

COUNTRYSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

2021 Annual Report

JOSEPH G. FORD JR., CHIEF OF POLICE

Letter from the Chief

Dear Mayor McDermott and the Esteemed Members of our City Council,

On behalf of the Men and Women of the Countryside Police Department, it is my honor to present to you the City of Countryside Police Department 2021 Annual Report. As you read though this document, you will understand how we continue to move forward as a department and as a city.

I am proud of our officers, their commitment to our vision, and their ability to adapt to change while maintaining a standard of excellence to which our residents are accustom. During the course of 2021, our officers made over 200 arrests for crimes ranging from armed robbery/kidnapping to traffic arrests and also handled over 13,000 total incidents for the year. During that time period our department received no viable complaints and numerous letters of appreciation regarding the actions of our officers. These letters of appreciation and gratitude came from citizens, businesses, and other local police agencies. Your officers are committed to the Countryside Police Mission, ***"serving the community, while building strong relationships based on mutual trust and respect."***

I would like to thank the city fathers and citizens for their continued support of our organization as we strive to fulfill our mission to the community. The Countryside Police Department will continue to serve proudly and work within our core values; Integrity, Courage, Excellence, Respect, Compassion, and Dedication.

Respectfully,

Joseph G. Ford, Jr.
Chief of Police

COUNTRYSIDE
CHICAGO'S WESTERN GATEWAY

COUNTRYSIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sean R. McDermott, Mayor
Elizabeth A. Kmet, City Clerk
Courtney Bolt, Treasurer
Mark G. Benson, Alderman - Ward 3
John Finn, Alderman - Ward 1
Tom Frohlich, Alderman - Ward 1
Thomas A. Mikolyzk, Alderman - Ward 2
Scott Musillami, Alderman - Ward 3
John Von Drasek, Alderman - Ward 2

BOARD OF FIRE & POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Mary Louise Pisone, Chairman
Edward Carter, Secretary
Bryan White, Commissioner

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Accomplishments

- ✓ Coordinated upgrade and expansion of security surveillance system at Flagg Creek Golf Course.
  - Three cameras added to maintenance garage area and two cameras upgraded at club house.
- ✓ Continued progress on data conversion of Public Safety Software from Superion to New World to complete the transition from SWCD to LTACC.
- ✓ Met Federal mandates to switch from the Uniform Crimes Reporting system (UCR) to the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).
  - This process is ongoing and includes federal mandates for reporting of Use of Force and incidents involving Mental Health Crisis situations.
- ✓ Revised and implemented existing policy to meet the frequent amendments to State of Illinois statute.
  - The Illinois SAFE-T Act was signed into law in January of 2021. This act instituted sweeping reforms in policing and training. This not only required policy updates but increased mandatory training requirements as well as state and federal reporting requirements.
  - Completed department-wide training though ILETSB pertaining to new mandates covered in the SAFE-T Act.
- ✓ Continued efforts to renew local ordinances and make recommendations for change as needed.
- ✓ Applied for grants to cover new and/or additional upgrades to technology.
  - Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Grant to expand the Body worn Camera program.
  - Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant to expand the Automated License Plate Reader program.
- ✓ Completed four tobacco enforcement compliance checks and multiple IDOT Safe Driving initiatives.
  - Both initiatives are grant funded programs which cover overtime and administrative expenses.

Accomplishments

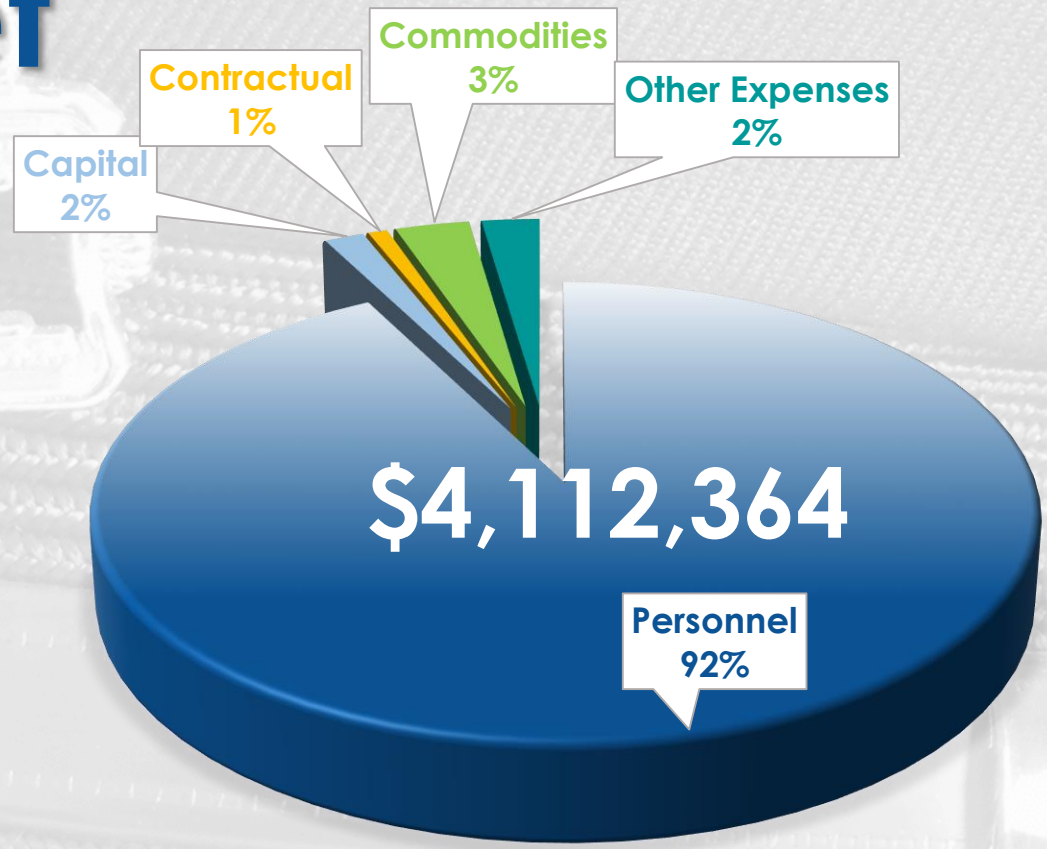
- ✓ Assisted with the selection and interview process for the new Director of Lyons Township Area Communications Center.
- ✓ Selected and trained replacements due to the retirement of Deputy Chief Novak after he served the City of Countryside for over 28 years.
  - Commander Klimek promoted to Deputy Chief
  - Sergeant Stern promoted to Commander
  - Officer Lanzi promoted to Sergeant
- ✓ Selected and trained replacement due to the retirement of Records Coordinator Hamernik after she served the City of Countryside for over 14 years.
  - CSO Hernandez promoted to Records Coordinator
- ✓ Completed 2,412 combined hours of department training.
  - Two officers successfully completed the 80 hour Evidence Technician course and have been assigned to the Evidence Technician Unit.
  - Two officers completed the 40 hour training and certification process to become Field Training Officers.
  - Our commander graduated with the 500th class of Northwestern University Center for Public Safety (NUCPS) School of Police Staff and Command.
  - Two Sergeants completed the NUCPS 80 hour Supervision of Police Personnel course.
  - One detective completed the 40 hour Basic Investigation Skills course and the 40 Hour Lead Homicide Investigator course.

Accomplishments

- ✓ Hosted a successful Shop With a Cop event with assistance from officers and volunteers as well as generous donations from local businesses.
- ✓ Purchased and up-fitted three new hybrid police vehicles.
  - Two Ford Interceptors for patrol and one unmarked vehicle for investigations. This is the first phase of converting all vehicles to sustainable hybrid vehicles.
  - Updated squad car design in an effort to enhance visibility especially at night.
- ✓ Implemented New World's Investigative module to accurately assign, track, and manage cases that are forwarded to the investigative division.
- ✓ Revamped Field Training Officer program to the SOKOLOVE system.
- ✓ Upgraded our ALPR program to add three cameras in the area of Joliet and LaGrange Rd.
  - Two of these cameras were supplied by the DEA as part of an agreement resulting in an $8,000 savings on equipment.
- ✓ Negotiated and purchased Quicket Solutions, a cloud-based software, to better streamline adjudication and transition to a paperless ticket system for both the police department and the building department.
  - Full operation is anticipated in FY23.
- ✓ Signed an agreement with 10-41 Inc. to on-board a Police Chaplin as well as implement an officer wellness program.
  - This program also assists with Critical Incident Management for wellness, peer group training, and Resilient Life workshops for officers and their families.

