lived."*

-Vivian Eney Survivor

VISION STATEMENT

A city where our families, businesses, and culture prosper in an environment in which all people are treated with dignity, equity, and respect.



MISSION STATEMENT

The members of the DeKalb Police Department are committed to reducing crime and enhancing the quality of life through an active partnership with our community.

The "Thin Blue Line" represents the camaraderie of police officers and that those few who are called to serve are small in numbers yet must protect us all.

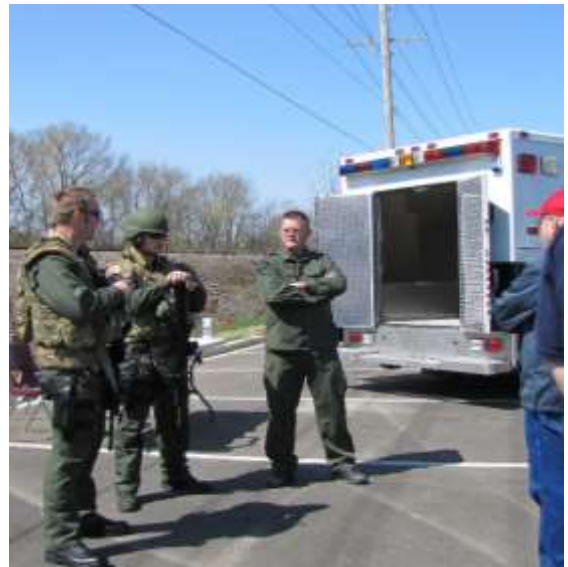
DEKALB POLICE HEADQUARTERS

OPEN HOUSE



On April 26th, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. an open house was held for citizens who wished to tour the new police facility. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held with the Mayor, past and present City Council members and staff.

Citizens were given a full tour of the police facility with presentations regarding the history and evolution of the DeKalb Police.



DEKALB POLICE AT A GLANCE



Organized	1856
Sworn Officers in 2014	63
Civilian Personnel	24
Volunteers	8
Crossing Guards	18
Community Service Officers	3
Budget	\$11,286,463
Service Area	15.5 square miles
Part I Crimes	1357
Part II Crimes	7169
Accidents	1277
Arrests	2807
Citations	4194
Public Services	9853

CITY OF DEKALB AT A GLANCE

Incorporated	1856
Government	City Manager
City Budget	\$79,392,143
Population	44,030
Ratio of Police Officers per 1000 residents	1.41

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



Message from the Chief



To our entire community,

The DeKalb Police Department strives to reduce crime and enhance 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. The police department's vision to employ effective policing strategies, develop community partnerships, and proactively reduce crime making our community safer remains a constant.

In 2014 the DeKalb Police Department responded to 44,537 calls for service, an increase of 7% or 2,939 additional calls as compared to 2013. In 2014 we handled 19,767 emergency "911" calls, an increase of 43% or 5,902 more "911" calls as compared to 2013. A sizeable portion of the increase in calls for service and "911" calls was due to the implementation of new technology that provides more accurate accounting for all events and incoming calls. This technology is the foundation for how we process all demands for service, how we document those demands, and how we preserve them for evidence for future use.

In 2014 our Uniformed Crime Reporting, Part 1 Crimes or more serious offenses, decreased by 7%, the lowest it has been in the last decade and the largest decrease in the last three years. In 2014 our Part 2 Crimes, considered other lesser crimes, were down 7%, the total of both crime categories being down 14% for the year. There were two violent crime categories that saw significant decreases that were worth noting those being Robbery and Criminal Sexual Assault. Robberies in our community decreased by 52% from 27 in 2013 to 13 in 2014 and Criminal Sexual Assaults also declined by 23% from 47 in 2013 to 36 in 2014. In 2010 the DeKalb Police Department handled 1,496 motor vehicle accidents the highest in the last five years. In 2014 we saw that five year peak lowered by 219 crashes representing a 15% decline as compared to 2010 which represents a significant improvement in roadway safety within our community.

During 2014 numerous programs to proactively reduce crime and enhance our quality of life were up and running for their first full year. Their success stories are contained within our annual report, yet one initiative that made a difference to the youth in our community needs to be highlighted, that being **"Camp Power."** Community collaboration was exemplified with the DeKalb Police through the **"Youth in Need Task Force"** that introduced **"Camp Power."** Camp Power brought a food, recreation, mentoring in a variety of disciplines, and an education program to disenfranchised youth and their families in 2014.

As you review our 2014 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. It is also important to acknowledge the men and women of the DeKalb Police Department who have stayed the course during an era of unprecedented mistrust of the police and significant crime challenges throughout our country, serving our community in a tolerant, dedicated, and professional manner.

Thank you for your unending support and willingness to partner with us as we move forward making our community the best it can be.

Respectfully,

Gene Lowery

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2014

- We requested and received eligibility in the **Local Debt Recovery Program** (LDRP) with the State Comptroller's Office. This authorization allow units of local government to collect and receive the full value of all outstanding debt, which beforehand involved an offset or deduction payable to the State.
- **Sgt. Mark Tehan** attended the **Northwestern University Traffic Institute Police Staff and Command School**. The School of Police Staff and Command (SPSC) prepares law enforcement managers for senior positions by combining academic principles with practical applications.
- **Lieutenant Bob Redel** attended the **Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy** in the fall of 2014. Lieutenant Redel was one of 215 law enforcement officers that graduated from the FBI National Academy Program in Quantico, Virginia. The graduating class consisted of men and women from 49 states, District of Columbia, twenty six international countries, three military organizations and four civilian organizations. The National Academy Program, held at the FBI Academy, offers eleven weeks of advanced investigative, management, and fitness training.
- **Community Relations Officer Chad McNett** graduated from the **DeKalb Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Academy** in June of 2014. The program helped build leadership and public speaking skills over the nine month course and created an effective community network of a variety of people and organizations. Our plan is to enroll an employee from the police department in the Leadership Academy every year from this point forward.
- **Officer Jared Burke** attended the **DeKalb Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Academy** and will graduate in June of 2015. The professional and personal growth endeavor will enhance Officer Burke's leadership skills, communication abilities, team building, functions of local government, and networking skills as a police officer and to further his work as the **"Resident Officer"** in the Pleasant Street neighborhood.
- In September, **Mothers Against Drunk Drivers** (MADD) honored Officers Brian Bollow and Kris Mecca for their efforts to combat drunk driving in Illinois by awarding them the MADD Heroes Award. Officers Bollow and Mecca were recognized for their strong, anti-drunk driving efforts, each making his own substantial contribution to the elimination of drunk driving in Illinois through proactive enforcement measures.
- DeKalb Police, in cooperation with Northern Illinois University Police (NIUPD), continued to strategize ways for our departments to work more closely with one another to address student and community needs. DeKalb Police Officers continue to partner with NIU Police Officers daily on both night and day shift where they are assigned patrol duties in the North/West quadrant of town. We continue to see an increase in communication, strengthened relationships, and a better response to student and community needs as a result of this inter-agency cooperation.
- **Sgt. Jon Costliow** was assigned to lead the **Domestic Violence Unit** (DVU) which gained momentum in 2014 in its involvement with domestic violence investigations and victim advocacy. The DVU continues to work in concert with Safe Passage and the State's Attorney's office to increase intervention measures to prevent violence associated with domestic situations from escalating. They also work with Safe Passage to conduct training for officers, as well as training Safe Passage staff on police procedures.
- The implementation of **"GovPay,"** a vendor that facilitates credit card payments to the police department for items such as parking tickets, posting bond, and other administrative fees, then distributes the payment to its intended recipient, such as to the Circuit Clerk for bond. This system allows has increased our officers' time on the street to respond to other community needs as opposed to transporting an offender to the county jail who was unable to post bond, as well as decreasing actual cash processed by the police.
- The implementation of automated traffic accident reporting, the **"APRISS"** system. This allows officers to electronically complete and submit traffic accident reports, streamlining the process of dissemination to motorists, insurance companies, and the Illinois Department of Transportation.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2014

- A cleanup at our off-site Evidence and Records storage area was completed in the fall, resulting in more efficient storage organization and the removal of outdated items for future disposal. The Evidence Division also implemented a bar-coding process to track the intake, processing, and transfer of evidence for court presentation.
- **“DeKalb County Triad”** had an active year as we continue to spread our wings, since this is a totally new program to our area. We have built a diverse group of committee members and begun giving presentations on fraud, identity theft, and safety. The Triad’s one and only focus is the safety and wellbeing of senior citizens throughout the entire county. Several other police agencies are joining the Triad and our effectiveness continues to grow.
- 2014 was the kickoff year for our first ever **“Camp Power”**. Camp Power is a ten week summer recreation program and was held at the University Village apartment complex. Community Stakeholders such as Ben Gordon Center, the YMCA, DeKalb PD, DeKalb Fire, Kish Health Systems, NIU, VAC, and countless others came together to make the first summer of Camp Power a huge success. Along with providing outdoor recreational activities for the children at University Village, we also worked with VAC to provide free lunches and snacks each day. **“Power Academy”**, which was founded at New Hope Baptist Church, provided educational activities each morning that were the perfect companion to the Camp Power program. We saw excellent participation from the children and parents at University Village. Many great relationships were formed over the course of the summer between our police officers and the resident families. This was all done with the help of hundreds of volunteers from our community and funded through community donations and grants.
- **“National Night Out”** is an annual event that is always a great way for our police to connect with the community. This year we had several officers, plus Chief Gene Lowery on hand at the event. Officers spoke to kids about bike safety and registered hundreds of kids for our raffle. We gave away two bikes and lots of other bike safety items such as horns, bells, lights, and helmets. This is a great community event that involves police, fire, ems, scouts, and many non-profits from our area.
- **“Heroes and Helpers”** is our “shop with a cop” program and has grown each year for three years. The program allows low income children to shop at **Target** with a police officer to pick out up to \$100 worth of Christmas presents for themselves and/or their family members. This year we raised enough money to help 68 children, up from 40 last year. Officers volunteered their time to come in for the event, Target provided cookies and refreshments, and Santa was on hand. We had volunteers from the community there to read books to the children and do crafts with them as they waited their turn to shop. Volunteers behind the scenes also helped Santa wrap all the presents that were selected by the children.
- In 2014, the DeKalb Police Department hired three police officers all coming to us with prior law enforcement experience. Also in 2014 **Officer Fred Busby** retired on August 20th, 2014 after 27 years of service, Officer Busby had also served in the United States Marine Corps prior to becoming a police officer.
- **School Resource Officer (SRO) Jose Jaques** was deployed overseas in October he serves as a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army. The department sought to add four part-time SRO’s from the Patrol Division to supplement his duties in the middle schools. These four officers were selected and sent to a 40 hour School Resource Officer training. They are now actively engaged in the Middle Schools and will continue their roles until the return of Officer Jaques.
- The **Narcon Program** was implemented in our Patrol Division in 2014 which trained our officers on how to administer a drug known as Narcon, which is used to counteract the effects of a narcotics overdose. This allows our officers, who are often the first responders to narcotics overdose incidents, to administer the drug immediately without threat to the victim and thereby increasing the victim’s chance of survival when “seconds” count.

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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, tolerance, and respect.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Gene Lowery

DEPUTY CHIEF

Wes Hoadley

COMMANDERS

Jason Leverton

John Petragallo

LIEUTENANTS

Robert Redel

James McDougall

Tracy Smith+

SERGEANTS

Lisa Miller

Jonathan Costliow

James Haacker

Thomas Petit

Stylianios 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

Kelly Sullivan

Mario Nonnenmann

Brian Bollow

Paul Mott

Tony Kwasniewski

Anthony Densberger

Chris Sullivan

Thomas Reilly

Keith Ehrke

Jeffrey Weese

Lance Reinbolz

Jared Burke

Elizabeth Fabro

Jeffrey Ackland

Keunte Mallett

Aaron Gates

Philip Brown

Jessica Duehning++

Geoffrey Guzinski

Joshua Boldt

Kris Mecca

Ryan Wilkens

Bryan Soderstrom

Jonathan Jursich

Sadie Pristave

Jordan Poulos

John Loechel

Allison Benthussen

Michael Cicchetti

Olaniran Habideen**

Jason Goodwin**

Sonny Streit**

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

LaToya Marz+

FULL TIME TELECOMMUNICATORS

Donna Zenzen

Heide Durham

Linda Besler

Jeremiah Wilson++

Michael Callahan

Sean Woyna

Carrie Becker

Christopher McMeen

Brittany Hedin

Geoffrey Wells

PART TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR

Adrienne Oziah

Jill Caldwell++

Carol Halsey

Anne Luetkehans++

Nick Garvey++

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Penny Meier

OFFICE ASSOCIATES

Rita Larson

Jackie Spartz

Patty Pumfrey**

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

Pamela Faivre++

James Rhoades

Daniel Gerace

Trevor Burdick**

COURT SECURITY

Ray West

CRIME FREE HOUSING

Carl Leoni

Michael Stuckert

Frank Beasley**

Ryan Fisher**

VOLUNTEERS (8)

CROSSING GUARDS (18)

