

The Park Ridge Police Department

Chief Frank Kaminski



2012 Annual Report

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Chief's Message

2012 was an exceptional year for the Department.

By far, one of the most significant accomplishments for 2012 was receiving the designation as an accredited agency by the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program (ILEAP). After several years of preparation, the on-site assessment team spent several days reviewing our policies and procedures for compliance with the applicable standards. The teams report read: "Whereas the agency is in compliance with all applicable standards for Tier One, the assessment team recommends that the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Council award accreditation to the Park Ridge Police Department." On October 18, 2012, the ILEAP Council met and awarded the Department Accreditation. We are especially proud of this accomplishment.

City Council approved Phase One of a three year renovation project to address some of the major deficiencies in the police facility. Phase One focused on moving evidence storage to a newly constructed out-building adjacent to the City Hall. This project would never have been accomplished without the work of the Chief's Advisory Task Force, especially Mr. Ralph Cincinelli. We are indebted to Ralph for all of his dedication and hard work for this project. With Council support, we look forward to completing all phases of this project.

During 2012, the Department spent a considerable amount of time regarding our radio/dispatch system. First, in May 2012, our new radios from Cook County became operational. Several issues were addressed during the implementation period. Second, in September 2012, to our surprise, both Morton Grove and Niles informed us that they are withdrawing from our dispatching agreement. Both were transferring their police dispatching to Glenview. This left both Des Plaines and Park Ridge in a difficult and complex situation. As we concluded 2012, plans were underway for Park Ridge and Des Plaines to have a joint dispatch center for Police and Fire. Much work needs to be done in 2013 on this issue.

Our outreach to the community continued in 2012. The Parent Patrol staffed the majority of weekends for the year. An evaluation was conducted through MCYAF regarding the program. The report cited the following:

"MCYAF conducted an anonymous survey receiving responses from 26 of the 37 Parent Patrol volunteers. Results indicate that Parent Patrol was a very positive experience for participants, providing an insiders view of the police, their responsibilities, challenges and professional capabilities. Additionally, results indicate a significant improvement in the participants' confidence in the Park Ridge Police Department's ability to deal with the public, crime prevention, crime solving and underage drinking."

In addition, the Department implemented a Beat Team Leader program, which assigned a specific officer to each one of the five beats to coordinate issues or problems in that beat.

Finally, our overall crime rate dropped 4% for 2012, making 2012's rate the lowest in five years.

I am especially proud of the efforts of our Staff during 2012. They have been willing to try new initiatives and programs for the Community. We will continue to build our organization towards excellence.



Part I

Department Staff



Police Department Staff



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Officers



Kristen Abbinante	David LaFrancis
Daniel Alonso (Hired 7/9/2012)	Frank Lauria
Jodi Broderick	Matt McGannon
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Rodney Cavender	Greg Orta
Hector Cruz	Carlos Panizo
Sean Dorsey	Benjamin Peterson
Jason Doucet	Tom Rechlicz
Robert Evans	Remoh Robert
Lenny Garcia	Kevin Ryan
Ruth Hahn	Arnold Sanetra
Tony Hernandez (Hired 7/9/2012)	Karyn Suarez
Andrew Houghton (Left 4/6/2012)	Agnes Szpiganowicz
Laura Kappler	Greg Taylor
Daniel Kearns	Steve Tracy
Ken King	Mark Vallejo
Jeff Koller	Jeff Waddell

Detectives

John Anderson	Timothy McEwen
John Dorner	Anthony Raitano
Mario Faso	Steven Stopka

School Resource Officers

Michael Luehr
Jeff Waddell



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Commander Jason Leavitt (Transferred to Admin. Services 4/2012)

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Brandon Parduhn (Left Dept. 3/2012)

Pat Hodge

Bob Penelle

Jack Lanners

Kate Poirier

Mike Sexton (Promoted to CSO 3/29/2012)

Property Clerk

Laura Soto

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Parking Enforcement Officers

Philip Kosecki

Dolores Wilson

Info Techs

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Eden Haile (Hired 8/27/2012)

Katherine Cien

Michael Pavel (Hired 12/9/2012)

Mike Sexton (Promoted 3/29/2012)

Todd Toter (Hired 6/21/2012, Left

Emel Sendil

Dept. 10/1/2012



Citizen Patrol Members

Joe Deprizio	Pat Dohr
Dick Stuercke	Art Ryden
Joan Hutchinson	Wes Davis
Susan Kleckner	Donna Swanson (Retired 9/2012)
Emil Pfenninger (Retired 11/2012)	Irene Horodecki
Joseph Cien	Joseph Sweeney
Gary K. Warner	Ray Rasane
Charlie Austin	Neil Norcross
Stan D'Souza	Jerry Scafa
Edward J. Fennell	Ron Kurowski
Susan Scatchell	Leslie A. Wolf
Ted Woytowicz	Cassie Stutman
Harry J. Ashner	Elizabeth Ryles
Mike Dwyer	Frank Summers
Tom Wilson	Jerry Oleksy
Don Rusch	Robert Wortman
William Reilly	John Mukoyama
Angelo Demeros	Pat Gill

Police Explorer Members

Stevan Georgevich
Cameron Grosshart
Angelo Hunter
Adam Kravetz
Gary Lynch
Ken Maggori
Eric Massini
Karl Meister
Anthony Perez
Eugene Toms
Sam Winter



Police Chaplains

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First United Methodist Church

Rev. Sarah Odderstol
St. Mary's

Fr. Chris Kerkeres
St. Haralambos Greek Orthodox

Fr. Andrew Liaugminas
Mary, Seat of Wisdom

Rev. Jim McCracken
Park Ridge Presbyterian

Fr. James Wallace
Mary, Seat of Wisdom

Rev. Matt Hoffman
St. Andrews

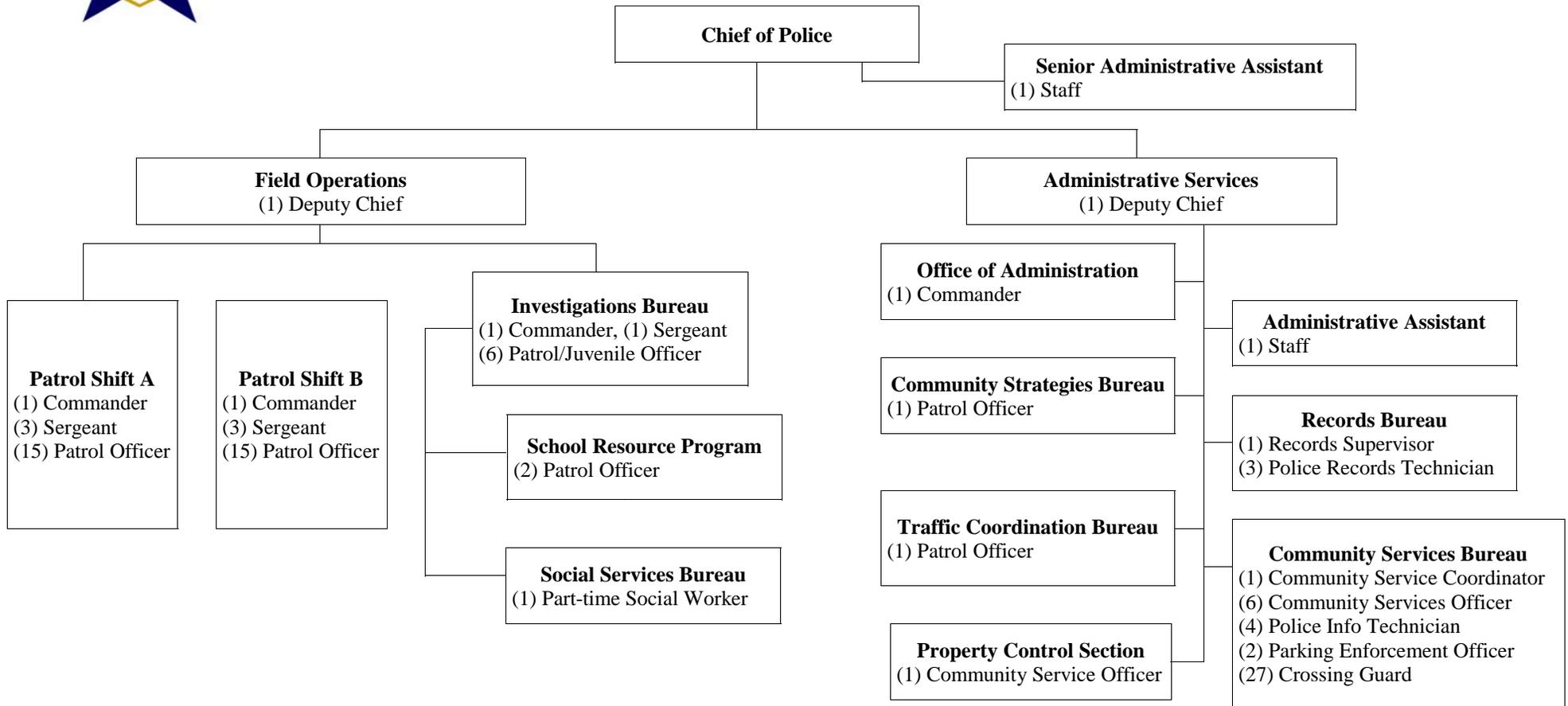
Perry Fisher
1st Church of Christ Scientist

Dr. Dave Saulnier
1st Baptist, Park Ridge



PARK RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Effective: 5.1.2012



Part II

Departmental Recognition

Departmental Recognition

Special Awards

Police Officer of the Year 2011



Each year the department forms a committee to nominate an Officer of the Year. This year, Officer Tracy and Detectives Anderson and Dorner were chosen to receive the Officer of the Year award for 2011. Officer Tracy was selected as Officer of the Year for his excellent police work related to a suicidal, armed suspect. Detectives Anderson and Dorner were chosen to receive the Officer of the Year award for 2011 for their work on a burglary case, which ultimately led to apprehending the offender.

Employee of the Year

During 2012, Records Division employee, Sue Tunzi was given the Employee of the Year Award.

Cook County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Award

Detectives Faso and McEwen received the Award of Merit for their efforts in apprehending four men responsible for numerous residential burglaries throughout the Chicagoland area in 2011.



Certificates of Recognition

During the 2012 year, twenty-one officers received Letters of Recognition, and out of those twenty-one, three officers received two or more letters.

Departmental Commendation Awards

There were four Departmental commendation awards received this year to the following staff: Officer Taylor, Detective Anderson, Detective Faso and Detective McEwen.

Traffic Awards

In 2011, four officers received awards for their efforts in traffic enforcement which included DUI (Officer Ken King), speed (Officer Rodney Cavender), safety belt (Officer Karyn Suarez) and child safety seat enforcement (Detective McEwen).



Perfect Attendance

In 2011, Deputy Chief Keller, Detective Anderson, CSO Lanners, CSO Sexton, Info Tech Bengtson and Info Tech, Cien did not use any sick time during the year.