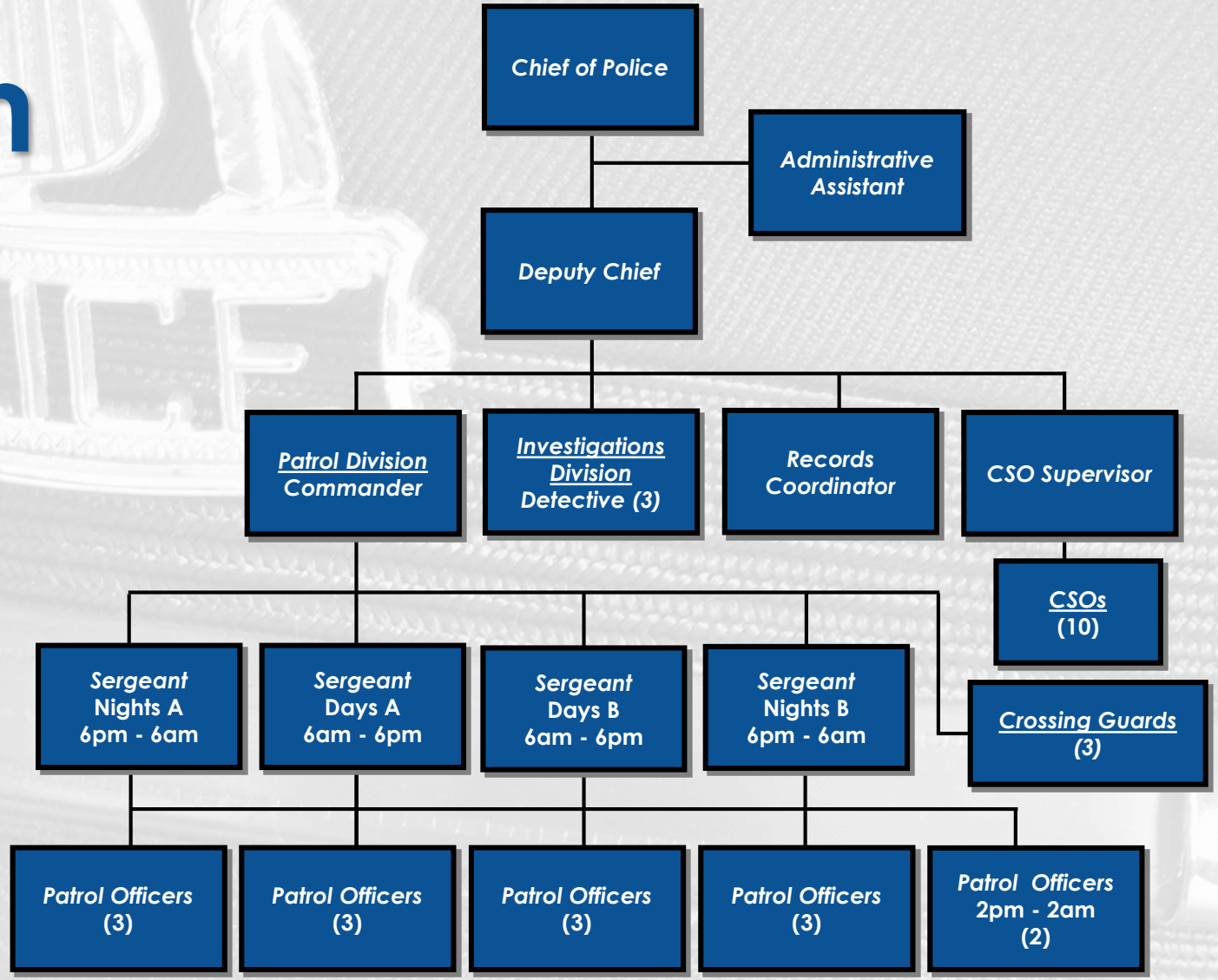
Police Department 2021-2022 Budget

BUDGET CATEGORY	AMOUNT BUDGETED
PERSONNEL	$3,798,229
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	$65,000
CONTRACTUAL	$31,835
COMMODITIES	$122,285
OTHER EXPENSES	$95,015
TOTAL BUDGET	**$4,112,364**



Department Organization





Sworn Officers: 24
Civilian Personnel: 13

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Department Members

25-29 Years

^ Deputy Chief Scott Novak (1993)

20-24 Years

Sergeant Robert Sodt (1999)

15-19 Years

Detective Joe DiGangi (2002)
Detective Tim Wherry (2003)
Sergeant Darrell DuRell (2003)
Officer Nate McDonald (2003)
Deputy Chief Paul Klimek (2004)
Officer Kelly Kalker (2004)
Officer April Bisignani (2004)
Officer Agostino Alonzo (2006)
Officer Brendan Gleespen (2006)

10-14 Years

Commander Jim Stern (2007)
^ Records Coordinator Lupe Hamernik (2014)
CSO Supervisor Patricia Littlejohn (2014)

5-9 Years

Officer Ryan Jakubowski (2012)
Sergeant Paul Lanzi (2012)
Chief Joe Ford (2013)
Crossing Guard Maria Gonzalez (2013)
Officer Mike Rojas (2014)
Administrative Assistant Charity Mitchell (2014)
Detective Ryan Venem (2015)
Sergeant Michael Maher (2015)
Crossing Guard Maricruz Reyes (2015)
CFH Coordinator Mark Battaglia (2015)
CSO Robert Benes (2016)

0-4 Years

Records Coordinator Joanne Hernandez (2017)
Officer Christopher Batzel (2017)
Officer Connor Rinehart (2018)
Officer Kevin Cerny (2018)
Officer Gage Brunke (2020)
Crossing Guard Elizabeth Kasprzak (2020)
Officer Juan Cahue (2020)
Officer Maciej Kuklinski (2020)
+ CSO Laura Acosta-Barajas (2021)
+ CSO Ivan Guerra-Hernandez (2021)

^ retired in 2021
+ hired in 2021

Police Administration

The Countryside Police Department is led by the Chief of Police. The Office of the Chief of Police oversees all aspects of Department operations and provides leadership, direction, and vision to the members of the Countryside Police Department in the fulfillment of its overall mission. This office is responsible for overall departmental management, maintenance of professional standards, and administration of the police department budget.

Some specific functions include design and implementation of a departmental training program, ensuring compliance with training and reporting mandates, development and implementation of policies and procedures, scheduling to ensure necessary staffing and coverage, presenting the annual report, managing social media, identifying, securing, and implementing new technology, and conducting internal investigations.

- One key factor in measuring the commitment our officers have to the community and to public service is the number of citizen complaints received throughout the year. In 2021, only one citizen complaint was filed. After thorough investigation, this complaint was unfounded and our officers continue to receive many compliments from citizens throughout the year.
- Administration also investigated 9 informal complaints for violation of internal departmental rules and/or policies and procedures. Of these complaints, 7 counseling letters were issued, and two written reprimands were issued.
- 7 incidents involving use of force occurred in 2021 and 0 complaints were made. Even though no complaints regarding use of force were made, each use of force incident was reviewed through department-initiated investigation and all incidents were found to be within the prescribed guidelines of department policy and procedure. *Our Use of Force Policy was certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program in association with the Department of Justice in November of 2020.*

Chief
Joseph G. Ford Jr.

Deputy Chief
Paul Klimek

Commander
Jim Stern

Administrative Assistant
Charity Mitchell

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Police Records

Police Records maintains all police department records and provides information and assistance to the public. Statistical data, official police reports and documents, ranging from parking citations to traffic crash and arrest reports, are processed daily and archived here.

Records Coordinator
Joanne Hernandez

The Records Coordinator is responsible for ensuring the accurate reporting and archiving of all reports of criminal, non-criminal, and traffic activity handled by the Countryside Police Department. The Records Coordinator is also responsible for other functions that include annual records disposal, 5th District Circuit Court, subpoena requests, Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests, local ordinance citations, records expungements, and auditing of the records management system.

Through the use of police records management system (RMS) software, the record keeping and reporting process is streamlined and operates efficiently allowing officers to accurately document people, places, and things when completing their written police reports. The RMS software also allows our department to document recovered property and evidence, maintain officer training records, track vehicle maintenance records, and manage our monthly adjudication proceedings.

In addition to RMS software, computerized accident reporting software allows officers to complete accident reports electronically which are then made available to citizens and insurance companies online. This software also seamlessly compiles State-required crash statistics and police staff can conduct statistical reports of crash data.

ACTIVITY	TOTAL
Case Reports Reviewed	1,429
Incidents Reviewed	13,976
FOIA Responses	139
Subpoena Request Completed	86

Community Service Officers

Community Service Officers (CSOs) are instrumental in minimizing the desk responsibilities of patrol officers allowing them to spend more time on the street serving our residents. CSOs maintain coverage at the front desk 24 hours a day, 365 days per year and are responsible for answering non-emergency phone calls, preparing arrest jackets, assisting walk-up traffic, data entry, processing ticket/fine payments, overnight parking/vacation watch requests, and monitoring the video surveillance system including prisoners, cameras located at Countryside and Ideal Parks, and all cameras that cover the City of Countryside Municipal Complex, and the Water Department facility.

The Community Service Officer Supervisor has additional responsibilities that include interviewing and training new CSOs, ensuring accuracy of the arrest jackets and tickets, processing bank deposits, maintaining LEADS hot files, LEADS agency coordination, clerking Administrative Adjudication hearings, and processing collections.

Community Service Officer Supervisor
Patricia Littlejohn

Community Service Officer Activity (During the course of evening shifts Monday-Friday (11pm-7am, 3pm-11pm) and weekend shifts Saturday and Sunday. (11pm-7am, 3pm-11pm, 7am-3pm)			
Calls answered	1,628	Tickets entered	3,779
Calls transferred to LTACC	535	Transport paperwork	39
Walk-ins assisted	2,134	Overnight parking	376
Prisoners housed	107	Vacation watch	40
Arrest paperwork	163	Dog licenses	10

Administrative Adjudication	
Total cases heard	153
Local ordinance cases	62
Building code cases	91
Fines/Cost collected	$71,738
Administrative Tows	59
Administrative Tow fees collected	$23,500

Emergency Dispatch/LTACC

Emergency dispatch services for the residents and businesses of Countryside are operated by the Lyons Township Area Communications Center (LTACC). LTACC serves and operates as a 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) and dispatch center for the *Countryside, LaGrange, LaGrange Park, and Western Springs Police Departments* as well as the LaGrange, LaGrange Park and Western Springs Fire Departments. LTACC became a consolidated dispatch center on March 20, 2017.