Personnel Changes

HIRED

OFFICER OLANIRAN HABIDEEN

OFFICER JASON GOODWIN

OFFICER SONNY STREIT

OFFICE ASSOCIATE PATTY PUMFREY

CRIME FREE INSPECTOR FRANK BEASLEY

CRIME FREE INSPECTOR RYAN FISHER

PROMOTED

SGT. TRACY SMITH TO LIEUTENANT

T/C LATOYA MARZ TO COMMUNICATIONS

COORDINATOR

RESIGNED

OFFICER JESSICA DUEHNING

TC JILL CALDWELL

TC JEREMIAH WILSON

TC ANNE LUETKEHANS

TC NICK GARVEY

CSO PAM FAIVRE

RETIRED

OFFICER FRED BUSBY

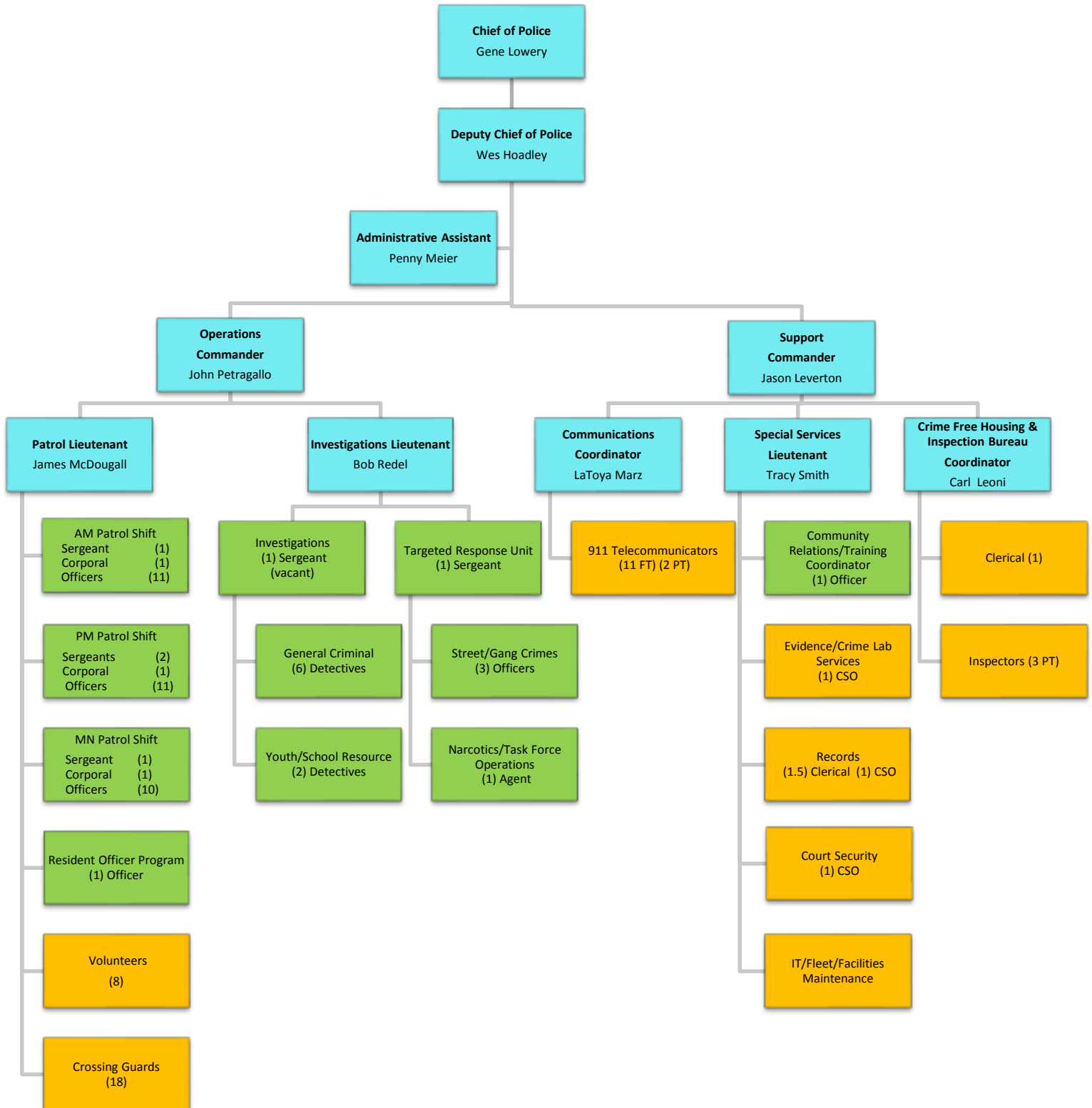
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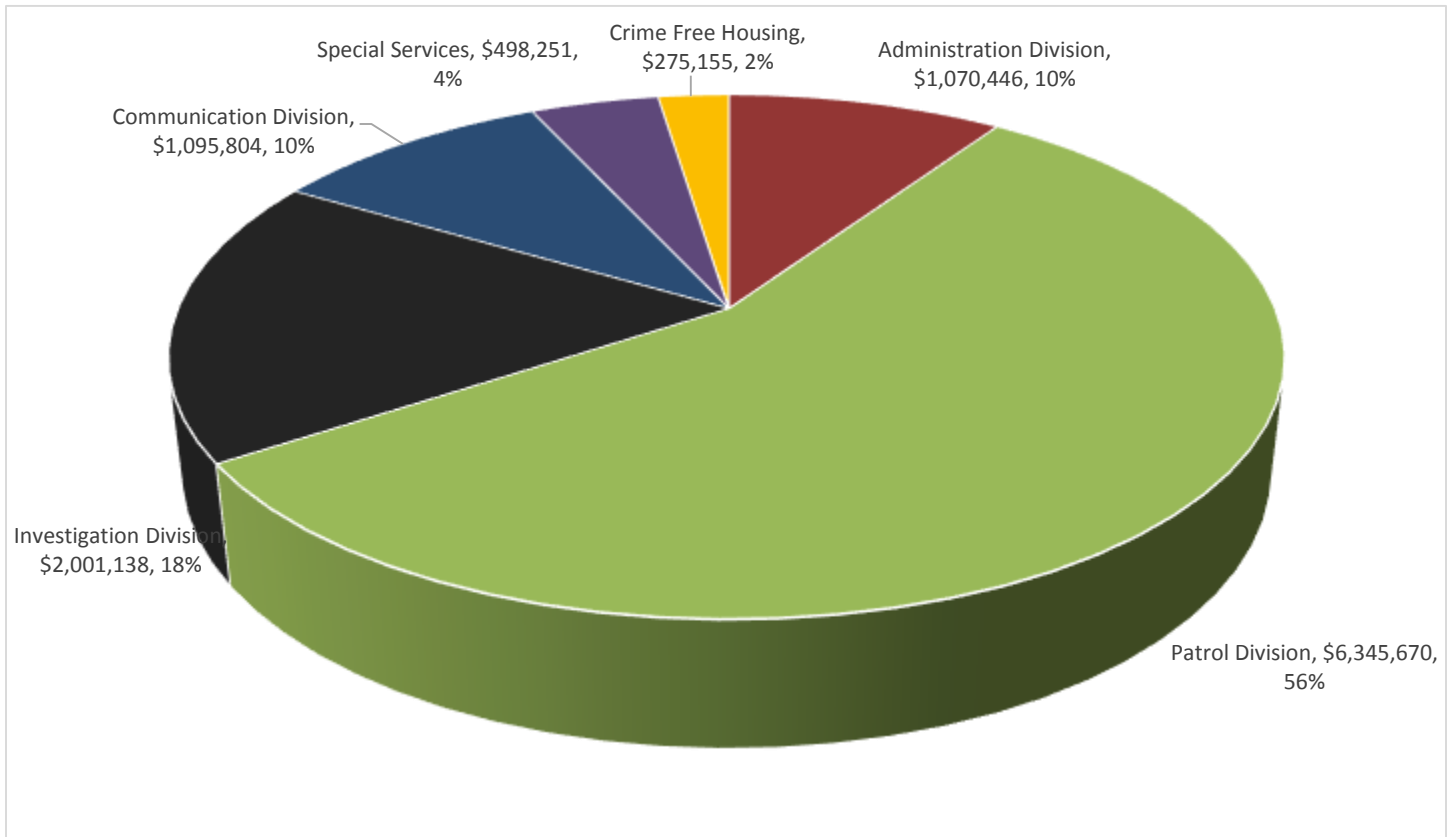
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DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



BUDGET

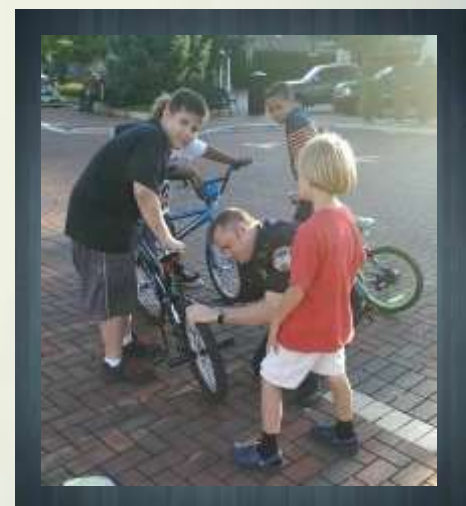
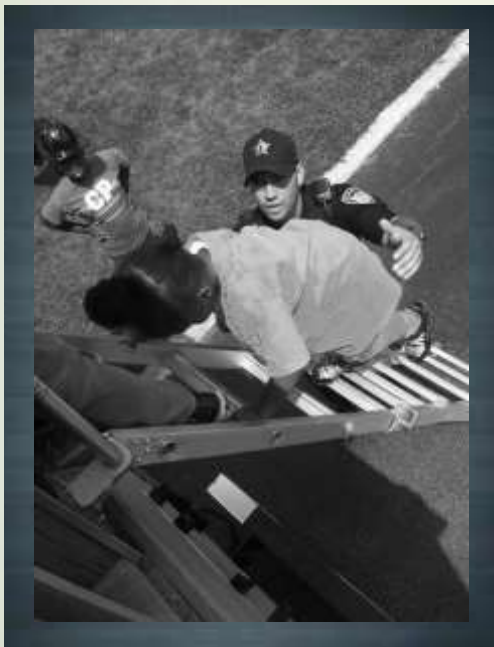


Total Police Department Budget: \$ 11,286,463

ADMINISTRATION, SUPPORT, AND OPERATIONS

"In valor there is hope."

—*Tacitus*



ADMINISTRATION

The Office of the Chief is accountable for all aspects of the Police Department's function and mission. As the Chief of Police, Gene Lowery provides leadership, direction, serves as the department's primary liaison with all internal and external stakeholders, and builds partnerships that focus on enhancing public safety and the quality of life for our community. The **"20/20 Vision for the Future"** plan was introduced in 2012 which deployed twenty initiatives in twenty months setting the tone for organizational change within the Police Department. The commitment to change the DeKalb Police Department from a reactive agency to a proactive policing model continues to date and a follow-up to the 20/20 Vision for the Future will be introduced in 2015.

Deputy Chief Wes Hoadley is second in command of the Police Department and acts in lieu of the Police Chief as needed, he is responsible for the development and administration of the department's budget to strategically identify the personnel and commodities needed to function efficiently and effectively, and oversees the Operations and Support Bureaus.

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, providing a variety of other crime analysis for guiding department operations and advising the community, and provides support for the Office of the Chief.

SUPPORT BUREAU

The Support Division includes the Records, Community Relations, Training, Court Security, Communications, Crime Free Housing, and Evidence. The support division is directed by Commander Jason Leverton, who is assisted in the administration of these sections by Lt. Tracy Smith. In August, a new position of Communications Coordinator was created as an immediate supervisor in Communications, and was filled by Telecommunicator LaToya Marz.

FLEET/FACILITIES

Our fleet consists of:

16 marked Police vehicles

14 unmarked Police vehicles

2 Crime Free Housing vehicles

1 Community Service vehicle

2 Harley Davidson motorcycles

9 Police bikes

RECORDS

The Records Section is responsible for the collection and retention of police reports, citations, parking tickets, arrests, and all other data and records pertaining to the functions of the police department. Records staff are charged with maintaining the integrity and confidentiality of police records 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 fulfillment of subpoenas, report requests by the State's Attorney's Office and the city's Legal Department, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, and internal requests for records and statistics. Records employees include one full-time office associate, Rita Larson, and one part-time office associate, Patti Pumfrey, and Jaclyn Spartz serves as the full-time office associate in Crime Free Housing. The Records office associates also provide service at the front desk in the public lobby, which includes walk-in customers in need of police service, records requests, general information, mail and package delivery, and vendor service accommodations. In addition, they are the primary point of telephone contact for records and report inquiries to the Police Department. The Records Section handled 1,061 Freedom of Information requests; 75 subpoenas for reports; 366 subpoena requests for 911 recordings; 715 requests for police videos and 311 for case photos; they made 2,181 copies of reports for the State's Attorney's Office and conducted 663 background requests for government agencies.

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. Part-time Community Service Officer (CSO) Jim Rhoades serves as the department's designated property officer, and is assisted by part-time CSO Dan Gerace. They are responsible for the receipt, storage, safekeeping, release, and proper disposal of all evidence and property taken into custody by the police department, in accordance with federal and state laws as well as internal policies of the police department. A new barcoding system has been initiated and will be fully implemented in 2015 to help facilitate in the documentation and processing of evidence.

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.

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 2014 our staff logged **3,232** hours of training in a variety of disciplines that are essential in the performance of their respective assigned duties.

COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF

The "Coffee with the Chief" program 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.



The DeKalb Police Department continues to reach the social media world with Facebook to share police-related information, community events, and to seek assistance from the community to help solve crimes. An example of a successful posting was when a suspect's picture was posted asking if anyone could identify him as he had just committed a burglary and within a few hours he was identified and arrested.

"iWATCH DEKALB"

"iWatch" DeKalb was introduced in 2013 as 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. "iWatch" can disseminate crime alerts and other important information. In 2014 **172** tips were received via "iWatch".



COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Division operates 24-hours a day, seven days a week with a minimum staffing level of two Telecommunicators (TCs) on duty at one time. 2014 brought about changes in our organizational structure and overall staffing as we continued to face a greater demand for services.

The primary function of the Communications Division is to receive, prioritize and assign calls for service to Police, Fire and EMS. Our goal is to protect and serve by enhancing the health and safety of our officers, fire personnel and the general public. Each dispatcher is 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). In addition, Communications monitors radio traffic for Public Works, the Fire Department, and other police agencies. TCs also monitor all security cameras throughout the Police Department and the Municipal Building.

Communications is responsible for performing electronic checks of vehicles, persons, and warrants for traffic stops and investigations of the police officers, as well as numerous other tasks such as monitoring “iWatch” and disseminating “CodeRED” emergency notifications to the city.

The Communications section of the building experienced a lightning strike on August 31st right in the midst of “Corn Fest” that damaged numerous electronic hardware components and wiped out programming on some modules. Fortunately there were no injuries, remedies or repairs were made with little to no service disruption, and the TCs working made the best of a difficult situation.

In 2014 the DeKalb Police Department handled **44,537** total police calls for service, an increase of **7%**. The Communications handled **19,767** “911” calls, a **43%** increase compared to last year. They handled **5,336** fire events which is a **2%** decrease from last year.



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.

In 2014 two additional part-time inspectors were hired. They are charged with noting obvious building code deficiencies and violations from the exterior of rental units, and making notifications to the landlords to facilitate the necessary repairs. As a result, there are numerous examples of both minor and major infrastructure improvements to DeKalb's rental housing stock. One apartment building with deplorable physical conditions was deemed uninhabitable by the city's building code service and has been closed. The inspectors have also worked to identify building code issues at non-rental units in the absence of a full-time code enforcement personnel within the City. They were also responsible for facilitating the abatement of tall grass at numerous locations, and were working this winter to notify property owners who had not shoveled their public sidewalks, particularly in areas near our schools.

2014 Crime Free Housing Statistics:

- Properties registered: **1,670** for a total of **8,598** units (**99%**).
- Property inspections: **1,464** resulting in **521** warnings and **223** citations issued.
- Classes conducted: **22**, with **650** landlords trained (**70%**).
- There were **465** police cases covering **630** criminal charges in which the tenant or guest of the tenant was arrested for committing a crime on or about the property. The landlord or property manager was advised by CFH in each of these cases, and remedies for limiting recidivism were employed.
- Following incidents of crime, **36** eviction proceedings were initiated by property owners, **18** tenants moved out voluntarily, and **27** 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. Calls for police service in many of our rental communities have dropped for the second year in a row.