Complimentary Letters From Citizens

Over the past twelve months, the department has received 94 complimentary letters to numerous officers for their hard work and professional efforts.

Saved By the Belt Award

Fifty-eight (58) individuals received the Saved by the Belt award for wearing their seat belt when involved in an accident. Although minor injury may have occurred, wearing a seat belt prevented them from sustaining more serious injuries.

Special Olympics

The Department received an award from Special Olympics Illinois for their participation in several events throughout the year. The Department raised \$8,253.21 in 2012.

Maine Township Emergency Management Association

In October 2012, Maine Township Emergency Management Association awarded the Park Ridge Police Department with a Certificate of Excellence in appreciation of the continuing partnership amongst departments.

Part III

Crime Data

Summary: Index Crime Rates for 2012

- The overall index crime rate for 2012 declined 4% as compared to 2011, making 2012 the lowest crime rate in the past five years. The index crime rate went from 1794.8 in 2008 to 1291.4 in 2012, a 28% reduction in the five-year period.
- The number of accident reports declined almost 10% (9.77%) in 2012 as compared to 2011, making 2012 the lowest year in accidents in the past five years.
- Overall, criminal offenses (Part I and Part II) declined almost 17% in 2012 as compared to 2011.
- Burglaries declined by 14% (14.49%).
- Calls for service rose 5.57% in 2012 as compared to 2011.



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012

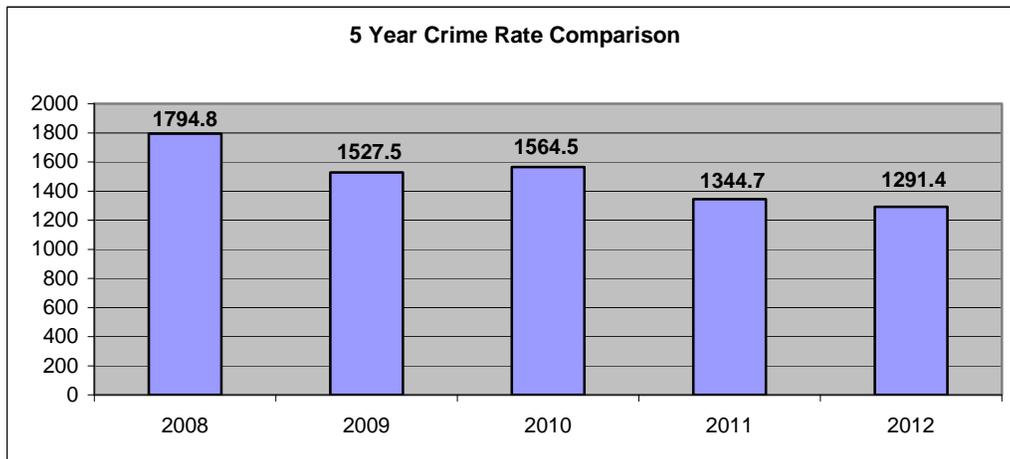
The Park Ridge Crime Offense/Arrest Comparison report is an annual summary and comparison of all Index crimes, or Part I crimes, and a select group of Part II crimes, as well as a variety of other traffic related department activity. For reporting purposes, criminal offenses are divided into two major groups: Part I offenses and Part II offenses. Part 1 crimes are collectively known as Index crimes and are separated into two subgroups, Violent Crimes against Persons and Crimes against Property. Part II offenses are less severe crimes, but account for the majority of criminal offenses reported.

The **crime rate**¹ indicates the prevalence of crime occurring across a given population. It is generally defined as the total number of index crimes per 100,000 inhabitants and is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Crime Index Count} \times 100,000}{\text{Jurisdictional Population}^2} = \text{Crime Rate}$$

The **percent change** indicates the increase or decrease of the volume of data represented.

$$\frac{\text{Current Figure} - \text{Previous Figure}}{\text{Previous Figure}} \times 100 = \text{Percent Change}$$



The above comparison indicates the lowest Crime Rate in 5 years. The overall Crime Rate in Park Ridge declined almost 4% in 2012.

¹ Based on the latest publication of Crime in Illinois 2009, the Crime Rate for the State of Illinois was 3299.8, and 4285.1 for the County of Cook

² Based on 2010 census data = 37,480



**PARK RIDGE
CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON
2011 VS. 2012**

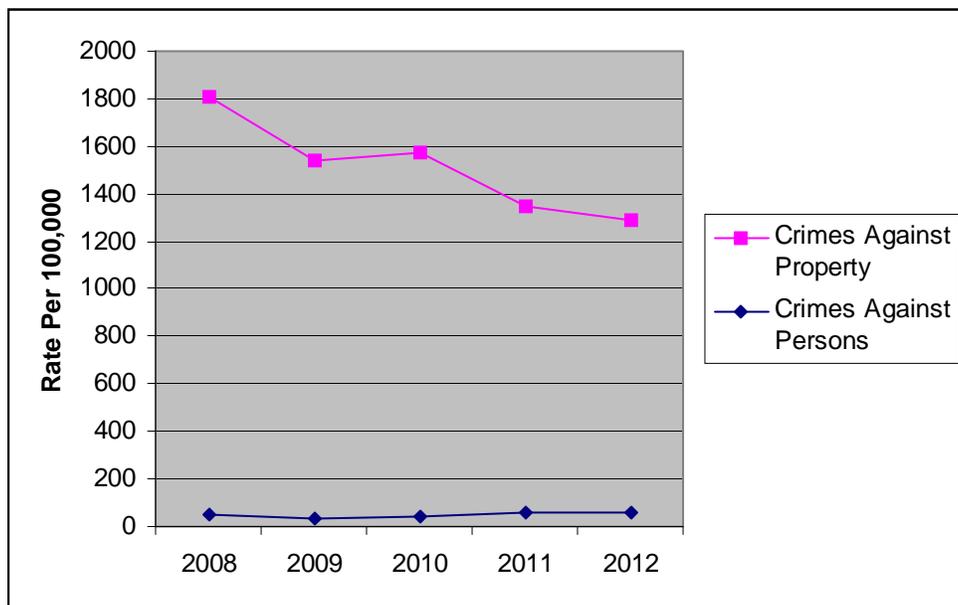
Violent Crime Offenses	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Criminal Homicide	0	1	1	n/c
Forcible Rape	2	0	-2	-100.00%
Robbery	7	12	5	71.43%
Aggravated Battery/Assault	14	9	-5	-35.71%
Property Crime Offenses	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Burglary	138	118	-20	-14.49%
Theft	334	324	-10	-2.99%
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	13	7	116.67%
Arson	3	7	4	133.33%
Crime Index Offense Totals³	504	484	-20	-3.97%
Violent Crime Offense Totals	23	22	-1	-4.35%
Property Crime Offense Totals	481	462	-19	-3.95%
Violent Crime Arrests	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Criminal Homicide	0	1	1	n/c
Forcible Rape	0	0	0	0.00%
Robbery	6	2	-4	-66.67%
Aggravated Assault/Battery	8	2	-6	-75.00%
Property Crime Arrests	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Burglary	7	9	2	28.57%
Theft	35	22	-13	-37.14%
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	-1	-100.00%
Arson	0	2	2	n/c
Crime Index Arrest Totals	57	38	-19	-33.33%
Violent Crime Arrest Totals	14	5	-9	-64.29%
Property Crime Arrest Totals	43	33	-10	-23.26%

³ All Crime Index categories include attempts, except attempted Homicide, which is classified and reported as an Aggravated Battery. There were no attempted Homicides reported as aggravated battery in 2011 or 2012.



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012

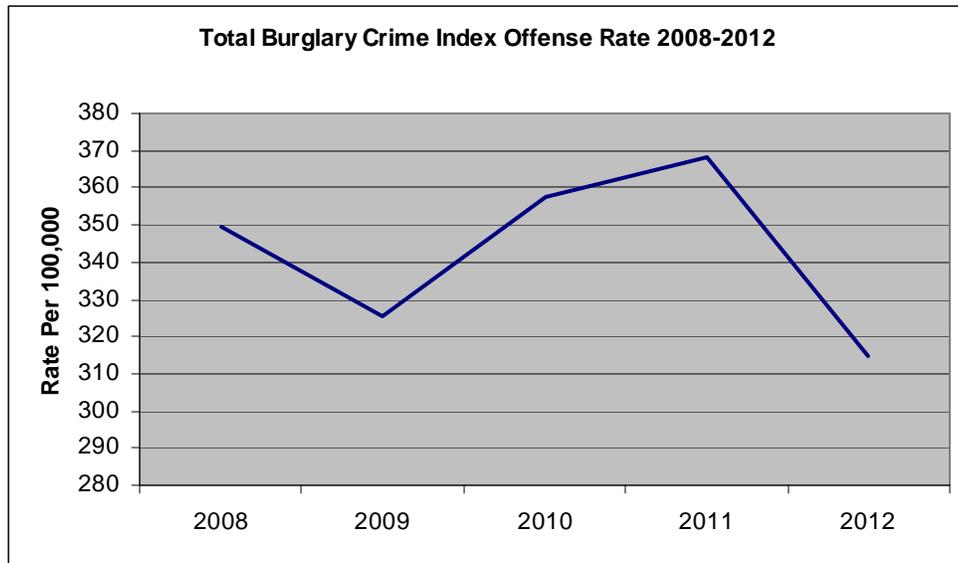
Violent Crime Offenses include Criminal Homicide, Forcible Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault/Battery (including attempts). Violent crime offenses, or Crimes against Persons, accounted for 4.5% of the crime index total in 2012. Property Crime Offenses include Burglary, Theft (including Burglary from a Motor Vehicle), Motor Vehicle Theft and Arson. Property Crime Offenses, or Crimes Against Property, accounted for 95.5% of the crime index total in 2012.



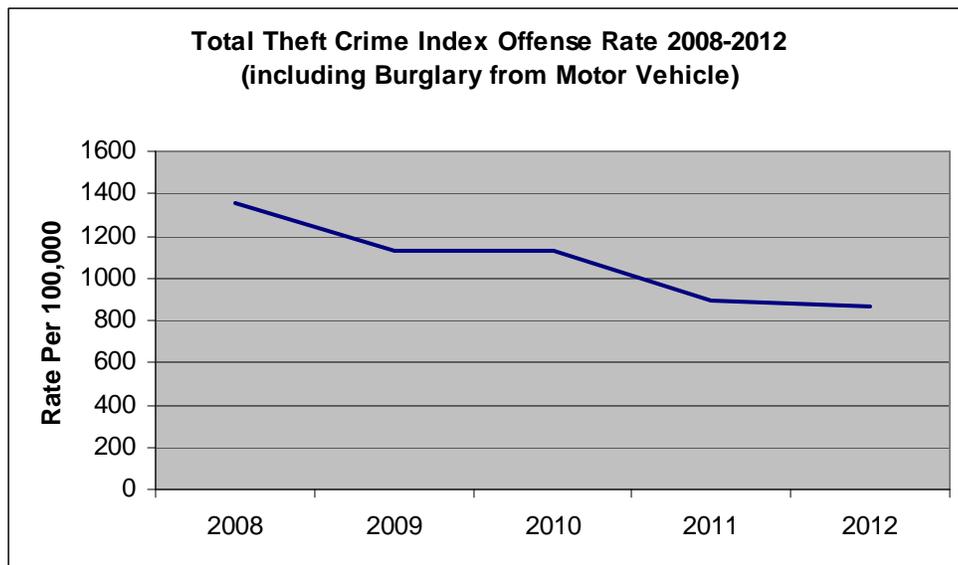
The total number of Violent Crime Offenses declined just over 4% in 2012, while the total number of Property Crime Offenses declined just under 4% in 2012.



