DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT





2017



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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.



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.





A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF...

To Our Community,

As we close out calendar year 2017 there are many good things to talk about with our residents and visitors alike. During the year, the Police Department continued to seek in-

novative strategies to reduce crime and enhance the quality of life for all. We looked at crime and things that are often associated in some manner with crime, and contemplated what we could to change the outcomes left by criminal acts. In doing so we identified programs that could address crime in a different way, not simply relying on arrests solving the problem. During this process we looked at our highest crime neighborhoods in the northwest portion of our community, we examined the impact of juvenile crime and recidivism, and we evaluated the heroin/opioid epidemic affecting every community in our nation.

Based on the foundation that, "We cannot arrest our way out of these crime challenges," we began to develop non-traditional strategies to address the public safety and quality of life challenges we faced. This resulted in several new proactive, community-based initiatives that we call the **Safe Streets Initiative**, the **COMPASS Program**, and **Project HOPE**. The Safe Streets Initiative is based on three principles; implementation of a proactive policing strategy to increase enforcement of our most serious offenses in our highest crime areas; propose changes to restrict parking in certain residential areas afflicted by crime; and the creation of "Safe Routes" that make highly traveled streets safer for pedestrians and vehicles. If the Safe Streets Initiative is approved by our City Council, it will be fully implemented in 2018.

The COMPASS Program or, "Changing Outcomes by Making Parents Accountable, Supported and Successful," is a three-phase program that as proposed will attempt to interdict problematic juvenile behavior and crime at its onset and create three levels at which positive and supportive measures can be implemented to address the behavior without relying on an arrest to solve the problem. It also brings the component of parental accountability into play, as well as a host of social service stakeholders to address the behavior before it progresses into a higher level of criminality. The COMPASS Program is also expected to be fully implemented in 2018.

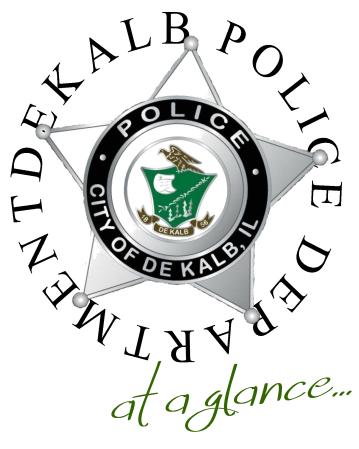
Project HOPE or, "Heroin/Opioid Outreach Prevention and Education," is designed to interdict at the earliest encounter the abuse of opioids by seeking an alternative to the traditional arrest. In partnership with the DeKalb County State's Attorney, the Police Department has developed a multi-disciplinary approach that is designed to fast-track addicts into support service agencies and rehabilitation centers. The program is in the developmental phase and will be introduced as a pilot program in 2018. All these programs are examples of the police department looking at alternative ways to address problems within our community that impact public safety and our quality of life.

While working on new ways to do things better, the Police Department continued doing the job it has always done in making our community safer. The hard work by the department's men and women was reflected in a 10% decrease in our most serious crimes for 2017. Thanks to you for being part of the solution and "partnering" with us to make DeKalb a great place to live.

Gene Lowery,

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Chief of Police



City Organized	1856
Police Organized	1885
Population	44,034
Sworn Officers	65
Civilian Personnel	27
City Budget	\$36,828,601
Police Budget	\$12,853,933
Service Area	16.4 square miles

Part I Crimes 1,519

Part II Crimes 6,980

Accidents 1,303

Arrests 2,872

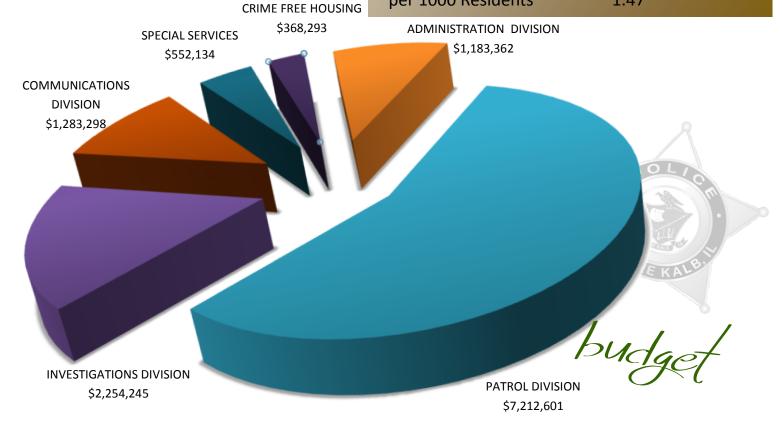
Citations 3,612

Public Services 13,732

Index Crime Rate per 1,000 34.49

Ratio of Police Officers

per 1000 Residents 1.47





CHIEF OF POLICE

Gene Lowery

DEPUTY CHIEF

John Petragallo

COMMANDERS

Jason Leverton Robert Redel Craig Woodruff Stylianos Lekkas

SERGEANTS

Jonathan Costliow
James Haacker
Thomas Petit
Mark Tehan
Scott Farrell
Chad McNett
Joseph Espy
Paul Mott
Jeff Weese
Todd Wells

SWORN OFFICERS

Burton Johnson
Steven Rodriguez
Jeffrey Winters
Aaron Lockhart
Chad McNett
Mark Nachman
Michael Stewart
Reda Reese
Jose Jaques
Kevin Ferrigan
Angel Reyes*
Jason Watson
Kelly Sullivan

Mario Nonnenmann

Brian Bollow

Anthony Densberger

Chris Sullivan
Keith Ehrke
Lance Reinbolz
Jared Burke
Elizabeth Fabro
Jeffrey Ackland
Keunte Mallett
Aaron Gates

SWORN OFFICERS

Phillip Brown Geoffrey Guzinski Joshua Boldt Kris Mecca **Ryan Wilkens Bryan Soderstrom** Jonathan Jursich Sadie Pristave Jordan Poulos John Loechel **Allison Remnes** Michael Cicchetti Olaniran Habideen Jason Goodwin Sonny Streit Raynaldo Hernandez Steven Parsons Danielle Sorenson

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COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

Tony Kwasniewski

LaToya Marz

TELECOMMUNICATORS

Heide Clark

Michael Callahan+

Sean Woyna

Christopher McMeen Brittany Westergren Geoffrey Wells

Keller Kurth Hillary Fowler Ryan Fisher

Elizabeth Basham Alyssa Jennings#

Garrett Williams#

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Penny Meier

RECORDS OFFICE ASSOCIATES

Rita Larson
Jackie Spartz+
Patty Pumfrey
Emily Getzelman+
Melissa Neblock#

MANAGEMENT ANALYST

Emily Tipps#

COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICERS

James Rhoades
Daniel Gerace
Jonathan Taylor#

COURT SECURITY

Raymond West

VOLUNTEERS

8 Volunteers

CRIME FREE HOUSING

COORDINATOR

Carl Leoni

INSPECTORS

Michael Stuckert Frank Beasley

PART TIME TELECOMMUNICATORS

Carol Halsey Adrienne Oziah Kelli Wilkens Kaitlin Armstrong Jennifer Barnett Jessica Green

*Retired #Hired +Resigned

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT ILEAP ACCREDITATION FLEET & FACILITIES **ADMINISTRATIVE** MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART **PROGRAM PROJECT** COMMUNICATIONS COMMANDER TELECOMMUNICATORS PSAP CONSOLIDATION **CONTRACT SERVICES** COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR (11 FT)(6 PT) OFFICE ASSOCIATE **COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICERS & EVIDENCE** COMMUNITY SERVICE CRIME FREE HOUSING INSPECTORS COURT SECURITY & INSPECTIONS COORDINATOR COORDINATOR & TRAINING (2 PT) (1 FT)(1 PT)(3 PT)SUPPORT SERVICES COMMANDER INTELLIGENCE DRIVEN RECORDS & PARKING **OFFICE ASSOCIATES** POLICING & SPECIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CHIEF OF POLICE **PROJECTS DEPUTY CHIEF** MANAGEMENT OF POLICE (2PT) ANALYST INVESTIGATIONS JUVENILE & SCHOOL COMMANDER DETECTIVE (1) DETECTIVES TACTIAL RESPONSE RESOURCE OFFICER (1) INVESTIGATIONS **OFFICERS** SERGEANT **ADMINISTRATIVE** (3) (9) UNIT (TRU) SERGEANT **ASSISTANT** RESIDENT OFFICER MN PATROL SHIFT **AM PATROL SHIFT** PM PATROL SHIFT **VOLUNTEERS IN** SERGEANTS (3) SERGEANTS (3) SERGEANTS (3) OFFICERS (12) OFFICERS (12) OFFICERS (12) **PROGRAM** PROGRAM POLICING COMMANDER PATROL



CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 20/20 VISION FOR THE FUTURE PLAN, PHASE TWO

• Phase Two was deployed in 2017 and will continue in 2018. This plan detailed 20 initiatives to be accomplished within 20 months that were designed to further our City's Strategic Plan and address challenges of crime, public safety and quality of life concerns for our community.

CO-POLICING WITH AREA POLICE DEPARTMENTS

• In 2017, the DeKalb Police Department's co-policing program with the Northern Illinois University Police Department maintained its high level of interagency cooperation. The co-policing program is designed to enhance community safety on campus and within neighborhoods adjacent to the university. From attending each other's roll calls, riding and training together and working collaboratively to implement proactive policing measures to reduce crime, both departments have developed a strong working relationship and continue to seek other ways to collaborate. This program will continue in 2018 with an intelligence driven policing strategy. The Illinois State Police, DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, Cortland Police Department, and Sycamore Police Department assigned officers to patrol within DeKalb as a specific crime deterrent.

NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SYSTEM

• The DeKalb Police Department Communications Center will be a part of a countywide enhanced Next Generation 911 project, which is being implemented throughout eleven northern Illinois counties. This project includes complete telephone infrastructure replacement for both the telephone companies and the 9-1-1 Communications Centers. For the first time, this will make texting to 9-1-1 possible, and in the future will allow the transmission of photographs and video through smart phones using 9-1-1. This project is being funded and implemented through the DeKalb County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB).

9-1-1 PSAP CONSOLIDATION

• The State of Illinois has mandated the consolidation of 9-1-1 Communications Centers, also known as Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs). As a result of this mandate, the DeKalb Police and DeKalb County Sheriff's Communications Centers will be the only 9-1-1 Centers operational in our county, with NIU and Sandwich no longer answering their own 9-1-1 calls. The DeKalb Police Department has worked in concert with the DeKalb County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) to implement a plan for DeKalb Police Communications to handle NIU's 9-1-1 calls, which will begin upon the implementation of the Next Generation 9-1-1 system.

CRIME ANALYST POSITION

• In 2017 the DeKalb Police Department received a Crime Analyst through the Illinois Army National Guard Counter Drug Task Force. This program provides the DeKalb Police with a full time Crime Analyst at no cost to the City, who works on-site in our Police Department. The purpose of the Crime Analyst is to assist our personnel in effectively investigating, interdicting, and arresting known narcotics offenders, as well as identifying related crime patterns and working in concert with local, state, and federal agencies to cooperatively combat narcotics trafficking.

POLICE-MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATION GRANT

• The Police Department, as well as other public service agencies in the community, often encounter persons in need of mental health services who are unable to receive or sustain necessary assistive or preventive care. The Police Department applied for the Police-Mental Health Collaboration grant in April 2017, in partnership with the DeKalb County Community Health Board, receiving input from a number of other health and public service agencies. The project's goal is to conduct a strategic plan and implementation to improve responses and available services for persons with mental health disorders. The initial grant award was in the amount of \$75,000 dollars, however we may become eligible for longer term grant funding based on the outcome of the first year.



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT

The DeKalb Police received a Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant for \$15,400 dollars for the
purchase of equipment to support our proactive enforcement measures and to enhance our investigations through
the use of technology.

ILEAS RADIO GRANT

• In 2017 the Police Department was awarded 28 mobile radio bases and 4 base stations after a statewide announcement was made by ILEAS referencing their availability. These will be installed as in-squad radios and will assist officers with interoperability operations.

TARGET CORPORATION GRANT

The DeKalb Police received a \$2,500 grant from the Target
 Corporation that will be used for Target National Night Out and Hero's & Helpers.

COMMUNICATIONS UNIT LEADER

 Communications Coordinator LaToya Marz and Telecommunicator Christopher McMeen completed the FEMA COM-L training and are state recognized to be deployed in times of disaster.

FEMA

 Officer Keunte Mallett and Sergeant Paul Mott became certified in Bomb Prevention and Field Force Operations.



FITNESS CENTER

• Since the Police Department Fitness Center opened in 2013, employees have logged 7,574 hours on the Elliptical; 59,825 miles and 10,855 hours on Treadmill #1; 20,741 miles and 4,134 hours on Treadmill #2; and 2,450 hours on the Stationary Bicycle.

IDOT AND TOBACCO GRANT

 The DeKalb Police Department utilized a grant through the Illinois Department of Transportation to increase impaired driving and occupants protection patrols. Tobacco sales compliance and enforcement was conducted through a grant obtained from the Illinois Liquor Commission. Without the additional funding, the Police Department would be unable to hire back officers to conduct the details.

PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY ORDINANCE (COMPASS PROGRAM)

 The Police Department worked with community stakeholders to develop a parental responsibility ordinance proposed to interdict problematic juvenile behavior and crime at its onset and create three levels at which positive and supportive measures can be implemented to address the behavior



without relying on an arrest to solve the problem. It also brings the component of parental accountability into play, as well as a host of social service stakeholders to address the behavior before it progresses into a higher level of criminality. The COMPASS Program is expected to be fully implemented in 2018.



PARTNER WITH SAFE PASSAGE

• The Police Department has partnered with Safe Passage for the development of a domestic violence advocacy program that is funded through a lethality assessment program grant. The training will be conducted in 2018.

POP/COPS DETAILS

• The Police Department initiated proactive patrol measures including Problem Oriented Policing (POP) details and Community Oriented Policing (COP) details. The details were designed to increase proactive policing efforts and community engagement in the northwest area of DeKalb and downtown. Officers also increased enforcement of order and maintenance issues within private properties and worked more closely with Code Compliance. The proactive efforts resulted in an increase of nearly 7,000 proactive events in 2017 from 2016. The details were conducted by on duty and hire back officers.

POP WARRANTS

• The Police Department introduced Problem Oriented Policing (POP) warrant details. The details highlighted different wanted offenders each month and were designed to increase the number of wanted offenders arrested by the Police Department.

PROJECT HOPE

In partnership with the DeKalb County State's Attorney, the Police Department has initiated a heroin/opioid outreach, prevention and education program that is designed to fast-track individuals confronting addiction into rehabilitation centers. The program is in the developmental phase and will be introduced as a pilot program in 2018.

SAFE PARKS

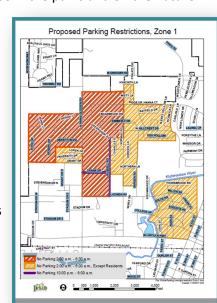
The Police Department implemented the use of a Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) as part of the Safe Parks Initiative. The UTV was purchased with funds obtained through grants provided by the DeKalb County Community Foundation and the DeKalb Park District. Officers have been trained in the use of the UTV and it has been deployed for use in the parks and on the nature trails. The UTV has also been utilized for various community events.

SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE

The Police Department began developing a Safe Streets Initiative to address crime in the northwest area of the City. The initiative will incorporate:
 1) proactive policing strategies, 2) changes to the parking ordinances as a crime reduction strategy, and 3) safe routes that enhance pedestrian and vehicle safety. This initiative will be introduced in 2018.

STAFF AND COMMAND

Commander Stylianos Lekkas successfully completed Northwestern
 University's Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff and Command. This is
 an internationally recognized program that develops current and future law
 enforcement executives.





DIVISIONS





2017





ADMINISTRATION

The Office of the Chief is accountable for all aspects of the Police Department's function and mission. Chief 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 Deputy Chief is second in command of the Police Department and acts in lieu of the Police Chief as needed. The Deputy Chief also commands the Operations and Support Bureaus. The Support Bureau encompasses Budget Administration, Community and Informational Services, Communications, and Support Services. The Operations Bureau encompasses the Patrol and Investigations Divisions, as well as the many specialty assignments and units therein.

Administrative Assistant Penny Meier is primarily responsible for reporting crime information in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Campus Crime Statistics (Clery Act), the federal government's Uniform Crime Report (UCR), the State of Illinois' racial profiling data collection, providing crime analysis support for guiding department operations, disseminating the DeKalb County Intelligence report and providing support for the Office of the Chief.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

We continue to meet with neighborhood and special interest groups to discuss public safety throughout the community. In 2017, we coordinated and attended more than 60 events including National Night Out, Cop on a Rooftop, Camp Power, and Heroes and Helpers.

The department is working on a new program to streamline the intake of individuals addicted to drugs into care facilities. We are working with the DeKalb County State's Attorney's Office and numerous medical facilities to ensure that a drug user that wants help can receive immediate care at a rehabilitation facility.



Citizens from Beijing tour Police Department

SUPPORT BUREAU

The Support Bureau includes Records, Community Relations, Training, Court Security, Communications, Crime Free Housing and Inspections, Information Technology, Fleet/Facilities, and Evidence Divisions. These divisions are led by Commanders Jason Leverton and Craig Woodruff.

TRAINING

The DeKalb Police Department remains committed to train our officers and support personnel in the many facets of law enforcement. The scope of our duties requires ongoing training and recertification in a broad range of topics, including Cultural Diversity, De-escalation, and Procedural Justice Training. The training component logged over 3,100 hours in 2017. We also began training to ensure every officer is certified through the State of Illinois using a monthly on-line training program in addition to regular train-

TECHNOLOGY

The department implemented the Alert DeKalb emergency notification system in May of 2017. This required partnering with IT to implement the system and in-depth training for telecommunicators and supervisors. In 2017, 28 messages related to criminal activity, weather alerts, or traffic problems were sent out.

RECORDS

The Records Division 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 fulfilment 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 regarding all matters. The Records Division created a new position and Management Analyst Emily Tipps was hired in May. Two part-time office associate positions are staffed by Patty Pumfrey and Melissa Neblock. Rita Larson, a full-time office associate, is primarily assigned to Crime Free Housing Inspections, but also assists with Records functions. The Records personnel 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.

In 2017 we established a connection directly to the DeKalb County State's Attorney's Office to share our reports digitally using our OpCenter application. They have access to all of our reports within minutes of them being approved.

We implemented a parking amnesty program to recover funds from unpaid citations in 2013-2016. The amnesty netted approximately \$13,625 from 270 outstanding tickets. In addition to the amnesty, we have partnered with a collection process to recoup \$376,690 in outstanding fines. We have already submitted approximately 4,000 tickets for collections and are examining our options for the outstanding ticket balances prior to 2013.

The Records Division continues to see an increase in workload. The breakdown of the activity is included below as well as the increase in most categories.