BEFORE



AFTER



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 2014 they responded to **44,537** total calls for service. 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 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 2014 the Investigation Division investigated 726 cases, which resulted in 348 arrests; 75 cases cleared exceptionally; 35 cases referred to other agency; 7 were unfounded; 95 were inactive; and 166 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 2014, 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 staffing had a profound effect on the total hours of patrol in 2014. 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' Bettes 5K Run, Special Olympic Torch Run and Corn Fest.

	2013	2014		2013	2014
Hours	648	429	Hours by Zone	648	429
Contacts	2126	1046	Zone 1	484.5	327.5
Calls for Service	348	234	Zone 2	115	67.5
Arrests	44	41	Zone 3	48.5	34
Parking	74	39			
Traffic	37	8			
Ordinance	64	44			

GANG UNIT

The **Gang Unit** investigates gang-related crime, provides street level gang enforcement, gathers 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 2014 there were approximately 86 cases that were gang related or linked to street gang members.





MOTOR UNIT

2014 was the 10th consecutive year that the DeKalb Police Department utilized a **Motor Unit**. The 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 “Toys for Tots” charity ride. They also participated in parades for Memorial Day and NIU’s Homecoming, and attended the “National Night Out” event. The Motor Unit drove to Springfield, Illinois where they participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony. They were also assigned to traffic duty in areas where a patrol car would be unable to effectively address a problem. There are three sworn officers assigned to the Motor Unit.

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 2014 there were 49 hours logged in cannabis testing, 210 cases were examined, and a total of 541 exhibits were processed. With monies received for lab testing we were able to purchase items to support the program.



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 formed the Mobile Field Force, a contingent of police officers from ILEAS member departments, to address such incidents. The officers from different police departments are equipped and trained through ILEAS to handle crowd control, protests, large scale acts of civil disobedience and other crowd management concerns.

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

DEKALB COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAM (SOT)

The DeKalb County Sheriff's Office and the DeKalb Police Department have combined resources to implement a joint **Special Operations Team**. 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 recognize 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, drug arrests, and the apprehension of violent offenders.

In 2014 several incidents required the use of the SOT Team each resulting in a successful mission. These missions ranged from armed encounters to high risk drug search warrants.



CO-POLICING INITIATIVE WITH THE NIU POLICE

This initiative continued to grow 2014. DeKalb Police, in cooperation with **Northern Illinois University Police**, continue to strategize ways for the two departments to work closely with one another to address student and community needs. Information is shared, initiatives are planned to improve cooperation, and training needs are discussed. Both departments continue to partner up for patrol duties in the northwest quadrant of our city. We continue to increase communication, strengthen the relationship, and ultimately give a better response to student and community needs. We also team up during special events such as the Memorial Day parade, Fourth of July in Hopkins Park, Corn Fest, Move-In Weekend, NIU Homecoming, NIU home football games and many other activities throughout the year.

TARGETED RESPONSE UNIT (TRU)

The **Targeted Response Unit's** (TRU) primary focus is demonstrating 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 provide support to the Criminal Investigation and Patrol Divisions. The TRU Sergeant will work in conjunction with our officers, and other law enforcement agencies to further achieve our goals.

2014 marked the first full calendar year of operation for TRU. Throughout the year, TRU focused on proactively reducing crime in the community. This past year they made **320** arrests including **142** felony arrests. They conducted **44** covert narcotics operations seizing **7,867** grams of cannabis, approximately **6,972** grams of heroin, **94** grams of MDMA, **41** grams of cocaine, **5** guns, and **\$64,844** in currency. TRU served **63** arrest warrants and **11** search warrants of residences. TRU also conducted proactive parole and sex offender compliance checks with several resulting in various arrests, as well as investigating related criminal activity associated with street gang members.

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 canine program renewed in 2013 progressed significantly this year. Officer Gates is assigned as handler to the canine, "Tach." Tach is a two year old Belgian Malinois born in Slovakia and imported to the United States via Vohne Liche Kennels located in Indiana. Officer Gates and Tach went through training at the Illinois State Police Canine Training Facility and is certified as a dual purpose drug detection/patrol dog – trained in narcotics detection, to include: cannabis, cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine and ecstasy. Tach is also trained in handler protection, suspect apprehension, building and area searches, article searches and tracking. Tach works every shift with Officer Gates and lives with him and his family.

2014 Statistics:

- **7** school searches
- **5** community events
- **147** street deployments
- **31** criminal arrests
- **\$23,500** seized from street value of drugs and drug money



ALERT, LOCKDOWN, INFORM, COUNTER AND EVACUATE (ALICE)

During the 2013-14 **DeKalb High School** year a new strategy was adopted for lockdown procedures, this new procedure is called "**A.L.I.C.E.**" Prior to this, lockdown procedures involved the staff locking their doors, moving students to a part of the room where they could not be seen, and quietly remaining there until an "All Clear" announcement was given. The A.L.I.C.E. plan offers a different philosophy in light of recent school violence. The philosophy of A.L.I.C.E. is to use technology and information in a way so staff and students can make informed decisions in a crisis, remove as many people as possible from the danger zone, and provide realistic training so that those involved in a crisis have a better chance of surviving. All of the DeKalb School District employees were mandated to attend this training and a letter was sent home to the parents informing them of the new procedures. The new drill would now be called an "Intruder Drill" and the students were trained on what to do during an "Intruder Drill." The last step was to plan for a "Rally Point" and an "Off Site" evacuation. Each school performed the drill, observed by A.L.I.C.E. certified instructors. The A.L.I.C.E. procedures have educated and prepared all students and staff on how to react and enhance survivability for a situation that we hope will never occur.

OFFICER MENTORING PROGRAM

The Officer Mentoring Program continues by introducing new officers to the program. The new officer completes their Basic Academy (12 weeks) and Field Training program (16 weeks), and then 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.

DOMESTIC VIOLENT UNIT

The **Domestic Violence Unit** (DVU) was established in 2013 with setting 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 to decrease victimization, 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 2014 the DeKalb Police Department investigated 1187 domestic reports compared to 1408 in 2013 – a decrease of 221 incidents.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

The Community Service Officers (CSO) are non-sworn, 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.

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.

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 2015 it is our goal to expand and improve the Chaplain's Program.

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 other ways.

The volunteers were "on duty" for a total of **925** hours in 2014. They booked **117** prisoners and handled **18** keys in cars. Two volunteers are now City employees, CSO Trevor Burdick and Crime Free Housing Inspector Ryan Fisher, and therefore their hours volunteering have decreased. Volunteer Kelli Rogers left the program and was presented with a plaque during NIU Homecoming briefing.

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



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 learned by the Sergeant will provide them with new ideas, strategies, and tools that will allow them to grow as a supervisor.

In 2014 Sgt. Costliow rotated into the division in January where he was tasked with working with and supervising the detective division. Sgt. Costliow was the first to have the opportunity to participate in this initiative.

COMMENDATIONS, PROMOTIONS, & NEW HIRES



Promoted to Lieutenant was
Sgt. Tracy Smith

*"The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are as bold as a lion." —
Proverbs 28:1*



Promoted to Communications
Coordinator was T/C Latoya Marz

RETIRED was Officer
Fred Busby with 27
years of service.



Hired was Officer Habideen Olaniran



Hired was Officer Jason Goodwin



Hired was Officer Sonny Streit



Retiree Don Schoo was the honorary captain at the 2014 NIU Homecoming Football game. Don was with the department from 1947 to 1967. He served in WWII and also celebrated his 90th birthday this year.



Lt. Robert Redel graduated from the FBI Academy's 258th session in Quantico, Virginia. The FBI National Academy is a professional course of study in the areas of law, behavioral science, forensic science, understanding terrorism/terrorist mindsets, leadership development, communication and health/fitness. This course is 10 weeks and participation is limited to less than 1% of police leaders worldwide.



20 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY

Officer Jeff Winters, Lt. Robert Redel, Sgt. James Haacker, and Commander John Petragallo all celebrated 20 years of service.

MEDAL OF VALOR AND MEDAL OF HONOR

The following are some of the commendations given to officers in 2014

On January 28th, 2014 DeKalb Police responded to a **Check for Wellbeing** request on High Pointe Drive on the city's south side. The complainant, Charlotte Lupton, had requested a check for wellbeing on her step son, Cameron D. Lupton, who was a United States Army combat veteran who was reportedly suffering from a psychological breakdown and attempting to obtain firearms from a family member. While Telecommunicators were speaking with the complainant on the phone as she was reporting her concerns, they heard Mrs. Lupton begin to scream for help. Officers immediately responded to 1020 Quail Run the Lupton family residence, being advised by Police Telecommunicators that Cameron Lupton was attacking his step mother (Charlotte Lupton) and his father (Carl Lupton) and that there was a knife involved. The investigation would later reveal that the initial attack began when Cameron Lupton began striking his step mother multiple times with his fists, until his father intervened stopping the attack. When Cameron Lupton disengaged from the initial attack he subsequently obtained two knives from within the home and went to the back bedroom to further the attack on his parents.



Sgt. Tom Petit received the Medal of Valor and Officer Mario Nonnenmann and NIU Officer Weyni Langdon received the Medal of Honor.

DeKalb Police Officers Sgt. Thomas Petit and Officer Mario Nonnenmann and a Northern Illinois University Police Officer Weyni Langdon made the initial entry into the residence moving toward the sounds of the disturbance inside. DeKalb Police Officers encountered Cameron in the back bedroom, where his parents had barricaded themselves to escape his initial attack. Cameron Lupton had knocked down the bedroom door and was actively engaged in an attack on his parents using the knives, stabbing both his step mother and father multiple times. DeKalb Police Officers attempted to stop the attack, however Cameron Lupton failed to respond to any verbal commands, DeKalb Police Officer Mario Nonnenmann deployed a Taser to terminate the attack which had no effect, and ultimately DeKalb Police Sergeant Thomas Petit discharged his duty weapon one time striking Cameron Lupton in the upper chest which ended the attack on his parents.

Police immediately requested medical assistance and administered first aid to the victims. The DeKalb Fire/Rescue and NIU Police Paramedic units responded to the residence where Carl Lupton (57) and his wife Charlotte Lupton (67) were provided emergency medical treatment at the scene, suffering from multiple stab wounds and were immediately transported to Kishwaukee Community Hospital. The offender, Cameron D. Lupton (28) of Malta, IL, was deceased at the scene.

LIFE SAVING AWARD



Officer Burt Johnson, Officer Jeff Winters and Firefighter Travis Karr received the Life Saving Award

On March 18th, 2014, at 2:53 p.m. Officers Burton Johnson and Jeffrey Winters responded to 1325 West Lincoln Highway, to an apartment on the fifth floor for a report of an infant not breathing. Upon arriving at the scene officers ran up five flights of stairs, located the baby, and determined the child was not breathing. They immediately administered Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) techniques to revive the infant and continued rescue breathing while they carried the child down the stairs to await the arrival of the ambulance.

The officers were met by off duty, Firefighter Travis Karr who had heard the call via a scanner in his privately owned vehicle and responded to the scene. Firefighter Karr took over rescue breaths as the ambulance arrived, the child was transported to the hospital, and ultimately survived the ordeal. Had it not been for the responding officers and off duty firefighter the infant would not have survived the incident; therefore, they are to be commended for saving the child's life. They have represented themselves, their respective departments, and the City of DeKalb in an exemplary manner, thereby setting the standard for others to follow.

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On a bitterly cold January 4th, 2013 at approximately 1:30 a.m. officers responded to the predominantly student, residential area of 1300 Eco Park Drive for an incident involving “shots fired.” Witnesses reported that two men were on the street, where a firearm was discharged and that the subjects subsequently fled the area. Though the information was limited, a coordinated effort from the Telecommunicators Latoya Marz and Brittany Hedin to process the available information and get it to the responding officers as the situation evolved, along with the securing of the area and follow-up investigation by Officers Kris Mecca, Sadie Pristave, Phillip Brown, Arron Gates and his canine partner “Tac,” Michael Cicchetti, Allison Benthussen, Elizabeth Fabro, and Reda Reese, while under the leadership of Sergeant Thomas Petit the male offender was identified and apprehended. The ongoing investigation which included numerous interviews, consent searches of area apartments, and evidence recovery the offender, Clinton Lawler was charged with Unlawful Use of a Weapon and Reckless Discharge of a Firearm. The weapon, a loaded .45 caliber semi-automatic handgun was recovered, a dangerous situation was resolved, and an armed offender was taken off the streets of our city.

All of the Police personnel involved demonstrated their respective knowledge, skills, and abilities to take limited information at the onset and turn it in to the arrest of an armed subject acting in a reckless and dangerous manner. The Telecommunicators and all of the Police Officers involved have represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and are to be commended for a job well done and setting the standard for others to follow. Their dedicated and decisive actions surely prevented a more dangerous or tragic situation from occurring.

On March 26th, 2014 Officers Fabro and Gates were dispatched to a report of subjects attempting to kick in an apartment door at 1212 Varsity Boulevard. Upon arriving at the scene the officers quickly located two suspects, a male and female, in the hallway. The suspects were detained and the scene was secured. The door to the apartment showed signs of an attempted forced entry, the male suspect had in his possession a screwdriver, and additional evidence at the scene indicated that the suspects were unlawfully attempting to enter the apartment. Telecommunicator Brittany Hedin, who was at the scene in a ride-a-long capacity, had also located physical evidence that helped to further the investigation. The officers reasoned that there was more than just an attempted burglary involved, which was reinforced when Officer Gates noted an odor of cannabis coming from the apartment. Targeted Response Unit (TRU) Officers Wells and Kwasniewski were called to the scene to assist with the investigation, and as a team the officers evaluated the physical evidence, secured incriminating statements from all parties involved, and obtained consent to search the apartment.

The search of the apartment resulted in the seizure of over 400 grams of cannabis, a variety of controlled substances, \$700.00 in cash, and two loaded handguns. The apartment resident, Kevin Finley, admitted to trafficking in narcotics and was ultimately charged with a variety of felony weapons and narcotics offenses. The two suspects initially located in the hallway were charged with the attempted residential burglary and other related offenses. All personnel involved demonstrated superior skills in responding, securing, and evaluating the scene and circumstances involved which ultimately led to the arrest of three offenders and the removal of two firearms from our streets. All are to be commended for representing themselves and the DeKalb Police Department in a highly competent and professional manner, setting the standard for others to follow.