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012



Burglary crime offenses declined almost 15% in 2012.



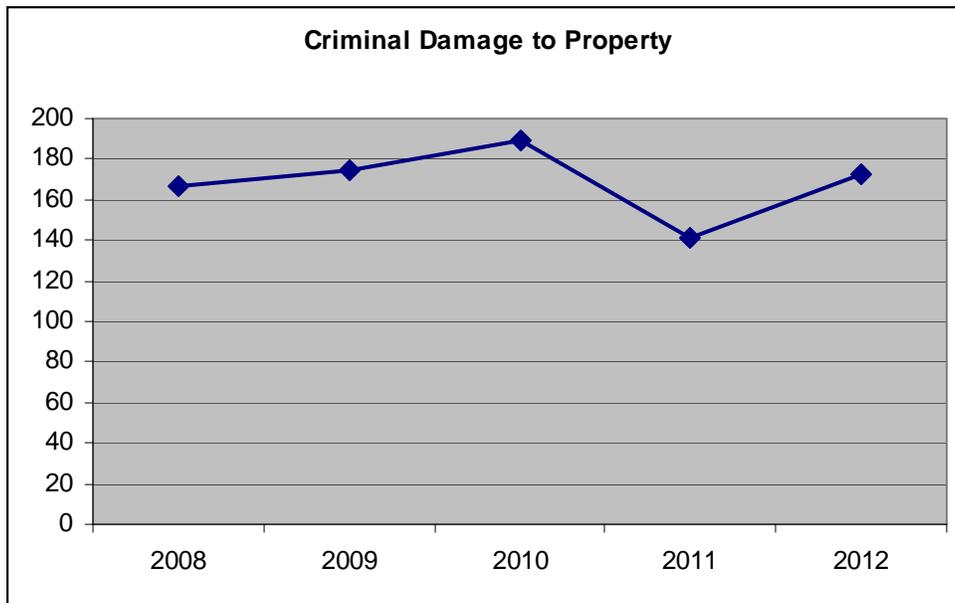
Theft crime offenses declined almost 3% in 2012.



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012

Drug Crime Arrests	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Cannabis Control Act	28	26	-2	-7.14%
Controlled Substances Act	4	5	1	25.00%
Hypodermic Syringes & Needles Act	0	0	0	0.00%
Violations of Drug Paraphernalia Act	21	20	-1	-4.76%
Violations of Methamphetamine Act	0	0	0	0.00%
Drug Crime Arrest Totals	53	51	-2	-3.77%

Select Part II Crime Offenses⁴	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Simple Assault/Battery	109	72	-37	-33.94%
Domestic Battery	83	93	10	12.05%
Criminal Damage to Property ⁵	141	173	32	22.70%
Criminal Damage to Vehicle	142	104	-38	-26.76%
Juvenile Runaways	272	13	-259	-95.22%



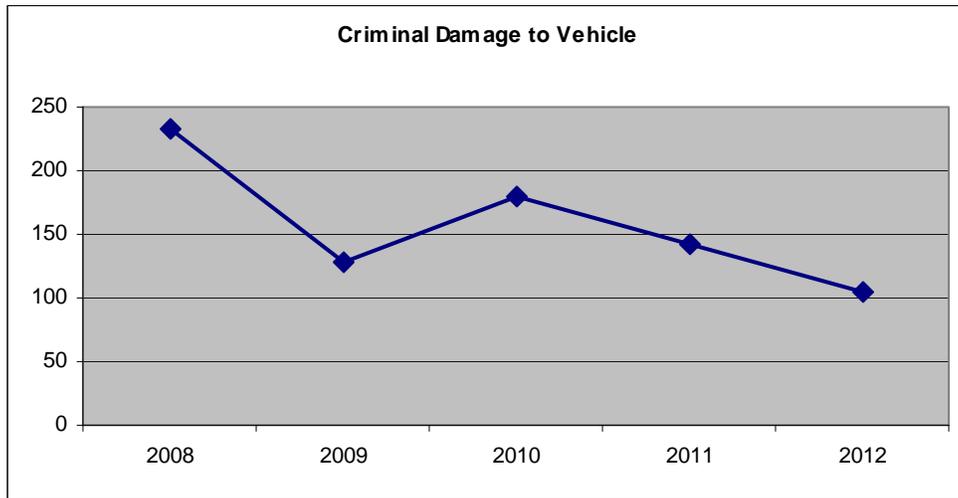
Criminal Damage to Property offenses rose almost 23% in 2012, which is almost entirely due to a spike in Criminal Defacement (graffiti), which increased 50% from 60 in 2011 to 90 in 2012.

⁴ Part II crime offenses include all other criminal offenses that are not included under the Crime Index (Part I) categories. The Part II crime offense categories listed in this report are not all-inclusive and only reflect a select group of offenses.

⁵ Includes Criminal Defacement of Property (graffiti)



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012



Criminal Damage to Vehicle offenses declined almost 27% in 2012.

Alcohol Related Arrests	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Liquor Control Act Violations ⁶	89	91	2	2.25%
DUI Violations	56	54	-2	-3.57%
Zero Tolerance Violations	1	2	1	100.00%
Annual Totals	2011	2012	# Difference	% Change
Part I Crime Offenses	504	484	-20	-3.97%
Part II Crime Offenses	1138	885	-253	-22.23%
Part I Crime Arrests	57	38	-19	-33.33%
Part II Crime Arrests	627	556	-71	-11.32%
Total Criminal Offenses	1642	1369	-273	-16.63%
Total Criminal Arrests	684	602	-82	-11.99%
Drug Crime Arrests	53	51	-2	-3.77%
Service Calls	26305	27769	1464	5.57%
Incidents	27947	29138	1191	4.26%
Traffic Accidents Responded to	1613	1498	-115	-7.13%
Traffic Accident Reports	1362	1229	-133	-9.77%
Total Traffic Stops	3752	3752	0	0.00%

Overall Criminal Offenses declined almost 17% in 2012. Reported Traffic Accidents declined almost 10% in 2012.

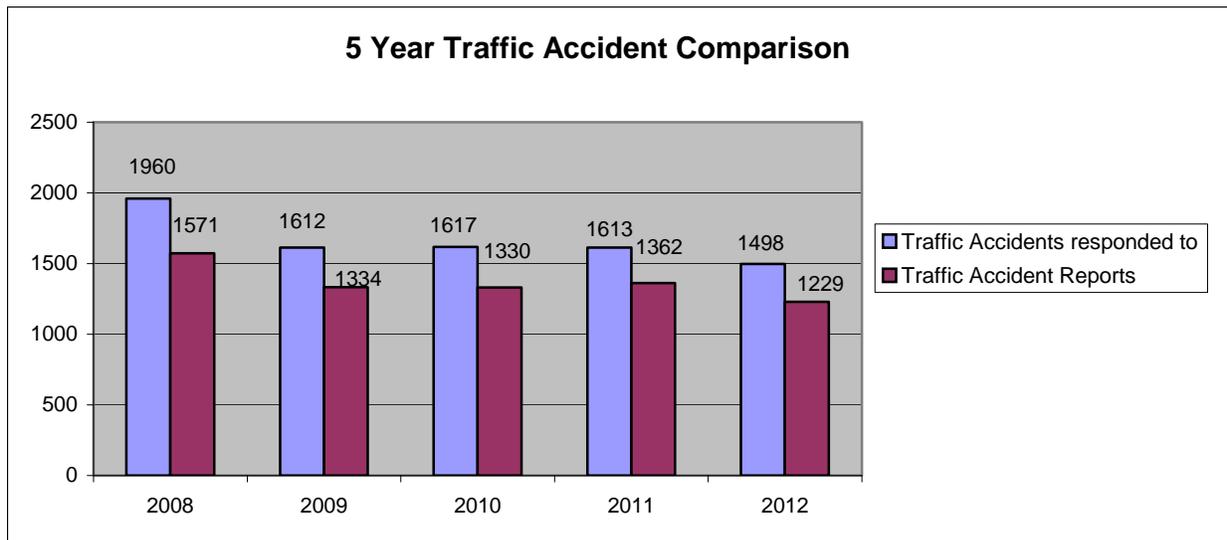
⁶ Includes Sale to Minor, Illegal Possession and/or Illegal Consumption by Minor, Misrepresentation of Age by Minor and Illegal Liquor Access



PARK RIDGE CRIME OFFENSE/ARREST COMPARISON 2011 VS. 2012

Traffic Accident Comparison

The following chart reflects totals for traffic accidents responded to, as well as traffic accident reports taken for the last 5 years (not all traffic accidents responded to result in an accident report). The totals indicate that over five years our traffic accidents responded to have declined by 23.6%, and our total accident reports taken have declined by 21.8%.



Part IV

Departmental Highlights

Highlights

9-11 Ceremony

The Department participated in a ceremony marking the 11-year anniversary of the 9-11 World Trade Center/Pentagon attacks. The ceremony was held in conjunction with students from Roosevelt School. Our police chaplains and honor guard participated in this solemn remembrance.



Baseball Trading Card Program

The first set of baseball cards was completed by Jason Marciniak. He managed to collect all 54 cards and was presented a bike as a prize.



OFFICER JULIE GENUALDI

Officer Julie Genualdi joined the Park Ridge Police Department in 1998. Julie graduated from the Chicago Police Academy and was assigned to the Patrol Division. She has obtained numerous certifications which include Evidence Technician, Bike Patrol Officer, Crime Prevention Officer, and Juvenile Officer, just to name a few. Julie currently serves as the Community Strategies Officer.

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National Safety Traffic Challenge

The Department once again participated in the 2012 Traffic Safety Challenge. The Department received third place for its efforts.



Leadership Development

During 2012, the Department continued its leadership development program with Mr. John Fontana. This year, all of the sergeants went through the assessment. This initiative continues to help develop the future leadership for the organization.

Crime Incidents

In February 2012, several major criminal investigations took place. The first homicide in over six years was reported in the 200 block of Summit. Through the efforts of the Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) and Park Ridge Detectives, the case was solved in four days, and an offender was charged. Investigators also raided a fencing location in Chicago as part of an on-going burglary ring investigation. Over 3,000 items of suspected stolen property from twenty communities was seized. Over fifty cases were solved as a result. The Department conducted a major media campaign in order to connect the recovered items with its owners. Four people were charged in connection with this recovery.

NATO Summit

After months of preparation, the NATO Summit was held in Chicago on May 20 and 21. Our regional plans were operational for this period. The event occurred without any participation from our region.