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORD REQUESTS 2017

	TOTAL	% DIFFERENCE FROM 2016
FOIA	896	15.5%
SUBPOENAS	151	11%
BACKGROUND CHECKS	1082	121%
COPY OF REPORTS	1855	7%
COPY OF 911 TAPES	370	53%
COPY OF VIDEOS	545	-23%
COPY OF PICTURES ON CD	283	32%
EVIDENCE REQUESTS	704	N/A
OTHER REQUESTS	7	N/A





CRIME FREE HOUSING

The Crime Free Housing and Inspections Bureau (CFH) completed its fourth year of operation in 2017. The Bureau was created as a long term strategy designed to reduce crime by forming a partnership with those who are stakeholders in the community. The goal of the Crime Free Housing and Inspections Bureau is to reduce criminal activity and improve living conditions for all residents within the City of DeKalb by coordinating with landlords, property managers, residents, law enforcement and other City services. To reach this goal, the Bureau implements a Crime Free Housing Program along with a Sidewalk Inspections Program for property maintenance issues.

The CFH Bureau coordinates the annual registration of residential rental properties; handles property maintenance concerns on both rental and owner-occupied properties; conducts crime free program certification workshops for residential property managers; coordinates crime prevention security assessments of the property and serves as a liaison between the Police Department and the Landlord/Rental Property owner community. The CFH Bureau monitors the frequency of criminal activity and other policing matters in rental properties and notifies the property owners so they are aware and can be involved with mitigating the situation.

Traditional policing efforts cannot solve crime problems alone, neither can the owner, manager or residents of rental properties. By working together, the end result has been the most successful approach to crime at rental properties. The Crime Free Housing Program is successful in that it facilitates solutions to averting criminal events, works with landlords to improve physical property features and requires compliance with building codes.

To increase efficiencies among the several entities conducting various aspects of code enforcement within the City, it was decided to put all entities under one roof. On May 1, 2017, The Crime Free Housing Bureau was renamed Code Compliance and the Crime Free Housing Inspectors joined the Chief Building Official, the Fire Prevention officer, and the City's contracted Code Enforcement Officers as Code Compliance Inspectors.

Crime Free Housing remains under the auspices of the Police Department and serving as the Crime Free Housing Coordinator continues to be a duty of the Code Compliance Coordinator, though the position is now part of the Community Development Department.



151 John St-Before & After



1015 Market St—Before & After



829 S 2nd St -- Before & After

COURT / CITY COUNCIL SECURITY

The Police Department provides security for the municipal court proceedings held at City Hall on a weekly basis. Additional Court Security officers are also assigned to help as needs arise. Similarly, the Police Department provides at least one officer for every City Council meeting and additional resources as needed. These officers help maintain security and provide a safe environment for court and City Council meetings. The municipal court call can at times have in excess of 400 people appearing before the court on a variety of matters. The City Council meetings can also have standing room only which is largely dependent on topics and the degree of interest in those topics by community stakeholders.

SOCIAL MEDIA

The DeKalb Police Department continues to reach the social media world using Facebook to share police-related information and community events. We also inform the community of certain crimes, seek assistance from or in turn ask the community to help solve crimes.

There are 64,000 Facebook users within a 10-mile radius of the City of DeKalb. Our department has over 10,000 followers and has received millions of overall views throughout the year. Our most-viewed single post was a photo and story about officers who purchased Christmas gifts for some displaced children on Christmas Eve, which was viewed by over 837,000 Facebook users around the world.

http://www.facebook.com/dekalbpolice



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 and 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. We have started a lengthy evidence purging project involving older evidence as well as a backlog of city ordinance cannabis evidence. This is a multi-year project with hopes to be completed in 2018.

The evidence custodians took in over 4,000 items of evidence in 2017. The Evidence Section also handles our Drug Take-Back program. In 2017, we disposed of 466 pounds of surplus medication turned into the Police Department.



ALERT DEKALB

"ALERT DeKalb" was introduced in 2017 replacing the iWatch application. ALERT DeKalb is a notification system provided by the Smart911 platform. This program will keep residents informed of potentially hazardous situations involving weather, traffic and other emergencies. Residents can also text anonymous tips into our dispatch center and a telecommunicator can respond to the text.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Division works as the frontline response for receiving emergent and non-emergent telephone inquiries and requests for Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services within our community and fire protection district. The Communications Division is staffed 24/7 by a Communications Coordinator, 11 full-time and six part-time highly trained telecommunicators (TCs). Commander Jason Leverton provides administrative, supervisory and technical support while Communications Coordinator LaToya Marz serves as the manager of the center and direct supervisor of the TCs.

The goal of Communications is to stay focused on our mission to protect and serve while receiving and dispatching calls for service by enhancing the safety of our officers, fire personnel and our community. Each dispatcher is required to complete and maintain certification through PowerPhone in Public Safety Dispatch, which encompasses Law Enforcement Dispatch, Fire Service Dispatch, and Emergency Medical Dispatch. In order to comply with Illinois Department of Public Health standards, TCs are required to maintain at least 12 hours of continuing education credits each year in order to retain their Emergency Medical Dispatch license. In addition to their Police, Fire and EMS duties, TCs monitor radio traffic for Public Works, other neighboring police agencies, and all security cameras throughout the Police Department, City Municipal Building, and DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport. Communications is responsible for performing electronic checks of vehicles, persons, items, and warrants for traffic stops and investigations at the request of our sworn personnel. TCs also perform tasks involving administrative support, monitoring Alert DeKalb and disseminating notifications to city residents in events of severe weather, snow route activations, road closures, safety concerns, or other emergencies requiring targeted or citywide notification.

The Communications Division was granted authorization to create an additional console workspace within the room, bringing the total count to five fully operational workstations equipped with 9-1-1 and radio capabilities, and one call-taker only position. This improvement is still a work in progress but will aid in high call volume events and expand our ability to support the community during large scale incidents. We are privileged to have two staff members in this division who comprise two of 62 people in Illinois who are recognized as COMLs (Communications Unit Leader) within the Incident Command Structure. This designation permits them to help anywhere in the country if there is a callout for an all-hazards emergency response.

In 2017, the Communications Division received over 115,000 phone calls, including over 22,107 9-1-1 calls, while dispatching 52,136 police calls and 5,664 fire/EMS calls.

in 2017

- There was a 14% increase in law enforcement total calls for service as compared to 2016.
- Fire/ambulance calls for service saw only a slight increase in calls for service compared to 2016.
- 9-1-1 calls saw only a slight increase compared to 2016.

OPERATIONS

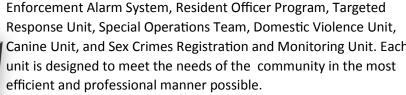
sented by the dedicated men and women who respond to calls for service, make on-view arrests, and investigate criminal acts of all types. In 2017 they responded to **52,136** total calls for service compared to **45,566 calls** in 2016 – a 14% increase. The Operations Bureau is comprised of the Patrol and Investigations Divisions.

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 9-1-1 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 Investigations Division is comprised of highly trained professionals that specialize in criminal investigations. The Detectives and Targeted Response Unit (TRU) officers conduct follow-up on criminal investigations on serious 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.

Specialized units operate under the Operations Bureau's span of control and include: Bike Patrol, Motor Unit, Gang and Drug Enforcement, Youth Services, School Resource Officers, Marijuana Identification Services, Illinois Law



The Operations Bureau is repre-



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

The City and the DeKalb School District continued the strategy for lockdown procedures called the "A.L.I.C.E." plan. Prior to this plan, lockdown procedures involved the staff locking their doors, moving the 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 that 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 employees of the DeKalb School District were mandated to attend A.L.I.C.E. training; once the staff was trained on the procedures, a letter was sent home to all of the parents of DeKalb School District students explaining the new A.L.I.C.E. procedures. All students were trained on what to do during an "Intruder Drill" and the last step was to plan for a "rally point" and an "off site" evacuation. Drills were then performed at each school and observed by A.L.I.C.E certified instructors. The A.L.I.C.E procedures have educated and prepared all the students/staff on how to react and enhance survivability for a situation that we hope will never occur.

BIKE PATROL

The mission of bike patrol is citizen safety and crime reduction with a focus on the highly populated areas around Northern Illinois University.

There were 8 officers assigned to bike patrol at various times throughout the year and their efforts were key in the downward trend of a variety of crime categories. 215 hours were spent on various tasks of the bike patrol—making 1,257 contacts and handling 102 calls.

The bike patrol also supported numerous community events throughout the year.





CANINE UNIT

The canine program, which was reinstated in 2013, continues to progress. Officer Aaron Gates is assigned as the handler for the department's canine. Our canine, Tac, is a Belgian Malinois born in Slovakia and imported to the United States via Vohne Liche Kennels located in Denver, Indiana. Officer Gates and Tac went through training at the Illinois State Police Canine Training Facility where Tac trained as a dual-purpose drug detection and patrol dog. Tac can detect narcotics such as cannabis, cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine and ecstasy. Tac is also trained in handler protection, suspect apprehension, building and area searches, article searches and tracking. Tac works every shift with Officer Gates and lives with him and his family.

In 2017:

Total uses of dog on calls (deployments): 92

Arrests because of the dog: 24

Suspect tracks: **7**School searches: **2**

Community presentations: 3

Training hours: 192

CO-POLICING INITIATIVE WITH THE NIU POLICE DEPARTMENT

This initiative continues to grow in 2017, with the DeKalb and Northern Illinois University Police partnering to strategize ways to work more closely with one another to address student and community needs. Together we regularly plan initiatives to improve cooperation, implement proactive policing strategies and discuss training needs. The departments partner up daily on all shifts where they are assigned patrol duties in the northwest quadrant of our city. As part of the Problem Oriented Policing effort, DeKalb Police assist NIU with Greek Row checks and NIU assists by force multiplying in areas where the data shows increased crime levels. We also increased



our team approach by partnering NIU officers and DeKalb Police officers during special events such as the Memorial Day Parade, Fourth of July in Hopkins Park, Corn Fest, NIU Move-In Weekend, Homecoming, and many other activities throughout the year. These events tax our resources significantly and their assistance during these events is crucial. DeKalb Police officers have reciprocated by assisting the NIU Police at their home football games, on-campus social events and other on-campus public safety matters.