Citizens of Countryside have access to enhanced 9-1-1 services and emergency notifications with **Smart911** and **Rave Alert**. Smart911 allows citizens to create a ***Safety Profile*** for their household that includes any information they may want 9-1-1 and response teams to have in the event of an emergency such as allergies, pets, emergency contacts, household information, medical history, and vulnerable needs. Information from the Safety Profile is automatically displayed to the 9-1-1 call taker during an emergency call, allowing them to send the appropriate response teams to the correct location with the right information. First Responders can be made aware of many details they would not have known previously, so fire crews can arrive at a house fire knowing how many people live in the home and the location of bedrooms, EMS can be advised of allergies or specific medical conditions and police can have the photo of a missing child in seconds rather than minutes or hours.

Rave Alert, which acts as a mass notification system, allows the City of Countryside and the Countryside Police Department to notify citizens of vital information and emergency situations that may be occurring in their neighborhoods. By opting in for notifications, citizens are able to receive timely and actionable emergency alerts via text, email, and/or voice message. This information is stored on the Smart911 secure online system.

Both Smart911 and Rave Alert are free services provided to the citizens of Countryside.

LYONS TOWNSHIP AREA 9-1-1 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

Smart911™

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Patrol Division

The Patrol Division provides continuous 24-hour police service. and operates on a 12-hour-shift patrol schedule. Each shift is supervised by a sergeant or officer-in-charge.

Our officers patrol a service area of 2.88 square miles and serve a population of 6,420 (2020 Census), that includes 2,524 households, 9 parks, a 9-hole golf course, over 550 businesses, and 2 schools. The Patrol Division is the largest and most highly visible component of the Countryside Police Department. Employing 4 sergeants and 14 patrol officers, the primary responsibility of the Patrol Division is the protection of life and property. Patrol officers maintain peace and order, conduct preliminary investigations, and enforce traffic and criminal laws, as well as City ordinances. Patrol officers provide initial response to emergency and non-emergency calls for service. They handle special assignments, proactively address community concerns, and perform ancillary functions such as evidence technician, field training officer, elderly services officer, bicycle unit officer, and more.



Patrol officers handled 13,975 total calls in 2021. These calls include responses to calls for service such as criminal offenses, traffic crashes, alarm activations, disturbances, traffic complaints, and other miscellaneous incidents. Also included in the total calls, are officer-initiated interactions with the community, open door/window checks, and business/building checks.

Patrol Division

There are a total of 12 police vehicles in service. 7 of these vehicles are used for active patrol, 2 are used for investigations, and 3 are administrative. One marked vehicle is outfitted with evidence technician equipment, and one is equipped with specialized weaponry and protection essential for SWAT officers.

All patrol vehicles are equipped with ***in-car camera systems*** and ***Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software***. The in-car camera systems were upgraded in 2020 and provide several benefits including officer training opportunities, increased professionalism and performance, and most importantly the safety of our officers and citizens. CAD software alerts officers when they are being assigned to calls and, with the click of a button, officers can notify dispatch that they are responding to, or have arrived at a dispatched call. The CAD software greatly reduces the amount of radio traffic and minimizes the amount of extra paperwork the officers are required to complete on a daily basis. In addition to this technology, one of the marked patrol units is equipped with an ***Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR)***. The ALPR captures license plate numbers which are run against a database that cross references wanted vehicle listings as officers patrol the city.

Body-worn cameras were purchased for all officers in 2020. Body worn cameras provide the ability to document and maintain officer accountability, citizen contacts, critical incident response, and serve as evidence in court proceedings. They also assist the police department in maintaining the highest level of departmental transparency in the event our actions, good or bad, are called into play or challenged.



The Countryside Police Department also employs **4 school crossing guards**.

The school crossing locations are: 7th Avenue at Plainfield Road, 55th Street at Plainfield Road, 58th Street at Francis Avenue, and in front of Ideal School on 58th Street

Specialty Assignments

In addition to their regular duties of patrol, many officers also receive additional training to perform specialized duties. Training and assigning officers in specialty areas not only provides officers the opportunity to diversify their skillset, but it allows our department to remain progressive and to continue to provide professional, high quality service and protection to the community.

- **Certified Child Safety Seat Technicians** complete a 3 to 4 day Child Passenger Safety (CPS) certification course that includes a combination of classroom instruction, and indoor/outdoor hands-on activities to become skilled in proper installation of child safety seats.

  CHILD SAFETY SEAT TECHNICIANS: Sergeant Maher, Officer Bisignani, and Officer Kalker

- **Elderly Service Officers (ESO)** play an active role in preventing and investigating crimes against older adults. ESOs attend an intensive 40 hour training program sponsored by the Illinois Attorney General's Office and are trained in the areas of: the aging process, investigation of elder abuse and neglect, scams and fraud (including financial exploitation), and effective communication with the elderly.

  ELDERLY SERVICE OFFICERS: Officer Alonzo and Officer Bisignani

- **Evidence Technicians** are responsible for recovering, photographing, and processing crime scene evidence. Our evidence technicians complete an initial 2-week, 80 hour certification course and they continue to receive specialized training in their field throughout the course of each year.

  EVIDENCE TECHNICIANS: Commander Stern, Sergeant Maher, Officer Alonzo, Officer Batzel, Officer Bisignani, and Officer Rojas

- **SWAT Officers** attend an initial 40 hour SWAT training course through our membership in the 5th District SWAT Team. Upon completion of training, SWAT officers participate in a minimum of 16 hours per month of additional training and a 40 hour block of skill set training twice each year.

  SWAT OFFICERS: Officer Jakubowski and Officer Rinehart



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Specialty Assignments

- **Truck Enforcement Officers** attend a 40 hour Basic Truck Weight Enforcement course certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. Topics covered during the training include how to detect overweight and oversize vehicles, techniques for weighing and measuring, portable scale operation, legal issues and testimony, correct citation and bonding practices, CDL classifications, registration of trucks and trailers, and Illinois overweight and oversize permit laws. Truck enforcement is instrumental in maintaining the safety of our roads and reducing the maintenance costs due to deterioration of roads caused by excessive truck weights.

  TRUCK ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS: Deputy Chief Klimek, Sergeant Maher, Detective Venem, Officer Rojas

- **Juvenile Officers** attend a 40 hour Juvenile Specialist Skills course. Our juvenile officers work together with juvenile officers from other police departments as well as with the Cook County Juvenile Probation Division and DCFS. We also participate in the Cook County Sheriff's "Second Chance" program which is designed for juveniles who have cases involving alcohol and other drugs. This educational program is for both the juvenile and the parents or guardians involved. In the guise of keeping children out of the criminal justice system, programs like "Second Chance" are an alternative to traditional punishment. The Juvenile Unit also acts to protect juvenile victims by referring them to agencies designed to assist juveniles and their families.

  JUVENILE OFFICERS: Deputy Chief Klimek, Sergeant DuRell, Sergeant Lanzi, Sergeant Maher, Sergeant Sodt, Officer Alonzo, Officer Batzel, Officer Bisignani, Officer Cerny, and Officer Kalker

- **Bicycle Officers** attend at 32 hour Police Cyclist course. Bicycle Officers provide police patrol in areas that are inaccessible to vehicular patrol and makes officers more visible and more accessible to the citizens of Countryside. The Bicycle Unit operates from May to September, with a special patrol on Halloween night, where officers hand out candy to kids trick-or-treating through the streets of Countryside. In addition to regular patrols, the Bicycle Unit also provides security at Concerts in the Park and other City related events throughout the year.

  BICYCLE OFFICERS: Deputy Chief Klimek, Commander Stern, Sergeant DuRell, Sergeant Lanzi, Sergeant Sodt, Officer Alonzo, Officer Brunke, Officer Cahue, Officer Gleespen, Officer Kalker, Officer McDonald, and Detective Venem

Specialty Assignments

- **Accident Reconstructionists** undergo a series of five (5) intensive courses through Northwestern University's Center for Public Safety. These courses include, but are not limited to, areas of instruction including the collection and preservation of crash related evidence, mathematics, and physics related to vehicles. Following these courses the officer is required to take a multi-day test through the State of Illinois to become a certified traffic crash reconstructionist.

  ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTIONISTS: Officer Alonzo

- **Range Officers** attend a 40 hour Firearms Instructor course and receive other specialized certifications in firearms training . Our range officers conduct firearms training with all officers as well as annual firearms qualifications to maintain compliance with State law and improve the level of individual proficiency.

  RANGE OFFICERS: Sergeant Sodt and Detective DiGangi

- **Field Training Officers (FTOs)** attend a 40 hour Field Training Officer course. FTOs are responsible for training and supervising new officers. During the initial phase of training the FTOs ride in the same car with new officers directly overseeing every aspect of the new officer's training. Following the initial phase of training, the new officer is assigned to work 'solo patrol' while assigned to a shift with an FTO. The FTOs then work with department supervisors to monitor a new officer's progress until they successfully complete their probationary period.

  FIELD TRAINING OFFICERS: Officer Alonzo, Officer Batzel, Detective DiGangi, Sergeant DuRell, Detective Venem, Officer Jakubowski, Sergeant Lanzi, Sergeant Maher, Officer Kuklinski, Sergeant Sodt, Commander Stern, Detective Wherry, Deputy Chief Klimek

- **Drug Recognition Expert Officers (DREs)** receive extensive training to become state and nationally certified experts. Their training begins with two weeks in a classroom setting. After passing the classroom portion of the training, DREs train in the field with other agencies for several weeks. While at the other agencies, DREs work with certified instructors to train and utilize their new skills in real world situations on the street. Once on the street a single DRE arrest can take several hours to complete and is followed by as many as eight (8) hours of report writing.

  DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERTS: Officer Batzel

Investigations

The Countryside Police Department Investigations Division employs three detectives who possess special skills and training to perform case follow-ups and investigate crime that is of a complex nature or geographically beyond the reach and control of Patrol Division officers. Two of the detectives in the Investigations Division share the responsibility of conducting follow-up investigations, managing property and evidence, and augmenting the patrol division when needed. These two detectives are also assigned to the Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) and the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (SSMCTF). Based upon their assignments and the opportunistic nature of criminals, our detectives are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Investigations Division reviewed 1,165 criminal cases. Of these cases, 138 cases were assigned to detectives for follow-up. Throughout the course of the year, these investigations resulted in 15 arrests and 48 suspended cases (due to lack of evidence). 24 cases are still being actively investigated.

Examples of cases that are assigned to detectives include: Death Investigations, Sex Crimes, Burglaries/Home Invasions, Burglaries to Vehicle, Thefts, Batteries/Assaults, and Forgeries/Fraud

Investigations Statistics	
Criminal cases reviewed	**1,165**
Cases assigned for follow-up	**138**
Investigation resulted in Arrest	**15**
Cases suspended (due to lack of evidence or cooperation)	**48**
Active Investigations	**24**

Investigations HIDTA/NARCINT

Our third detective is assigned to the Chicago High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Domestic Highway Enforcement Initiative through an interagency agreement with the Illinois State Police Narcotics and Currency Interdiction Task Force (NARCINT). The HIDTA Unit investigates narcotics and money laundering related crimes throughout the State of Illinois. This detective focuses primarily on commercial motor vehicle interdiction to target narcotics and currency traffickers.

NARCINT TASK FORCE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY	
TOTAL CASES	256
Arrests	70
Firearms seized	67
Search warrants	49
Vehicles seized	10
Search warrants (phone)	8

NARCINT seized $14,051,356.86 in US Currency in 2021. The currency is submitted for forfeiture where the court determines whether or not to declare the funds as forfeited. The City of Countryside then receives a percentage of any of these funds that are declared by the courts as forfeited.

NARCINT NARCOTICS SEIZURES

DRUG TYPE	
Heroin	73,443.9 grams
Cocaine	304,128.92 grams
Meth	46,429.6 grams
MDMA	1,008 pills
Marijuana	925,724.91 grams
THC Oil	15,069 grams
THC Edibles	54 grams
THC Vape Pens	2,400
Fentanyl	49,293 grams
Oxycodone Pills	6,616 pills
Black Tar Heroin	2,000 grams
LSD	737 hits
PCP	3,000 grams
Xanax	101 pills
Fentanyl Pills	5,000 pills
Psilocybin (Mushrooms)	298 grams
Liquid GHB	2,145 grams
M30 Pills	201 pills
Percoset	10 pills
Adderal	100 pills
Ketamine	72.3 grams
Crack	35 grams

Mutual Aid Assignments

- **Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT):** MCAT is a mutual aid organization comprised of investigators from 13 local jurisdictions including; Brookfield, Countryside, Forest View, Hodgkins, Indian Head Park, LaGrange, LaGrange Park, McCook, North Riverside, Riverside, Stickney, Western Springs, and Willow Springs. Our MCAT investigators responded to ***12 activations*** to bring resolution to various criminal investigations that included a murder, shootings, narcotics, burglaries, and thefts.

- **5TH District SWAT:** The 5th District SWAT Team is comprised of specially trained officers from Alsip, Bridgeview, Bedford Park, Chicago Ridge, Countryside, Evergreen Park, Hickory Hills, Hodgkins, and Palos Heights. These officers respond to high risk situations such as hostage/barricade subjects, armed offender situations, and high risk search/arrest warrant service. Our 5th District SWAT officer responded to ***5 activations***.

- **South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (SSMCTF):** SSMCTF encompasses more than 50 agencies from the 5th and 6th Districts of Cook County. The Countryside Police Department is part of the SSMCTF West Division and specializes in homicide investigations. Our SSMCTF detectives responded to ***8 activations***.

- **Suburban Major Accident Reconstruction Team (SMART):** SMART is comprised of police officers from member agencies that are specially trained in major crash reconstruction. These officers assist member agencies in the investigation of vehicle crashes involving substantial property damage, injury, and/or death. We currently have one officer, who is a State Certified Accident Reconstructionist, assigned to SMART. Our officer responded to ***11 activations*** to assist member agencies with the reconstruction of major crashes.

- **Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS):** ILEAS was formed in 2002 in response to the September 11th attacks and is responsible for coordinating immediate statewide emergency mutual aid response by law enforcement agencies to a requesting agency should a community suffer any natural or man-made disaster. ILEAS is based in Urbana, IL and is the largest mutual aid organization in the United States. Officers responded to ***4 ILEAS activations***.

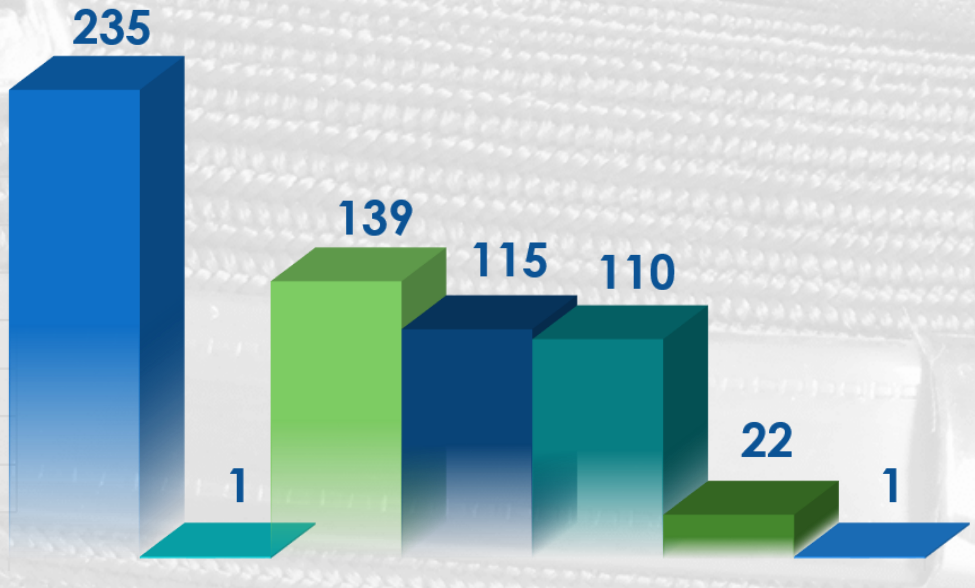
Traffic Safety Enforcement

The Countryside Police Department participates in a number of traffic safety campaigns throughout the year. These enforcement efforts are designed to detect violators of Illinois traffic laws with special emphasis on alcohol and occupant protection. These safety campaigns are funded by an I.D.O.T. Traffic Safety Grant issued by the State of Illinois.

Our officers committed **418 hours** to conducting **13 special enforcement details** that included: ***Super Bowl, St. Patrick's Day, Distracted Driving, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas/New Year's Holiday.***

During these IDOT Traffic Safety Details our officers issued over **600 citations. In addition, 1 criminal arrest was made and 22 traffic arrests were made.**

	Total
Seatbelt	235
Carseat	1
Speeding	139
Distracted Driving	115
Other	110
Traffic Arrest	22
Criminal Arrest	1

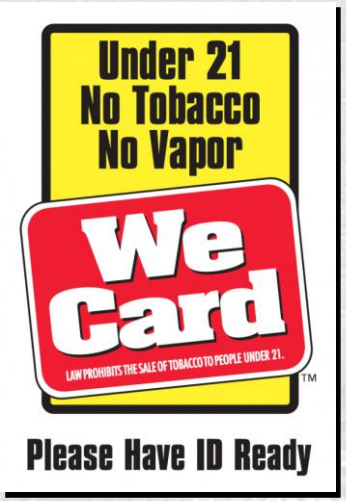


Tobacco Enforcement program

Our officers conducted 4 tobacco compliance checks on all Countryside businesses with tobacco licenses.

Round 1 - 15 of 18 businesses were in compliance.
Round 2 - 17 of 18 businesses were in compliance.
Round 3 - 18 of 18 businesses were in compliance.
Round 4 - 16 of 17 businesses were in compliance.

These checks are conducted in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Human Services. Through the State of Illinois Tobacco Enforcement Program, our department receives grant funding to conduct retail education and enforcement initiatives. This State program helps support community-based efforts through the distribution of tobacco retailer kits and the completion of retailer compliance checks. The compliance checks are designed to educate retail establishments and eliminate the illegal sale of tobacco to minors in our community.