New Radio System Grant

The new Cook County Radio System was implemented on May 1. The Department received over \$450,000 in radios and communication upgrades through a program sponsored by the Cook County Sheriff.

Accreditation

For the past several years, the Department has been working to meet the standards to receive State Accreditation. An on-site visit was held in the summer of 2012 to review our work. The on-site team concluded that our Department met all applicable standards and that they would be recommending accredited status for our agency. The Accreditation Council met in October 2012 and voted unanimously to award the Park Ridge Police Department Accreditation. The award is scheduled to be given in January 2013.

Police Building

The Chief's Advisory Task Force developed a three-year plan for cost effective strategies to address the major issues confronting the police facility. This plan was presented to the City Council and was approved for the FY 12-13 budget. Phase I calls for the construction of an outer building on the property adjacent to City Hall. This building will house property/evidence as well as the workout area. Phase I will correct the deficiencies in the current property room.

Chaplain Program

Two new Chaplains joined the program – Reverend Matt Hoffman from St. Andrews and Father Jim Wallace from Mary Seat. Reverend Jim McCracken retired from the program.

The Chaplains hosted the annual Police Memorial Service in recognition of Police Week.



Police Dispatch

The Department received a major setback when both Niles and Morton Grove announced that they are both leaving our consolidated dispatch center in Des Plaines. This has become a major issue for all of our communities as we now struggle to assess the future of our police dispatching operation. This will be one of our major concerns for 2013.

Department Re-Organization

The Department completed its last phase of its re-organization plan. In May 2013, the Department went from three divisions to two, and the rank of lieutenant was eliminated. This further streamlines the Department and clarifies lines of accountability.²⁵

Town Hall Meeting

The Department, in conjunction with MCYAF and the Illinois Attorney General's Office held a town hall meeting for parents and teens on being a good digital citizen, underage drinking trends and traffic laws.



Parent Patrol

As the program continues to grow and develop, 2012 was the third and busiest year for the Park Ridge Parent Patrol Program. A survey of Parent Patrol volunteers was conducted in 2012 that confirmed the volunteers' overwhelming commitment to the program as well as a mutually shared desire to discourage/prevent underage drinking while building a stronger relationship between the Park Ridge Police Department and the community it serves. Volunteers worked every weekend beginning in May going through December for a total of 284 volunteer hours; an outstanding demonstration of our community's dedication to such a meaningful cause.

Citizen Corp Council

The mission of the Park Ridge Citizen Corps Council is to harness the power of every individual through education, training, and volunteer service to make communities safer and stronger. The Citizen Corp Council works to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from, the threats of terrorism, crime, public, health issues, and disasters of all kinds.

The Park Ridge Citizen Corp Council is a collaboration between City Departments and community stake holders. In 2012 the Park Ridge Citizen Corp Council operated with 152 volunteers for 2,345 service hours volunteered to the City of Park Ridge. Two, all program, exercises were executed and a utility trailer was purchased. The Council received a FEMA grant for \$5,000, which allowed the City to purchase the utility trailer and other safety equipment²⁶. The Council also received permission from the

City of Park Ridge to allow the coordination of volunteers to be assisted with a Police Department assigned radio frequency.

Explorer Post 911

The Park Ridge Law Enforcement Explorer Post 911 had 12 Explorers enrolled for 2012. The Explorers participated in a number of events and extensive training within the Department.

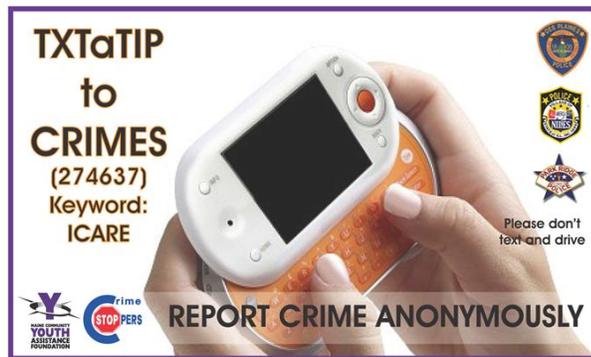
Explorers conducted traffic control, crowd control, and presentation assistance to the Police Department during the following events: Norwegian Day Parade, Memorial Day Parade, Park Ridge Fireworks, the Taste of Park Ridge, and National Night Out for a total of 157.5 hours of service.

Finally, Explorers participated in training/meeting sessions on: defensive tactics, DUI enforcement, criminology, traffic stops, juvenile law, investigation procedures, community policing, rapid deployment and traffic control.



Text-a-Tip

MCYAF sponsored this initiative between the Park Ridge Police Department and the Des Plaines Police Department. Through Text-a-Tip, people can anonymously text tips to the Department. During 2012, the Park Ridge Police received 34 tips, 5 of which were in Park Ridge. Of these tips, 2 were underage drinking complaints, 2 were loud parties and 1 was for an establishment selling tobacco to minors.



Senior Breakfast Program

Members of the Department implemented a Senior Breakfast Program at the Park Ridge Senior Center. The department sponsors the program every third Tuesday of the month and Panera Bread donates refreshments. The program has been a great hit with the seniors as evidenced by their attendance. Average attendance has been about 55 people per meeting. Twelve programs were conducted in 2012.



National Night Out

The 8th annual National Night Out was held on August 7, 2012. This year the Department partnered with the Girl Scouts of America in honor of their 100-year anniversary. The event went very well and the Department was successful in heightening crime and drug prevention awareness, generating support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs, strengthening neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and sending the message to criminals that the police and community are working together and are fighting back against crime.



Citizens Police Academy

One class was held in 2012 with 15 graduates. The Department also held a Senior Police Academy, with 17 graduates.



Animal Commission

In 2012 we had 25 animal bites. We had the Animal Commission meet eleven times during 2012, bringing fourteen animal bite cases to the Commissioners. After reviewing each case, and interviewing the victims and owners, the Commissioners found one dog to be “At Risk” and one dog to be “Dangerous.” Both appealed but the decision of the Commission was upheld. Letters go out to the owners of each dog, advising them of the rules they must follow. The City and our 911 Center are advised of the owner’s name, address, breed and name of dog and that are labeled “At Risk.”

Physical Fitness Initiative

The Park Ridge Police Department completed the fitness evaluations of department members primarily between June and November 2012. During that time, all 52 sworn officers completed the preliminary health consultation with 25 of those officers completing the voluntary fitness assessment. This was a significant increase in participation compared to 2011. The scores that were obtained were normed for age and sex, rated in comparison to the general population and categorized into four groups; Excellent, Very Good, Good and Poor. The blind data provided the following highlighted information:

- Upper body and abdominal strength, as measured by push-ups and curl-ups was extremely good, with more than 91% of all officers testing in the Excellent and Very Good categories.
- VO2 max (Aerobic Capacity) as measured on a treadmill showed 88% of all participants to have Good, Very Good or Excellent test scores.
- Grip strength and flexibility scores were good, with over 85% of the participants scoring in the ‘Good’ category or above.

- Percent Body Fat and Body Mass Index were two areas that showed improvement over last year's results with 20% of participants scoring in the poor category versus 30% of those who tested last year.

This was the third year of a continuing process, which will be used to develop training and support for ongoing fitness for all officers within the Department. The overall results continue to be encouraging, and it is reasonable to expect, that with proper support and participation, the overall fitness of the Department will remain high, and continue to improve.

Youth Related Initiatives

The Department participated in several outreach activities with young people:

- Dodge Ball Tournament – February 2011
- Maine South Principal's Advisory Council
- Youth in Government Program
- Story Time at the Library

Underage Drinking Campaign

The Department continued to support efforts to reduce underage substance abuse to include the following:

- "Parents Who Host Lose the Most" Campaign (This campaign was done in May for Prom season and in September for Homecoming).
- Sticker Shock Program – April 2012
- MCYAF monthly meetings – 11 meetings
- Drug Take Back Program (As a result of this program, 208 pounds of unwanted pharmaceuticals were collected).

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The Park Ridge Community Emergency Response Team (PRCERT) program consists of 65 volunteers with specialized training in; traffic control, disaster response skills, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. In 2012 PRCERT expanded their training to allow volunteers to participate in specialized Groups/Units of; the Com Ed Joint Operations Center (Com Ed JOC), an Illinois Search and Rescue Council (ISARC) certified Search and Rescue (SAR) unit, and a Trailer Deployment Group to deploy the Citizen Corps Council utility trailer.

In 2012 PRCERT operated in 26 operational activations for 2152hrs, which included a search and rescue operation to Palatine Police Department. PRCERT participated in 298hrs of training, which included two Citizen Corp Council exercises. PRCERT certified trainers conducted a class for 13 participants of which 10 remained as new PRCERT members who completed the 20hr CERT Certification Course, Volunteer Traffic Control, and Volunteer Radio Procedures in the fall of 2012.

2012Hours of Service

- 2152hrs Operational activation service in 26 activations
- 298hrs Training Service

2012 Specialized Groups/Units

- Com Ed Joint Operations Center (Com Ed JOC)
- Park Ridge Search and Rescue (PR SAR)
- Trailer Deployment Group (TDG)

Disaster Preparedness

The following are examples of disaster preparedness activities for 2012:

- Worked with LGH, Department of Defense, State Department and Secret Service to develop action plans for presidential and VIP visits.
- Met with LGH monthly regarding crisis plans (E-Plans)
- Participated with LGH on tornado drill (Code Black) which involved the evacuation of 40 patients
- Met with Fire Department monthly to work on disaster plans at schools and Park Ridge events throughout the year
- ComEd planning and disaster drill for new protocol involving Joint Operations Center
- PRCCC meetings quarterly
- Assisted in several District 64 lockdown drills and crisis plans
- Assisted in Maine East lock down drill and reviewed crisis plans
- Assisted in Active Shooter drill at Maine South and reviewed crisis plans
- Assisted Maine South lockdown with canine search of school parking lot
- Participated in JCRRT meetings and activations throughout the year
- Met with parochial schools about lockdown procedures and emergency plans
- NATO preparedness/planning, including several meetings with the following:
 - LGH
 - District 64
 - District207
 - Library/local businesses
 - City Council
 - Public Works
 - O'Hare Security and CPD
 - Secret Service/FBI/Forest Preserve Police
 - Communications and Dispatch
 - Neighboring law enforcement involving joint operations and training
 - Metra/Union Pacific/CTA/Pace
 - O'Hare Area Property Managers

Farmers Market - "Ask a Cop"

The Department continues to participate at the Farmers Market on a monthly basis from June to October.

Special Events

The Department assisted in the following special events:

- Anelise's Run
- Norwegian Day Parade
- Memorial Day Parade
- July 2nd Fireworks
- July 4th Kiddie Parade
- Taste of Park Ridge
- Charity Classic
- Pizzafest
- Harry O'Brien Run
- Winter Fest
- National Night Out
- Field School Walk
- Roosevelt School Walk
- St. Paul Walk-a-Thon
- Concerts in the Park
- Car Shows – 3
- Senior Olympics
- Maine South Homecoming Parade
- Timmer Cancer Walk
- South Park Trick-or-Treat



- Resurrection High School Walk to Pickwick Theater
- Fire Department Open House
- Electronic Recycling
- Crop Walk

There were 45 requests for public appearances (i.e. scout tours) in 2012

Block Parties Program

The Department continued to send representatives to neighborhood block parties throughout the summer. The Department attended approximately 62 parties.