DEKALB COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAM

Eight DeKalb Police Officers are members of the DeKalb County Special Operations Team (SOT). The DeKalb Police Department, Sycamore Police Department and the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office implemented a joint Special Operations Team providing a tactical response to critical incidents in DeKalb County.

The presence of a highly trained and skilled law enforcement tactical unit at critical incidents has allowed for the resolution of critical incidents while mitigating the risk of serious injury or death to citizens, law enforcement and suspects.

The agencies involved in SOT recognize the benefits of a well-managed "team response" and the effect the multi-jurisdictional team has as a force multiplier that enhances the participating agencies' abilities to resolve high risk situations in a safe manner.

The use of SOT is requested by various agencies to execute search warrants deemed high risk and mitigate several critical incidents throughout DeKalb County. There were 17 call outs in 2017.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT

The Domestic Violence Unit (DVU) in 2017 was comprised of 5 Officers and 1 Sergeant, including Sgt. Mike Stewart and Officers Jeff Ackland, Keunte Mallett, Jonathan Jursich, Bryan Soderstrom and Michael Cicchetti.

The DVU is a Patrol Division function and its mission is, "To stop the cycle of violence." This can be accomplished through an effective, professional police response and investigation, by working in concert with the State's Attorney's Office, Safe Passage Domestic Violence Advocacy Program, and by utilizing evidence-based practices. The DVU officer is tasked with reviewing domestic violence cases, executing warrants, conducting follow-up investigations, and assisting other officers with complicated cases based on their training, knowledge of the law, and their experience. They work closely with the victims to prevent violence from reoccurring while supporting their immediate safety and advocacy needs. In 2016 an additional task was initiated by assigning DCFS to the DVU to focus on domestic violence involving children.

• Domestic violence calls have increased over the years. In 2017 domestic related incidents increased by 2% compared to 2016.

FIELD TRAINING

The DeKalb Police department has 11 Field Training Officers. The Field Training Officers are responsible for training new police officers and providing periodic check rides for new officers while on probation.

The Field Training program consists of between 12 and 15 weeks of training for each new officer. The training is divided into four sections and usually requires three Field Training Officers to complete the program.



The Targeted Response Unit investigates gang-related crime, provides street level gang enforcement, gathers intelligence and performs gang awareness presentations to the community. The Targeted Response 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 our residents.

ILEAS

The DeKalb Police Department has officers 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 (MFF), a contingent of police officers from ILEAS member departments, to address such incidents. 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.

Officers are also assigned to the **Weapons of Mass Destruction Special Response Team** (WMD SRT) of ILEAS. The ILEAS 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. Currently Sergeant Espy and Officer Jursich are assigned by our agency to the Region 3 WMD SRT and Officer Watson is assigned to the MFF.

MARIJUANA LEAF IDENTIFICATION

In 2011, Sergeant Tom Petit received training in **Marijuana Leaf Identification** from the Illinois State Police Forensic
Science Lab; 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.

We have extended our lab services to the Sandwich Police Department, the Cortland Police Department, the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, and the Sycamore Police Department in having their cannabis identification needs met locally.

Defendants 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 2017 there were **63** cases processed with a total of **250** exhibits. It should be noted that in July of 2016 the Illinois Cannabis law changed making it unnecessary to submit less than 10 grams of suspected cannabis to a laboratory. As a result, there was a significant decrease in lab submittals as compared to the previous year.



MOTOR UNIT

2017 was the 13th consecutive year of service by the DeKalb Police Department's Motor Unit. The Motor Unit was used for enforcement and community policing functions throughout the city and county. From supporting community events to patrolling walk/bike paths throughout our city, the Motor Unit was an invaluable tool. The Motor Unit is comprised of Officers Lance Reinbolz and Jared Burke, who are both certified Motor Officers through the Illinois Training and Standards Board.

OFFICER MENTORING PROGRAM

To enhance the Field Training Program, the Officer Mentoring Program continued with our newest officers. The probationary officers were partnered with a veteran officer that has demonstrated sound policing skills and ethics. This "mentor" serves as an example for the probationary officer and guides them in the best police practices to meet the challenges they will face and to develop a strong partnership with the community.

Another benefit of the mentor program is that new officers interact very closely with officers who they will be working with for many years and they learn that establishing relationships throughout our community is essential to enhancing public safety.

SEX CRIMES REGISTRATION AND MONITORING (SCRAM) UNIT

The police department formed a team of officers who are responsible for monitoring, registering and completing compliance checks for registered sex offenders and violent offenders against youth in our community. This team is supervised by Sergeant Tony Kwasniewski.

In 2017 SCRAM conducted 60 offender compliances checks; completed 216 offender registrations; and made 6 arrests for violations of the Sex Offender Registration Act.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO)

In 2017, one officer and one detective were assigned as School Resource Officers. The School Resource Officers work in the DeKalb High School and the two middle schools. They are assigned to the schools to promote school security, help educate the students and to be a liaison between the police, teachers, students, and parents.



TARGETED RESPONSE UNIT (TRU)

The primary focus of the **Targeted Response Unit** (TRU) is to implement a proactive, 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. TRU is also responsible for monitoring all registered sex offenders, parolees, individuals wanted on warrants, and gang members residing within our community. TRU is on the frontline of proactive policing through the pursuit of known offenders by initiating a variety of street level investigations and supporting the Investigations and Patrol Divisions.

In 2017, the Targeted Response Unit (TRU) focused on proactively reducing crime in the community; they made **250** arrests, including **74** felony arrests and conducted **39** covert narcotics operations that resulted in the covert purchases of various controlled substances. Narcotics seized included heroin, ecstasy, cocaine, and cannabis. Over **\$25,000** in United States currency and **10** firearms were also seized. TRU served **36** arrest warrants and performed **20** search warrant on local residences. TRU also conducted proactive parole and sex offender compliance checks with several resulting in arrests, as well as numerous proactive street enforcement activities. TRU operates with three officers who are currently led by Sergeant Paul Mott.

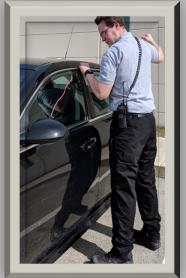


CHAPLAIN

The DeKalb Police Chaplains volunteer their time to provide spiritual guidance and counseling to the men and women of the Police Department, their families, and to community members in need. The Chaplain's Program has been essential in dealing with crisis situations as well as taking the time to address the overall well-being of those who serve.

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 do not require the enforcement authority of a sworn police officer. Their duties include property and evidence functions, checking the security of vacationing residents' homes,



marking and towing abandoned autos, processing arrestees and assisting all divisions with various tasks.

HEALING PAWS

The DeKalb Police Department would like to introduce the newest member of our team, "Gee Gee." Gee Gee is a seven year old female Golden Retriever who is a licensed therapy dog. Her owner, Dave Ball, has graciously volunteered his services to the DeKalb Police. Gee Gee made her debut with the DeKalb Police Department during a tour with KinderCare of DeKalb. Gee Gee, of course, was an immediate hit with the children.

Gee Gee also volunteers with the Healing Paws Program at Kishwaukee Community Hospital and at Northern Illinois University. When Gee Gee is not helping the public relieve stress, she loves spending time outdoors and chasing rabbits.

The DeKalb Police Department plans to utilize Gee Gee at a variety of upcoming events. We are very grateful to Dave Ball for volunteering his and Gee Gee's time to help build bridges in our community.



VOLUNTEERS IN POLICING PROGRAM

Law enforcement volunteers are comprised of college students with aspirations for law enforcement careers and local residents who are interested in assisting the police in their mission. They perform duties for the department without promise, expectation, or receipt of compensation for services rendered. These services may include traffic control

during special events or parades and assisting the department in a variety of ways. Volunteers act as an extra set of eyes and ears for patrol officers by riding along and participating in non-hazardous, non-enforcement activities such as preventative patrols or Neighborhood Watch programs. This past year we had 8 volunteers in the program.

The volunteer program is a registered participant in the **National Volunteers in Police Service** (VIPS) program. We cannot thank these volunteers enough for their invaluable contributions to the department which amounts to hundreds of hours annually.



COMMENDATIONS, PROMOTIONS,

NEW HIRES & RETIREMENTS



OFFICER JONATHAN BELL



OFFICER SEBASTIAN LEMUS



OFFICER TREVOR BURDICK



OFFICER RAUL BARRAZA





SERGEANT MICHAEL STEWART

retirements



DETECTIVE ANGEL REYES

oo years of service



OFFICER KEVIN FERRIGAN

o years of service



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
PENNY MEIER

commendations



On January 17th, 2017, officers responded to the 800 block of Russell Road regarding an armed gunman holding a female victim and her children against their will. The caller indicated the offender was armed with a handgun and had threatened to kill them if anyone came to the apartment. Responding officers began to establish a perimeter; as the offender was exiting the back door he was apprehended, and a handgun was recovered. The investigation determined the incident was a domestic battery, and the offender, Kenneth Rhodes, was charged with several offenses including domestic battery and unlawful use of a weapon. The officers demonstrated effective teamwork and dedication to duty, which led to the arrest of an armed subject and the recovery of a handgun. They represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and are to be commended for their actions.

On March 19th, 2017, officers were dispatched to a suicidal subject armed with a knife in the 1200 block of Rushmoore Drive. Officers arrived on scene and located a female inside the residence holding a knife to her own throat. Officers spoke with the individual for a lengthy period of time in an effort to deescalate the situation. They eventually convinced the female to drop the knife, she was transported to the hospital, and received treatment. Officers later received a letter from the family of the suicidal subject, thanking them for their actions which prevented her from harming herself. The officers used their training, experience and concern for this individual to

take a life-threatening situation and turn it into a positive life-changing outcome. Their actions represent themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner, and they are to be commended.