On May 1st, 2014, Detective Keith Ehrke investigated a Home Invasion/Armed Robbery that occurred at 915 W. Hillcrest Drive where the victim was outside smoking a cigarette when he was approached by three male subjects. The victim was ordered back into his residence at gunpoint and reported that two of the suspects were armed with guns. Once inside the apartment the suspects began searching the apartment for money and drugs. The suspects encountered the victim’s girlfriend in her bedroom where both victims were ordered to the floor while their apartment was being ransacked. The suspects took money and cannabis from the apartment and fled the scene on foot. Detective Ehrke subsequently interviewed both victims and learned that they were selling cannabis from their apartment and that they did not recognize the suspects. Video surveillance from a neighboring apartment building showed the suspects running from the scene and showed that there were five suspects involved, not three.

By checking video surveillance from neighboring apartment buildings Detective Ehrke determined that the suspects had entered a nearby apartment building and also identified two of the suspects. Ultimately all five suspects were located, arrested and interviewed in Chicago, four of the suspects confessed to either committing the home invasion or acting as a lookout during the commission of the crime. The offenders Darryl Ryme, Tyrell Payne, Deontay Page, Perry Cleaves and Jeremiah McAfee were all charged with two counts of Armed Robbery and two counts of Home Invasion. Detective Ehrke’s tenacity and use of multiple investigative strategies resulted in the arrests of five violent offenders and as such he is to be commended for a job well done. He has represented himself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner and has set the standard for others to follow.

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On April 23rd, 2014, Detective Michael Stewart investigated a case where a child was not breathing and was subsequently transported to Rockford Memorial Hospital, where the infant remained in the intensive care unit for three weeks. Attending physicians advised that the child was without oxygen for six minutes which caused a significant brain injury and ultimately led to the child's death on May 16th, 2014. On two separate occasions during the course of the investigation, Detective Stewart interviewed Jessica Breuer, an associate of the victim's mother, who had been watching the child on the day he sustained injuries causing his death. During those interviews, Jessica Breuer provided conflicting details about the incident and ultimately admitted to getting upset while watching the child because he bit her breast. Jessica Breuer eventually stated that she had choked the fifteen month old baby boy for approximately ten minutes prior to the child going limp. The cumulative investigation and Jessica Breuer's confession resulted in Breuer being charged with two counts of First Degree Murder. Detective Stewart's investigation and interview skills brought the offender to justice and as such he is to be commended for a job well done. He has represented himself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

On April 30th, 2014, Detective Michael Stewart investigated the death of David Pierce who had been walking with a friend when he passed out and stopped breathing. David Pierce, a known heroin user, was transported to Kishwaukee Community Hospital where he died. Detective Stewart interviewed the individual that was with Pierce when he died, the interview lasted several hours, and Detective Stewart learned that the deceased purchased heroin from a person identified as Anthony McClain. Within minutes of purchasing the heroin from Anthony McClain the victim injected the drug and died shortly thereafter. Detective Stewart was able to get the witness to cooperate with the police investigation and who agreed to set up another drug deal with the suspect, Anthony McClain. On May 1st, 2014, Anthony McClain delivered heroin to the cooperating witness. McClain was arrested for Unlawful Delivery of Heroin within a 1000 feet of a school and was interviewed at the police department where he admitted to selling heroin to the victim. The autopsy revealed that David Pierce died of heroin intoxication and as a result of selling heroin to the victim, Anthony McClain was charged with Drug Induced Homicide. Detective Stewart's tenacity and use of multiple investigative strategies resulted in the arrest of McClain and as such he is to be commended for a job well done. He has represented himself and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner and has set the standard for others to follow.

On May 24th, 2014 officers attempted to serve an arrest warrant at an apartment located at 1134 Regent Drive for Stefan Canonge. As officers prepared to engage the occupants of the apartment they were able to look through a window and see illegal narcotics and paraphernalia inside in plain view. They knocked on the door to make contact with the occupants and were immediately able to smell cannabis coming from inside. The wanted subject was not home when officers initially arrived on scene; however, he drove up moments later. During the course of their investigation officers interviewed the wanted subject and another occupant, both admitted to having a small amount of cannabis and drug paraphernalia inside, but both denied consent to search the apartment. Another officer had observed two more subjects inside the apartment run upstairs as officers had initially made contact. They were also located and interviewed where they confessed to flushing a small amount of cocaine down the toilet at the direction of Steven Harris when they saw the police.

As officers furthered their investigation they were able to obtain incriminating statements from the subjects on scene that facilitated their obtaining a search warrant for the apartment. By engaging in proactive policing measures in an attempt to arrest an offender wanted on a warrant, officers identified further criminal activity, coordinated their investigation, executed a search warrant and seized nearly 100 grams of cannabis, 34 grams of cocaine, additional suspected narcotics and paraphernalia, several hundred dollars in cash, and a Glock handgun. From warrant attempt, throughout their investigation and the ultimate arrest of two offenders, the officers acted as a team. As a result of their actions, Stefan Canonge was charged with a Failure to Appear warrant, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, and Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance and Steven Harris was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance, Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to Deliver, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis with the Intent to Deliver, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Obstructing Justice and Unlawful Use of Weapons.

As a result of simply looking through a window while attempting to serve an arrest warrant and setting the example through teamwork, the officers seized a firearm, a significant amount of money, cocaine, and cannabis from repeat offenders. By their actions they made our City safer by arresting habitual offenders and taking a firearm off the streets before a greater tragedy occurred. They are to be commended for representing themselves and their profession in an exemplary manner and for demonstrating selfless action through team work.

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On May 6th, 2014, at 4:32 a.m. the police were dispatched to the scene of a burglary at 1126 South First Street, the Cathedral of Praise Church. Upon arriving at the scene, officers searched the building but were unable to locate a suspect on scene. The preliminary investigation determined that the offender may have been frightened off by the early arrival of the pastor and officers noted that several areas of the church had been damaged by an unknown offender. During a canvass of the neighborhood Officer Thomas Reilly located a subject near Lincoln School and while conducting a field interview determined that the subject, Christopher Becker, was the offender who had unlawfully entered the church.

The subsequent investigation revealed that the offender had proceeds from the burglary in his possession, admitted to being in the church, and was linked to several other recent burglaries in the area. Officer Thomas Reilly, Officer Geoffrey Guzinski, and Detective Angel Reyes worked as team to respond to the original call, evaluate the scene, search the immediate area, identify the offender and follow up on other unsolved cases that were ultimately linked to the offender and a codefendant. As a result of their efforts Christopher Becker was charged with eight counts of Burglary and his codefendant, identified as Justin Butz, was charged with seven counts of Burglary. Their immediate, professional response to this incident resulted in two serial burglars being identified, both being linked to several other unsolved crimes, and both being charged with numerous felony counts of Burglary. They are to be commended for a job well done and representing themselves and the DeKalb Police Department in an exemplary manner.

On July 30th, 2014, DeKalb Police responded to Walmart in regard to a retail theft complaint. Upon arriving at the scene officers determined that an adult female offender had been apprehended by store security attempting to remove items from the store without paying for them. The investigation revealed that the offender had her five year old daughter with her and had attempted to steal these items for her daughter's birthday. The mother was in custody in regard to the retail theft, had made admissions as to her intent to commit the theft, and that the items were for her daughter. The offender's daughter was visibly upset by the incident; having witnessed her mother being arrested by police and that items intended as gifts for her were stolen and being recovered by authorities.

Officer Jeffery Winters, in an act of kindness, purchased one of the items so the offender's daughter would have something for her birthday and also insured she had a birthday cake. Though the offender had not set a good example for her daughter, Officer Jeffrey Winters did and by doing so demonstrated his compassion for the child and his dedication to duty. His simple act of kindness may live with this child forever, he has honored himself and enhanced the image of every police officer by his actions. He is to be commended for a job well done, for demonstrating compassion for others, and by setting the standard for others to follow.

On August 2nd, 2014, Officers Aaron Gates and Jordan Poulos responded to the 300 block of South Fourth Street for a report of an unknown subject illegally dumping garbage. The officers arrived at the scene, began their investigation and determined that the garbage contained evidence of an illegal cannabis grow operation. The officers then coordinated their investigation with Targeted Response Unit personnel Sergeant Steve Lekkas and Officers Todd Wells and Jeffery Weese.

The subsequent investigation led police to an apartment at 324 South Fifth Street where officers were able to locate additional evidence that indicated a cannabis grow operation was housed at that location. Contact with the resident was established who refused to cooperate with police and a search warrant was obtained. The search warrant was executed in the early morning hours of August 3rd, 2014 at which time over eleven pounds of cannabis, fifty cannabis plants, equipment used in the growing operation, and \$2,600.00 dollars was seized by police.

The resident, Mateusz Sirant, was charged with Unlawful Possession of Cannabis with the Intent to Deliver, Unlawful Possession of Cannabis, Unlawful Production of Cannabis and Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. These police officers responded to a simple call that led them to the arrest of a drug dealer operating within our city. Their actions demonstrated their dedication to duty and investigative skills, which has set the standard for others to follow. They have represented themselves, the Police Department and the City of DeKalb in an exemplary manner and are to be commended for a job well done.

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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. The TRU members which include Police Officers Todd Wells, Jeffery Weese, Tony Kwasniewski and Sergeant Steve Lekkas are to be commended and have represented themselves and the Police Department in a professional and admirable manner.

On November 21st, 2014, the Targeted Response Unit (TRU) received information regarding narcotics trafficking from the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). A multi-agency, joint investigation regarding this information was set in motion with DeKalb Police TRU officers, DeKalb County Sheriff's deputies, and DEA Task Force officers. While working a surveillance regarding the initial information officers observed the suspect vehicle, noted a vehicle code violation, and initiated a traffic stop on the unit. During the course of the traffic stop a canine sniff was conducted on the vehicle and a positive alert was provided by the canine team. The suspect admitted to recently smoking marijuana, he consented to come to the DeKalb Police Headquarters to be interviewed, and a search of his vehicle was conducted.

During the search of the suspect's vehicle officers discovered a hidden compartment under the front seat where access is controlled by an electronic actuator. Inside the compartment officers' recovered four bricks, each weighing over 1000 grams, of heroin. The Targeted Response Unit subsequently executed a search warrant at the suspect's residence located in the 1400 block of Cambria Drive in the City of DeKalb. Pursuant to the search of the residence, officers recovered another 2200 grams of heroin, \$32,000 dollars, a gun and ammunition. Also seized during this investigation were three vehicles.

The suspect, Henry Zamora, was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to Deliver, Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of a Title with Open Assignment, Possession of a Secret Compartment, Possession of a Firearm without a Firearms Owner Identification Card and Improper Display of License Plates. The high level of cooperation and coordination between the police agencies and the investigative skills of the officers involved resulted in the largest heroin seizure, six kilos, in DeKalb's history. Your actions regarding this investigation set the standard for others to follow, you demonstrated exemplary leadership, dedication to duty, and your commitment to making our community a safer place. You are to be commended for a job well done.

On September 6th, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) honored Officers Bollow and Mecca for their efforts to combat Drunk Driving in Illinois by awarding them the MADD Heroes Award. Officers Bollow and Mecca were recognized for their strong, anti-drunk driving efforts, each making his own substantial contribution to the elimination of drunk driving in Illinois.

MADD's Campaign to Eliminate Drunk Driving® aims to protect families by supporting the heroes who keep our roads safe through high-visibility law enforcement; requiring convicted drunk drivers to blow before they go with the use of ignition interlock devices; and turning cars into the cure through the development of technology that automatically determines whether or not the driver is above the legal limit of .08 causing the vehicle to fail to operate if the driver is impaired.



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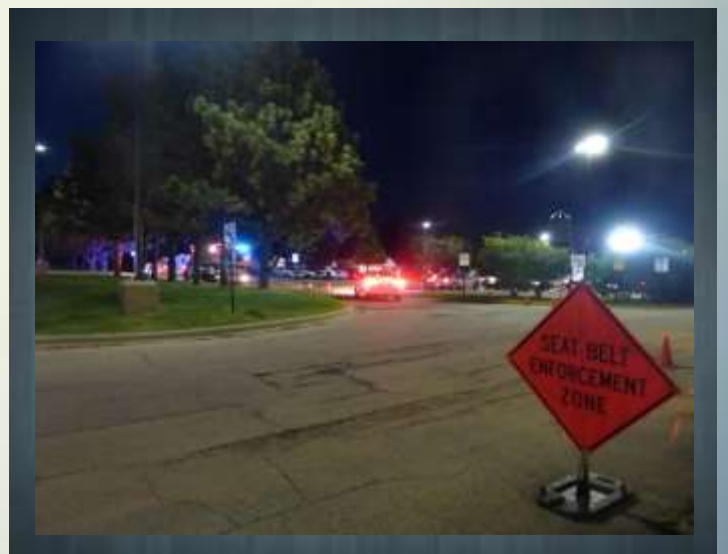
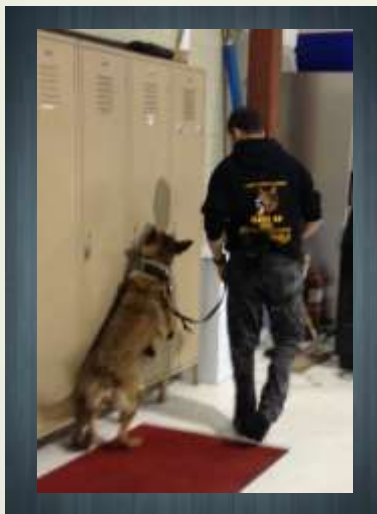
On December 10th, 2014 officers observed a vehicle with an equipment violation, when they checked the vehicle's license plate they discovered that it was being sought in regard to a theft investigation. Officers then observed the vehicle commit a traffic violation and subsequently stopped the vehicle that had four occupants. As officers approached the vehicle they detected a strong odor of cannabis emitting from its interior. During their subsequent investigation the officers located a book bag that had thirty-five bags of cannabis inside. Police identified the owner of the bag and placed him under arrest.

The bags contained nearly 50 grams of cannabis that was packaged for sale in small amounts. The officer who initially spotted the suspect vehicle was a new officer in the Field Training Program and his partner was his Field Training Officer. This simple traffic stop for a minor violation led to the arrest of a local street dealer who was subsequently charged with Possession of Cannabis with the intent to Deliver. As a new officer this was exceptional work and he and his Field Training Officer are to be commended for a job well done, taking a drug dealer off our streets, beginning a career on a high note, and setting the standard for others to follow.