Honor Guard

Last year the Honor Guard participated in the Cook County Police Memorial Service, Park Ridge Police Memorial Service, Norwegian Day Parade, Memorial Day Parade, National Night Out, the 9/11 Ceremony, Maine South and Maine East Homecomings, Patriot Day Ceremony at Field School, Citizen's Police Academy Graduation, Sergeant Taylor's promotion and Veteran's Day Ceremony at Franklin School.



Training

For 2012, the Department continued to make cost effective training a priority. We focused on NEMRT's no-cost classes and continued to increase our in-house training offerings whenever practical. Officers attended a total of 2,579 hours of training, or approximately 50 hours of training per officer last year. We are steadily increasing in-house and online training. This is yet another way we are attempting to get more for our training dollar. The following list is a brief summary of some of the training received by officers this year:

- Financial Exploitation of Seniors
- Designer Drug Awareness
- Basic Life Support Instructor Course
- Gypsy Traveler Crime and the Elderly
- Traffic Crash Reconstruction Updates
- Internet Based Investigative Resources
- Forensic Pathology of the Death and Homicide Investigator
- Traffic Incident Management
- Law Enforcement Motorcycle Training
- Basic Cyber Crimes Investigation
- Recent Case Law: How it Affects Department Operations
- School Safety Conference
- Peer Support Training
- Executive Management Training Program

- Managing an Investigative Unit
- Solving Neighborhood
- Close Quarter Handgun Skills
- Forensic Science Seminar
- Rapid Deployment Instructors Course
- Community Policing Training
- Introduction to Computer Fraud
- Cold Case Seminar
- Basic Telephone and Internet Records
- Current Trends in Drug Abuse
- Police Executive Role in the 21st Century
- Child Abuse Awareness for Patrol Officers
- Communicating with Youths and Families
- De-escalating Juvenile Aggression
- Good To Great Instructor Development
- Annual Insurance Fraud Seminar
- Memory and Listening Skills
- Interviews and Interrogations
- Child and Adolescent Sexual Predator Awareness
- Psychology and Tactics of Violent Encounters
- Conflict Resolution
- Supervision of Police Personnel
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- Firearms Simulation Scenario Training

Law Enforcement Special Olympics

The Department continued its commitment to the Law Enforcement Special Olympics and participated in six fundraising events – Polar Plunge, Cop-on-Top, Torch Run and a “Test Your Strength” event at the Taste of Park Ridge. Our efforts generated \$8,253 for Special Olympics.



Booting

The Department, in partnership with the Finance Department, revitalized the booting program.

Citizen Survey Project

The Department was selected by the University of Illinois-Chicago to participate in a citizen satisfaction survey project. We anticipate seeing³⁴the results in 2013.

Traffic Activities 2012

- 2012 IDOT Grants
 - Awarded 2 separate traffic safety grants (Holiday Mobilization and Step Grants)
 - Targeted impaired driving, seat belt violations and child safety seat violations
 - Grants covered the following periods; Super Bowl, St. Patrick's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.
 - 465 extra hours of Patrol Officers worked on the street
 - 1 Roadside Safety Check conducted at Dempster and Greenwood on August 31, 2012. (This was covered by grant monies)

- Traffic Training Conducted
 - Standard Field Sobriety testing recertification
 - Major Crash Unit training
 - Attended one week Basic Traffic Crash Investigation Training
 - Attended 3 day Solving Neighborhood Traffic Problems in Madison, WI
 - IDOT traffic safety conferences - both winter and summer
 - Traffic Safety Challenge training
 - Community Policing training
 - Attended two day instructor course for Alive At 25 through the National Safety Council with Officer McGannon
 - Roll call training conducted on speed, seatbelt, crash reports, and new laws for 2012 for patrol officers

- Community Partnerships
 - District 64
 - 5 traffic safety meetings with district administrators
 - Officers out at schools before and after school day
 - School Safety Patrol talks for each school with a safety patrol
 - Distracted driving campaign with schools
 - Engineering assistance with signs, roadways, etc

 - Citizen Patrolers
 - Volunteers conducted several surveys to assist in data collection
 - Volunteers out at schools providing visible presence
 - Assisted with handing out traffic safety materials

 - Lutheran General Hospital
 - Attended Traffic Advisory Committee meetings at hospital
 - LGH staff attended several S.T.A.C. (Staff Traffic Advisory Committee) meetings
 - Participated in Hospital leadership meeting with IDOT and local politicians to discuss solutions to Dempster and Luther Lane traffic problems. Several ideas implemented after meeting.

 - Reduce Program (Citizen Radar Program)
 - Cumberland and Stewart
 - Talcott (Maine South High School)
 - 700 block of S. Washington

- Red Light Safety Camera Program
 - 1,627 violations reviewed
 - Impact studies updated
 - Monthly reports
 - Railroad Safety Camera program started with Union Pacific, Redspeed, and the City.

- DUI Program
 - Set up and requested training for patrol
 - Re-certified PBT's tri-monthly
 - Update and certify breathalyzer
 - Track and monitor data and order supplies needed
 - Standard Field Sobriety Test re-certifying training conducted

- Hit-and-Run Investigations
 - Investigate all hit-and-runs that the Department received
 - Courtesy calls to non solvable cases

- Education Campaigns
 - Weekly traffic meetings
 - Quarterly school traffic meetings
 - School safety blitzes
 - McDonald's / Burger King drive-thru pamphlets
 - Start of school and Holidays
 - Drivers Education classes (Viking and High Schools)
 - Yard Signs
 - "Stop Means Stop"
 - New stop sign red warning lights
 - Speed trailers and speed sign
 - Letters to violators
 - Web, news stories and press releases
 - Electronic signboard (No Texting, Click it or Ticket, You Drink You Drive – You Lose)
 - Public Speaking (Lutheran General Hospital, schools, seniors, etc)
 - Pedestrian crossing flags at Prospect and Summit
 - Crosswalk Stings along with help from Citizen Patrol on Northwest Hwy and Devon at Fairview
 - Local access cable channel traffic safety slides
 - Distracted Driving Campaign with local schools
 - Press releases for traffic safety grants, Cumberland traffic, Cell phone law reminders, and new traffic law updates
 - Yellow Dot Program
 - AAA Distracted driving simulator on National Texting day at Maine East and National Night Out in August.
 - Traffic Safety materials distributed at schools, Taste of Park Ridge, NNO, local businesses, etc.
 - "Caught Being Good" coupons given out on grants and bike patrol
 - Hosted an 8-hour Defensive Driving class by AARP at City Hall. 24 seniors were in attendance.
 - Attended Maine South Alcohol Awareness night- Used DUI goggles with the teens and handed out literature

- Data and Studies
 - Top ten crash intersections
 - Speed, volume, violations studies - 40 new in 2012
 - Traffic problems monitoring computer program
 - Selective Enforcement Program (monitor patrol, enter data, speak with complainants)
 - Crash analysis
 - GIS mapping introduced for better crash analysis. Monthly updates for patrol including specific beat maps.
 - Whole Foods Speed Survey took 2 months: Washington to Merrill pre-study. Another study will be done in the spring of 2013 after the store is open on Touhy at Washington.

- Engineering
 - 32 overweight truck permits reviewed and issued in 2012
 - Reviewing and updating City's overweight truck ordinance
 - Several engineering recommendations (No Turn on Red sign Talcott and Dee, double stop signs Cumberland and Crescent, Stop means stop at various locations.)
 - R/R camera, Pedestrian flags, "Cell Phone Prohibited" signs hung.

- Traffic Awards
 - 3rd Place Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge
 - Officers awarded for leading Department in traffic safety enforcement (Ofc. Cavender: speeding, Ofc. Suarez: seatbelt, Ofc. McEwen: child safety seat, and Ofc. King: DUI)

- Miscellaneous
 - Worked Taste of Park Ridge and Golf Mill Senior Fair
 - Radars re-certified
 - Assisted patrol when needed
 - Installed a crossing guard/traffic assistant to the entrance of Maine South on Talcott due to the traffic

Part V

Professional Standards

Professional Standards

Formal Citizen Complaints

During 2012, two formal citizen complaints were initiated. A formal citizen complaint occurs when a person completes the Citizen Complaint Affidavit form. A summary of these complaints is as follows:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Allegation</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
12-1	Failure to provide due cause, theft, bias	Not sustained/Unfounded
12-2	Illegal Search	Unfounded

Citizen Inquiries

Citizen Inquiries are investigations into an incident requested by a citizen who does not wish to file a formal complaint. These are allegations of a less serious nature. The department handled 25 of these in 2012. Of these twenty-five, four were sustained resulting in corrective action.

Administrative Reviews

There were 49 Administrative Reviews handled in 2012. These investigations relate to issues raised by supervisors or other staff members regarding the conduct of department members. Examples include missed court dates, tardiness, performance issues, etc. Of these 49, 37 were sustained resulting in corrective action.

Use of Force

An analysis of the Use of Force Reports submitted for the year 2012 is as follows:

- All Use of Force incidents and techniques were within departmental and state guidelines.
- Two officers were injured in Use of Force incidents requiring them to miss extensive periods of time due to their injuries.
- There was no discipline or remedial training required due to excessive force.
- There were no complaints of excessive force from citizens or discovered by supervisors during their review.
- There were 53 officers involved with the 30 Use of Force incidents.

- There were 58 Use of Force techniques applied. Some incidents required more than 1 Use of Force technique.
- Of the 58 Use of Force techniques applied, 35 were compliance/escort related and 23 were weapons displayed/pointed at subjects.
- Of the 30 Use of Force incidents, 26 subjects were adults and 4 subjects were juveniles.

Types of Use of Force Reports

Type of Force	2012
Display of Firearms	23
Use of Firearms	0
Baton	0
O.C. Spray	0
Compliance Technique or Escort	35
Display of Taser	0
Use of Taser	0
Other	0
Total	58

Police Pursuits

During 2012, there were no motor vehicle pursuits.

Traffic Study Data – 2011*

The following chart represents the stops for minority drivers in 2011:

Benchmark for minority drivers	29%
Actual minority drivers stopped	20%

The percentage of minority drivers stopped in Park Ridge is well below the established benchmark.

	Minority Drivers	Caucasian Drivers
Benchmark	29%	71%
Actual Stop	20%	80%

* Data is a year behind. 2012 data will not be available until Fall of 2013.