On May 3rd, 2017, officers responded to the 800 block of Kimberly Drive regarding an offender displaying a handgun during a domestic disturbance. Officer Jeffrey Winters arrived on scene, the suspect fled on foot, and Officer Winters initiated a foot pursuit. Officer Winters provided a description of the suspect and where he was heading, which resulted in the offender being apprehended with the assistance of other officers. A loaded handgun was recovered, the offender, a convicted felon, was taken into custody, and charged with several weapons related offenses. Officer Winters' actions during an encounter with an armed felon, represented himself and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and he is to be commended.

On July 29th, 2017, officers responded to a residential burglary in the 900 block of West Hillcrest Drive. The investigation was a team effort, which included processing the scene and coordinating information regarding the suspect. A photograph of the suspect was dispersed to officers, when one of the officers recognized the subject from a contact just moments before. A foot patrol in the area located four suspects, one of



which fled on foot but was later apprehended. The suspects were in possession of items reported as stolen and later confessed to their involvement in the burglary. A search of an apartment linked to the suspects also led to the recovery of stolen property. Within an hour of the burglary being reported the offenders were located, arrested, and property was recovered. All those involved demonstrated their investigative skills and dedication to duty; they have represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and are to be commended.



On August 7th, 2017, Officer Josef Gordon responded to a residential burglary in the 700 block of West Hillcrest Drive. During his investigation he processed the crime scene, recovered latent fingerprints from the offender and subsequently submitted them to the State Police Crime Lab for analysis. An Automated Fingerprint Identification System identified the recovered prints as belonging to Demetrius Anderson. The ensuing investigation determined that this offender had committed seven other residential burglaries. Officer Gordon and Detective Pristave demonstrated exemplary investigative skills and dedication to duty which led to the identification and arrest of a serial burglar. They have represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and are to be commended.

The Targeted Response Unit (TRU) implemented numerous proactive policing strategies to take guns and drugs off the streets of DeKalb, and arrest those involved in their use. TRU conducted over 40 undercover drug operations, executed 18 search warrants, and participated in a variety of operations arresting known offenders in our community. As a result of their efforts, numerous weapons and significant amounts of cannabis, MDMA, LSD, psilocybin mushrooms, cocaine, crack cocaine,

heroin, methamphetamine, and unauthorized prescription medications were recovered.

Their efforts led to over 150 arrests, thousands of dollars and three vehicles seized. TRU has demonstrated teamwork, creativity, and dedication to duty. They have represented themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and are to be commended.

on June 14th, 2017, Officer Jeffrey Winters was on routine patrol, on the north side of our community, when he encountered a homeless

man who was in transit with no food or resources. Officer Winters bought the individual a meal and also purchased him a duffel bag with some essentials to make his journey more comfortable. His actions were witnessed by a community member who reported it on Facebook, acknowledging what Officer Winters had done. The reporting party stated, "My heart is so full and happy to see this." When asked about this incident Officer Winters stated, "God gave me the resources to provide for myself and my family and it's my obligation to help those in need if I can." Officer Winters' compassion for another less fortunate individual was exemplary, and he is to be honorably recognized.



honorable recognition



During the evening hours of May 12th, 2017, Officer Raynaldo Hernandez responded to a report of an unattended, two year old child, partially clothed and walking in the roadway. The child was immediately taken into protective custody and brought to the station. While waiting for DCFS to arrive, which exceeded three hours, Telecommunicator Elizabeth Basham supervised the child, to include utilizing her personally owned items to provide the child with a fresh diaper and toys. Her assistance allowed officers to search for the child's home and the identification of a parent. The child had been left unattended, ending up on a roadway, and alone, all of which could have resulted in a tragic outcome. Officer Hernandez and Telecommunicator Basham's actions represents themselves and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and they are to be honorably recognized.

honorable recognition
On July 24th, 2017, Officer Phillip Brown met with a Good
Samaritan who had located an unattended answeller.

Samaritan who had located an unattended, partially

clothed, three year old toddler in the 600 block of South Annie Glidden Road. Officer Brown quickly recovered the child, took immediate measures to comfort him, and attempted to speak with the child who could only speak Spanish. The child was transported to the hospital where he received medical attention, during which time no one had reported the child as missing. The child was to be released to State authorities when Officer Brown initiated another attempt to locate his family. Officer Brown, the caseworker, and the child returned to the area where the child was located and began walking the halls of a nearby apartment complex. During their search, the child pointed to an apartment door which resulted in locating his family. The child had been left in the care of an inattentive, family member. He could have been the victim of countless tragedies, and through the persistence of Officer Brown, he was recovered unharmed. Officer Brown's actions represent himself and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and he is to be honorably recognized.

life saving award

On January 10th, 2017, Officer Elizabeth Fabro responded to an apartment in the 1400 block of West Lincoln Highway regarding a male subject that had collapsed, was unresponsive and not breathing. Upon arriving on scene, Officer Fabro recognized the need for her medical bag and brought it into the apartment. Officer Fabro located the victim, assessed him and determined he was unresponsive. She set up her AED and used her training and administered the AED. DeKalb Fire Paramedics arrived and took over. Officer Fabro remained and assisted paramedics with as needed. Due to her quick and skilled response, the subject was revived and transported to the hospital for further



medical care. Officer Fabro demonstrated her life saving skills and a dedication to duty as she helped to save the victim. She represented herself and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and shall receive the **Life Saving Award** for her actions.



life saving award

On March 23rd, 2017, officers responded to an unresponsive female at a residence in the 2200 block of Cambridge Drive. Sergeant Thomas Petit recognized this was a life-threatening situation and was the first to arrive on scene. He observed that the victim was not breathing and began to administer rescue breathing that lasted for several minutes. DeKalb Fire Paramedics arrived and took over. They administered NARCAN, which revived the victim, and transported her to the hospital. The following week, the victim had fully recovered and was back in high school, participating in sports. Sergeant Petit demonstrated his life saving skills and a dedication to duty as he helped to save the victim. He represented himself and the Police Department in an exemplary manner and shall receive the **Life Saving Award** for his actions.



CRIME



2017





2017 FACTS...

O FATAL ACCIDENTS

164 INJURY ACCIDENTS

211 PERSONS INJURED

429 ACCIDENTS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

263 ACCIDENTS WERE HIT & RUN

387 ACCIDENTS WERE INTERSECTION

RELATED

195 ACCIDENTS DID NOT REQUIRE A
REPORT AND ARE NOT REFLECTED IN

THESE STATISTICS

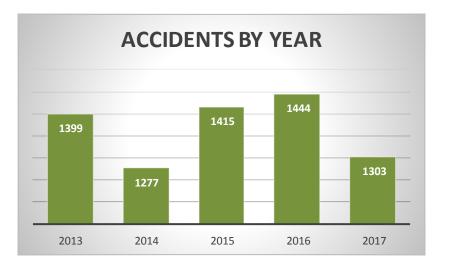


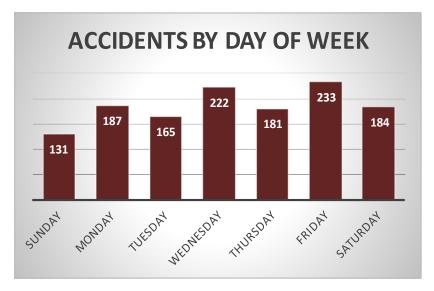
COLLISIONS BY MANNER	
Angle	177
Animal	20
Fixed Object	106
Head On	16
Other Non-Collision	9
Other Object	12
Overturned	4
Parked Motor Vehicle	340
Pedalcyclist	22
Pedestrian	19
Rear End	337
Sideswipe Opposite Direction	33
Sideswipe Same Direction	73
Turning	135

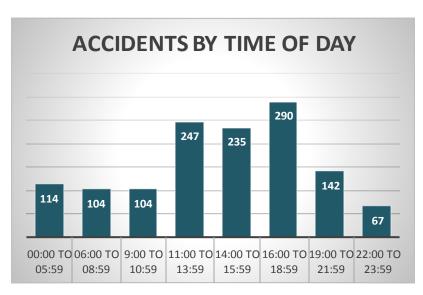
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HIGHEST INTERSECTION ACCIDENTS

ACCIDENTS







ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

	2015	2016	2017
To Fire Department	323	374	361
To Other Government Agencies	242	306	947*
To Other Police Agencies	837	757	874
To Others	101	64	34
Warrant Attempts/Civil Process	441	357	618
Warrant Arrests	636	667	629
TOTAL	2,580	2,525	3,463

^{*}The large increase in Assist Other Government Agencies is due to the 621 "Park Checks" conducted in 2017.

PUBLIC SERVICES

	2015	2016	2017
Assist Business	245	276	401
Assist Citizen	1,336	1,269	1,492
Assist Motorist	562	558	514
Building/Vacation Check	5,218	5,101	7,547
Child Safety Seat Inspections	82	80	109
Compliance Checks	52	59	65
Crossing Guard Duty	176	193	182^
Escorts	430	707	544
Fingerprint Civilians	203	135	112 ⁺
Keys Locked in Car	2,136	1,919	1,885
Lost/Found Property/Bicycles	314	336	377
Message Delivery	64	52	37
Open Door/Window	84	184	133
Other Public Service	N/A	N/A	13
Pickup/Delivery of Articles	89	120	136
Public Presentations	49	37	56
Special Events/Services	44	126	242
TOTAL	11,084	11,152	13,845

^{*}In 2017 the department no longer provided fingerprinting civilians for backgrounds.

⁺The start of the 2018/18 school year crossing guards became a contractual position.