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	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		Sept		October		Nov		Dec		Yearly
Incident Type	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	Totals
5th Dist SWAT Callout	0	0	0	0	1	12.5	2	25	1	12.5	0	0	2	25	1	12.5	0	0	1	12.5	0	0	0	0	8
911 Misdial/Hang-up/Abandoned	9	5.8	14	9.1	12	7.8	10	6.5	9	5.8	16	10.4	11	7.1	18	11.7	10	6.5	19	12.3	14	9.1	12	7.8	154
Abandoned Vehicle	2	14.3	1	7.1	1	7.1	1	7.1	0	0	2	14.3	0	0	1	7.1	1	7.1	0	0	2	14.3	3	21.4	14
Accident - Hit & Run - PD	5	8.3	7	11.7	5	8.3	3	5	3	5	7	11.7	9	15	4	6.7	1	1.7	6	10	8	13.3	2	3.3	60
Accident - Hit & Run - PI	1	33.3	1	33.3	0	0	1	33.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Accident - Injuries	5	11.9	5	11.9	3	7.1	1	2.4	5	11.9	6	14.3	0	0	6	14.3	2	4.8	4	9.5	3	7.1	2	4.8	42
Accident - Property Damage	28	8	28	8	24	6.8	29	8.3	28	8	31	8.8	41	11.7	26	7.4	16	4.6	28	8	35	10	37	10.5	351
Alarm - Other	0	0	3	16.7	0	0	1	5.6	0	0	2	11.1	3	16.7	1	5.6	2	11.1	2	11.1	0	0	4	22.2	18
Alarm-Burglar	18	4.4	26	6.3	23	5.6	27	6.6	43	10.4	31	7.5	43	10.4	31	7.5	30	7.3	44	10.7	45	10.9	51	12.4	412
Alarm-Holdup	1	2.5	3	7.5	2	5	1	2.5	1	2.5	1	2.5	2	5	7	17.5	3	7.5	12	30	5	12.5	2	5	40
Ambulance Call	46	27.4	43	25.6	39	23.2	35	20.8	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	168
Ambulance Request	4	1.6	1	0.4	2	0.8	3	1.2	29	11.5	40	15.8	29	11.5	34	13.4	27	10.7	32	12.6	26	10.3	26	10.3	253
Animal - Barking Dog	3	20	0	0	0	0	1	6.7	4	26.7	3	20	0	0	1	6.7	1	6.7	1	6.7	1	6.7	0	0	15
Animal - Bite	0	0	0	0	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0	0	0	1	14.3	3	42.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14.3	7
Animal - Complaint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Animal-Complaint	3	2.4	11	8.7	4	3.2	9	7.1	9	7.1	15	11.9	14	11.1	14	11.1	7	5.6	14	11.1	19	15.1	7	5.6	126
Assault	0	0	2	28.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14.3	0	0	3	42.9	1	14.3	0	0	7
Assist Fire Department	32	5.6	47	8.3	47	8.3	34	6	53	9.3	60	10.6	55	9.7	53	9.3	53	9.3	42	7.4	49	8.6	43	7.6	568
Assist Other Agency	18	7.3	16	6.5	13	5.2	22	8.9	21	8.5	32	12.9	20	8.1	25	10.1	18	7.3	26	10.5	22	8.9	15	6	248
Attempt to Locate	2	15.4	0	0	1	7.7	1	7.7	2	15.4	1	7.7	0	0	3	23.1	1	7.7	2	15.4	0	0	0	0	13
Battery	0	0	0	0	1	3.3	2	6.7	1	3.3	2	6.7	8	26.7	6	20	2	6.7	5	16.7	1	3.3	2	6.7	30
Building Check	42	10.6	53	13.4	39	9.9	29	7.3	68	17.2	57	14.4	26	6.6	27	6.8	17	4.3	17	4.3	11	2.8	9	2.3	395
Burglary	3	18.8	1	6.3	1	6.3	0	0	2	12.5	4	25	3	18.8	1	6.3	0	0	0	0	1	6.3	0	0	16
Business Check	331	9.4	490	14	379	10.8	347	9.9	326	9.3	213	6.1	227	6.5	380	10.8	279	8	200	5.7	181	5.2	152	4.3	3505
Check Well Being	13	6.1	12	5.6	14	6.6	17	8	24	11.3	15	7	24	11.3	17	8	25	11.7	15	7	13	6.1	24	11.3	213
Citizen Assist	19	5.4	27	7.7	34	9.7	34	9.7	26	7.4	27	7.7	33	9.4	29	8.2	36	10.2	38	10.8	23	6.5	26	7.4	352
Civil Matter	3	6.3	3	6.3	3	6.3	4	8.3	3	6.3	5	10.4	5	10.4	6	12.5	3	6.3	4	8.3	4	8.3	5	10.4	48
Committal - Involuntary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Community Contacts	0	0	0	0	3	15	2	10	4	20	3	15	2	10	1	5	0	0	3	15	1	5	1	5	20
Criminal Damage	1	4	1	4	3	12	0	0	2	8	1	4	3	12	3	12	5	20	3	12	0	0	3	12	25
Criminal Defacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	25	3	37.5	2	25	1	12.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Criminal Trespass	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50	1	12.5	2	25	1	12.5	0	0	0	0	8
Damage to Property/Non-Criminal	2	9.5	2	9.5	0	0	1	4.8	2	9.5	0	0	3	14.3	3	14.3	0	0	1	4.8	4	19	3	14.3	21
Death Investigation	0	0	0	0	1	11.1	0	0	1	11.1	1	11.1	0	0	1	11.1	2	22.2	2	22.2	1	11.1	0	0	9
Deceptive Practice	0	0	0	0	1	12.5	0	0	0	0	2	25	1	12.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	25	2	25	8
Detail	0	0	0	0	1	5.6	0	0	4	22.2	1	5.6	2	11.1	5	27.8	0	0	2	11.1	2	11.1	1	5.6	18
Disorderly Conduct	3	5.8	7	13.5	4	7.7	7	13.5	1	1.9	3	5.8	3	5.8	1	1.9	8	15.4	6	11.5	5	9.6	4	7.7	52
Dispute	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	2	20	1	10	1	10	4	40	10
Disturbance	4	2.6	14	9.3	17	11.3	12	7.9	12	7.9	14	9.3	23	15.2	12	7.9	14	9.3	15	9.9	5	3.3	9	6	151