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

On October 14th, 2010, Antinette "Toni" Keller was reported missing to the Northern Illinois University (NIU) Police Department. Keller, an 18 year old NIU student, was last seen leaving her dormitory and going to Prairie Park where she often went to take pictures and draw. A search of Prairie Park was conducted on October 18th, 2014 where a fire pit was located containing items, such as camera pieces, cell phone pieces, buttons and clothing. These items were later found to be personal items of Keller. In addition to the personal effects of Keller, suspected bone fragments were located, which were positively identified as human remains by the University of Indianapolis Anthropology and Biology Department. Subsequent DNA testing identified the bones as that of Keller's. On October 18th, 2014, the suspect, William Curl, turned in several bone fragments that he reported finding with his son while on a walk in Prairie Park. At the time he advised he knew we were investigating a missing NIU student, but wasn't sure these bones had anything to do with our case. On October 19th, 2014, the DeKalb County Major Crimes Squad took over the investigation. Curl was interviewed, but due to recent dental work, he could not speak. After several attempts in the following days to interview Curl, it was learned Curl fled DeKalb. Curl was eventually located in New Orleans, where DeKalb Police Detectives interviewed him. Curl admitted to meeting Keller in Prairie Park. Curl advised that Keller hit her head while together and died. He advised he then disposed of her body. Curl was charged with homicide and extradited back to Illinois. Curl pled guilty to the homicide and was sentenced to 37 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections in 2013. This investigation drew a great deal of media attention. The DeKalb County Major Case Squad used a multitude of different investigative strategies to solve the case which included; search warrants, overhears, damming a river and garbage dump searches. The members of the Major Case Squad represented themselves and the departments they work for in an exemplary way. Because of the actions of members of the DeKalb County Major Case Squad in this case, they were nominated for the Award of Excellence from the Illinois Homicide Investigator's Association. On October 15th, 2014, the DeKalb County Major Case Squad received this award.

CRIME STATISTICS



ACCIDENTS

2014 Facts...

Friday is the day that experienced the most accidents.

Tuesdays are the days with the most injury accidents.

The highest accident frequency per hour is between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

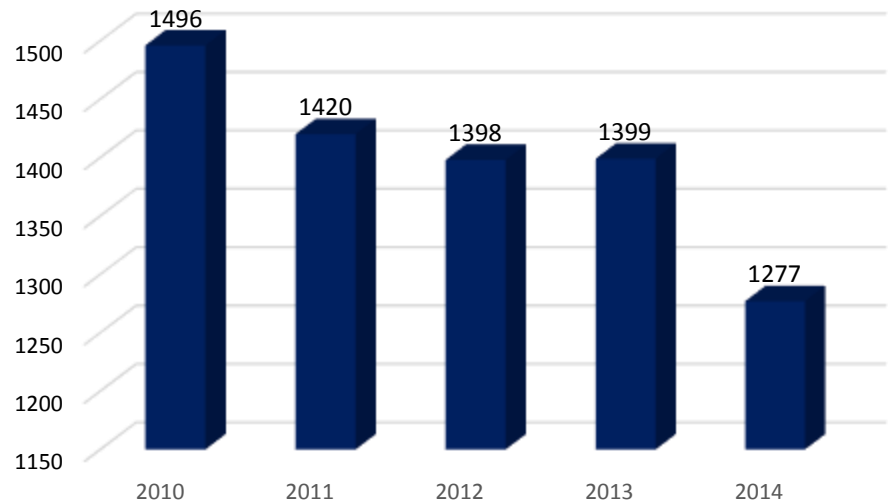
21 and 22 year old drivers were involved in the most accidents. The average driver's age involved in accidents was 35.

There were a total of 649 citations issued in accidents reported.

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

There were 161 persons injured in accidents and two traffic fatalities.

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS



HIGHEST INTERSECTION ACCIDENTS

2014

Annie Glidden Rd. & Lincoln Hwy.	14
Annie Glidden Rd. & Lucinda Ave.	14
1 st St. & Lincoln Hwy.	12
Annie Glidden Rd. & Hillcrest Dr.	11
Lincoln Hwy. & Peace Rd.	10
4 th St. & Lincoln Hwy.	9
7 th St. & Lincoln Hwy.	9
7 th St. & Sycamore Rd.	9

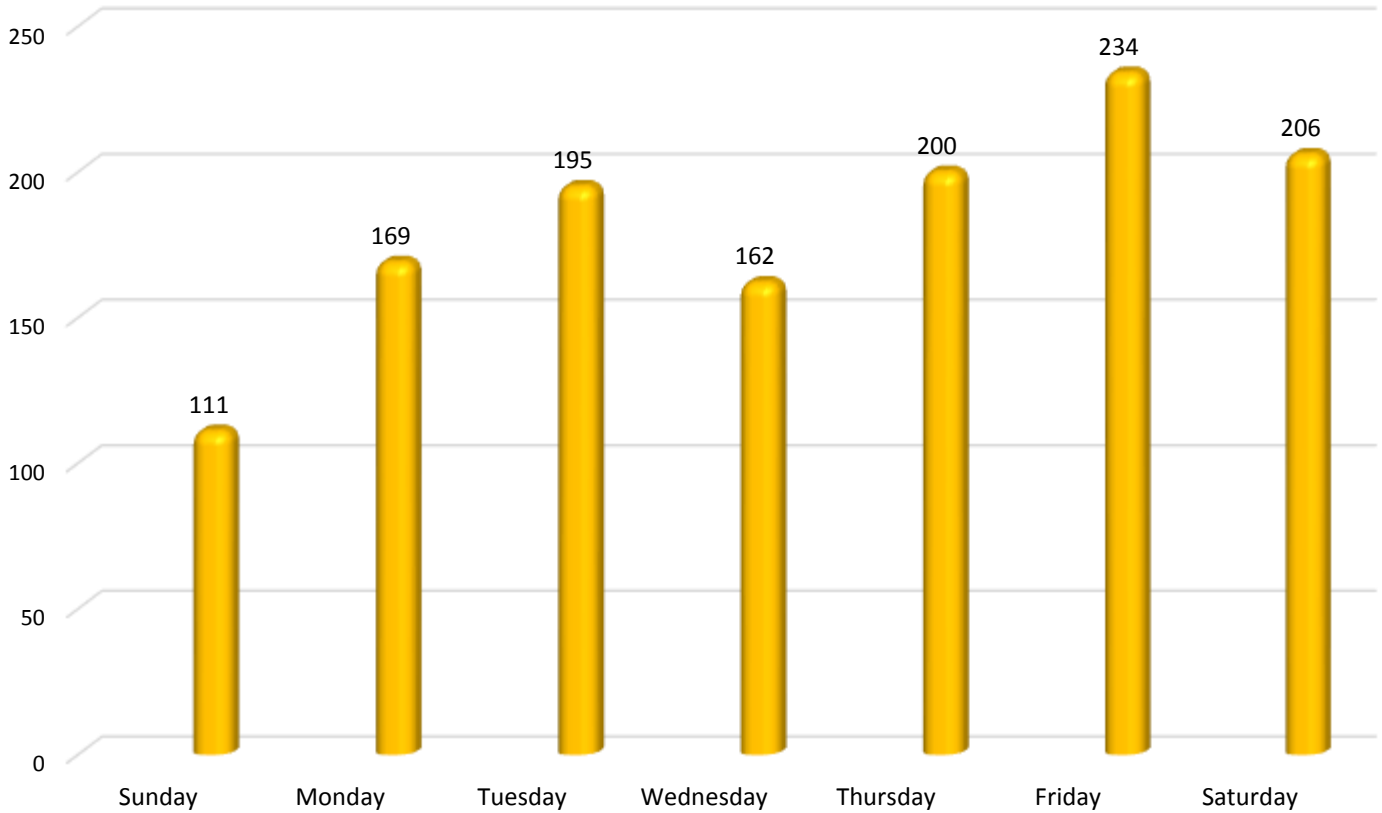
2013

Annie Glidden Rd. & Lincoln Hwy.	20
4 th St. & Lincoln Hwy.	11
1 st St. & Locust St.	11
Annie Glidden Rd. & Lucinda Ave.	8
1 st St. & Lincoln Hwy.	8

2012

Annie Glidden Rd. & Lincoln Hwy.	16
Lincoln Hwy. & Peace Rd.	11
Barber Greene Rd. & Sycamore Rd.	9
4 th St. & Lincoln Hwy.	9

ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK



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More 2014 Accident Statistics...

- 399 occurred on private property*
- 365 were intersection related*
- 2500 total units involved*
- 241 accidents were hit and run*
- 242 accidents were no report and not included in the statistics*



ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES

	2012	2013	2014
To Fire Department	435	315	265
To Other Government Agencies	302	230	214
To Other Police Agencies	584	690	857
To Others	--	370	313
Warrant Attempts/Paper Service	628	401	474
Warrant Arrests	567	622	925

PUBLIC SERVICES

ACTIVITY	2012	2013	2014
Assist Business	302	220	248
Assist Citizen	1337	1061	1065
Assist Motorist	614	604	675
Building/Vacation Checks	4191	4252	4017
Child Safety Seat Inspections	96	79	94
Compliance Checks	29	37	75
Crossing Guard Duty	65	177	134
Escorts	423	467	471
Fingerprint Civilians	471	198	187
Keys Locked in Car	2330	2284	2228
Lost/Found Property/Bicycles	351	341	297
Message Delivery	59	49	62
Open Door/Window	101	116	110
Other Public Service	22	88	1
Pickup/Delivery of Articles	51	31	82
Public Presentations	35	11	33
Special Events	34	77	74
Total	10,482	10,092	9,853

OTHER CALLS FOR SERVICE

	2012	2013	2014
Accidental Injury	13	10	8
Air Gun Violation	2	14	20
Alarm	940	968	886
Animal Calls	604	593	741
Annoying Phone Call – No Report	30	108	136
Check Well Being	669	694	822
Child Custody Dispute* (new in 2013)	--	70*	70
Citizen Contact* (new in 2012)	21*	125	224
Civil Dispute	190	194	184
Disorderly Conduct-No Arrest/Report	634	650	595
Disorderly House	115	96	165
Disruptive Intoxication* (new in 2013)	--	16*	48
Domestic Trouble	885	738	1009
Drug Overdose* (new in 2013)	--	2*	5
Fighting In City	159	121	167
ID Check/No Arrest	44	24	9
Intoxicated Person	203	88	112
Juvenile Offenses	463	283	373
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	38	17	21
Loud Party/Stereo/Noise	1414	1371	1202
Mental Case	61	56	64
Missing Person	29	49	91
Neighbor Trouble	83	28	75
Other Calls/Special Services	559	669	951
Relocator Complaints	36	64	41
Repossession	58	74	115
Sex Offender Registration	203	218	194
Shots Fired	38	47	39
Solicitors	85	65	99
Standby-Child/Property Exchange	179	137	82
Sudden Death	24	13	22
Suicide	2	1	5
Suicide-Attempt/Threat	143	103	180
Suspicious Activity	2097	1718	1624
Suspicious Drug Activity/Drug Tip* (new in 2012)	115*	219	208
Suspicious Activity/Weapon Involved* (new in 2012)	17*	11	18
Smoking/Tobacco Violations	22	11	11
Unfounded 911 Calls/Unfounded Calls	808	755	2716
TOTAL	10,835	10,332	13,332

TRAFFIC SERVICES

ACTIVITY	2012	2013	2014
Abandon Auto	136	126	218
Other Traffic Services	946	365	202
Parking Complaints	420	581	418
Parking Tickets Issued	11,449	7607	7075
Pedestrian Warning	101	215	150
Reckless Driver Complaints/Motorist Disputes	168	396	391
Traffic Stops	3669	4543	5150
TOTALS	16,889	13,833	13,604

TRAFFIC CITATIONS

	2012	2013	2014
Child Restraint/No Seat Belt	1253	545	665
Disobeyed Traffic Control Devices	369	237	247
Driver License Violations	643	626	614
Driving Under Influence Alcohol/Drugs	229	186	178
DUI Over .08	158	116	89
Equipment Violations	111	104	117
Hit & Run	60	88	65
Illegal Transportation of Alcohol	56	62	55
Improper Lane Usage	216	168	128
Improper Use/Suspended/No Registration	323	314	304
Miscellaneous	164	314	299
One Way Streets	13	12	19
Operating Uninsured Vehicle/False Insurance Card	1150	920	787
Passing School Bus	13	8	6
Reckless Driving and Fleeing/Eluding	20	10	17
Speeding – Over/Too Fast for Conditions/School Zone	293	216	191
Speeding – Radar	592	427	197
Texting While Driving	--	--	191
Turning Violations	26	14	21
Zero Tolerance	13	5	4
TOTAL	5901	4372	4194

DUI ENFORCEMENT

*City of DeKalb
2014 DUI Facts...*

There was a 4% decrease in DUI arrests from 2013 to 2014.

Of the 178 arrests 49 were female and 129 were males.

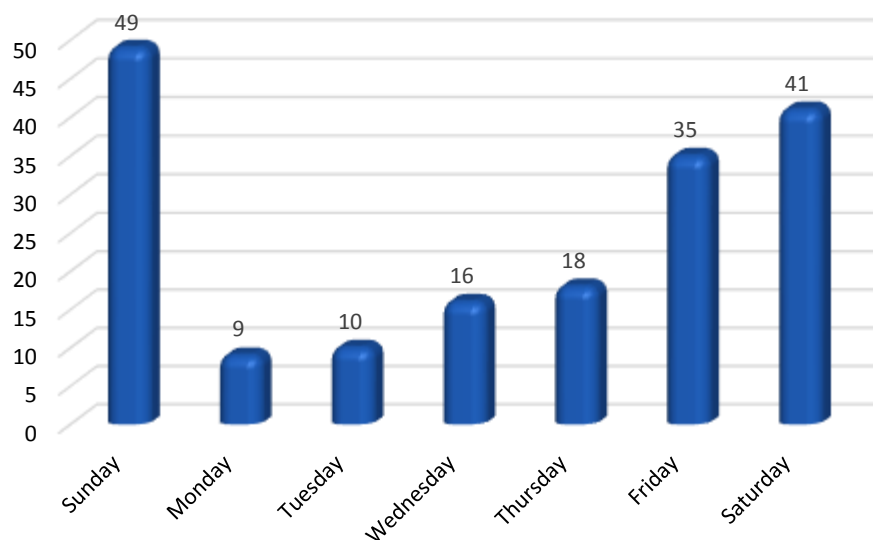
The average age for a DUI arrest in the City of DeKalb is 30.

24 year olds received the most DUIs with 18.

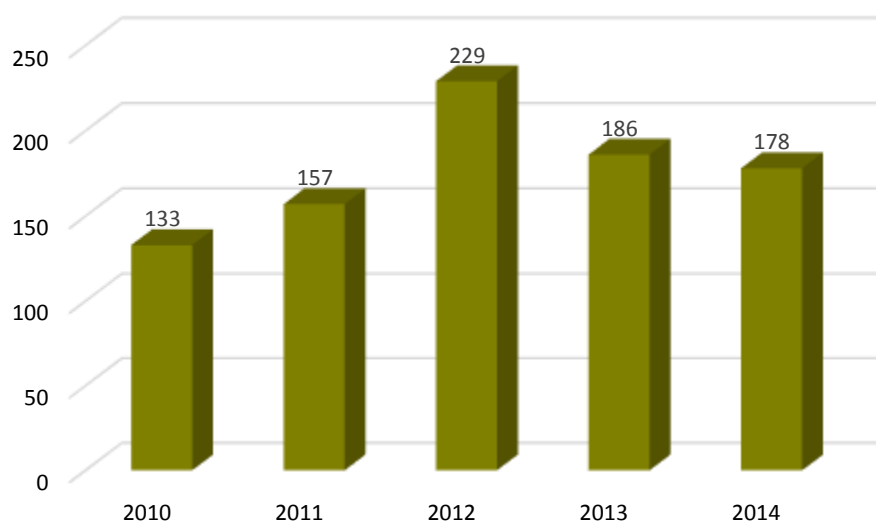
28 DUIs were accident related.