OTHER CALLS FOR SERVICE

	2015	2016	2017
Accidental Injury	9	3	11
Air Gun Violations	12	16	8
Alarm	882	984	909
Animal Calls	683	700	752
Annoying Phone Calls/No Report	124	114	83
Check Well Being	765	949	894
Child Custody Dispute	85	122	145
Citizen Contact	156	294	438
Civil Dispute	237	232	247
Disorderly Conduct/No Report	455	471	513
Disorderly House	158	133	100
Disruptive Intoxication	63	32	22
Domestic Trouble	961	1,167	1,107
Drug Overdose	9	13	26
Fighting in City	150	170	158
ID Check/No Arrest	17	17	15
Intoxicated Person	148	139	203
Juvenile Offenses	373	480	481
Landlord/Tenant Dispute	9	13	28
Loud Party/Stereo/Noise	1,042	1,011	1,050
Mental Case	81	85	148
Missing Person	99	93	64
Neighbor Trouble	69	89	117
Other Calls/Special Services	110	131	130
Property Offenses –No Report	376	585	473
Relocator Complaints	51	58	62
Repossession	104	80	136
Sex Offender Registration	253	246	209
Shots Fired	40	66	82
Solicitors	116	132	209
Standby-Child/Property Exchange	81	108	108
Sudden Death	24	31	26
Suicide	4	5	5
Suicide Attempt/Threat	165	221	235
Suspicious Activity	1,655	2,102	2,162
Suspicious Drug Activity	201	229	253
Suspicious Activity/Weapon Involved	17	18	33
Smoking/Tobacco Violations	4	8	8
Unfounded 911 Calls/Unfounded Calls	2,263	1,778	2,082
TOTAL	12,051	13,125	13,732

TRAFFIC SERVICES

	2015	2016	2017
Abandon Auto	202	235	138
Other Traffic Services	214	210	410
Parking Complaints	422	514	629
Parking Tickets Issued	5,954	5,527	5,049
Pedestrian Warning	191	138	56
Reckless Driving Complaints/Motorist Disputes	411	546	512
Traffic Stops	4,978	5,228	5,556
TOTAL	12,372	12,398	12,350

TRAFFIC CITATIONS

	2015	2016	2017
Child Restraint/No Seat Belt	436	493	482
Disobey Traffic Control Device	201	195	194
Driver License Violations	477	492	411
Driving Under Influence Alcohol/Drugs	141	91	71
DUI Over .08	88	56	41
Equipment Violations	106	74	54
Failure to Yield Violations	140	149	127
Hit & Run	51	63	44
Illegal Transportation of Alcohol	38	32	28
Improper Lane Violations	132	96	98
Miscellaneous	125	105	107
Operating Uninsured Vehicle/False Insurance Card	681	730	682
Reckless Driving & Fleeing/Eluding	17	18	19
Registration Violations	300	244	268
Speeding Violations	560	748	850
Texting While Driving	163	101	120
Turning Violations	16	14	15
Zero Tolerance	1	1	1
TOTAL	3,673	3,702	3,612

TRUCK ENFORCEMENT: In 2017 there were two truck enforcement details conducted with State Police and Illinois Department of Transportation. 174 semi tractor-trailer trucks were weighed and checked during the two checkpoints. 13 overweight citations were issued with another 8 traffic citations issued.

DEKALB DUI FACTS...

There was a 23% decrease in DUIs from last year.

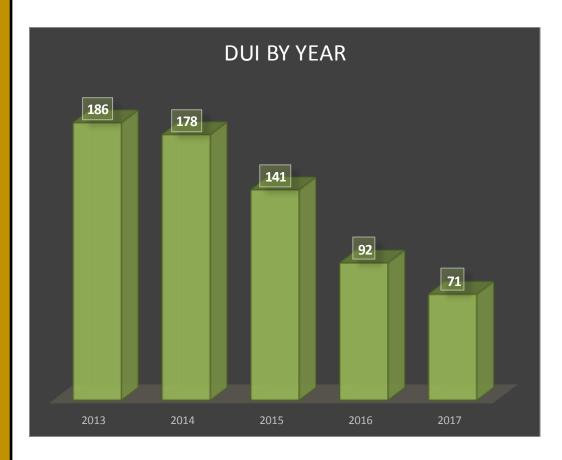
4 DUIs were drug related.

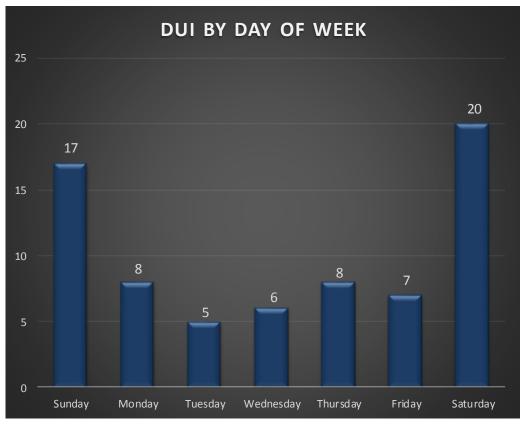
One DUI was Zero Tolerance.

The average age for a DUI arrest in 2017 was 34.

Of the 71 DUI arrests 51 were males & 20 were females.

DUI ENFORCEMENT







PART 1 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 the police.

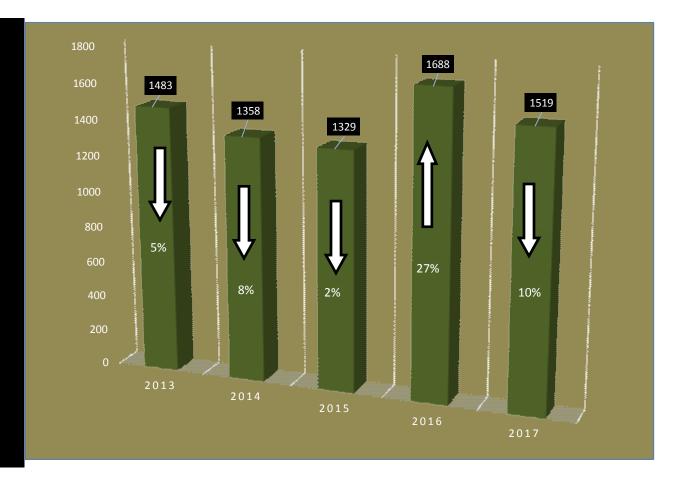
The National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) will be implemented in 2021. This change will impact all police agencies nationwide. While UCR and NIBRS have similarities, NIBRS will depict a more comprehensive view of crime and criminal activity. The FBI Team has started training police agencies in the new crime reporting.

	2015	2016	2017	% CHANGE
HOMICIDE	1	3	1	-67%
CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT	45	53	40	-44%
ROBBERY	29	34	30	-12%
AGGRAVATED BATTERY/ASSAULT	134	133	118	-11%
BURGLARY	140	203	156	-23%
THEFT	951	1,204	1,130	-6%
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	18	32	37	16%
ARSON	11	8	7	-13%
HUMAN TRAFFICKING	0	0	0	N/A
TOTAL	1,329	1,670	1,519	-10%

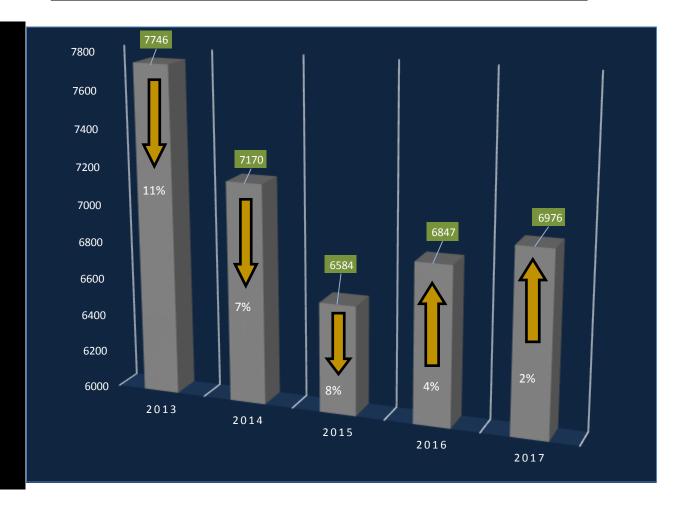
CRIME REPO	2015	2016	2017	% CHANGE (2016-2017)
BATTERY	582	574	624	9%
DECEPTION	360	493	512	4%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE & TRESPASS	777	729	794	9%
DEADLY WEAPONS	59	79	89	13%
SEX OFFENSES	66	61	64	5%
OFFENSES INVOLVING CHILDREN	78	109	100	-8%
CANNABIS CONTROL ACT	381	366	382	4%
METHAMPHETAMINE OFFENSES	5	4	13	225%
HYPODERMIC SYRINGES & NEEDLES ACT	13	9	13	44%
DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	254	198	193	-3%
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	182	159	185	16%
LIQUOR CONTROL VIOLATIONS	160	141	91	-35%
MAJOR MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES	2,200	2,199	1,967	-11%
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	660	811	963	19%
INTERFERE W/POLICE OFFICER	134	178	171	-4%
INTIMIDATION	15	17	12	-29%
KIDNAPPING/ABDUCTION*	37	59	39	-34%
VIOLATION OF SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY LAWS	12	17	17	0%
OTHER CRIMINAL OFFENSES	609	643	751	17%
TOTAL	6,584	6,847	6,980	2%

Part II Crimes are "less serious" offenses by UCR standards and include: Simple Assaults, Forgery/Counterfeiting, Embezzlement/Fraud, Receiving Stolen Property, Weapon Violations, Prostitution, Sex Crimes, Crimes Against Family/Child, Narcotic Drug Laws, Liquor Laws, Disturbing the Peace, Disorderly Conduct, Sex Offender Registry Violations, Gambling, DUI and specific Traffic Violations.