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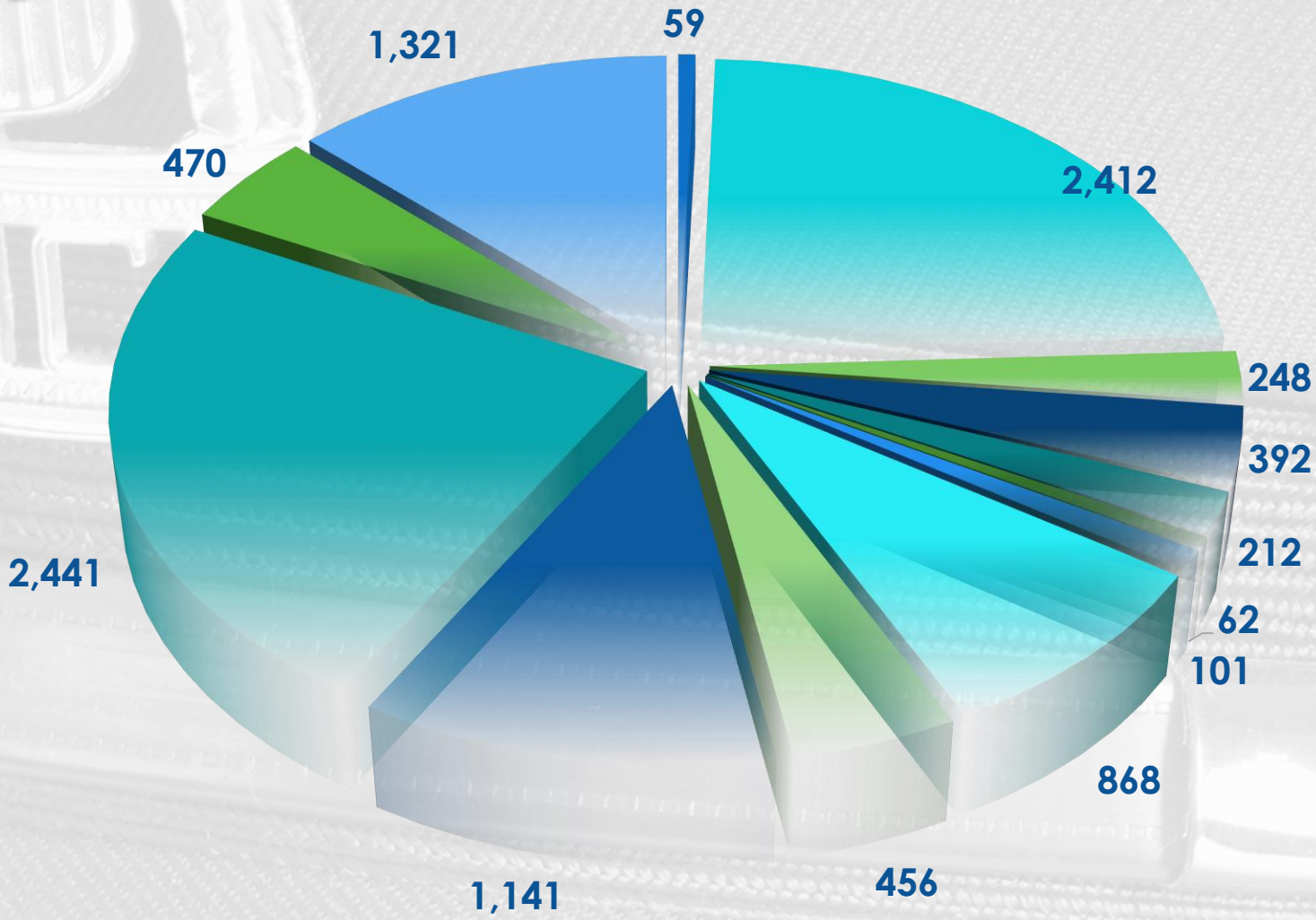
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Incident Type	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	Totals
Disturbance - Domestic	0	0	0	0	1	10	1	10	2	20	1	10	0	0	1	10	1	10	0	0	0	0	3	30	10
Domestic Battery	1	2.1	5	10.4	1	2.1	5	10.4	5	10.4	6	12.5	3	6.3	3	6.3	4	8.3	6	12.5	2	4.2	7	14.6	48
Domestic Trouble	5	6.2	6	7.4	12	14.8	5	6.2	6	7.4	9	11.1	12	14.8	5	6.2	2	2.5	9	11.1	6	7.4	4	4.9	81
Drug Investigation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Employee Sick Call	4	6	3	4.5	3	4.5	2	3	6	9	1	1.5	7	10.4	10	14.9	7	10.4	9	13.4	7	10.4	8	11.9	67
Extra Watch	33	5.1	67	10.4	114	17.6	79	12.2	93	14.4	37	5.7	65	10.1	42	6.5	18	2.8	45	7	23	3.6	30	4.6	646
Fingerprinting	4	5.9	4	5.9	5	7.4	8	11.8	7	10.3	8	11.8	6	8.8	10	14.7	6	8.8	4	5.9	3	4.4	3	4.4	68
Fireworks	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	20	80	0	0	1	4	1	4	0	0	1	4	25
Fleeing & Eluding Police	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100	0	0	0	0	2
Follow Up	2	5	3	7.5	6	15	3	7.5	3	7.5	2	5	5	12.5	3	7.5	1	2.5	7	17.5	2	5	3	7.5	40
Forgery/Fraud	2	7.4	2	7.4	4	14.8	1	3.7	3	11.1	1	3.7	0	0	1	3.7	7	25.9	1	3.7	4	14.8	1	3.7	27
Home Invasion	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Identity Theft	24	33.8	11	15.5	12	16.9	3	4.2	2	2.8	3	4.2	7	9.9	2	2.8	2	2.8	2	2.8	2	2.8	1	1.4	71
ILEAS/NIPAS Callout	0	0	0	0	1	25	2	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Intoxicated Person	0	0	2	11.1	1	5.6	1	5.6	0	0	5	27.8	2	11.1	2	11.1	1	5.6	3	16.7	0	0	1	5.6	18
Juvenile Cases	2	3.8	2	3.8	3	5.7	3	5.7	1	1.9	3	5.7	2	3.8	3	5.7	10	18.9	8	15.1	10	18.9	6	11.3	53
Lock Out	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lock Out / Emergency	2	7.4	2	7.4	0	0	6	22.2	1	3.7	3	11.1	3	11.1	3	11.1	3	11.1	2	7.4	1	3.7	1	3.7	27
Loud Noise Complaints	6	4	5	3.3	17	11.3	16	10.6	15	9.9	27	17.9	7	4.6	9	6	14	9.3	17	11.3	14	9.3	4	2.6	151
LPR Camera Alert	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.5	1	1.5	3	4.4	1	1.5	9	13.2	16	23.5	18	26.5	19	27.9	68
Major Crime Task Force	0	0	0	0	2	25	0	0	1	12.5	1	12.5	0	0	1	12.5	1	12.5	0	0	2	25	0	0	8
MCAT Callout	1	8.3	0	0	3	25	0	0	0	0	1	8.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	50	1	8.3	0	0	12
Mischief	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Missing Person	2	12.5	1	6.3	1	6.3	0	0	2	12.5	1	6.3	1	6.3	1	6.3	1	6.3	0	0	4	25	2	12.5	16
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	7.7	2	15.4	1	7.7	1	7.7	1	7.7	1	7.7	1	7.7	1	7.7	1	7.7	0	0	1	7.7	2	15.4	13
Motorist Assist	16	9.8	35	21.3	15	9.1	15	9.1	10	6.1	8	4.9	13	7.9	16	9.8	5	3	13	7.9	7	4.3	11	6.7	164
Notification	3	8.8	3	8.8	4	11.8	5	14.7	2	5.9	3	8.8	2	5.9	3	8.8	4	11.8	0	0	2	5.9	3	8.8	34
Open Door/Window	9	8.9	8	7.9	14	13.9	12	11.9	7	6.9	9	8.9	10	9.9	8	7.9	9	8.9	9	8.9	5	5	1	1	101
Other Public Complaint	11	7.1	9	5.8	12	7.7	15	9.6	20	12.8	21	13.5	12	7.7	15	9.6	10	6.4	13	8.3	8	5.1	10	6.4	156
Parking	45	8.8	38	7.4	29	5.7	36	7	45	8.8	54	10.5	60	11.7	65	12.7	29	5.7	36	7	40	7.8	35	6.8	512
Prisoner Transport	1	3.1	4	12.5	1	3.1	2	6.3	2	6.3	5	15.6	3	9.4	3	9.4	2	6.3	2	6.3	3	9.4	4	12.5	32
Property - Found	2	4	1	2	4	8	7	14	4	8	10	20	4	8	5	10	6	12	0	0	3	6	4	8	50
Property - Lost	4	12.9	2	6.5	4	12.9	1	3.2	3	9.7	4	12.9	5	16.1	3	9.7	2	6.5	1	3.2	0	0	2	6.5	31
Property - Lost Articles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Recovered Stolen Vehicle	1	11.1	1	11.1	1	11.1	1	11.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	22.2	1	11.1	1	11.1	1	11.1	9
Repossession/Relocation	0	0	11	22	4	8	3	6	7	14	0	0	5	10	6	12	6	12	1	2	4	8	3	6	50
Roadway Obstruction	2	9.1	1	4.5	0	0	1	4.5	4	18.2	4	18.2	4	18.2	1	4.5	4	18.2	0	0	1	4.5	0	0	22
Robbery - Armed	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
School Crossing	2	6.5	6	19.4	3	9.7	7	22.6	4	12.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	6.5	5	16.1	2	6.5	0	0	31

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	January		February		March		April		May		June		July		August		Sept		October		Nov		Dec		Yearly
Incident Type	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	Totals
Sex Offender Status Check	0	0	2	15.4	2	15.4	2	15.4	1	7.7	0	0	2	15.4	1	7.7	0	0	2	15.4	1	7.7	0	0	13
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50	0	0	1	50	0	0	0	0	2
Solicitors	0	0	1	11.1	1	11.1	0	0	1	11.1	3	33.3	0	0	1	11.1	1	11.1	0	0	0	0	1	11.1	9
Special Watch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	23.5	1	5.9	1	5.9	0	0	3	17.6	7	41.2	0	0	1	5.9	17
SSMART Callout (Crash Team)	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	36.4	2	18.2	0	0	2	18.2	0	0	0	0	1	9.1	1	9.1	1	9.1	11
Station Information	8	5.4	13	8.7	10	6.7	9	6	9	6	15	10.1	13	8.7	12	8.1	13	8.7	11	7.4	13	8.7	23	15.4	149
Suicidal Person	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	0	0	1	16.7	0	0	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0	6
Susp/Revoked/No DL Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	9.7	5	16.1	3	9.7	1	3.2	7	22.6	3	9.7	2	6.5	4	12.9	3	9.7	31
Suspicious	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Suspicious Activity	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	1	16.7	1	16.7	0	0	6
Suspicious Auto	30	15.2	12	6.1	24	12.2	15	7.6	15	7.6	12	6.1	20	10.2	15	7.6	18	9.1	13	6.6	14	7.1	9	4.6	197
Suspicious Incident	12	10	8	6.7	14	11.7	11	9.2	9	7.5	11	9.2	7	5.8	9	7.5	9	7.5	10	8.3	15	12.5	5	4.2	120
Suspicious Person	9	7.1	5	3.9	12	9.4	9	7.1	10	7.9	12	9.4	16	12.6	7	5.5	12	9.4	11	8.7	12	9.4	12	9.4	127
Theft	5	3.7	1	0.7	9	6.7	7	5.2	14	10.4	9	6.7	12	9	13	9.7	8	6	11	8.2	21	15.7	24	17.9	134
Traffic Complaints	21	9.5	6	2.7	21	9.5	13	5.9	23	10.4	23	10.4	17	7.7	27	12.2	22	10	17	7.7	14	6.3	17	7.7	221
Traffic Control	1	11.1	0	0	2	22.2	0	0	1	11.1	0	0	1	11.1	2	22.2	0	0	1	11.1	0	0	1	11.1	9
Traffic No DL	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Traffic Signal Malfunction	3	10.7	6	21.4	3	10.7	1	3.6	1	3.6	0	0	0	0	5	17.9	4	14.3	3	10.7	1	3.6	1	3.6	28
Traffic Stop	180	7.4	249	10.2	321	13.2	322	13.2	284	11.6	263	10.8	176	7.2	130	5.3	126	5.2	109	4.5	148	6.1	133	5.4	2441
Training	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Unwanted Subject	4	5.7	4	5.7	5	7.1	6	8.6	7	10	8	11.4	6	8.6	6	8.6	7	10	7	10	5	7.1	5	7.1	70
Vacation Watch Check	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	100	2
Vehicle Lockout	11	4.8	20	8.7	21	9.2	14	6.1	21	9.2	15	6.6	21	9.2	15	6.6	21	9.2	28	12.2	23	10	19	8.3	229
Village Ordinance	6	15	5	12.5	3	7.5	2	5	1	2.5	8	20	3	7.5	2	5	2	5	4	10	2	5	2	5	40
Violation of Order of Protection	1	16.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33.3	2	33.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16.7	6
Violent Offender Registration	1	25	0	0	1	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	50	0	0	0	0	4
Warrant Service	2	4.3	1	2.1	3	6.4	6	12.8	6	12.8	5	10.6	4	8.5	5	10.6	4	8.5	4	8.5	6	12.8	1	2.1	47
Weapons Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total:	1081	7.7	1388	9.9	1410	10.1	1308	9.4	1364	9.8	1222	8.7	1166	8.3	1206	8.6	993	7.1	1014	7.3	943	6.7	881	6.3	13975