Formal Inspections

There were 80 formal inspections conducted in 2012. They were as follows:

Number	Inspection Type
12-1	C.I. Fund Audit
12-2	Undercover D.L.
12-3	MDT Transmissions
12-4	Department-wide D.L. checks
12-5	CHRI Inquiries
12-6	CHRI Inquiries
12-7	Spot Inspection – Property
12-8	Property Room – Change
12-9	CHRI Inquiries
12-10	Quarterly CQH
12-11	CHRI Inquiries
12-12	Internet Use
12-13	Secondary Employment
12-14	Confidential Funds
12-15	CHRI Inquiries
12-16	CHRI Inquiries
12-17	Quarterly Confidential Funds
12-18	In-Car Video
12-19	CADS Notes
12-20	Domestic Violence Reports
12-21	X-Guard Time Audit (AR 12-21)
12-22	April 2012 – CHRI
12-23	2 nd Quarter Domestic Violence Audit
12-24	3 rd Quarter Confidential Funds
12-25	2012 In-Car Video
12-26	2012 CADS Audit #2
12-27	2012 Domestic Violence Audit #3
12-28	2012 Monthly Evaluation Audit #1 Blue Days
12-29	2012 Daily Activity Audit
12-30	May 2012 – CHRI Inquiries
12-31	Quarterly CQH Audit
12-32	2012 CAD Notes Audit #3
12-33	Inspectional Process – Internet
12-34	June 2012 Review of CHRI Inquiries
12-35	2012 Monthly Evaluation Audit #2
12-36	2012 Court Attendance Audit #1
12-37	2012 Daily Activity Sheets Audit #2
12-38	2012 Audit CAD Notes #4
12-39	2012 Foot Patrol Audit #1
12-40	2012 Audit Daily Activity Sheets #3

12-41	Annual Radar Unit Certification
12-42	2012 Foot Patrol Audit #2
12-43	2012 Annual Court Performance Criminal Audit
12-44	2012 Monthly Evaluations Audit #3
12-45	July 2012 CHRI Inquiries
12-46	2012 Foot Patrol Audit #3
12-47	Breathalyzer Certification
12-48	2012 Foot Patrol Audit #4
12-49	2012 In-Car Video Audit #5
12-50	2012 In-Car Video Audit #6
12-51	2012 In-Car Video Audit #3
12-52	Seized Property
12-53	3 rd Property Room Audit 2012
12-54	2012 Monthly Evaluations #4
12-55	2012 In-Car Video Audit #6
12-56	MDT Transmissions
12-57	2012 Prisoner Lock-Up Report Audit (AR 12-29)
12-58	August 2012 CHRI Inquiries
12-59	Posted Items – Buildings
12-60	2012 Annual Line Inspection
12-61	Sex Offender Audit
12-62	2012 Annual Audit Court Performance – Traffic
12-63	CHRI Inquiries – September 2012
12-64	Daily Activity Sheets
12-65	2012 4 th Quarter – Confidential Funds
12-66	2012 Domestic Violence Audit
12-67	2012 In-Car Video
12-68	2012 CQH Audit
12-69	Annual Court Sick Time Audit
12-70	Church Fund Audit
12-71	Internet – Audit
12-72	2012 Court Attendance #2
12-73	2012 Court Attendance #2
12-74	Foot Patrol Audit
12-75	Daily Activity Sheets
12-76	Daily Activity Sheets
12-77	2012 Annual Subpoena Audit
12-78	Court Attendance Audit #4
12-79	CHRI Inquiries – October 2012
12-80	Annual Review of Vendors

Grievances

There were three grievances filed in 2012 by the FOP. All related to pay issues and all were resolved within the Department.

Police Involved Automobile Accidents

There were ten accidents involving a police vehicle. Four involved other drivers striking the police vehicle. Two involved another City vehicle striking a police vehicle. In one case, damage was done to the police vehicle by an unknown offender. In three accidents, police department employees were involved and determined to be at fault. Corrective action was taken in each case.

On the Job Injuries

There were fifteen on-the-job injury reports filed in 2012 with sixteen employees being injured.

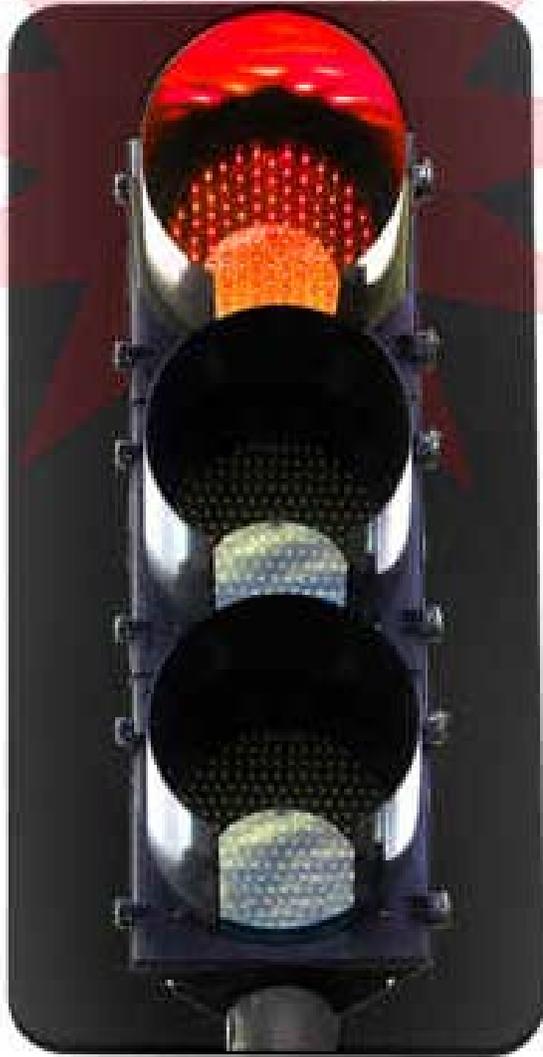
Specific Task Being Performed at the Time of Injury

Deceased body removal	2
Assaultive subject (arrest)	4
Running (foot pursuit)	4
Walking	1
Animal Control	1
Directing traffic	1
Filing	1
Climbing fence (foot pursuit)	1
Evidence processing	1

The majority of injuries to employees (10) were minor enough to permit the employee to remain at work. Six employees required medical attention.

Part VI

Red Light Camera – Impact Study



**RED
MEANS
STOP**

Red Light Camera Enforcement Programs are designed to improve intersection safety and positively

CHANGE DRIVER BEHAVIOR

The Institute supports Red Light Camera Programs for Highway Safety, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and regional branches of AAA.



Safety Statistics

A 2005 study concluded, red-light runners, at a cost in excess of \$14 billion dollars, caused 1,000 deaths and 176,000 injuries. One in three people claim they personally know someone who has been injured or killed in a Red Light Running Crash. Similar to the percentage of people who know someone injured or killed by a drunk driver. 55.8% of Americans admit to running red lights.

96% of Americans fear they will get hit by a Red Light Runner when they enter an intersection. U.S. Cities (Chicago, LA, San Francisco & New York) report accident reduction of 20-80% at intersections with operational Red Light Cameras. 2001 Harris Poll found 73% of the public supports Red Light Camera Enforcement.

Impact Study

The City of Park Ridge installed a red light photo enforcement camera to deter violators for the westbound traffic at the intersection of Oakton and Northwest Highway. The purpose of the camera was to increase safety and to decrease automobile crashes in the area. The City had received several complaints of westbound travelling vehicles running the traffic lights on Oakton to beat the trains. The Police Department started collecting data in 1994 to determine the most hazardous intersections. Since then the intersection of Oakton and Northwest Highway has consistently been in the top 10 for most crashes in the City of Park Ridge. To make matters worse, the heavy congestion in the area and the lack of personnel make enforcing the area a challenge. An automated enforcement solution was sought and the State of Illinois granted the City a red light camera permit for that area. The camera was installed in March of 2010 and after over a month of warning citations the camera became fully operational. A comprehensive study was conducted to see if the camera had an impact on safety.

The study focused on westbound traffic on Oakton from Northwest Highway to the railroad tracks. The crash rate was calculated for this traffic pattern for the two years preceding the installation of the camera and for the year in which the camera was installed. The crash rate is the number of crashes per one million vehicles that travel a certain area over a certain time. The calculation is often used by traffic engineers to measure and compare how dangerous intersections are.

$$\text{Rate} = \frac{\text{Number of Crashes X 1,000,000 Vehicles}}{\text{Number of Years X 365 Days X Volume}}$$

The volume used was 24,400 vehicles per day from 2008-2010. IDOT increased the estimated volume to 25,600 from 2010 thru 2012. This was obtained from the IDOT daily estimated vehicle volume for westbound Oakton. The following are the crash rates for 2008 through 2012 from Park Ridge Police records for westbound Oakton to the railroad tracks or Busse Hwy.

<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
$\frac{18 \times 1,000,000}{1 \times 365 \times 24,400} = 2.02$	$\frac{19 \times 1,000,000}{1 \times 365 \times 24,400} = 2.13$

<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
$\frac{13 \times 1,000,000}{1 \times 365 \times 25,600} = 1.45$	$\frac{12 \times 1,000,000}{1 \times 365 \times 25,600} = 1.28$	$\frac{17 \times 1,000,000}{1 \times 365 \times 25,600} = 1.81$

1 X 365 X 24,400

1 X 365 X 25,600

1 X 365 X 25,600

The study shows there has been relatively no change in the rate of crashes due to increased traffic volume. In addition, the camera enforcement has been shown to limit the number of personal injury accidents after they are installed by decreasing the number of angle crashes. These crashes typically occur when vehicles disobey the red light by turning left or going straight, and by turning right without stopping at a red light. The following is the number of personal injury crashes reported for 2008 thru 2012.

<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
3	3	1	0	2

The photo enforcement camera installed for the westbound traffic on Oakton at Northwest Highway has been up for approximately two years and 9 months as of 2012. Based on the above data, the impact has been positive on traffic safety. Even though the road volume increased the crash rate stayed basically the same. As for the crashes westbound on Oakton at Northwest Hwy, there were only 4. In three, the drivers were changing lanes to avoid a vehicle turning left.

The City of Park Ridge will continue to monitor the camera's impact in regards to traffic safety. The Illinois Department of Transportation considers three years a snapshot of the information gathered rather than a study. A study would include 5-10 years of data to determine what, if any, the impact has on the intersection as a whole.

The next page shows the Illinois Department of Transportation data thru 2011.