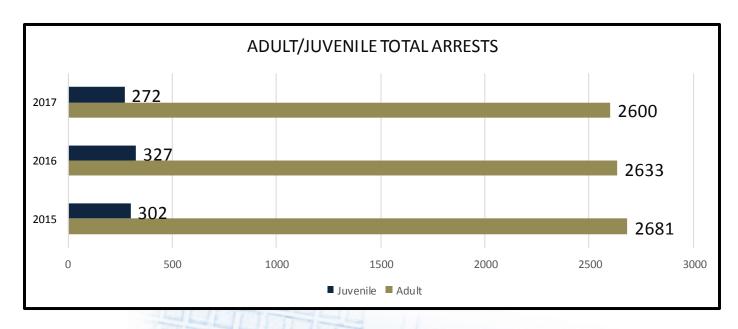
^{*}The category of "Kidnapping" includes incidents such as Unlawful Restraint, Unlawful Visitation Interference, Kidnapping, Child Abduction offenses and Harboring a Runaway.

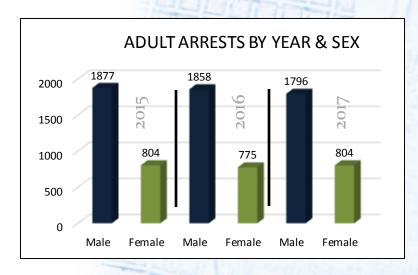


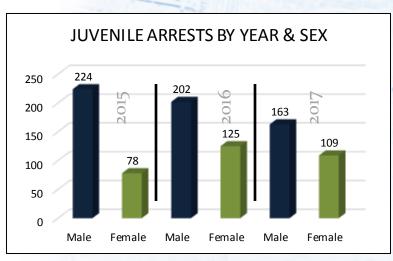


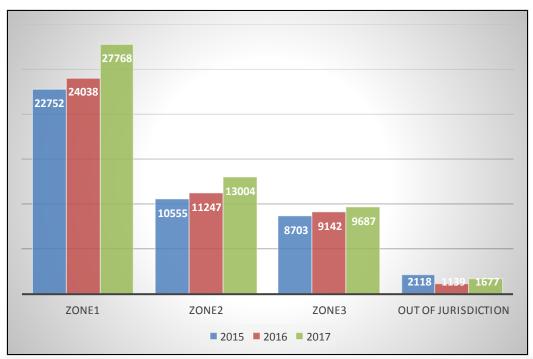


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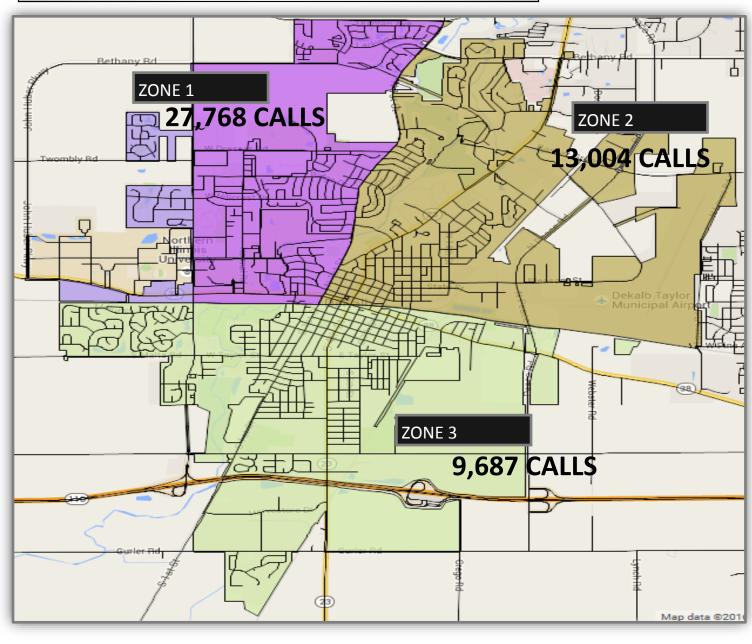








CALLS BY ZONE





2DGRAMS







ADOPT A SCHOOL

Since the beginning of the school year, officers have been assigned to patrol the schools before, during, and after hours to have 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 school on a 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 help with other projects that teachers would like them to participate in. The officer would also attend 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. Bridges are being built 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.

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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, a variety of education/recreation opportunities, and the development of community gardens. 2017 marked the fourth year for the Camp Power summer program. For four years the program has been implemented in the

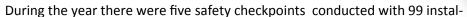
University Village neighborhood and has demonstrated numerous positive outcomes to include a decrease in criminal activity, greater opportunities for the children and their families and a better relationship with the police. In 2017, the Camp Power program was expanded to include additional activities in the Pleasant Street neighborhood and serve the needs of the children on the City's east side. The program was recognized in 2017 by the International City/County Management Association at their 103rd Annual conference in San Antonio, Texas, as an awardee for Community Health and Safety.

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY SEAT PROGRAM

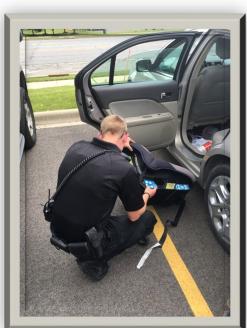
The DeKalb Police Department started the **Child Passenger Safety Seat Program** in the summer of 2001. Thirteen DeKalb Police staff members are nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Seat Technicians. They are available to assist citizens in answering any questions they may have, as well as making 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 the child

In order to be certified, participants 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.



lations. We also assisted Sycamore Police with one of their checkpoints. The Illinois Department of Transportation has provided our Police Department with a grant to assist in paying for recertification of certified technicians and conducting safety checkpoints.



COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF

The "Coffee With the Chief" program is a way for Chief Lowery and other community leaders to spend time meeting 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.

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 patients and one deceased passenger. Juniors and Seniors watched the entire process from the initial 9-1-1 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 Office, NIU Police Department, and Sycamore Police Department.

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE

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



National Night Out is "America's Night Out Against Crime." The 31st annual National Night Out (NNO), a community education event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and Target Corporation. The event was held at the DeKalb Target store. The participating departments were the DeKalb Police Department, DeKalb County Sheriff's Office, Sycamore Police Department, Cortland Police Department, Northern Illinois University Police Department, 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.

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM

The DeKalb Police Department continues to participate 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 and prevent accidental overdose deaths and harm to the environment as a result of improper disposal. We conducted two designated prescription drug drop-off days in conjunction with this DEA-sponsored program and turned over **100 pounds** of medication to the DEA. Citizens may drop off unwanted medications year-round using a drop box in the lobby of the police headquarters. We are unable to accept liquids and syringes.



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 host self-defense classes for women. The course is called RAD -"Rape Aggression Defense," and 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 provided to 30 individuals in 2017.

RESIDENT OFFICER PROGRAM

The **Resident Officer Program** (ROP) informally started in 2004 with an officer taking up residency in a Lewis Court Apartments 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. **Officer Josef Gordon**

served as the ROP officer at the Lewis Court Apartments and had the responsibility of assisting with neighborhood issues both within the housing complex and the adjacent Pleasant Street neighborhood. He performed these duties while remaining on a traditional patrol shift. In 2017 Officer Gordon left the ROP program to purchase his own home. Officer Bell is now assigned to the Lewis Court Apartments.

The enhanced ROP program started in 2012 which placed a police officer in a city-owned home, in the Pleasant Street neighborhood which had been a high demand for police service area. The home, one in need of rehabilitation, received those improvements, 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.

The Resident Officer assigned to the Pleasant Street neighborhood strives to build neighborhood 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. Officer Burke served in this capacity and in 2017 he has transitioned out of the program. In 2018 Officer Lemus will reside in the city-owned home and serve as the Resident Officer in the Pleasant Street Neighborhood.

Officer Joshua Boldt continues to serve as a ROP officer in the South 5th Street, East Taylor Street, and Sweet Park neighborhood. He has been provided an apartment in a privately owned complex within that neighborhood and engages in similar duties as the other ROP officers, paying special attention to the Taylor Street Plaza high-rise housing community and acting as a bridge between the police department, residents, and management of the high-rise. He has addressed neighborhood concerns with the residents which continues to have a positive impact on the neighborhood regarding a continual decrease in incidents reported to the police, as well as building relationships with all of his neighbors. Officer Boldt works to assist agencies and businesses in service-related issues, criminal investigations, and provides geographically focused patrols.

All ROP officers have taken a community-based approach to problem solving that has continued to demonstrate positive outcomes each year. This non-traditional policing strategy works on building relationships, effective communication, and embedding a police officer and their family in a neighborhood that they too have a vested interest in.





STORM READY CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

The City of DeKalb was officially certified by the National Weather Service on December 16, 2015, as a Storm Ready Community. This certification effort was coordinated by Commander Jason Leverton, who was assisted by NIU Staff Meteorologist Gilbert Sebenste.

Receiving this certification required verification that the City utilizes several methods of receiving and monitoring National Weather Service information, including weather radios, television, AM/FM radio, statewide public safety messaging systems, internet websites, and the monitoring of advanced weather radar.

The City also verified its methods of disseminating local weather warnings, which include outdoor warning sirens, a public access television channel, cable television override in conjunction with Comcast, a local alert broadcast system through Alert DeKalb and a local flood warning system.

The City also demonstrated its readiness through its comprehensive emergency action plan, departmental weather emergency policies, 24-hour monitoring of weather situations, and its ability to disseminate warnings at any time with personnel who work around the clock.

The Police Department has worked to provide weather spotter training to its own employees, other city employees, and members of the public in conjunction with the National Weather Service

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and NIU Weather. In addition, the City of DeKalb was also recognized as a Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador by the National Weather Service for its efforts in community collaboration in storm readiness.

The goal in obtaining these certifications is to continue to provide timely weather warnings, preparedness efforts, and weather education to the residents, students and visitors of the City of DeKalb. The DeKalb Police Department expresses its gratitude to NIU Staff Meteorologist Gilbert Sebenste for all his assistance over the years, as his career with the university is scheduled to come to a close in 2018 after nearly 20 years of service to NIU and the community.

In 2017, there were **98 attendees** who were certified in the annual weather spotter class that was hosted in conjunction with the National Weather Service.