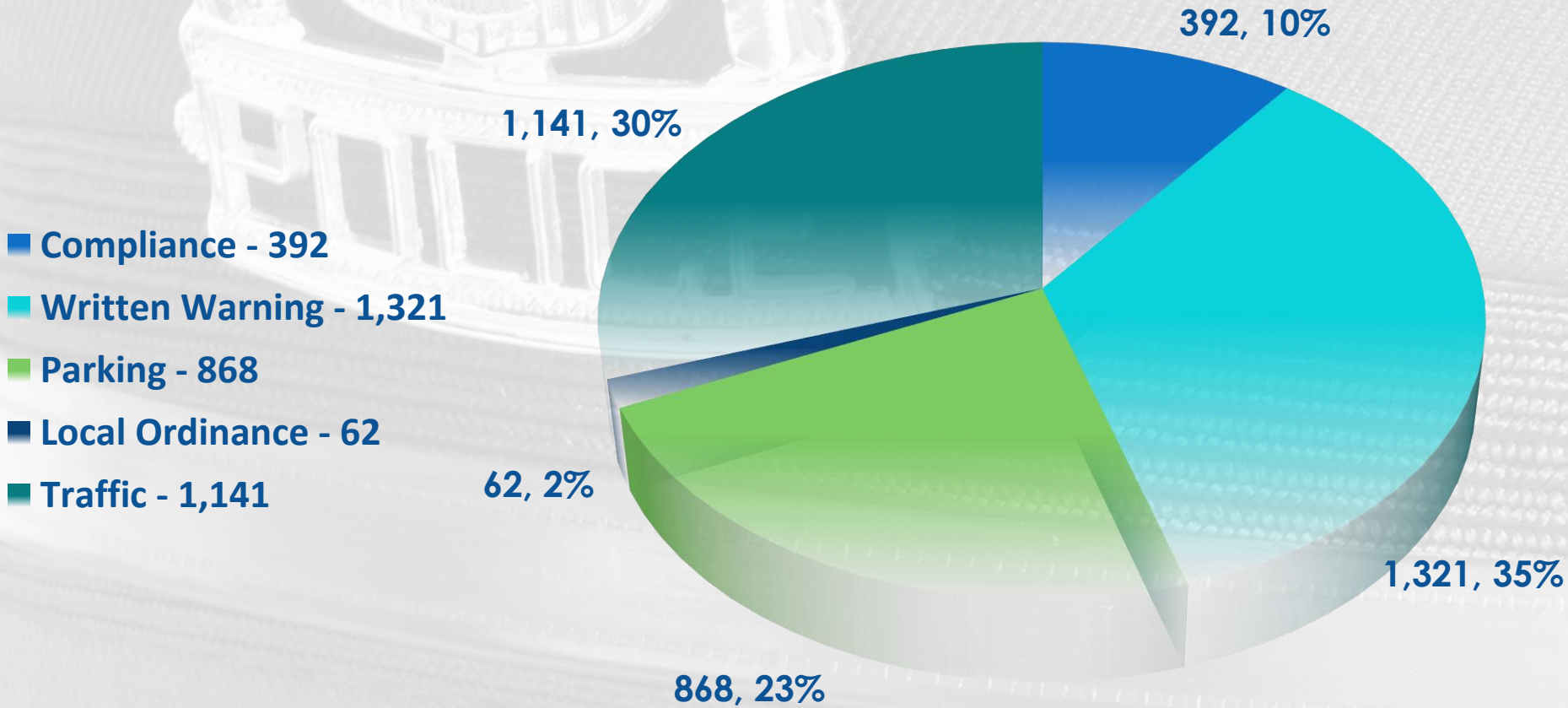
2021 Activity at a glance

- Administrative Tows - 59
- Training Hours - 2,412
- Assist Other Agency - 248
- Compliance Citations - 392
- Criminal & Traffic Arrests - 212
- Local Ord Citations/Arrests - 62
- Open Door/Window - 101
- Parking Citations - 868
- Traffic Accidents - 456
- Traffic Citations - 1,141
- Traffic Stops - 2,441
- Alarm Calls - 470
- Written Warnings - 1,321



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Citations Issued



Arrest Summary and comparison

CRIMINAL OFFENSE	2021	2020	2019	2018
Aggravated Assault / Battery	0	4	0	0
Aggravated Kidnapping	1	0	0	0
Aggravated Vehicular Hijacking	1	0	0	0
Armed Robbery	1	0	1	1
Assault / Battery	14	11	11	14
Burglary from Motor Vehicle	0	3	1	0
Burglary Commercial/Non-Residential	3	3	2	1
Criminal Damage to Property/Vehicle/Defacement	4	5	2	6
Criminal Trespass to Real Property/Residence/Vehicle	3	5	5	8
Disorderly Conduct	3	1	4	14
Domestic Battery	14	5	7	4
Drug Offenses	9	18	56	85
Endangering Life/Health of Child / Neglect	0	2	3	4
Fraudulent Activity	1	2	12	16
Harassment by Phone / Electronics	0	0	1	2
Obstruct Justice/Flee/Resist/Obstruct Officer	11	4	6	12
Retail Theft	16	22	60	66
Theft under $500 / Theft over $500	9	7	6	14
Weapons Offenses	6	*	*	*
Warrant Arrest	19	5	30	37

* Data is unavailable for these years

The data in these charts represents arrests for selected violations of Illinois Compiled Statutes as well as Local Ordinance Violations.

TRAFFIC OFFENSE	2021	2020	2019	2018
DUI Alcohol and/or Drugs	18	6	36	15
No Driver's License	35	7	9	22
Illegal Possess/Transport Alcohol/Drugs	6	*	*	*
Driving with Suspended/Revoked DL	26	7	35	61

Crime Data

This data was compiled using the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program method which divides offenses into two groups, Part I and Part II crimes. Each month, participating law enforcement agencies submit information on the number of Part I offenses that become known to them; those offenses cleared by arrest or exceptional means; and the age, sex, and race of persons arrested for each of the offenses. Contributors provide only arrest data for Part II offenses. The UCR Program collects data about Part I offenses in order to measure the level and scope of crime occurring throughout the nation. The program's founders chose these offenses because they are serious crimes, they occur with regularity in all areas of the country, and they are likely to be reported to police. **The reporting of crime data and statistics has been transitioned from UCR to the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), and accordingly the crime statistics in our 2022 annual report will reflect this change.**

PART I CRIMES	2021	2020	2019
Homicide	0	0	0
Criminal Sexual Assault	0	0	3
Robbery	2	1	7
Aggravated Battery/Assault	0	5	2
Burglary	17	24	16
Theft	204	190	166
Motor Vehicle Theft	13	14	8
Arson	0	0	0
Human Trafficking	0	0	0

Part II Crimes	2021	2020	2019
Battery/Domestic Battery/Assault	85	65	68
Deceptive Practices	35	51	39
Criminal Damage/Trespass to Property	41	40	51
Deadly Weapons Offenses	1	0	2
Sex Offenses	2	1	1
Drug Offenses	11	6	53
Resisting/Obstructing Arrest	11	5	9
Disorderly Conduct	53	33	22
Driving While Intoxicated	15	6	36
Driving w/ Suspended/Revoked/No DL	31	14	44

Department Training

Countryside Police Department officers participate in a variety of training throughout the year, including 1 hour each month of online testing through the Police Law Institute. Training programs are presented through classroom instruction, printed materials, videos, online instruction, seminars, and departmental communications. Training topics include: **policy and procedure review, criminal law, local ordinances, and traffic law updates.** The majority of department training is provided by the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency (IRMA) and North East Multi-Regional Training, Inc. (NEMRT). IRMA provides training videos and nationally accredited driving courses. NEMRT provides our officers a wide variety of courses from refresher training to university-directed staff and command courses.

- **2,412 combined hours of department training** were completed. Typical training hours, including monthly 5th District SWAT and SMART training were impacted by COVID-19 restrictions. 560 of the training hours throughout the year were completed by one of our new officers through his attendance at the police academy. Officers were still able to complete monthly online training as well as fall range training.

- The Chief and Deputy Chief both completed the **20 hours of training required annually** by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP).

- **Less Than Lethal Training and Defensive Tactics Training** are conducted annually. On these training days, officers are instructed on the proper use of the baton, OC spray, Taser, and special tactics, to maximize their skills in protecting themselves and others during arrest and restraint.

- **In accordance with the State of Illinois Police and Community Improvement Act,** officers receive annual training in use of force and criminal law. The act also requires officers to complete training in civil rights, constitutional and proper use of law enforcement authority, cultural competency, procedural justice, and human rights.

- In December 2017, the Countryside Police Department "took the pledge" to participate in the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) **"One Mind Campaign"**. As part of this campaign, our department set a goal to establish a partnership with one or more community mental health organizations, develop and implement a policy addressing police response to persons affected by mental illness, train and certify 100% of our officers in mental health first aid, and provide Crisis Intervention Team training to a minimum of 20% of our officers. In February 2019 our department received a Certificate of Completion from IACP for fulfilling the goals of the One Mind Campaign Pledge.

Department Training

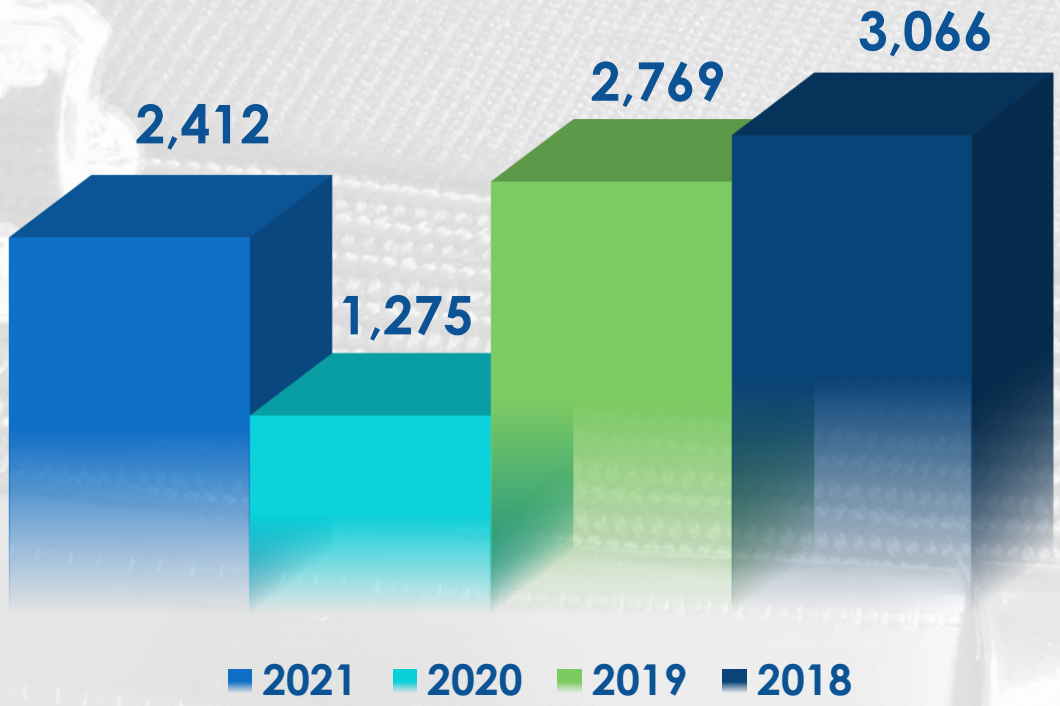
- **Crisis Intervention Team** training is a state certified 40-hour training course that provides specialized training to allow officers to respond effectively to incidents that may involve an individual facing a mental health crisis. All patrol officers and sergeants have completed this 40-hour training.