**Illinois Department of Transportation Crash Data:
This data includes crashes with more than \$1500 in losses.**

**Northwest Highway & Oakton Street
Park Ridge, IL
Crash Data Comparison & Analysis Report
Westbound
March 2007 – March 2010 *(RLRC 3yrs prior)*
April 2010 – March 2011 *(RLRC 1yr post)*
Data outside Analysis Report range included*

	Rear-End	Angle	Turning	Other	Killed	Total
*IDOT crash data 2007	5	4	6	1	0	16
IDOT crash data 2008	3	2	0	3	0	8
IDOT crash data 2009	1	1	1	4	0	7
IDOT crash data 2010	4	1	1	1	0	7
*IDOT crash data 2011	4	1	2	0	0	7

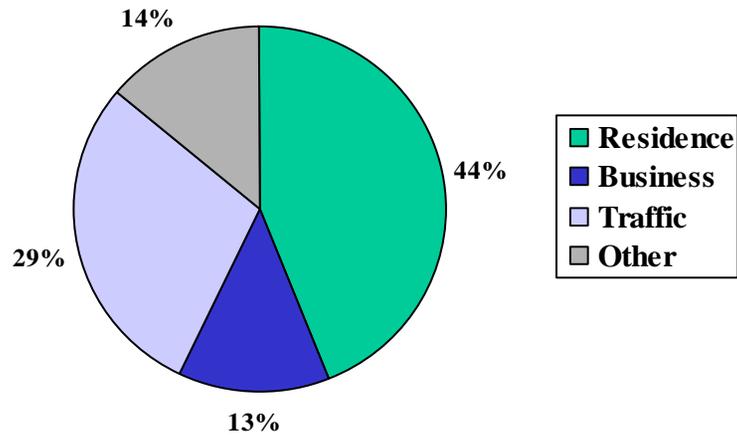
- Other indicates the following: Pedestrian, Pedalcyclist, Fixed Object, and Sideswipe

Part VII

Police Surveys

1st-3rd Quarter Police Survey 2012

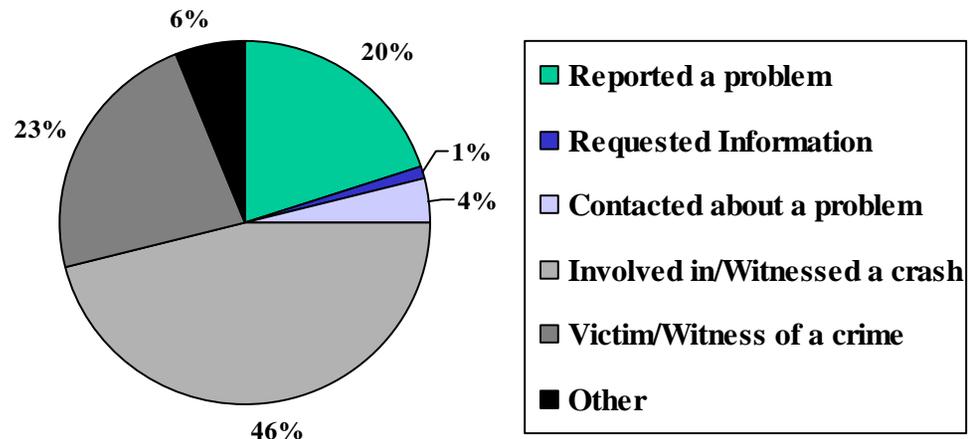
Location of Service



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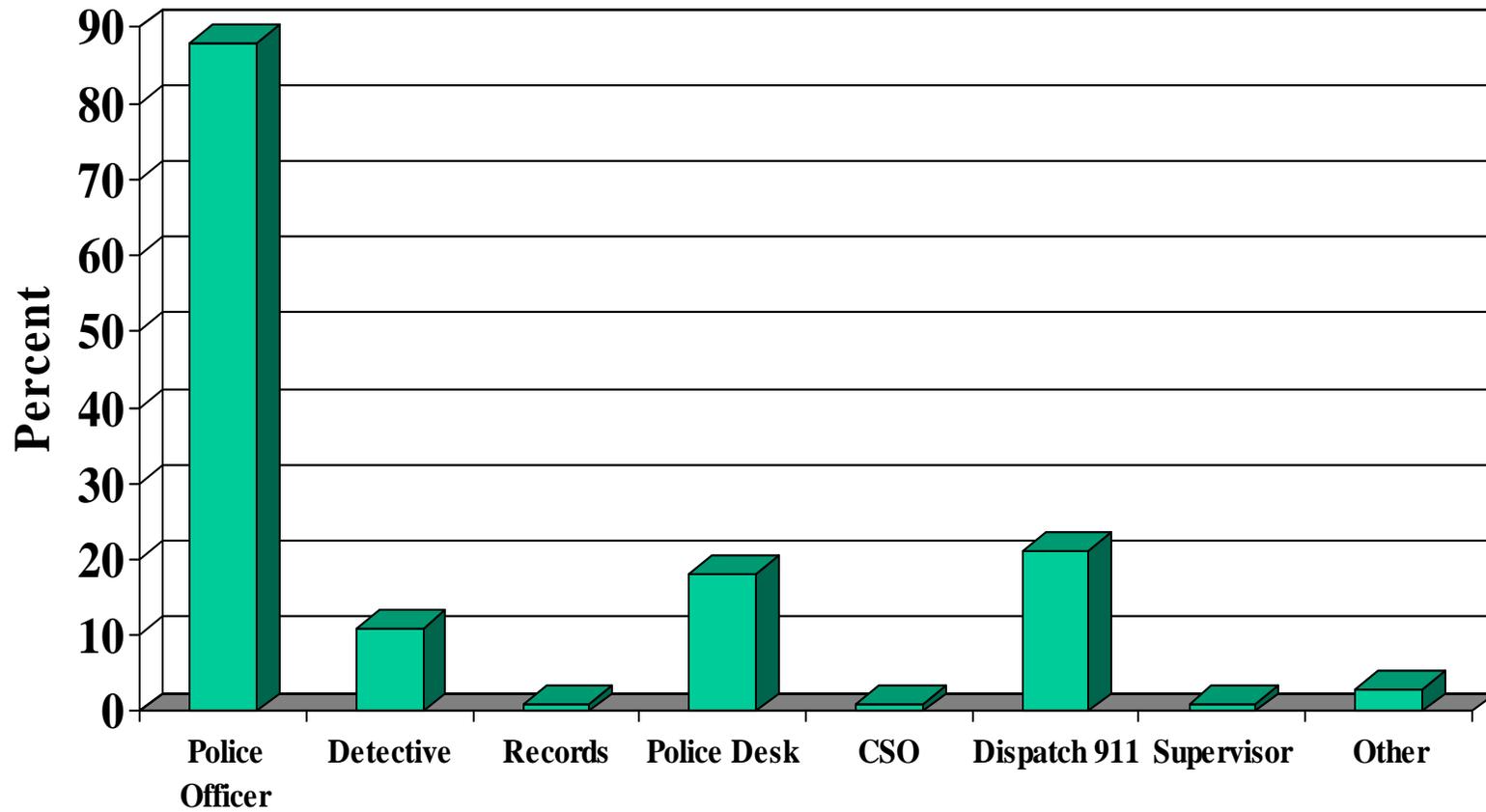
50 surveys are sent out after the 1st and 15th of each month to randomly selected persons involved in incidents in each 2 week time period. 300 surveys are sent out each quarter, and there is approximately a 26% return rate.

Nature of Service

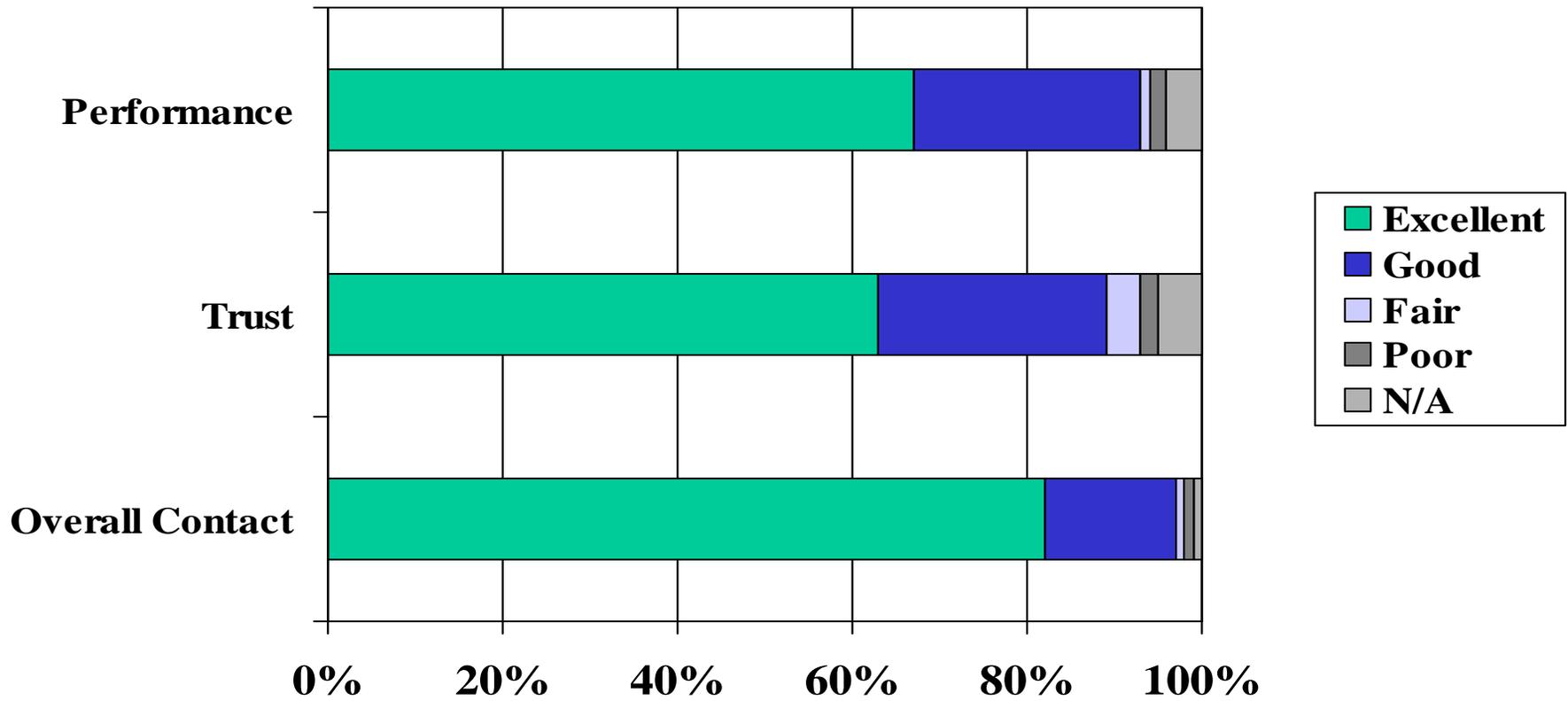


Due to the transition to a new survey system, the 3rd quarter surveys were not sent out for incidents from the last half of September 2012 or the 4th quarter.