Of the 178 DUI arrests, 19 were charged as DUI drugs.

DUI BY DAY OF WEEK



DUI(s) BY YEAR



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.

	2012	2013	2014	% CHANGE (2013-2014)
HOMICIDE	0	2	1	-50%
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	34	47	36	-23%
ROBBERY	28	27	13	-52%
AGGRAVATED BATTERY/ASSAULT	134	146	129	-12%
BURGLARY	209	185	156	-16%
THEFT	1071	1014	994	-2%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	24	26	16	-38%
ARSON	21	11	12	9%
TOTAL	1521	1458	1357	-7%

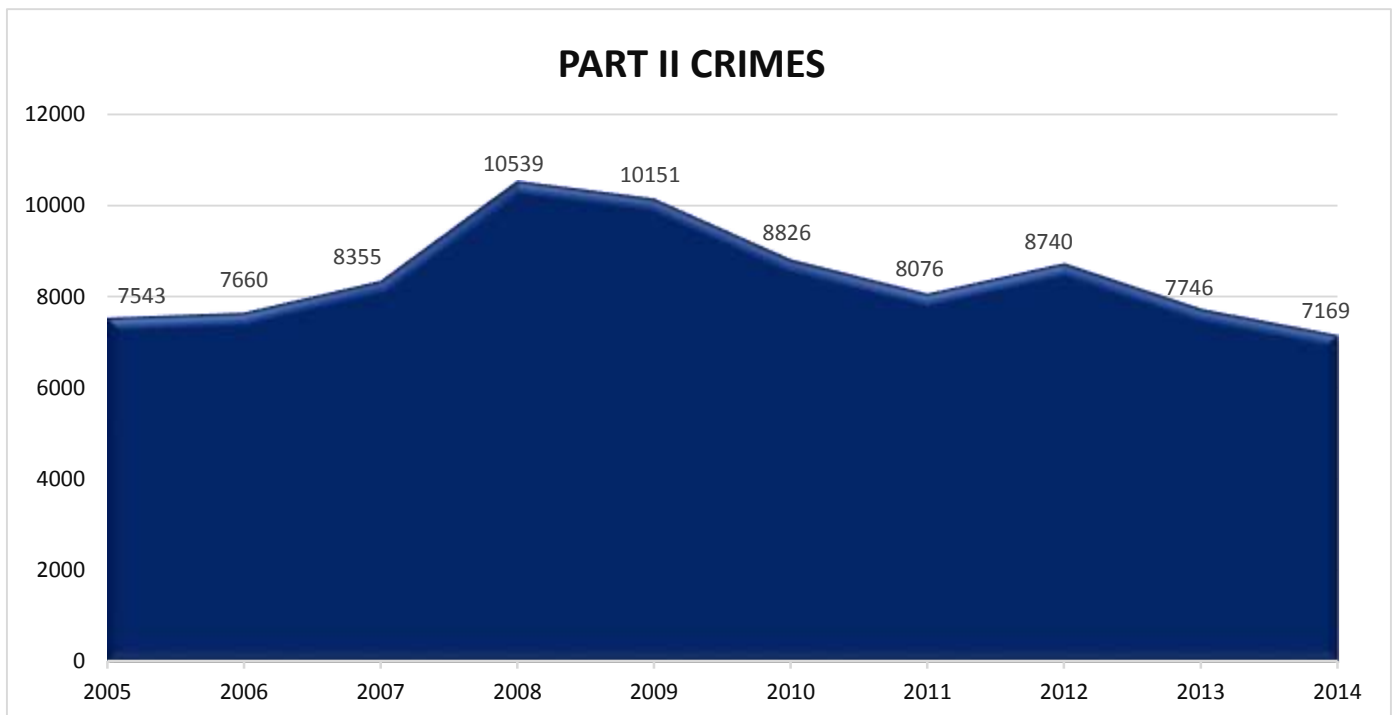
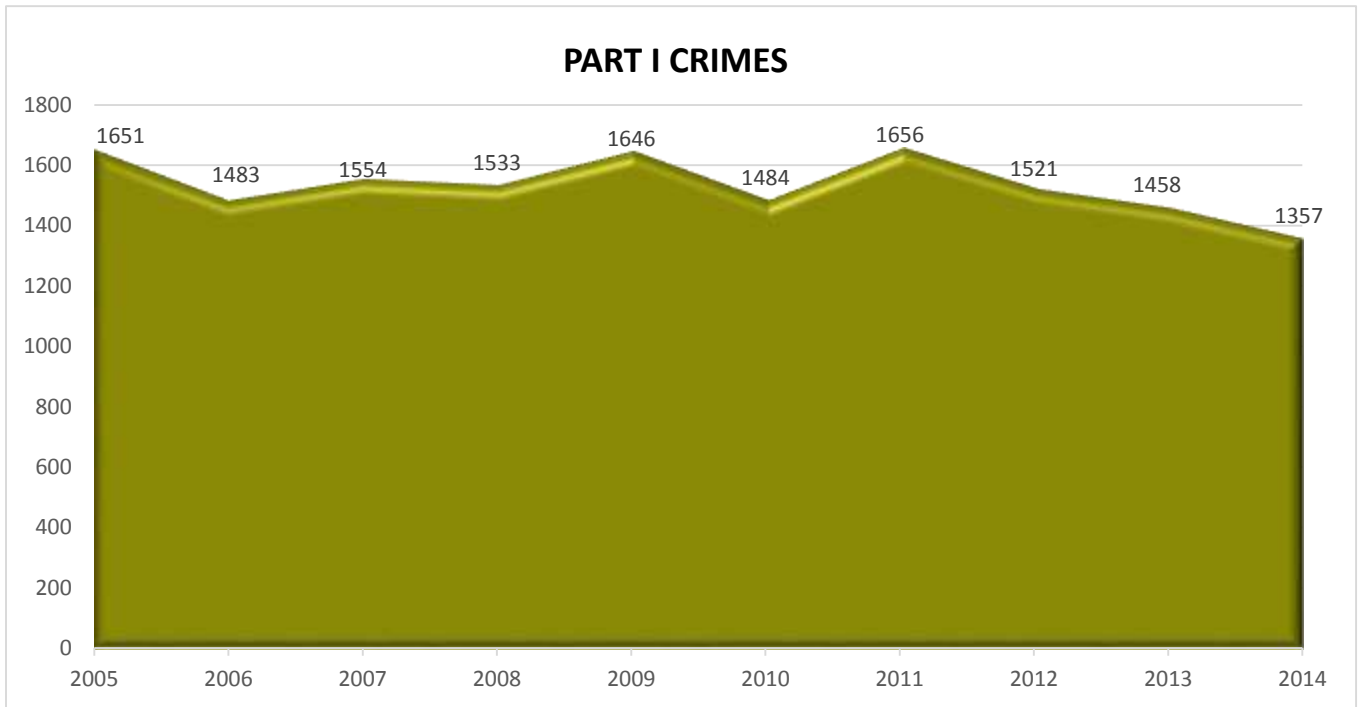
PART II CRIMES

	2012	2013	2014	%CHANGE (2013-2014)
BATTERY	605	622	595	-4%
DECEPTION	576	546	438	-20%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & TRESPASS	943	853	739	-13%
DEADLY WEAPONS	38	29	25	-14%
SEX OFFENSES	54	41	43	5%
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	122	62	90	45%
CANNABIS CONTROL	333	370	334	-10%
METHAMPHETAMINE OFFENSES	2	5	6	20%
HYPODERMIC SYRINGES & NEEDLES ACT	4	7	4	-43%
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	217	236	193	-18%
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	72	120	173	44%
LIQUOR CONTROL VIOLATIONS	327	253	175	-31%
MAJOR MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSE	3672	2830	2771	-2%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	833	748	651	-13%
INTERFERE W/POLICE OFFICER	185	196	176	-10%
INTIMIDATION	11	14	9	-36%
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION*	79	90	70	-22%
VIOLATION OF SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY LAWS	21	7	10	43%
OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES	646	715	668	-7%
TOTAL	8740	7746	7170	-7%

*UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT AND UNLAWFUL VISITATION INTERFERENCE ARE INCLUDED IN THIS CATEGORY AND MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF THIS STATISTIC.

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.



2014 Notes of Interest...

In 2014 the NIU Police Department assisted the department with 2,106 calls.

There was a 25% decrease in assault/batteries against a police officer from 2013.

There was a 10% decrease in resisting and obstructing offenses compared to 2013. In 2013 there were 195 compared to 176 in 2013.

In 2014 other agencies handled 1040 calls within our jurisdiction due excessive call volume.

There was a 2% increase in officer initiated calls in 2014.

PUBLIC SERVICES

2013	2014	%CHANGE
10,092	9853	-2%

DRUG OFFENSES

2013	2014	%CHANGE
738	709	-4%

OFFENSES INVOLVING WEAPONS OR IMPLIED

2013	2014	%CHANGE
1413	1166	-17%

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

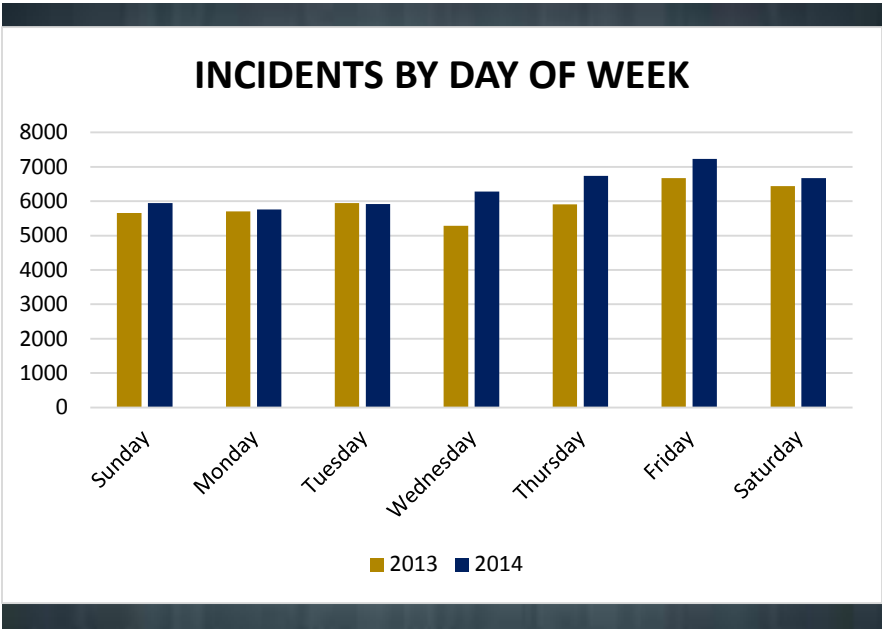
2013	2014	%CHANGE
41,598	44,537	7%

ASSAULTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS

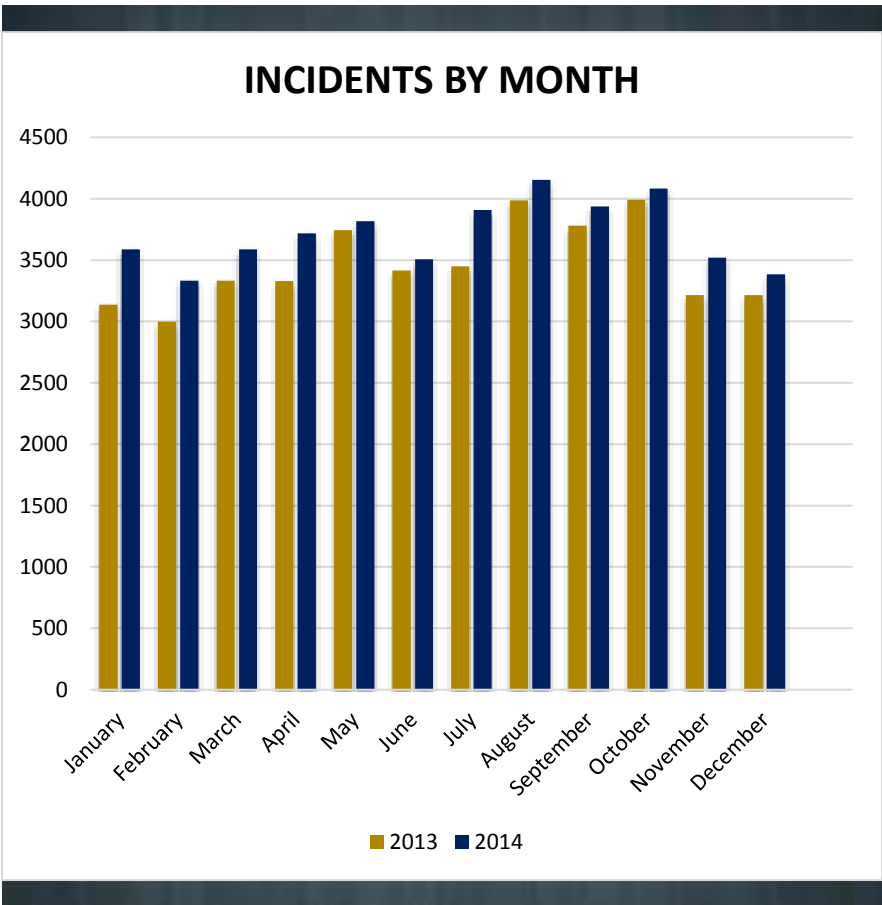
2013	2014	%CHANGE
12	9	-25%

**Does not include officers injured in the line of duty.*

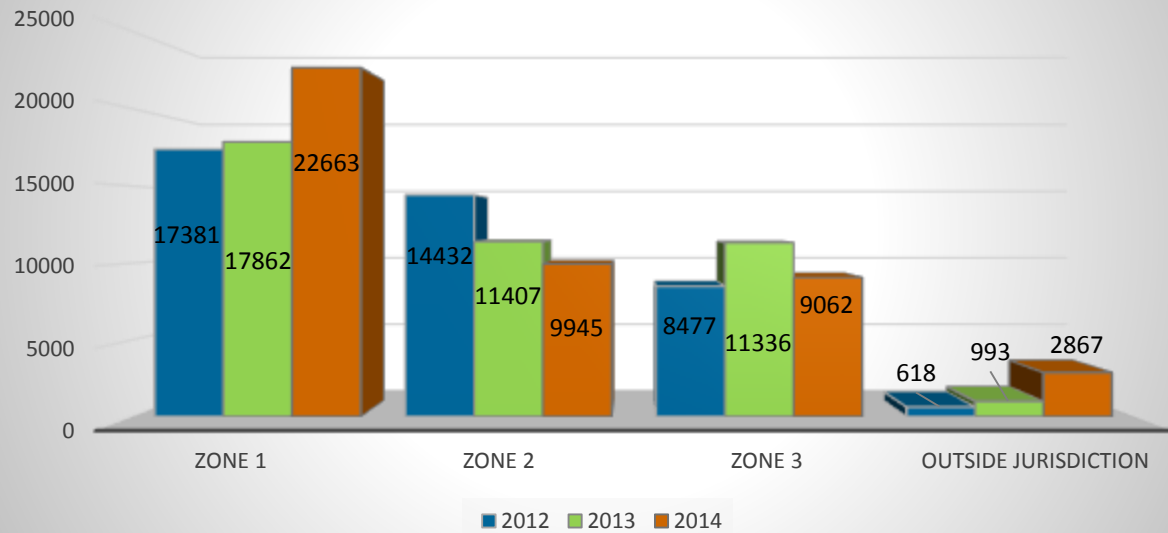
	2013	2014	% CHANGE
SUNDAY	5656	5948	5%
MONDAY	5704	5756	1%
TUESDAY	5941	5920	0%
WEDNESDAY	5288	6278	19%
THURSDAY	5906	6736	14%
FRIDAY	6669	7232	8%
SATURDAY	6434	6667	4%
TOTAL	41,598	44,537	7%