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

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

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

In 2017 alcohol enforcement continued to be a priority for the department. One of the continual goals of our department and the city is to train establishments within our city on the local and state liquor laws and ordinances. Included in this enforcement is the TIPS program. This past year **8** "On Premise" TIPS classes were held with **56** 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 within the city. In late 2016, the TIPS training program was expanded to include an "Off Premise" training program. The original "On Premise" TIPS program focused on open alcohol service for on site consumption. The new "Off Premise" program is training for package sales locations for off-site alcohol consumption.

TOBACCO COMPLIANCE

The DeKalb Police Department has obtained a grant which allows us the opportunity to perform tobacco compliance checks. With grant monies disbursed through the Illinois Liquor Control Commission, **27 venues** were checked two times throughout 2017. 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. They were also given posters to hang up letting customers know that the tobacco licensees would be checking identification for age before a tobacco sale. Using minors 16 to 17 years of age, the businesses were checked two times throughout the year to make sure they complied with laws prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors. In 2017, 12 businesses were found to be in violation.



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FAMILY FUN FEST



TRIAD SENIOR VEHICLE SAFETY EVENT



WIU CAREER FAIR



CITIZENS FROM BEIJING TOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT



SENIOR HEALTH FAIR

other events



GROWING PLACE DAYCARE TOUR



LITTLE LAMB DAYCARE BIKE SAFETY CLASS



CUB SCOUT FORENSICS TOUR



EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASSES



"HIGH 5 DAY" AT
FOUNDERS ELEMENTARY

"KINDNESS DAY" AT
GWENDOLYN BROOKS ELEMENTARY







SHOWING STRENGTH FOR A FAMILY IN NEED

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DEPARTMENT SNAPSHOTS WITH OUR "LIL" FRIENDS









In memory...

Blessed are the peacemakers,

128 officers were killed for they shall in the line of duty in 2017.
be called the children of God.

Matthew 5:9



We thank the DeKalb Daily Chronicle for the use of their pictures and for their support throughout the year.

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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From the Chief...

The members of the DeKalb Police Department remain committed to making our community a safer place to live, work, and raise our families. Our initial "20/20 Vision for the Future Plan" resulted in many positive outcomes which included a decrease in crime over the past five years. Yet we continue to face the challenge of violence within our community and must continue to work together to improve our quality of life and enhance public safety. To accomplish this we are introducing the "Building Bridges with a Clear Vision for a Safer Community" plan which will introduce 20 policing strategies within 20 months. We look forward to forming partnerships with you and thank you for your ongoing support.

Chief Gene Lowery

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"Bridge Builders"

Increase Community Partnerships, utilizing the "Bridge Builders Program;" a program designed to encourage interagency cooperation whenever a community wide benefit can be identified. One of the proposed programs would be the "Parents and Police Partnership" that would be designed to enhance communication between parents with school aged children, to reduce the victimization of our children, and create prevention programing that would encourage wise choices and reduce the victimization of our children.



"Camp Power, Power Up, and Power SLAM"

Address the sustainability, programming, and expand the access for the "Camp Power," "Power Up," and the "Power SLAM" programs that emphasize leadership, education, wise choices, and mentoring for less fortunate school aged children. These programs were established by the DeKalb Police Youth in Need Task Force and community stakeholders to address juvenile crime, poverty, health, and opportunity.



"Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Program"

The calls for service involving individuals afflicted with behavioral health disorders is increasing exponentially which requires law enforcement agencies to be bettered prepared at the operational level to address this challenge. As such, the DeKalb Police will revitalize its "Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Program" that will be enhanced with annual training by mental health professionals to de-escalate encounters with the mentally ill and develop diversion options within our community to reduce their probability of being arrested and incarcerated.

"Cyber Bullying and Social Media Awareness Program"

Introduce a "Cyber Bullying and Social Media Awareness Program" in cooperation with the Regional Office of Education, DeKalb School District 428, other private education institutions and parents to prevent the victimization of our children through web based technology and social media.

"The Illinois Chiefs of Police Association's Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program"

To ensure the DeKalb Police Department is utilizing the best policing practices and methodologies by becoming an accredited police agency through the Illinois Chiefs of Police Association's Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program. This accreditation program insures the participating agency's policies and procedures are contemporary, compliant with the law, and meeting the best practices and standards in law enforcement.

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"Illinois Chiefs of Police: Chief's Lead the Way Program"

The Chief of Police will participate in the "Illinois Chiefs of Police: Chiefs Lead the Way Program" to encourage the use of mental health resources by all police personnel as needed without fear of repercussion or embarrassment to collaboratively work to address mental health concerns within law enforcement such as PTSD and sui-

"Project 'HOPE:' Heroin Outreach, Prevention, and Education"

Introduce **Project "Hope:" Heroin Outreach, Prevention, and Education**; where the DeKalb Police in partnership with Northern Illinois University, Kishwaukee College, DeKalb County Regional Office of Education, DeKalb School District 428, regional health service providers, and social service agencies work in concert to reduce the use of heroin and related deaths, seek pre-arrest diversion options within our community, and establish referral sources to effectively intervene in the early stages of heroin usage.



"Peer and Family Support Program"

The creation of a "Peer and Family Support Program" within the Police Department to address the psychological wellbeing and emotional outlook of all police personnel and their families. The program's intent would be to facilitate a healthy approach to a personal or professional crisis or challenge and to de-stigmatize the process.

"Safe Parks Program"

Introduce the "Safe Parks Program" working in concert with the DeKalb Park District to evaluate park safety and introduce measures to insure a positive, healthy park and recreational experience for all members of our community. This program would include an analysis of public safety needs within our parks and what strategies could be implemented to address those needs.

"Voluntary Wellness Program"

Implementing a "Voluntary Wellness Program" for police personnel that will benefit them personally and as they serve our community. Improving all aspects of their "wellness" will enable our staff to be better prepared to handle physical encounters, render aid, and perform all aspects of their respective duties.



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"Armed Offender Coordinated Prevention & Response"

Introduce the "Armed Offender Coordinated Prevention and Response." The DeKalb Police, in conjunction with other law enforcement and public safety partners, will develop an intelligence driven prevention and crisis response model to prevent armed encounters from occurring within our community. This program would utilize interagency planning, prevention strategy coordination, intelligence sharing, scenario based training, and a coordinated response plan to reduce the likelihood of an armed encounter within our community.

"Community Alliance to Reduce Sexual Assaults"

Establish a "Community Alliance to Reduce Sexual Assaults;" partnering with Northern Illinois University, Kishwaukee College, DeKalb School District 428, social service providers, law enforcement agencies, and other community stakeholders to develop strategies to decrease sexual assaults in our community through the formation of a multi-disciplinary, community based task force.

"Cultural Diversity Initiatives to Enhance

Understanding, Communication, and Relationship Building"
Implementing "Cultural Diversity Initiatives to enhance Understanding,
Communication, and Relationship Building;" through increased
awareness of our community's racial and cultural makeup, expanding our
cultural diversity training, continuing to implement practices that prevent

low level offenses from escalating, enhancing our management skills in regard to public demonstrations, striving to maintain best practices in regard to police operations, and increasing communication between the police and our community at every opportunity. An example of this initiative would be the Police Chief's "Community Relations Round Table" where members of the community representing our community's cultural diversity can bring their concerns to the Chief in an informal setting.

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"Domestic Violence Reduction and Interdiction Program"

Introduce the "Domestic Violence Reduction and Interdiction Program;" through Operation "Knock and Talk" that identifies order of protection violators, a Police Officer Referral Program that enables officers to refer victims to support services, the Domestic Violence Warrant Initiative that proactively seeks out offenders wanted on warrants, and enhanced investigative methodologies to support the prosecution of offenders.



"Internet Safe Zone"

The creation of an "Internet Safe Zone;" where the point of delivery regarding internet based, transactions are hosted at the DeKalb Police Headquarters to facilitate safe person to person internet related purchases and discourage scams related to those on-line purchases.

"Key on Three" - Persons, Places, and Behavior

Implement a proactive policing strategy that will address crime and quality of life concerns utilizing the "Key on Three" methodology: Persons who commit crimes, Places where crimes are being committed, and Behaviors that lead to crime. Utilizing this strategy to focus on intelligence driven policing and behavior based enforcement to enhance public safety, the welfare of our community, and improve our overall quality of life.

"Neighborhood Policing Plan: Partnering with our Community"

Deploy a Neighborhood Policing Plan: "Partnering with our Community;"

design specific policing strategies to address neighborhood concerns, effective communication strategies, quality of life issues, and crime reduction measures based on community input, collaboration, and planning through intelligence driven policing based methodologies and accountability.



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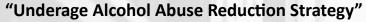


"Policing with a Purpose"

Implement the "Policing with a Purpose;" to foster trust within our community though vigilance in accountability, training, and relationship building. The DeKalb Police will move forward collaboratively with our community to treat each other with dignity, equity, and respect. This strategy will seek opportunities to communicate effectively and establish relationships with all members of our community.

"Public Safety Communications Interoperability, "911" PSAP Consolidation, and Shared Services Initiative"

Implement a "Public Safety Communications Interoperability, "911" PSAP Consolidation, Contract and Shared Services Initiative;" to enhance redundancy, interoperability, and operations in an efficient, fiscally responsible manner. The purpose of this initiative is to determine what can be done to streamline our operational and interagency communication processes while determining what collaborative opportunities exist within regional law enforcement agencies to participate in the process.



Implement a coordinated "Underage Alcohol Abuse Reduction Strategy" to improve our quality of life and enhance public safety in concert with Northern Illinois University, Kishwaukee College, DeKalb County Regional Office of Education, DeKalb School District 428, Northwestern Health Systems, DeKalb County Partnership: Substance Abuse Free Environment, Liquor Licensees, and the DeKalb Police. By creating a community based forum that will provide input for the development of methodologies to be utilized to reduce underage alcohol abuse.