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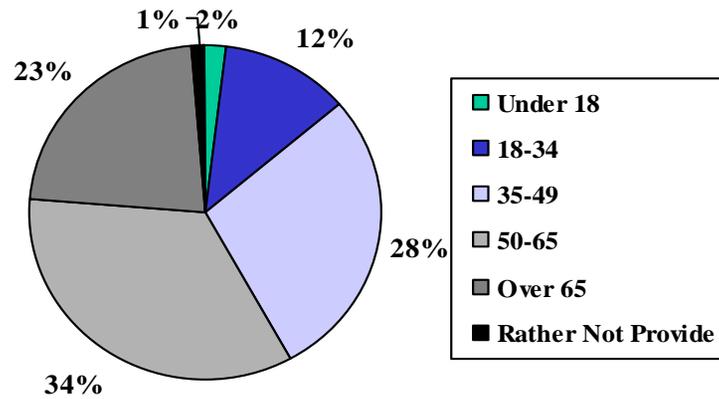


Ratings

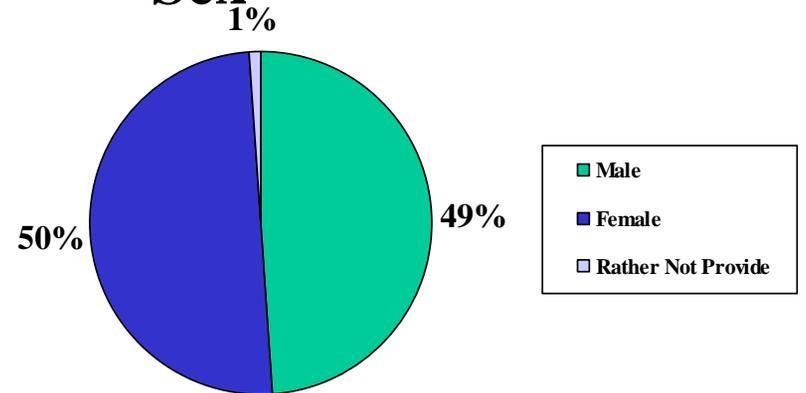


Demographics

Age



Sex





Maine Community Youth Assistance Foundation

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 22, 2012

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Park Ridge Parent Patrol A Success – Looking for More Volunteers

The Park Ridge Parent Patrol is a program of MCYAF and the Park Ridge Police launched in May 2011. The program was viewed as a possible step toward creating greater community understanding of the issue of underage drinking, while allowing citizens to be an active part of the solution. Parent Patrol began during the high school prom and graduation seasons, which traditionally brought increases in underage drinking parties and the related negative consequences. Volunteer patrollers are given the option to “ride along” on a Friday or Saturday night or remain on call to respond in the event of underage drinking parties. The Patroller responsibility is to observe the responding officers and assist in ensuring the safe transference of the youth into parental care.

MCYAF conducted an anonymous survey receiving responses from 26 of the 37 Parent Patrol volunteers. Results indicate that Parent Patrol was a very positive experience for participants, providing an insider’s view of the police, their responsibilities, challenges and professional capabilities. Additionally, results indicate a significant improvement in the participants’ confidence in the Park Ridge Police Department’s ability to deal with the public, crime prevention, crime solving and underage drinking. Participants largely understood that everyone in the community plays a role in ensuring the safety of our youth. Patrollers cited reasons for participation to include making a difference, assisting families during what could be a difficult time, to gaining understanding and appreciation for the police officers and the complexity of situations they face from day to day.

Residents’ personal attitudes, behaviors and expectations both shape and influence the overall health and safety our community and teens. Parent Patrol acts as a visible reminder to youth that the community wants better than the adage “teen drinking is inevitable” it is a “rite of passage”. Alcohol and drug prevention science tells us when teens perceive that a community is accepting or neutral to the issue of teen drinking or drug use, the greater the prevalence of teen drinking. Conversely, community concern and visible action to address teen drinking and drug use, reduces the prevalence. While teens tend to push boundaries, there is

greater motivation to live up to adult expectations. Parent Patrol sends a clear message that we care about the safety, health and wellbeing of our teens and that underage drinking is not okay.

Anyone interested in volunteering for Parent Patrol should contact Police Chief Frank Kaminski at (847) 318-5252 or email fkaminsk@parkridgepolice.org. New volunteer training will be held April 24, from 7-8 p.m., in the Park Ridge Public Works building. Interested citizens are requested to pre-register.

About MCYAF

The Maine Community Youth Assistance Foundation is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide Maine Township residents with a foundation to make healthier choices. MCYAF works with parents, schools, police, youth, government, health care providers, social service, faith and civic organizations toward a common goal of healthy youth. MCYAF secures federal and state grants as well as corporate and private donations for programs and services that promote improved health for residents. For more information, see www.mcyaf.com or contact us at (847) 858-7090.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM PARK RIDGE PARENT PATROL SURVEY

- For about half the respondents, at least one reason for signing up is some sort of curiosity about the police (see detail of Question 1).
 - to learn how police officers handle situations
 - learn more about how our Police Officers work with the community
 - learn more about the Police's views on the issues and challenges in Park Ridge
 - see first-hand what goes on on a typical night
 - learn about the officers and what they deal with
 - get to know the police officers
 - I was very curious about police ride-alongs
- Other frequently mentioned reasons for signing up are to assist the police, support or encourage the parents of youthful offenders, reduce or prevent underage drinking, and make a difference in the community (see detail of Question 1).
 - to assist families with situations involving underage alcohol usage and help build a stronger relationship between the police and our community
 - assist in situations and help bridge the gap between the Police Dept. and families
 - insure that parents of offending students felt that their interests were being preserved and to support the police in what could be a difficult and highly charged event
 - demonstrate to our local youth that the parents support the Police Department
 - protect children
 - discourage and prevent underage drinking
 - help solve the problem of underage drinking
 - make a difference in my community
 - do my part to keep our community safer
- 24 of 25 respondents (96%) would volunteer again.
- 24 of 25 respondents (96%) talked to their neighbors about the program. Descriptions are very positive (see detail of Question 5).
 - an excellent method to understand the role of the police. Very enlightening and educational
 - it doesn't require a huge commitment, and I believe if we all just commit to 2 days of our weekend we can make a difference and help promote a safer community
 - very interesting and fun

easy to volunteer, great to be in touch with our police dept. and public issues, does not require a lot of time

cool to see what officers do and how they really interact with our kids (very positive)

a night by night opportunity for parents to partner with police in a community effort to keep our kids safe

ride along. Chance to see how complicated an officer's shift can be. Learn not to take them for granted - they know the community very well

- 20 of 25 respondents (80%) recommended to a neighbor that they should volunteer.
- Most participants had a positive view of the police before volunteering and a more positive view after (see summary of Questions 7-10.).
- Participants think the training was valuable. Parts of the experience they most strongly value are riding along with an officer and the conversations they had with officers.
- 18 of 24 respondents (75%) think involving youth would improve the program.
- Respondents' commitment to the program and to helping their community is demonstrated by the number and quality of comments and the advice offered for improving Parent Patrol (see detail of Other Comments).

Thank you for the opportunity and the experience. I can't wait to help out again. I also appreciate the limited time commitment. I believe if we all do our part and take a few hours on the weekend that we can make a difference in preventing youth alcohol and drug use.

riding along with an officer one can learn a lot about just keeping a watchful eye on the area you are patrolling. Officers have the knack of seeing what could be going on besides drinking

I witnessed the police stop a car full of kids, question them and send them on their way. It was fascinating. The police officer had a lot of discretion in what he wanted and could do about the situation. He explained everything to me. It was great

the conversations with officers on-call time was great

more training with how to work with parents whose children were caught drinking alcohol would help

there needs to be a clearer understanding of exactly what is the role of the Patrol in police interventions

some of us are willing to serve in special capacities, i.e., standby duty rather than ride-along. There never has been any recognition of that offer since it was tendered

I really enjoyed my ride-along and learned a tremendous amount about the PRPD and issues Park Ridge faces in that short time. That experience alone tremendously enhanced my opinion of the PRPD and my confidence in the way they are approaching their task

SOURCE: Survey of 36 former volunteers, Feb. 2012, with 26 respondents. Some respondents did not answer all questions. Analysis by Arthur Lyons.

PARK RIDGE PARENT PATROL: BEFORE AND AFTER

Volunteers had a higher opinion of the police after their experience.

8. BEFORE participating in the program, what was your opinion of the police department with regard to:

Answer Options	Very good	Good	Not good	No opinion	Answered question	Skipped question
Dealing with the public	50.0%	42.3%	0.0%	7.7%	26	0
Crime prevention	53.8%	38.5%	3.8%	3.8%	26	0
Crime solving	44.0%	44.0%	4.0%	8.0%	25	1
Dealing with underage drinking	38.5%	50.0%	7.7%	3.8%	26	0
Response to emergencies	80.8%	15.4%	0.0%	3.8%	26	0

10. AFTER participating in the program, what is your opinion of the police department with regard to:

Answer Options	Very good	Good	Not good	No opinion	Answered question	Skipped question
Dealing with the public	96.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	25	1
Crime prevention	76.0%	20.0%	0.0%	4.0%	25	1
Crime solving	64.0%	24.0%	4.0%	8.0%	25	1
Dealing with underage drinking	68.0%	28.0%	0.0%	4.0%	25	1
Response to emergencies	87.5%	8.3%	0.0%	4.2%	24	2

Volunteers generally did not change their opinion about responsibility for keeping alcohol from youth.

7. BEFORE participating in the program, who did you think was responsible for preventing youth drinking?						
Answer Options	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	No opinion	Answered question	Skipped question
The individual youth	56.0%	40.0%	4.0%	0.0%	25	1
The businesses that sell alcohol	44.0%	40.0%	16.0%	0.0%	25	1
Schools and teachers	20.0%	68.0%	12.0%	0.0%	25	1
You and your family	57.7%	30.8%	0.0%	11.5%	26	0
The Police	24.0%	68.0%	8.0%	0.0%	25	1
Sports leagues or coaches	28.0%	60.0%	8.0%	4.0%	25	1
Youth organizations (such as Boy and Girl Scouts)	28.0%	60.0%	8.0%	4.0%	25	1
Churches and local clergy	24.0%	60.0%	16.0%	0.0%	25	1

9. AFTER participating in the program, who do you think is responsible for preventing youth drinking?						
Answer Options	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	No opinion	Answered question	Skipped question
The individual youth	63.6%	31.8%	4.5%	0.0%	22	4
The businesses that sell alcohol	45.5%	50.0%	4.5%	0.0%	22	4
Schools and teachers	27.3%	63.6%	9.1%	0.0%	22	4
You and your family	66.7%	25.0%	0.0%	8.3%	24	2
The Police	27.3%	68.2%	4.5%	0.0%	22	4
Sports leagues or coaches	26.1%	60.9%	13.0%	0.0%	23	3
Youth organizations (such as Boy and Girl Scouts)	26.1%	65.2%	8.7%	0.0%	23	3
Churches and local clergy	26.1%	60.9%	13.0%	0.0%	23	3

SOURCE: Survey of former volunteers, Feb. 2012, Questions 7-10. Computations and formatting by Margaret Polovchak and Arthur Lyons.

Part VIII

Goals 2013

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- Coordinate the on-going building renovation phases
- Examine the feasibility of a citizen complaint review process
- Complete the review of the general order manual
- Complete the updating of the Department's website
- Examine alternatives for utilizing our volunteer programs
- Implement a "Coffee with Cop" Program for our Beat Team Leaders
- Coordinate the transition to the Des Plaines PD Communications Center
- Examine alternatives to providing police dispatch services
- Join in the NORTAF Burglary Task Force to improve burglary clearances
- Examine strategies to impact on the burglary clearance rate