	2013	2014	% CHANGE
JANUARY	3137	3587	14%
FEBRUARY	2998	3333	11%
MARCH	3333	3587	8%
APRIL	3329	3718	12%
MAY	3745	3817	2%
JUNE	3417	3507	3%
JULY	3450	3908	13%
AUGUST	3986	4155	4%
SEPTEMBER	3780	3937	4%
OCTOBER	3993	4083	2%
NOVEMBER	3216	3521	9%
DECEMBER	3214	3384	5%
TOTAL	41,598	44,537	7%

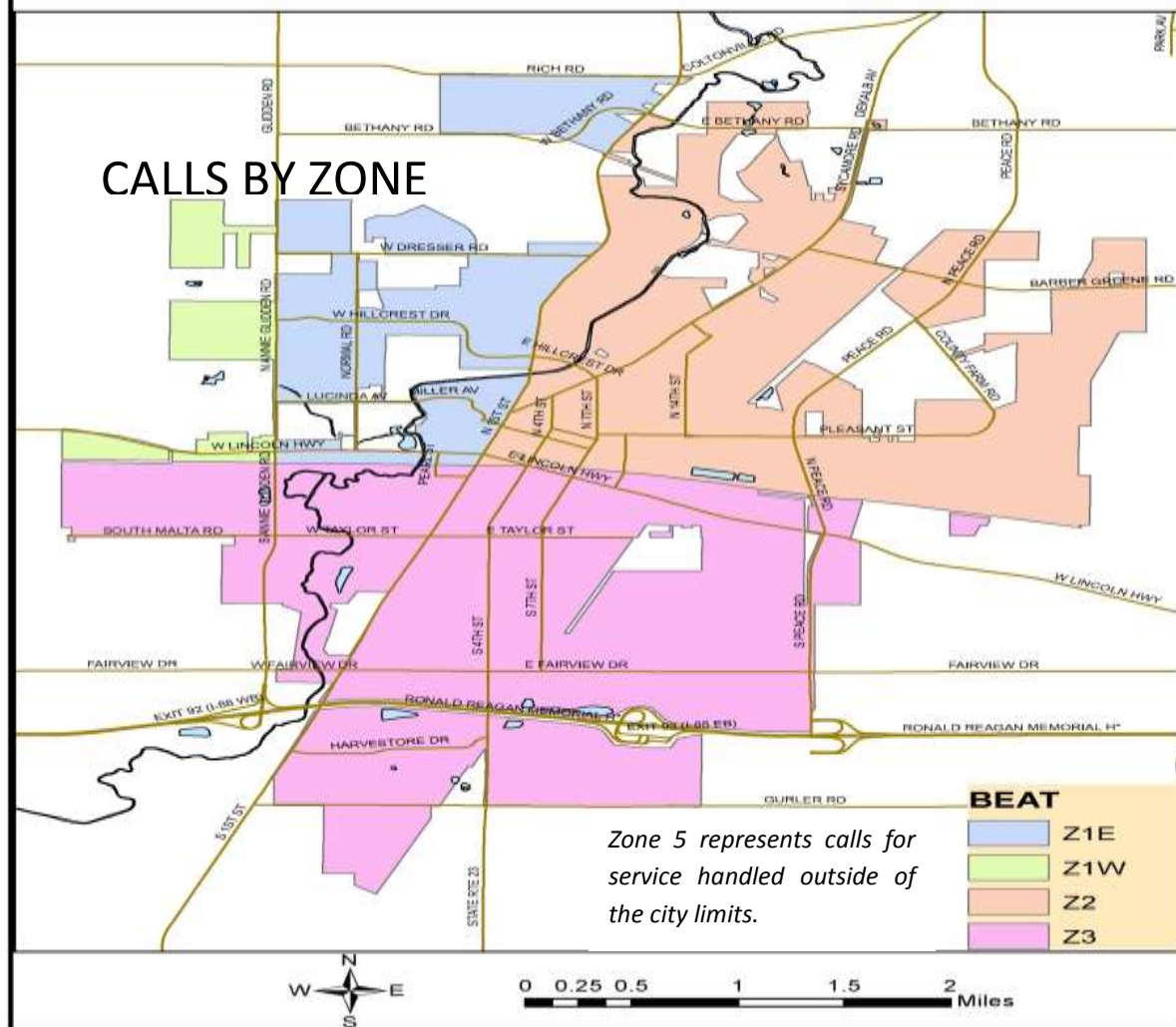


CALLS BY ZONE

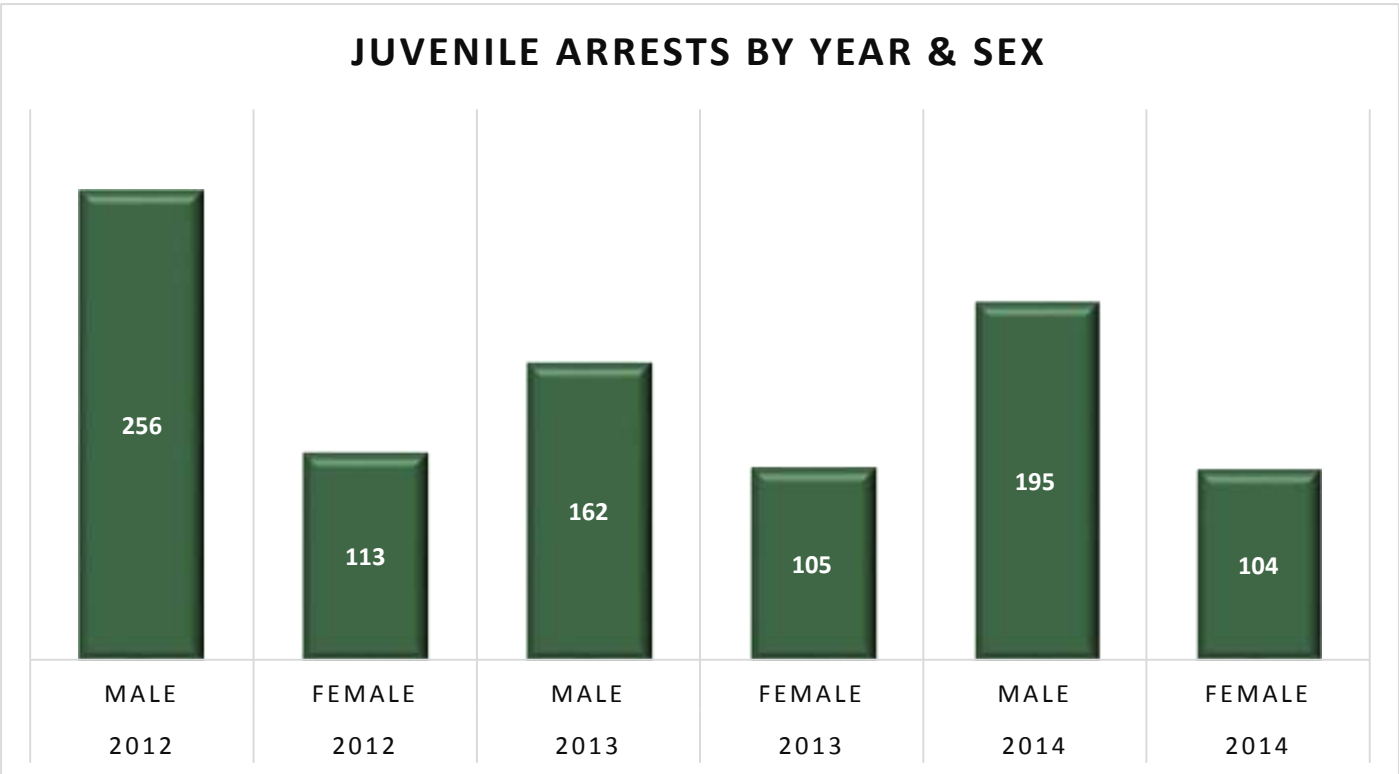
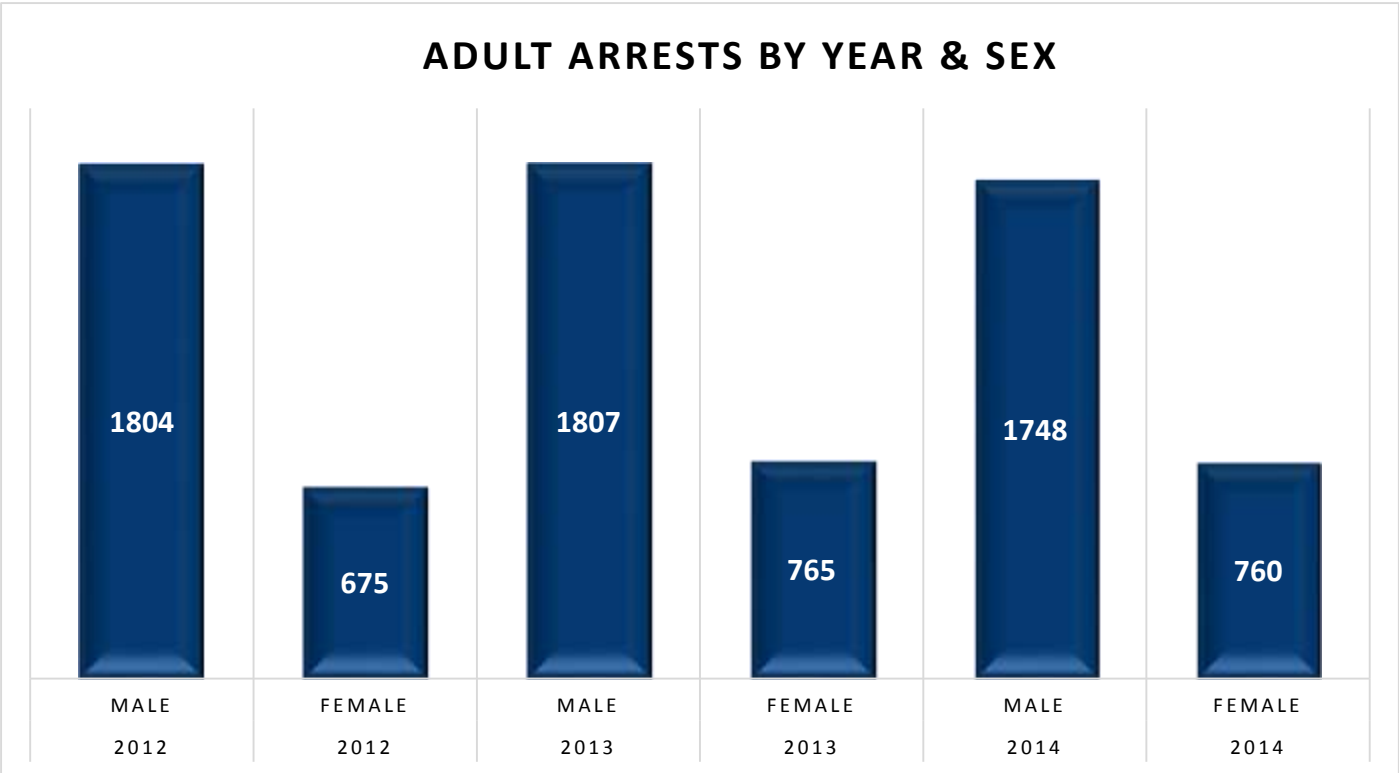


POLICE ZONES

CALLS BY ZONE



Arrest Information



PROGRAMS and OTHER EVENTS





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. Officers attended the breakfast program, met students prior to school, and visited different classrooms. 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.

CAMP POWER AND POWER ACADEMY

In July 2013 the DeKalb Police Department formed the **Youth in Need Task Force** to develop strategies to decrease youth delinquency in DeKalb. This community based, collaborative summer program responds to identified issues of child hunger and youth crime that occur throughout our community during the summer months. The structure of Camp Power includes academic tutoring, a daily healthy lunch and afternoon snack, nutrition education, structured physical activity, mentoring and the development of community gardens. This program will teach youth and families multiple ways to utilize the vast array of recreational resources in their immediate neighborhood and assist them in developing healthy food options through education and the community garden. In the summer of 2014 the first **Camp Power** began and was hosted in the University Village apartment complex, during the tenure of the program Part 2 Crimes decreased by **26%** as compared to the previous year.



CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT PROGRAM

The DeKalb Police Department started the **Child Passenger Safety Seat Program** in the summer of 2001. Seven DeKalb officers are nationally certified Child 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.



In order to be certified, Officers must attend a 32-hour class given by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration certified instructors. The training covered topics such as injury prevention, crash dynamics, federal safety standards, vehicle occupant protection systems, and the correct installation of child restraint systems. 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.