- All Countryside police officers are trained and certified in **cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)** and in the use of **automated defibrillators (AEDs)**. Each officer on patrol has an AED with them in the event of a cardiac emergency.

- All officers have also received training in the proper administration of **Naloxone**. Naloxone kits are carried along with the AEDs in each patrol vehicle.

Training Hours

4 year comparison



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Department Training

- **Firearms Training** - The Countryside Police Department has 4 State Certified Firearms Training Officers who are also State Certified Police Carbine/Rifle Instructors. These officers conduct firearms training and annual firearms qualifications with all officers to maintain compliance with state law and improve the level of individual proficiency. Twice a year, officers complete their pistol and rifle training and qualification courses.









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Community Programs

The Countryside Police Department has implemented many programs and initiatives to encourage community involvement and build valuable relationships and partnerships with residents and businesses alike. Though some of these programs had to be placed on hold in 2021, all the programs are being phased back in as circumstances allow.

- **Citizen's Police Academy:** Provide our residents with a better comprehension of police department functions as well as insight into law enforcement techniques. Classes are geared to assist citizens 18 years of age and older in understanding laws and police practices. Countryside officers present on topics that include criminal/civil law, crime prevention, juvenile law, evidence, traffic stops, use of force, and investigations.

- **Junior Police Academy:** A program with classes designed to provide an informative and interactive experience for middle school students interested in learning more about law enforcement and what police officers do on a daily basis. Some of the topics that are presented by officers include SWAT, investigations, evidence processing, traffic enforcement/patrol, and physical agility.

- **Safe Riding Program:** A program intended to promote bicycle safety. When officers "catch" kids practicing safe riding habits by wearing their bicycle helmets, they reward them with a coupon for free ice cream from McDonald's. This program runs from June 1st to August 30th and anyone caught "riding safe" receives a coupon.

- **Business Watch:** Helps to build partnerships with local businesses and promotes community awareness. Business Watch keeps business owners and their employees informed of current crime trends. Relevant "Crime Alerts" are emailed to participating businesses to provide important and timely information about crime trends occurring in the area or at specific business types in nearby areas.

Community Programs

- **Shop with a Cop:** "Shop with a Cop" was held on December 11, 2021. Each year this community program provides 10 children from Countryside an opportunity to interact in a positive way with Countryside police officers while shopping for holiday gifts. Each child receives a $100.00 gift card to purchase gifts. After shopping at T.J. Maxx, the children are returned to the police department where they wrap their gifts and eat pizza with the officers and volunteers.
    - A special thank you to all the volunteers and to T.J. Maxx, Westfield Ford, and the Autobarn of Countryside for their continued support and generosity which help to make this event possible every year.









Community Programs

- **Crime Free Housing (CFH):** The purpose of this program is to reduce crime through regulations that require building owners to be licensed annually and also requires owners/managers to maintain appropriate records. A major benefit of the program is that, through our CFH Coordinator, an open line of communication between property owners/managers and the City of Countryside is established which has proven instrumental in rectifying issues and assisting property owners when dealing with rental properties. Landlords and property owners/managers are required to attend a 4 hour Crime Free Rental Housing training seminar which educates them on the Crime Free Housing Ordinance, provides tips on screening rental applicants, and shares State landlord/tenant laws. **2 CFH seminars were held in 2021**.
  - Through our Crime Free Housing program, **238 multi-family and single family rental properties have been identified, totaling over 1,050 individual units**. Currently, owners/managers of 228 rental properties have successfully completed the required 4 hour training or are exempt from attending due to immediate family living at the property or they have been certified by another department.
- **"We Call Police":** This simple form of community watch enlists Countryside residents to be an extra set of eyes. The program features a "We Call Police" sign that is displayed in a resident's front window. The sign incorporates a person/vehicle description and identification chart to help provide callers with important contact and descriptive information they can use when reporting an incident to the police department. This sign sends a message to potential criminals to go elsewhere and also notifies police that they have a partner in that residence.

Community Programs

Other community programs and safety initiatives in which the Countryside Police Department offers or participates include:

- **Internet Purchase Exchange:** Citizens making online transactions that require a meet-up can use the Countryside Police Department lobby as a safe meeting spot for the exchange of internet purchases. The Police Department lobby is under 24 hour video surveillance and there is an emergency phone located in the lobby that will automatically connect callers with a 911 dispatcher.

- **Prescription Drug Drop-off:** This free service allows Citizens an effective way to get unused pharmaceuticals off the streets and out of medicine cabinets. The Cook County Sheriff's Office supplies the secured collection container for unwanted medication and they pick up the medication on a regular basis, incinerate the drugs, and recycle the containers. **The collection box is located in the lobby of our police department**.

- **Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor, Ring Neighbors):** The use of social media allows us to share crime alerts and safety tips with the public, promotes public safety and awareness, spreads information quickly to help catch criminals, aids in crime prevention, assists in finding missing persons, and notifies the public of emergencies, or special events and programs.

- **Service Observation Cards:** These cards are a form of "Lock-it-or-Lose it". While officers are conducting preventative patrol, they often times notice conditions such as an open garage door, open car door, or insufficient lighting that may pose a threat to safety or personal property. Our officers may leave a card indicating the condition they viewed and suggest some security measures that can be taken. Our officers located ***101 open doors*** and when possible, contacted the homeowner or business owner directly. In the event contact could not be made, a card was left and our officers attempted to secure the open door.

101
Open Doors

Community Events



"Coffee for Champions" raised $3,036.00 for Special Olympics Illinois.





BLOCK PARTIES



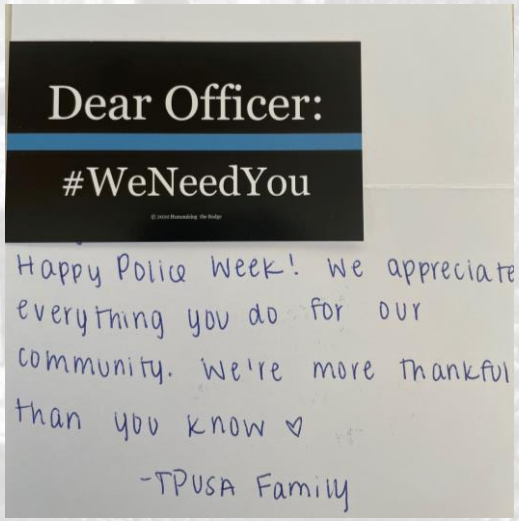


Center for Independence Lemonade Stand



From the Community National Law Enforcement Week











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Awards ★ Commendations ★ Promotions

Meritorious Award:

Sergeant Jim Stern
Detective Joseph DiGangi x 2
Detective Ryan Venem
Officer Agostino Alonzo
Officer Gage Brunke
Officer Connor Rinehart

Life Saving Award:

Officer Juan Cahue

Service Award:

Officer Agostino Alonzo - 15 years
Officer Brendan Gleespen - 15 years
CSO Robert Benes - 5 years

Promotions:

CSO Joanne Hernandez was promoted to the position of Records Coordinator on May 3, 2021

Commander Paul Klimek was promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief on June 14, 2021

Sergeant Jim Stern was promoted to the rank of Commander on June 14, 2021

Officer Paul Lanzi was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on June 27, 2021

Military Service



Community Service Officer
Robert Benes



Officer Brendan Gleespen



Officer Kelly Kalker



Sergeant Michael Maher



Sergeant Robert Sodt



Officer Connor Rinehart



Detective Ryan Venem

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Retirements



Records Coordinator **Lupe Hamernik**
retired on May 7, 2021 after
14 years of service to the City of Countryside.



Deputy Chief **Scott Novak**
retired on June 11, 2021 after
28 years of service to the City of Countryside.

Department Photos



Deputy Chief Klimek being sworn in on June 9, 2021



Commander Stern being sworn in on June 9, 2021



Sergeant Lanzi being sworn in on June 27, 2021

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Department Photos



Chief Ford spoke at the Robert E. Coulter, Jr., American Legion Post Patriot Day Ceremony on September 11, 2021



Commander Stern graduated from the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff and Command on December 10, 2021



Sergeant Sodt was presented with a Life Saving award on March 24, 2021

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In Memory…



Patrolman
Joseph R. Jankovsky
Countryside Police Department
from July 12, 1973 to
End of Watch:
Saturday, April 6, 1974



K-9
Dago
Countryside Police Department
End of Watch:
Friday, August 4, 2006