COPS & BOBBERS

The **DeKalb Police Benevolent and Protective Association** held a Fishing Derby on June 7th in conjunction with Big Brothers & Big Sisters of DeKalb County. A special thanks goes out to Target, Lukulos, Shabbona Lakeside Bait and Tackle, Zebco and CST Storage for their donations and assistance. Twenty-two children were all given a Zebco fishing rod, lunch and awards. Unfortunately, the kids didn't c



DUI DAY



Every other year a mock DUI crash is held at DeKalb High School just prior to prom. The scenario is a two vehicle accident with multiple injured and one deceased passenger. Juniors and Seniors watch as the entire process from the 911 call to the arrival of Police and Fire Departments. The students are made up to look injured and are removed and transported by ambulance. The Coroner is summoned and removes the deceased. DUI tests are conducted and the driver is placed under arrest. This reenactment is powerful and depicts what can occur when driving under the influence of alcohol or other intoxicants.

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, memorials, and ceremonies.

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 COURSES

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 PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM

The DeKalb Police Department participated in the **National Prescription Drug Take Back Program**. This program is free and anonymous for those who wish to drop off expired, unused or unwanted prescription or even over-the-counter medicines. A major goal of this program is to reduce prescription drug abuse, overdose deaths and hurting the environment. The disposal of the drugs is done in an environmentally safe manner. In 2014 a prescription drug drop box was placed in the lobby of the police headquarters which allows residents to drop off unwanted medications year round.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is, ***"America's Night Out Against Crime."*** The 29th 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 5th, 2014. The event was held at the Target store of DeKalb. The participating agencies 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"**, 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.

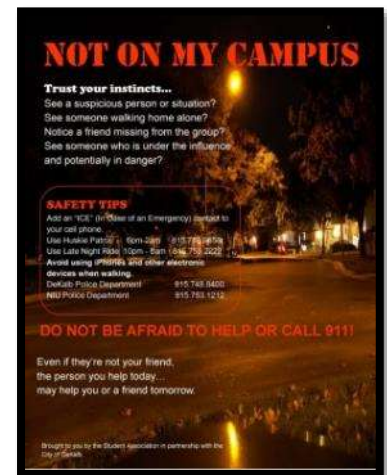
One of the main purposes of the neighborhood watch group is to get to know your neighbors. Neighborhood Watch groups do this by holding meetings, block parties, and cookouts. Officers often come to these meetings to speak about preventive measures residents can take to remain safe.

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 continued to hold self-defense classes for women called RAD **"Rape Aggression Defense."** It is designed to enhance the option of self-defense, so it may become a viable consideration to the woman who is attacked. Topics include basic physical defense techniques, legal rights for defending yourself, and identifying or reducing risks. RAD training was conducted three times during the month of October 2014, with a total of 13 participants in attendance. In 2014 the training was also offered to City of DeKalb employees for the first time.

RESIDENT OFFICER PROGRAM

The **Resident Officer Program** (ROP) informally started in 2004 with an officer taking up residency in a housing project on North 14th Street. 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 a designated neighborhood 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 neighborhood. He has performed these duties while remaining on a traditional patrol shift.

The enhanced ROP program started in 2012 which placed a police officer in a city-owned 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.

Officer Jared Burke continues to serve as the Resident Officer in the Pleasant Street neighborhood. He strives to develop relationships, identify and prioritize policing strategies, and assist with community and quality of life issues within the neighborhood; acts as a liaison with other city departments and social service agencies; works with neighborhood groups to solve identified problems; assists residents in the development of neighborhood initiatives and organizations; empowers residents to work together to improve their neighborhood, and participates in youth activities by building relationships through direct involvement, education, and mentoring.

Even with patrol staffing shortages requiring the use of Officer Burke on a regular basis with patrol duties, he has still been able to perform ROP duties. Some of his accomplishments in 2014 were teaching golf lessons to the 5th grade class at Little John Elementary School over a six week period, participating in the Northern Illinois University Cares Day by helping coordinate a clean-up day in the Pleasant Street Neighborhood, and hosting monthly neighborhood watch meetings for the Pleasant Street Neighborhood.

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 14th Street to the east. He has addressed neighborhood concerns with his new friends and neighbors with some of those accomplishments listed below.

The Resident Officer Program continues to have a positive impact on the neighborhood regarding a continual decrease in incidents reported to the police. That being in 2012 there were 591 incidents of all types reported whereas in 2014 there were 189 incidents reported to police. That was a decrease of 402 incidents or 68% fewer incidents reported in 2014.

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:



- Standard Bar Check. Uniformed officers enter an establishment and conduct identification checks in an effort to locate underage violators.
- Standard Business Check. 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.
- Shoulder Taps. Underage agents set up outside an establishment and attempt to have patrons buy alcohol for them.
- Street Sweeps. Officers patrol streets with a high volume of foot traffic looking for open container violations, as well as possession/consumption of alcohol by minors.

In 2014 alcohol enforcement continued to be a priority for the department with one of the ongoing goals being to train the ownership and staff of the liquor serving establishments on the state and local laws or ordinances regarding the sale of alcohol. Included in this initiative is the **TIPS Program**. This past year **5** TIPS classes were held with **59** 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 regulations governing the serving of alcohol as well as the responsibility that accompanies it.

TOBACCO COMPLIANCE

Being concerned with the instances of underage smoking, the City of DeKalb Police Department has performed tobacco compliance checks when possible for many years, and enforcement has stepped up. With grant monies disbursed through the Illinois Liquor Control Commission 29 venues were checked multiple times throughout 2014. The program called for DeKalb police officers to visit with all tobacco licensees in the City of DeKalb. 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 age before 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...



CAMP POWER



P.B. & P.A. BREAKFAST



DEKALB HIGH SCHOOL HONORS OFFICER JAQUES FOR HIS
MILITARY SERVICE AND DEPLOYMENT



HEROES & HELPERS



P.B. & P.A. GOLF OUTING



BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS
BOWLING FUNDRAISER

OFFICER DOWN...

On December 27th, 2014 Officers Tom Reilly and Jordan Poulos attended the funeral of Officer Wenjian Liu of the New York Police Department who died in the line of duty, along with his partner Officer Rafael Ramos. Both officers were sitting in their patrol car when they were shot and killed on December 20th, 2014. Thanks to **JetBlue**, who paid for the flights of our two officers, so they could honor the fallen officers who had made the ultimate sacrifice. It was estimated that 25,000 officers from across the country attended each funeral. Officer Liu served over seven years and was posthumously promoted to the rank of detective and Officer Ramos served two years and was also posthumously promoted to the rank of detective.



"Grieve Not For Me"
Grieve not for me for it has been ordained,
that my journey here be short.
Grieve not for me for my loyal presence
will ever remain in your heart.
I was sent to be a guardian
for the guardians of law in blue
a fearless, noble protector
with a bond that few can construe.
With character unshakable,
and senses that are well heightened,
I was sent to be a defender,
so that your burden here would be lightened,
grieve not for me for in heavenly blue
our reunion day will come.
Grieve not for me for as partners again,
we will defend a greater kingdom.

-Author Unknown



POLICE DEPARTMENT
113th Precinct
167-02 Baisley Boulevard
Jamaica, NY 11434

January 21, 2015

Dear Chief Gene Lowery,

On behalf of the New York City Police Department and the members of the 113th Precinct, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest appreciation to the members of your department who took time out of their busy lives, taking time away from their family, to attend the funeral of Detective Wen Jian Liu. Please extend our kindest thanks and appreciation to Police Officer Jordan Poulos and Police Officer Tom Reilly who attended.

Their show of unity was recognized by all of the members of the New York City Police Department, Detective Liu's family, and the residents of New York City that we proudly serve. Thank you for your department's show of support and sympathy during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Frederick Grover
Deputy Inspector
Commanding Officer, 113th Precinct

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IN LOVING MEMORY...

On September 19th, 2014, K9 Officer "Nick" was laid to rest. Nick was the DeKalb Police Department's first K9 coming to us from the North Central Narcotics Task Force. He was born in Holland where he lived until he was a year and a half old. Nick was trained in narcotics detection, suspect apprehension, handler protection, tracking and article search. His handler was Officer Tom Reilly.

Nick spent his last night surrounded by family, friends, and fellow K-9 handlers. He ate like a king and enjoyed some play time. On September 19th he ate steak for breakfast and his last two hours Officer Reilly and he had alone time. They played fetch and hung out in the yard. Nick perked up when he was given the reward tug that he earned so many times on the street. He had one last spin by the toy. He passed, still holding the tug toy, firmly in his mouth.

Thank you for your years of service Nick!



*"Born to Love
Trained to Serve
Loyal to the End
Best Friends to Our Nation's Finest
We Served Our Master Who Served Mankind
Faithful to the End
An Officer's Extra Senses to Guide and Protect
Our Eyes in the Dark
A Nose for Danger
A Partner Faithful Beyond Word"*
*This is inscribed at the American Police Hall of Fame
& Museum, the Police K9 Memorial*



ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FAMILY...

DETECTIVE ANGEL REYES

Detective Angel Reyes enlisted in the Air Force in 1985 and was honorably discharged in 1988. From June 1988 to December 1988 he was with the Mississippi Air National Guard and Honorably Discharged. In Jan 1989 to May 1993 he was with the Illinois Air National Guard and Honorably Discharged. From July 2009 to the present he is with the Illinois Air National Guard, Unit 182 Airlift Wing, Peoria, IL where he is a Law Office Superintendent.



National Level Additional Duty: Liaison for 9 Air National Guard Bases in the US: Involves providing support to Paralegals and Judge Advocates (lawyers) at these bases. Assist them with any concerns or questions they may have to accomplish their mission. Reyes works directly with the Air National Guard (ANG) MAJCOM Senior Paralegal Chief Master Sergeant to provide the support as needed.

National Level Additional Duty: Inspector General Augmentee. In this position Reyes assists active duty by conducting Legal Office Article 6 Inspections with a JAG Liaison to make sure the ANG legal office is meeting the Air Force Mission. The inspections are throughout the US at other Air National Guard Bases.

Detective Reyes was recently awarded the Non Commissioned Officer (NCO) of the year (2015) for the 182 Airlift Wing.



TYLER REYES – SON OF DETECTIVE ANGEL REYES

He is in the same unit as his father and works in the Civil Engineering Squadron. He was active duty for two and a half years before coming to this unit.

OFFICER BRYAN SODERSTROM

Officer Soderstrom enlisted in the Army National Guard in October 2003 as a Military Police soldier. In August 2008 he was activated for Operation Enduring Freedom. He spent two months training in Fort Bragg, NC and 10 months in Afghanistan. Officer Soderstrom is currently a Sergeant in the 333rd Military Police Company out of Freeport, IL, and signed a six-year re-enlistment in December 2014.



OFFICER MARIO NONNENMANN

Officer Nonnenmann enlisted on October 5, 1989, in the United States Air Force. He was assigned to Basic Military Training School at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX. Upon graduation, he transferred to the Strategic Air Command, 90th Missile Wing, F.E Warren AFB, Cheyenne, WY as a logistic technician where he remained in that duty assignment until fall of 1991. Officer Nonnenmann requested another transfer and was granted an assignment attached to the Pacific Air Force Command, 3rd Wing, 3rd Supply Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Anchorage AK, where he remained until 1998. During his tenure, he completed three temporary duty assignments to Guam, Japan, and Shemya Alaska (Aleutian Islands). He was honorably discharged in 1998.



Officer Nonnenmann reenlisted in the Air Force Reserve in June 2001 and was assigned to the 440 Airlift Wing, 440th Security Forces, General Mitchell International Airport, Milwaukee, WI. Upon reenlistment he entered into Security Forces. He was activated after September 11, 2001 for a period of one year to provide home station security and to complete Security Forces retraining. He remained in that duty assignment until the base was closed in 2006.

In 2006, he enlisted in the Illinois Air National Guard as a Security Forces Journeyman at the rank of E-6. He was assigned to the 182d Airlift Wing, 182d Security Forces, Peoria, IL International Airport. He was deployed to Asia for a period of six months in 2009 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He twice led teams from this unit and conducted joint US Army/Air Force security operations for high profile domestic events. He is still assigned to the 182d Security Forces Squadron and has attained the rank of E-7 (Master Sergeant).

He plans to retire in the near future with nearly 23 years of service to the United States Air Force. Officer Nonnenmann has received numerous awards during his tenure.

OFFICER JOSE JAQUES

Officer Jaques is a Lieutenant Colonel in the Illinois Army National Guard. He joined the National Guard in 1987 and has served in both the National Guard and US Army Reserves for the last 27 years. He has been awarded the Army Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal (3rd award). He has also received other service related awards. Officer Jaques was mobilized from 2003-2004 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He is currently deployed to Bagram, Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom Sentinel and Resolute Support. He is serving as the senior liaison to the Polish Military Contingent to Operation Resolute Support.



AYSLIN NACHMAN – DAUGHTER OF DETECTIVE MARK NACHMAN

Ayslin Nachman graduated from the Illinois Air National Guard as an Airman 1st Class. She graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas in the fall of 2014. She completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Ayslin will return to the same base on March 23, 2015 in order to complete her advanced training.





A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

December 2012



DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 20/20





DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT 20 INITIATIVES IN 20 MONTHS

UPDATES TO THE "20/20 Vision for the Future" 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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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 16th, 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.

In 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 graduated from the leadership academy in the summer of 2014 and the second Officer is attending the 2015 Leadership Academy class.



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.

The Formation of a Youth in Need Task Force



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

The task force had its first program to address crime and the needs of youth in University Village during the summer of 2014. The program was named "Camp Power" and "Power Academy" which became a significant community based, collaboration to address a community in distress by bringing educational, leadership, recreational, and a nutrition program to children who are often underserved.

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 2013 and immediately began to have an impact on crime. In 2014 the TRU made 320 arrests including 142 felonies.

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.



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. In 2014 Officer Aaron Gates and his canine partner "Tach" had an impact on interdicting illegal narcotics and apprehending offenders by making 31 arrests.

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. The capabilities of this software expanded 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 2014.





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 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.

The NIU Police Department and the DeKalb Police Department are working together in a co-policing initiative that became more robust in 2014.

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 which continued to serve in 2014.



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 in 2015.

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.

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 was designed to decrease the amount of firearms that make their way into the hands of individuals who choose to commit crime, the program is underway in 2015. The anti-violence campaign is designed to bring about community awareness and support for programs designed to reduce violence.

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.

Introduce the "Partnering with our Community" policing philosophy

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 2014 crime and incident data documents a 68% decrease in the demand for police services in the neighborhood.



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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	1 Officer	Approved-reorganization
0 to 6 Months	Targeted Response Unit (TRU)	Proactive, Problem Solving team, street crime/ narcotics focus	1 Sergeant/3 Officers	Approved-reorganization
0 to 6 Months	Targeted Response Unit (TRU)	Supplement TRU staffing	1 additional officer (1 FTE)	Requested for 2013
0 to 6 Months	DEA Task Force Officer	Covert narcotics task force	1 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	1 Coordinator (1 FTE), 1 clerk (1 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 1	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

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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 1/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 multi-agency 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	1 additional officer (1 FTE)	Requested for 2013
6 to 12 Months	Increase patrol staffing 1/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